

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 22, 2019 –Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### THE GREAT TIDINGS OF TURNAROUND

Isaiah 9:1-7 - For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

It takes The Zeal of The Lord of Hosts to cause a great turnaround. The Christmas season is not really a period of worldly felicitation per se but **a time to appreciate our Lord for coming to give us His Life**. The Lord Jesus paid a gruesome price of laying down His Life in order that we can experience a great turnaround. Isaiah 9:2 - “The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.” It would take only God to cause the great turnaround of the destiny of any man. Man cannot offer a great turnaround to his fellow man without God’s intervention.

**The first thing that opened up The New Testament is This Great Tiding of The Incarnation of Jesus Christ**. It is a season of great joy. Luke 2:10 - “And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.” We are in The season of a Great Turnaround; it might seem nothing is happening but be assured God is always working behind the scene. We had about 400 Years of silence between Malachi and Matthew, but God was working all through as we saw Him manifest in the flesh in The Person of Jesus Christ in Matthew 1. **John 1:14 says The Word became flesh and dwelled among us**. Galatians 4:4 - But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law.

**Most of the time, when a glad tiding is coming from Heaven, it is preceded with “Fear Not”** - Luke 1:13, 30. Fear is a bondage that kills many before their time. God has not given us the spirit of fear. You may not know how your great turnaround will come, but God says fear not. He said in Heb. 4:12 that His Word is Quick and Powerful, sharper than any two edged sword. When the power of God falls upon your life, every difficulty becomes a cheap possibility.

#### Criteria for Great Turnaround in Mary’s Life

1. She is highly favored
2. The Lord is with you
3. She is blessed / highly favored among all women.

In closing, when the Great Turnaround came to Zechariah and Elizabeth, barrenness turned to Fruitfulness. Luke 1:67-70. Luke 1:37 says Nothing, you see, is impossible with God.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CJpvNCvNK-0>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 15, 2019 –A/P Wole Olubajo*

### THE PREEMIENCE OF CHRIST

Colossians 1:18 - And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things He might have the preeminence.

**What does Preeminence mean?** It means to be First, to hold the First Rank or Highest Dignity. Preeminence Means Superiority, Dominance, Eminence, Primacy, Transcendence, Prestigiousness and Unquestionable Authority. To have First Place in All and Every Thing. The Word was only used once in the Entire Bible. He is The Creator of the Universe. Col. 1:16

1. In Him all things consist; Upholder of All Things - Col. 1:17
2. He is The Head of The Church. Col. 1:18
3. He is The FirstBorn from the Dead. Col. 1:18
4. In Him are hidden all the treasures of Wisdom and Knowledge. Col. 2:3
5. The Embodiment of The GodHead - Col. 2:9
6. The Head of All Principality and Power - Col. 2:10

### Admonishment to Believers

1. Giving Thanks to The Father Who has made you Qualified to partakers of the Inheritance of the saints in light. Col. 1:12
2. Christ in You, the hope of Glory. 1:27
3. As you have received Christ Jesus, so Walk in Him. 2:6
4. Rooted and Built up in Him. 2:7
5. Beware of doing things not according to Christ - 2:8
6. Beware of not holding fast to the Head, from whom all the body, nourished and knit together by joints and ligaments, grows with the increase *that is* from God. 2:19
7. Let The Word of Christ dwell in you richly - Col. 3:16
8. And whatever you do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. 3:17

In closing, “If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory”.

Video Teaching: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2tfikfTviSA>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 8, 2019 – Pastor (Mrs.) Brenda Ademoroti*

### WHERE WILL YOU SPEND ETERNITY?

Matthew 19:16-26 - “But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.”

Where are you planning to spend eternity? Or do you think your time on this earth will not expire one day? The sole purpose of Christianity is for us to live the Life of Christ that draws others to Him.

There are two journeys every man will take in life, one journey leads to everlasting joy with Christ, and the other journey leads to everlasting pain and crying. Many claim to know God as believers, but nothing in their lives professes Christ. Eternity is more real than anything in life. The Journey to everlasting Life with Christ is eternal bliss and praises to God. Which journey as a believer do you prefer? Eternity of crying, sickness, or Eternity of Joy with God? Our relationship with God on earth will determine where we will spend our Eternity

### Rules to Spending Eternity with God

1. You must realize being Born Again is the beginning of the journey to spending Eternity with God
2. You must learn to obey God in everything.
3. You must learn to worship God in Truth and in Spirit. You must also learn to pray in Tongues according to The Holy Spirit.
4. **You must love God with all your heart. God must be number 1 in everything.**
5. You must not kill by your words, actions, and general dispositions especially as it relates to others.
6. You must abstain from adultery and all forms of lust.
7. You must not steal. Stealing encompasses taking others things without their permission, like stealing time from your offices, etc.
8. **You must not bear false witnesses to one another.**
9. You must honor your Father and Mother
10. **You must love your neighbor as yourself.** A test of your love is how many of your neighbor have you led to Christ?

Have you checked that you are qualified to make Heaven? Are you still indulging in sin? **When any man goes to hell, there is no remedy; the door of Mercy is shut to anyone in hell.** How many people have you shown the love of Christ to? This singular act paves your way to spending Eternity with God. There is no escape of God's Judgment for every sinner. John 5:29 says "And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation." The Punishment in hell is everlasting.

**Heaven is a place of peace, joy and enjoyment with Christ. Hell is a place of sorrow, agony, anguish and unquenchable fire without end.** Mark 9:43. Our Lord and Savior offers Life and He is ever ready to accept anyone Who calls upon Him. Christ took our sin and was made sin for us out of His Love. 2 Corinthians 5:21. He died to set us free, that we might have Life, and be called the children of God. He borne our sins so we will not end in hell? Are you going to waste His Investment on your life?

In closing, which journey are you preparing for? On the journey to Heaven or Hell? Anything you have now that is giving you joy outside of Christ will one day fade away - be it cars, clothes, houses, etc, all will fade away with time.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3yGz6RLEWQw&t=4s>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 1, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### A TRUE EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE

Psalm 69:30-36 - "I will praise The Name of God with a song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving."

#### Song

The Works of Your Hand magnify You,  
The angels in Heaven sing Thy Name,  
And all the saints together sing,  
Blessed Be Thy Name, Blessed Be Thy Name.

As the Handiwork of God, God wants us to praise Him day and night. **Regardless of what you are going through as a believer in Christ, be assured all will be well as you express true gratitude to God.** True Gratitude is praising God for all He has done and in faith knowing that all will be well.

The Psalmist (Ps 69:1-3) appears to be going through a very turbulent period. He had questions for God but yet he expressed his true gratitude to God. Whatever may happen, we should be resolute to give and express True Gratitude to God. **Many times we forget to give thanks to God because we were not deliberate to carefully give thanks to Him.** Jesus said sufficient are the evil of every day; but thanks be to God Who always come to our deliverance.

Psalm 66:10-12 says "For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou hast tried us, as silver is tried. Thou broughtest us into the net; thou laidst affliction upon our loins. Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place."

Psalm 92:5 says "O Lord, how great are thy works! and thy thoughts are very deep." The thoughts of God is so deep over our lives, that's why we are not consumed by the enemy. The Israelite were complaining and murmuring against God and they were destroyed by the destroyer. In life you are either giving thanks to God or indirectly complaining Him. God has been Faithful over our lives, hence He deserves our True Praise and Gratitude. Be grateful for what The Lord has done. Psalm 34:2 says "My soul shall make her boast in The Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad."

In closing, Habakkuk 3:17-19 says "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: **Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.** The Lord God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments. When we praise Him for what He has done and what He is yet to do, He will grant us Divine Speed to get to our High Places."

Psalm 149 also says "Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp. For the Lord taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation. Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds. Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand; To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the Lord."

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cI7V4skyu1I>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 24, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### A BLANK CHECK FROM THE LORD

Text: Mark 10:46-51 - And they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, sat by the highway side begging. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

Christ said we should ask The Father for anything in His Name and He will do it. John 14. God can get so much done in a split of seconds. A lot can still be done this year as God is not limited by time. Our God is unlimited, He can do anything anytime anywhere, all He asks is where is your Faith? He can heal all sickness, He can turnaround any destiny in no time.

God is inexhaustive in power and provision; Romans 11:33 says O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out! The whole needs of mankind can not deplete His Riches. Phil. 4:19 says But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Though God is so rich, He is ever looking for Vessels to Dispense those Riches. That's why He said ask and it shall be given to you. If an earthly king can make an offer to Esther (Esther 5:6) of a blank check, how much more our Heavenly King? Romans 8:32 says "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?"

#### Lessons From Our Above Text

1. Jesus passed through Jericho with no recorded miracle, but on passing out of Jericho, Blind Bartimaeus heard of His passing-by, cried for His Mercy and The Lord hearkened.
2. Just like Blind Bartimaeus, many are spiritually blind, having no vision for their lives, The Lord is here this morning for you to cry out to Him to change your story. We need to pray for The Lord to restore our Vision. Like a blind man, a man without vision is grossly limited as he is ever dependent on people.
3. Blind Bartimaeus sat by the highway side, we could infer he was staying in a place where he could be seen publicly. In every Service, The Lord Jesus (The Head of The Church) is always passing by for His Believers to call onto Him.
4. Blind Bartimaeus was at the right place at the right time where Jesus was going to pass. I pray you will never miss your day of Glory. In Genesis 27:30, Esau due to carelessness missed his birth right blessing.
5. Just as Blind Bartimaeus was singled out of the crowd for Mercy, our prayer is that God will single you out for His Mercy. Blind Bartimaeus connected to Jesus by faith though he was without sight. Faith is our currency and connection to The God Who can do all things. Blind Bartimaeus praised and eulogized The Lord Jesus and he received his sight
6. The Lord used the same people that discouraged him as a medium of His miracle as they were used to relay the message that The Lord is calling him. Jesus asked him - what do you want Me to do for you?

Jabez was in a similar position but he cried to The Lord for a change of position and God granted his request. God has brought you here to put an end to a life without vision and purpose. There is an end to every situation and that end is now in The Name of Jesus. Just as The Lord made haste to help Blind Bartimaeus, May He make haste to help him. Ps 38:22 says "Make haste to help me, O Lord my salvation."

#### Conditions to Cash Your Blank Check

1. He persisted. Don't give up.
2. Have dogged faith as faith is the currency to get anything from Heaven
3. Be expectant
4. He asked the right thing - his sight be restored.
5. He knew that it was his time and he made sure that time never passed him by

In conclusion, an instruction from Jehovah is all we need in life -

And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

Sermon Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ByJe\\_PKFA0&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ByJe_PKFA0&feature=youtu.be)

# **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

## **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 17, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **ANOINTING FOR DOUBLE PORTION**

Text: Isaiah 61:1-7 - To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified. [4] And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations. 6] But ye shall be named the Priests of the Lord : men shall call you the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves. [7] For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.

This text is our story before end of this Year in Jesus Name. You are not permitted to end this year empty. Upon Mount Zion there shall be deliverance and there shall be holiness and the House of Jacob shall possess their possession - Obadiah 1:17. Exodus 3:21 says “And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty.”

From our above text God was promising His People restoration and Double Portion for every lost virtue; Beauty for ashes, oil for Joy for mourning and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. The Glory of The Latter must surpass the former. God has promised to restore every wasted year. God can go as back as our foundation and repair what needs to be fixed in order to change your story.

Case Study of Elijah and Elisha from 2 Kings 2:9-12.

#### **How Can You Connect To The Double**

1. When The Spirit of The Lord rests upon You - Isaiah 11:1-2
2. When The Hand of God comes upon you.
3. You can get it in the place of a Prayer. Acts 13:1-2
4. When God anoints You. Psalm 92:9

#### **How do I Receive The Double**

1. Don't settle for less
2. Be ready to sacrifice
3. You must be a good and committed follower - Romans 8:35
4. Be expectant in Faith. Heb. 11:6

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ovK9q50ouRQ>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 10, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### YOUR HEART, YOUR MONEY AND THE KINGDOM

Text: Matthew 19:16-24 - Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me. But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions. Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven. And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

The above text is an account of The Lord with a certain young rich ruler who wanted to know what else to do (having kept all the commandments) in order to inherit Eternal Life. The Lord's response surprised him that he should go and sell all he has and give to the poor. The Kingdom of God is not in eating and drinking but in righteousness, peace and joy in The Holy Ghost. We were redeemed to make impact in life as all our earthly possessions and qualifications carry no eternal value. Only our investments towards the Kingdom of God have Eternal Value. A man's life does not consist of the abundance of the things he has. The young rich ruler went away sad because he had much riches he didn't want to part with. **Everything God has given to us is on Trust.** He starts by giving us little in order to test our faithfulness. Your wealth is a gift from God and not your making. God has deposited some grace into your hands on Trust. Not everyone has been engraced by God to do what you do effortlessly. Never take God's gift for granted as such could be withdrawal if you are unfaithful. Many are living their lives based on what they have without any thought of making investment in God's Kingdom.

God wants us to plan but not to be so consumed with selfish desires like that the rich man that had lots of barns but was only interested in hoarding and making his soul merry and his soul was taken from him that night. Scripture asked to whom would all those things he labored for go to? His problem was that he was not Kingdom minded. Luke 12:16-21. Empty we came and empty we will go. It is what we have invested in The Kingdom of God that follows you after death to the other side of Eternity. God wants us to be the head but not to make money our god nor be stingy towards the poor and His Kingdom. Money has been the devil's trap to a lot of people, marriages and destinies. A man's life does not consist in the abundance in things he has. **Your joy should never be on your earthly possessions but on The Lord Jesus Christ.**

#### We are Treasurers of God

Money has given a lot of people false confidence, but they soon discovered money has wings. Never trade your salvation for anything. As believers we were redeemed to add value to others. **God gives us things so as to add value to others.** The Lord gave the parable of the sower in Luke 8. 1 Timothy 6:17-19 - "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; **Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.**

#### Things to do with Your Money and Position

1. Use it for The Kingdom of God and make sure you help, develop and support others with all God has given you.
2. Love the people of God with all that you have. Gal. 6:17
3. Live a sacrificial life. God Himself sacrificially gave His Son to us. Romans 8:32

In closing, money does not bring joy, only Christ guarantees joy. It is The Blessing of God that makes rich without adding any sorrow. Let God be the center of all you do. Matt. 6:19 enjoins us to lay up our Treasure in Heaven.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-jdBTTAZDX4>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 3, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### YOUR TOMORROW IS BETTER THAN YOUR PAST

Text: Isaiah 42:8-12 - “I am the Lord: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images. **Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare:** before they spring forth I tell you of them. Sing unto the Lord a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof. Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up their voice, the villages that Kedar doth inhabit: let the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains. Let them give glory unto the Lord, and declare his praise in the islands.”

**As a child of God, your heritage in Christ is a brighter future.** God preserves our life for His Sake. This is why we should be full of thanksgiving to Him. God said in Isaiah 43:18-19 “Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness. And rivers in the desert.”

Regardless of whatever God has done in the past, He desires to do more for you in this New Season. He said He will do better as you offer the sacrifice of Praise unto Him. God wants no man to share His Glory. In 2 Samuel 12:18-24, **David despite losing a child offered uncommon praise to God;** God in turn blessed him with Solomon.

Habakkuk 3:17-19 says – “Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: **Yet I will rejoice in the Lord,** I will joy in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments.”

When you praise Him for your losses, The Lord will set you on High. **Looking back will only set you back,** it will not let you praise God just as it is unsafe for a driver to keep his gaze on the rear mirror.

Stop ruminating on the past mistakes, for your tomorrow is better than your past. Cease from focusing on the past mistakes and failures, for **Psalm 30:5 says weeping may endure for the night, but joy comes in the morning.** The night is usually a period of torment, filled with secret tears but the dawning of the day brings a brighter hope as you praise Him. A living dog is better than a dead lion. There is still hope for you as long as you are living. Lot's wife looked back and became salt. Looking back to Egypt did not allow many Israelite get into The Promise Land.

In closing, praise Him continuously as declared by Psalm 67:5-7 – “**Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase;** and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.” Release yourself from every sorrow and failure of the past.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Frg-brFXQng>



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 27, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### ARISE TAKE UP YOUR BED AND WALK

Text: John 5:1-11 - “Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the Sabbath.”

To Arise is a commandment to make progress and advance in life. God has purposed to raise some people up. From the above text, the impotent man had been in that position for 38 years, yet some were questioning why he was made whole by The Lord on the Sabbath day. No matter how long you have been in that predicament God is here to take care of those situations. The impotent man did not approach The Lord but The Lord in His Mercy singled him out of the crowd.

Bethesda means House of Mercy. It is a picture of The Church where God changes destiny. Psalm 102:13 says Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come.

Pools or lakes usually stink, because there is no flow of fresh water. Many are in or by the pool of affliction like this impotent man. Only The Lord Jesus Christ is The One Who can truly end a 38-year affliction. Turn your focus to The Lord Who made The Heavens and the earth, not any mortal man whose his breath can be seized any moment.

Impotency is a state of helplessness, powerlessness and inactiveness.

Arise is a command to get up from every lamelessness and begin to walk into higher dimensions of God's Glory. Arise means to leave and get off from every distasteful situation. It also means to advance. Take up your bed means begin to take charge and be a master over whatever situation is holding you down. To walk means to make progress, move to your next level and place of glory.

#### Things That Often Tie People Down

1. A person can be tied down because they are physically challenged.
2. A man could be tied down psychologically (mentally).
3. A man by spell could be forced against his will to remain in the same spot.
4. A man could also be tied down by sin. Sin will incapacitate a man. John 5:14.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dmjslQvVZE>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 20, 2019 – Pastor (Mrs.) Lola Awobajo*

### LEAN ON ME

Text: Psalm 71:1-9 - "In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion."

The Lord wants us to lean on Him as our Strong Tower and Refuge. Christ alone is our safety, protection, and deliverance in this wicked world. No man is capable to take the place of Christ in our lives. He said I will never leave you nor forsake you.

To LEAN means to rely on Someone or something to support and hold you up especially in challenging situations. Without leaning on that Person, you are bound to fall. Nobody is a dependable lean except God Alone. There is no true support anywhere under heaven apart from God. Educational qualifications, beauty, money, connections, etc, are all unreliable and not trust worthy, only God is ever reliable and trust worthy. This is our confidence and trust that He will never let down those who lean on Him. The Psalmist in this Psalm was recounting how The Lord had been his support and help from the womb. He said even at his old age he will not stop loving and trusting in The Lord.

As believers in Christ Jesus, we are to follow a similar pattern of the Psalmist by continually leaning on The Lord. He was recounting how The Lord has being his deliverance from the cruel powers of this world. God is ever faithful even in our unfaithfulness, He shows us His Mercy night and day. We could say from this Psalm that the Psalmist had a very deep knowledge of This God, hence he could say "Lord in You I put my Trust".

This Psalm also helps us to hope in The Lord. Hope is a positive expectation for a heart desire. God is the source of our hope, peace, blessing, strength and everything. God will never disappoint those who hope in Him. Many believers are not leaning on The Lord because they believe they can handle all situations alone. God usually does not interferes when He is not invited.

When you feel like you don't know what to do in any situation, I Counsel you to just lean on The Lord Jesus, He makes all things beautiful in His Own time. Never stop praying and trusting in Him. He said in Matthew 11:28-30 "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Psalm 91:4 says "He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler". Prov. 29:25 says "The fear of man brings a snare, But whoever trusts in the Lord shall be safe."

#### How Do I Receive Answers To My Prayers

1. Have Divine Faith. Believe that God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. Matt. 14:31, Heb. 11:6
2. Be a True Child of God. Rom. 12:19
3. Leaning on The Everlasting Arm of The Almighty God

In closing, whether you feel strong or weak, Jesus alone is your dependable support. Swallow your pride and trust in God. Call on The Lord in all situations, He has promised He would by no means cast out any that come to Him. He is The Only One Who never disappoints. He is The Helper of those who trust on Him. Wait patiently on Him, He will never disappoint you. Leaning on Jesus is so crucial in this journey of the Christian Faith. He has promised to always be there in every circumstance. His steadfast love and compassion are new every morning, and great is His Faithfulness toward us. A significant aspect of our lives should be the continual praise of God. The Praises of God must never cease in your mouth regardless of the situation.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jryvNU47d70>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 13, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### POSSESSING YOUR INHERITANCE

Text: Joshua 14:10-14

You have an Inheritance as a believer in Christ Jesus. A man will not be able to possess an Inheritance that is not his. **Every child of God has a right to certain blessings in The Lord**, Salvation, peace, deliverance, divine protection, greatness, progress, Joy, divine healing are part of our Innumerable Inheritance in Christ. Deut. 32:9-14 is our theme in Isaac Generation for this month.

Ephesians 1:11 says **"In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will."** Obadiah 1:17 says "But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions."

People often fight and even go to court over claiming their inheritance. There is a warfare that is often engaged in a bid to possessing your inheritance. Israel for instance, had to fight many battles in the wilderness in their bid to possessing their inheritance of Canaan Land (Land flowing with milk and honey). **No lazy man possesses his inheritance, because there are often enemies standing on the way.** Spiritually, we have to wage war against all contending forces to possess our inheritance. Since the days of John the Baptist The Kingdom of God suffers violence, and the violent take it by force. God says ask it shall be given, seek you shall find and knock it shall be opened.

**Caleb is our focal point and case study in our bid to possessing our inheritance.** Numbers 14:24 - But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.

1. Caleb was one of the two men that brought a good report when the 12 spies went to spy the land of Promise.
2. He confessed before the congregation that they are able to possess the land despite the opposition.
3. Caleb even in his old age demanded and possessed his inheritance 45 Years later

#### What made Caleb Qualified to Possess His Inheritance

1. Caleb had the right attitude. He had a "can do all things attitude" (Phil. 4:13).
2. **He had another spirit with him and had followed God fully** - Num 24:14.
3. He was patient. 45 Years was a long waiting period but he waited. Han. 2:3 says the vision may tarry wait for it.

#### Things that Rob a Man of His Inheritance

1. Ignorance will make you to lose your inheritance. All our inheritance are embedded in The Word of God, but ignorance of what God has said will rob a man of his inheritance. Ignorance will keep you less than what you are.
2. Sin will strip you of your divine inheritance. Pro. 13:14
3. **Laziness is also a robber of one's inheritance.** Prov. 24:30-34
4. Immaturity is also a robber. Gal. 4:1-3
5. Fear - Num. 14:12-14
6. **Prayerlessness.** John 16:24

In closing, Job 22:28 says **"Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways."** You have to declare and decree your inheritance into manifestation. Also James 1:6 says "But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed." You should not doubt what God has said.

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 6, 2019 – Hope Davis*

### NURTURING A THANKFUL HEART

#### ANNUAL CHOIR WEEKEND

Habakkuk 3:17 says “Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: **Yet I will rejoice in The Lord, I will joy in The God of my salvation.**”

From our above text, no circumstance should be big enough to keep you from rendering praise and thanksgiving to God. Every time we come to His Presence, it should be with a joyful heart. We are in His Sanctuary and not the mortuary.

James 1:17 says “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from The Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.”

**We should never be casual in our thanksgiving to God.** We should not be begged before we give thanks to God.

When we give thanks, it strengthens and empowers our relationship with God. It also reorganizes our brains and thinking. In addition, a thankful heart draws one closer to God.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 says “**In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.**” It is sad that many have seen Thanksgiving and Praise as mere rituals we do in the Church. We are to give thanks in all circumstances because God is greater than anything we can imagine. We serve a Big God. Thanksgiving is the will of God in every situation as it provokes a Divine intervention.

In closing, I beseech you never to allow anything keep you from nurturing a thankful heart to The Lord.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5jnQZ3Rr5JM>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 29, 2019 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

### CHRIST – THE BELIEVER'S INHERITANCE

Texts: Col. 1:12; 2:5-6 - "Giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light." **"As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him."**

We could define an Inheritance as a Treasure or asset of great value bestowed to an individual. In many cases it is bequeathed (via a will) to the beneficiary upon the death of the testator. An inheritance could be positive or negative, an asset or a liability.

**We have 3 sets of inheritance – the inheritance from the First Adam, from our biological parents and from The Last Adam (Christ).** Every man born of a woman inherited a negative inheritance through Adam's disobedience – Gen. 3:17-19. A man could also inherit a liability from his/her generational lineage - Numbers 14:18. The Third kind of Inheritance is not only positive but transcends everything on this earth; this is because This Inheritance is not a mere material possession but An Immortal Being – The Lord Jesus Christ. Psalm 16:5-6 says The Lord is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

**There is no Inheritance like Christ Jesus.** A man could inherit material possessions but those assets could be valueless if confronted by the forces of darkness, but Christ as our Inheritance is not only Higher than the Heavens (Heb. 7:26), He is also The Head of all principality and power (Col. 2:10).

In The Old Testament, God promised to take His People (Israel) to a land flowing with milk and honey; Canaan Land was a type or shadow of Christ. The real inheritance God had in mind is Christ; He is The Reality of Canaan Land, The True Rest of the people of God. Heb. 4:6-11, Col. 1:12, 2:6-7. **As Believers in Christ Jesus, God's Inheritance for us is simply Himself.** From Joshua 13:33 we can see that the inheritance of the tribe of Levi is (the Priests) is just The LORD God Himself. This is a very strange & mysterious kind of inheritance when compared to the other tribes of Israel. We believe God was giving a picture of what the true inheritance of His New Testament Believers would be. We were redeemed and made to be Priests to God. Rev.1:6.

**Who is Our Inheritance?** He is The King of Glory, The Lord Almighty, The Maker of The Heavens and the earth, The Head of All Principality and Powers, The Great Physician, The Living Word of God, Immortal, Invincible, The Only Wise God!

**Our Responsibilities as Believers?** There is a great need to make maximal spiritual investment on ourselves. Gal. 4:1 says Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all. Acts 20:32 says "And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xB8aJewICNo>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 22, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### BACK TO THE ALTAR (BETHEL)

Text: Gen. 35:1-7 - "And let us arise, and go up to Beth-el; and I will make there an altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I went."

Before a New Beginning comes, we must go back to the altar. The altar is where every journey of life begins; thus, any deviation can be corrected by going back to the altar. The Altar or Bethel is our meeting point with God, a place where all strange gods are done away with. **Bethel is the place where we first met God and He showed Himself mighty in your life.** Bethel is where we first received our salvation, a place where everything became new. 2 Cor. 5:17 says - "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. We became a New Creation in Christ."

From our above Text, Jacob was running as a fugitive from his brother and as he fell asleep he had a Divine Encounter with God. He saw a ladder with angels ascending and descending from Heaven; God Promised to be with him in his journey. Upon waking from his sleep, he set up an altar and called the place Bethel - The House of God.

God has a timetable for your life, this is why we must always go back to our Bethel Altar. John 15:5 says without Him we can do nothing. Revelations 3 charges us to go back to our first love; invariable telling us to go back to Bethel so as to have a New Beginning. Going to Church is a form of getting back to Bethel to meet with God for a fresh start. **Bethel is the place of reconnecting back to our source.** Many are experiencing dryness because they have abandoned their Bethel.

Heb. 12:22-24 says "But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel."

**Our attitude and lifestyles many times made us to back the altar rather than facing the altar.** Obadiah 1:17 says "But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions." There is Mercy upon the altar. God always shows His Mercy when we return to Bethel. Righteousness and Holiness is waiting for you as you return back to The Altar of God. God does beyond our expectations as we return to our Bethel. Eph. 3:20. God makes the impossible possible as you return to Bethel. He also prospers your way mentally and spiritually. Lev. 10:1-2 is a sad account of those that were careless by offering a strange fire before The Lord.

#### What Makes Men Turn Their Back To The Altar

1. Our Sin - Isaiah 59:1-2
2. Your non-involvement in things of God. Matt. 10:30
3. Walking against the will of God in The Church

#### Benefits Waiting for You at The Altar

1. God will arise and have Mercy - Psalm 102:13
2. **God will pity and help you** - Romans 9:15, Psalm 103:13
3. God takes away our pains and gives us a New Beginning.
4. God makes a way where there seems to be no way; He does the unusual for you. Isa. 43:18-19
5. **God takes over your battle when you come to His Presence.** Exod. 2

In closing, the enemy does not want you to have a New Beginning, he wants to keep you stagnated. In Luke 15 when the prodigal Son came back to his senses, he returned back to His Father (Bethel) and He was restored and had a New Beginning. **Take care of your altar of worship, prayer, study and meditation on The Word of God** and you will see a New Glorious Beginning!

## RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

### SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 15, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## MEN IN DOMINION

*(Men of Valor Week)*

Text: Gen. 1:25-31 – “Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

The original intention of God in creating man is for dominion. Dominion is God's blueprint for Man. In the Beginning God Created The Heaven and the earth, this creation was with a specific intention to put man in charge of the earth. Man was created to be God's Representative to exercise dominion on the earth. Everything man would need was created by God before he was created. He was to have dominion over every living thing on the surface of the earth. **God not only created man in Their Own Image and Their Own Likeness but also handed to him the power to dominate.** Gen. 1:28 says “And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.”

**Dominion means to be established as a sovereign crown head, and a supreme authority with unlimited abilities.** It means to be made a ruler or master over situations and circumstances. It also means to be a king, governor and principal person to reign over everything in a specific terrain or domain. Unfortunately, man fell from this dominion mandate through the sin of disobedience (treasonable felony). Gen. 3. **But thanks be to God that what man lost through the first Adam, The Last Adam (Christ) came to restore.** In Christ Jesus God has restored the dominion mandate to the Redeemed. Luke 10:19 says “Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.”

Without coming back to Jesus, there is no way you will be able to exercise the dominion mandate. Matthew 11:28-30 says **“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.** “Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” The prodigal Son came back to his senses and returned to his father. Everyone needs to adjust and align back to God.

### Qualities of Men That Would Operate in Dominion

1. **Men that know their values and purpose in life.**
2. Men that enjoy the Grace of God that has already been given.
3. Men that have submitted & committed all their ways to their Master.
4. Men that would add values to other lives.
5. **Men that are dependable and faithful to the calling of God.**
6. Men that are resilient and ready to break frontiers for God.
7. **Men that value their families and labor to provide for them;** they give spiritual direction and leadership at home.
8. Men that labor tirelessly in The House of God.

In conclusion, God has been looking for men to bring back His Glory to the earth. Ezekiel 22:30-31 says **“And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land,** that I should not destroy it: but I found none. Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord God.”

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 8, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### A NEW BEGINNING

Texts: Amos 9:11-15

“But also on that Judgment Day I will restore David’s house that has fallen to pieces. I’ll repair the holes in the roof, replace the broken windows, fix it up like new. David’s people will be strong again and seize what’s left of enemy Edom, plus everyone else under my sovereign judgment.” GOD’s Decree. He will do this. “Yes indeed, it won’t be long now.” GOD’s Decree. “Things are going to happen so fast your head will swim, one thing fast on the heels of the other. You won’t be able to keep up. Everything will be happening at once—and everywhere you look, blessings! Blessings like wine pouring off the mountains and hills. I’ll make everything right again for my people Israel: “They’ll rebuild their ruined cities. They’ll plant vineyards and drink good wine. They’ll work their gardens and eat fresh vegetables. And I’ll plant them, plant them on their own land. They’ll never again be uprooted from the land I’ve given them.” GOD, your God, says so.” - Amos 9:11-15 MSG

The above text is the agenda of God for His Church. He wants to end every suffering, fix every blemish and build our lives. **God is The Only One Who can give you a New Beginning but He must first build your life.** Every one has at one time made mistakes, but the joy for us believers is that we serve a God Who specializes in fixing errors and giving one a New Beginning. For the barren, Fruitfulness is a New Beginning, for the jobless, a gainful employment is a New Beginning. Every one of us needs a New Beginning from God in this New Month in our family, finances, marriage, Ministry, career, business, etc.

#### How Can I Have a New Beginning?

1. **First you must take inventory & stock of your life**, and assess yourself if you have achieved God’s plans for your life. Ask yourself soul-searching questions - how have I spent my life? where is my life heading to? After assessing yourself, resolve to stop chasing shadows and pursue after God and His plan for your life. Change your mindset to serve God Better this new month. God can get so much done in a twinkle of an eye. Without the right attitude towards The Word of God you cannot have a New Beginning. God first sends His Word for people to receive before every New Beginning.
2. **You must be tired of your past.** When the prodigal Son got tired of his situation, he changed his mindset and began his journey for a New Beginning.
3. Repent of your past mistakes and go back to your Heavenly Father. Acts 3:19
4. From now let your heart be circumcised to The Lord. **Without genuine circumcision of your heart there can not be a New Beginning from God.** Judges 5:2-3, Jeremiah 4:4
5. Determine to have a fresh start and stick to your goals for this Year.



## RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

### SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 1, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## GRATEFUL PEOPLE

Texts: Luke 17:14-19 - “And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. **And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, And fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks:** and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.”

**Grateful people have some peculiarities, they are always appreciative to God for their health, marriage, and entire being.** We cannot but be grateful to God for there are many things we take for granted as humans. Our Breathing, Eating, Walking, awaking, etc are often taken for granted, until a situation comes up that makes us mindful of this little but great doings of God in our lives. The song writer says “Count your blessings and name them one by one and you will see what The Lord as done”.

Our above Text is an account of how The Lord cleansed 10 lepers but only one returned to express his gratitude. This is a similar picture in today, only a few return to be grateful to God for His doings in their lives. **The Lord was actually expecting all the 10 lepers to come back to thank Him but to His dismay, only 1 (10%) came back.** Grateful people are the 10% that always come back to thank The Lord for the “seemingly ordinary doings”. He was made totally whole for coming back to give thanks.

### Results of Being Ungrateful

1. An ingratitude heart is darkened and capable of evil imaginations. Romans 1:21-26
2. **An ingratitude heart will breed envy and covetousness.**
3. An ingratitude heart is a danger because even the little it has will be taken from it. Malachi 2:1-2
4. An ingratitude heart will always lead to dryness.
5. **An ingratitude heart hinders Progress.** Israel spending 40 years in the wilderness. Numbers 14:27-28

Complaining or murmuring is never a way to receiving from God, it actually brings His wrath. Be ever thankful to God and all around you because they will always want to do more. A grateful heart will always be submitted to God in reverence. The one leper fell down in appreciation to The Lord.

In closing, be grateful for the level where you are in now, for your gratefulness is the route to your blessing. The one leper that returned was made totally whole by The Lord. Isaiah 51:11 says **“Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head:** they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.”

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 25, 2019 – Pastor Shola & Lola Awobajo*

### ARISE, SHINE FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

*-WOMEN'S ANNUAL WEEK*

Texts: **Isaiah 60:1-5** “Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.....”

Our above Text was a prophesy from Isaiah to God's People on the sensitivity of the time they were living. **The instruction was not a plea but a command - Arise, Shine!** This means God wants us to arise and shine. We are to move higher and make a difference in our world. **Others may be under darkness and penury but as for you, the world is waiting for your rising and shining.** Romans 8:19 says “For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.”

Judges 5:6-7 gives us a picture of how the devil has modernized in order to block our shining. Lamentations 2:19 also charges us as women to “Arise, cry out in the night, At the beginning of the watches; Pour out your heart like water before the face of the Lord. Lift your hands toward Him. For the life of your young children, Who faint from hunger at the head of every street.” **Our assignment as Christian mothers must be carried out systemically and prayerfully in order to secure the future of our children.**

In our Dispensation, the light and the glory of The Lord are both working for us. Jesus said we are the light of the world and the glory of The Lord has risen upon us. This means the works of darkness are forbidden in our lives. **The first thing God created is Light because light carries weight, without it we cannot survive and live a purposeful life.**

#### The Importance of Light

1. Light shines. Regardless of the environment darkness can never overcome light. Acts 10:38
2. **Light heals.** As believers we are to bring relieve and healing to this sick world. Matt. 10:7-8
3. Light dispels darkness. Light wins darkness without a fight. Eph. 6:12
4. **Light rules.** It rules over every work of darkness. Gen. 1:16-19, John 8:12.
5. Light quickens and energizes.
6. **Light organizes and creates order.** Gen. 1:3

#### The Glory

1. As believers we are carrying Someone very essential for those around us. Christ In you is The Hope of Glory. Col. 1:27, Isa. 43:6-7, 1 Peter 2:9
2. **Glory is brightness, shining, and radiance. It is the nature of God.**
3. Glory denotes fame, wealth, reputation that bring glory to God

In closing Psalm 84:11 says “For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.” **As godly mothers, realize that the greatest gift we can give to our children is a life of intercession for them.** Poem of “I have a mother who prays for me”

**Sermon Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CaB7KrDCdUc>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 18, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### AND THE LORD SAID ... BE ENLARGED

Texts: Isaiah 54:1-5 - "Sing, O barren, thou that didst not bear; break forth into singing, and cry aloud, thou that didst not travail with child: for more are the children of the desolate than the children of the married wife, saith the Lord. **Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations:** spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited ....."

Enlargement is the purpose and idea of God for all His children. **The above text was God's prophesy to His people after they returned from their captivity and exile.** God sent a Word to them that He will enlarge them. Hitherto, their land, houses, and possessions had been taken by the enemy. To the sick, enlargement would be total healing, to the barren, enlargement would mean Fruitfulness. **The foundational will of God for all His Creatures is expansion.** He has built expansion into every creature, especially man who is in His Image and likeness. Gen. 1:26-28. Fruitfulness is a form of enlargements. To be fruitful spiritually, financially, martially, and all areas is God's Will for man. Expansion was built into man by default. God usually starts small and then expands. Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase. Job 8:7. Isaiah 60:22 says "A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the Lord will hasten it in his time."

**What is Enlargement?** **It means to bring in abundance, increase, bring up, to multiply, to make greater, to blow up, to extend in dimension, and to be expanded in border and territory.** God is The Only One Who can truly expand and enlarge any man. Deut. 1:10-11. All through the Scriptures we see Him enlarging His Faithful Ones - Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Jabez, Israelites etc. God has the capacity to make you a thousand times larger and blessed than you are currently. A man's life is a container, what is measured to you is the capacity you have and are. When God wants to bless a man, He expands his capacity so as to be able to receive the abundance He is bringing. Psalm 71:21 - Increase my greatness and comfort me on every side. Psalm 126:1-3.

### THE PATHS OF ENLARGEMENT

1. Path of Holiness. God wants us to be Holy; Purity within and without. 2 Cor. 6:17-18, 2 Tim. 2:19-21
2. Path of Obedience. Obedience to His Will and Way. Isaiah 1:19-21, Deut. 28:1-2
3. Path of Prayer - 1 Chron. 4:9-10, Mark 11:23
4. Path of Surrendering - many have submitted some but not all aspects of their life to God. You stand to gain more when you totally surrender. Mark 10
5. Path of Service. This means being a faithful and diligent worker in His vineyard. Job 36:11, Exod. 23:25-26
6. Path of Sacrifice. Widow of Zarephath
7. Path of Sowing - 2 Cor. 9:3-7
8. Path of Staying Connected. Abide in The Lord always. John 15:1-5

In conclusion, John 15:5 says without Him we can do nothing. Vanity upon vanity is all we do without Christ as the center of all we do. Matt. 11:28 says "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

## RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

### SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 11, 2019 – Deacon Tunji Akinrinde*

## MY APPOINTED TIME

Texts: Habakkuk 2:2-3 – And the Lord answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.”

God is saying to someone that now is the appointed time (not tomorrow or yesterday) for the realization of His Vision for your life. From our above text, we can see that God has a vision for everyone at an appointed time. **Many in our generation are so caught up in our generation duplicating other people's vision** as against God's vision for their lives. Whose vision are you running with? Your's, other's or God's? Realize that your God ordained vision is specific, tailor-made and unique to you. Realize that God's Plan for our life has an appointed time. Ecc. 3:1 says there is a time and season for everything. Walking in God's vision makes you a solution to your generation and generations yet unborn. Anything short of this is vanity upon vanity, like chasing the wind.

A Life Without Vision – **Prov. 29:18 says where there is no vision, the people perish.** Having no vision in life makes a person miserable. When you don't live God's vision, you will lack drive in life, your life will look out of order, you will be doing trial and error ultimately running aimlessly in life.

### Biblical Case Studies

1. **Joseph** - Gen. 41:8-14, 44. Joseph had a vision from God that he will be a head or shining star in his generation, but for many years the happenings around his life was showing otherwise but he kept his faith in God. Despite being an immigrant God lifted him above even the indigenes of the land.
2. **Mordecai** - Esther 6. Mordecai was Esther's uncle but was maltreated by the enemies like a slave in exile but at his appointed time the king could not sleep until he was exalted.
3. **Peter** - John 21:3-6. Peter abandoned God's vision and went back from being a fisher of men to a fisher of fish. He failed miserably but by God's Mercy He was restored to God's ordained vision for his life. Also in Acts 12, he was a man following God's Vision but the enemies ganged up and locked him in prison but when his appointed time came the prison gates supernaturally opened on their accord.
4. **David** - 1 Samuel 16:11-13. David despite God's Vision to be king, was relegated to look after sheep in the wilderness. When his appointed time came, he was fished out of the wilderness by Samuel and anointed king by God's ordination. It appears he was forgotten but a day came he was remembered for good.

### Making God's Vision a Reality

1. Let the Praises of God be in your mouth at all time. Psalm 34:1
2. Worship God that He will definitely show up to help you carry out His Vision for your life. Psalm 126
3. **Study The Word.** In His Word there is life and encouragement. Faith comes by hearing and hearing The Word of God. Romans 10. 2 Timothy 2:15
4. **Focus on God Alone.** Col. 3:2. Keep your gaze on God to bring the vision to past in life.
5. Be fervent in spirit. Do not be lackadaisical in your spiritual life. Romans 12:11.
6. Be prepared. 2 Timothy 4:2

Sermon Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T1US\\_zsn3AQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T1US_zsn3AQ)

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 4, 2019 – Pastor Alaba Olanipekun*

### **SURELY THERE IS AN END**

Texts: John 5:1-9, Proverb 23:18 - “For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off”.

**Life is filled with mysterious happenings that only God can put an end to.** All through scriptures we see men, women, and nations lifting up their voices to The Lord to have Mercy and put an end to afflictions and works of darkness in their lives. In 1 Samuel 1 Hannah called on The Lord to put an end to barrenness in her life, God did. In Isaiah 38, Hezekiah cried to The Lord to reverse a death sentence over his life; God hearkened and indeed reversed that verdict. In the land of Samaria in 2 Kings 6, there was a terrible famine and God hearkened by putting an end to that situation as the people called on Him. Also in 2 Kings 5, God put an end to leprosy in the life of Naaman. In Genesis 1:4, God put an end to darkness by decreeing Light to be. This morning, what do you want God to put an end to in your life and family?

From our above text John 5:1-9, we see an impotent man by the pool of Bethesda who had been in that state for about 38 years. A day came when The Lord had Mercy on him and put an end to that affliction. He couldn't put an end to his unfortunate situation but God could. This means there are situations that only God can put an end to. **Human abilities and skills are grossly inadequate to put an end to the work of darkness;** thus, our dare need for God. In Mark 5, we find a woman with the issue of blood, no one knows her true name, but her pitiful situation became her identity. The Lord came to her rescue. In Psalm 136:23 says God remembered us in our low estate: for His mercy endureth for ever. Psalm 20:2 says “The LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; The Name of The God of Jacob defend thee; Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion. In Mark 2:1-5, we find 4 friends who despite the odds walked their way through the obstacles to get in front of The Lord and beseeched Him to put an end to the lameness of their friend, The Lord honored their faith.

#### **Lessons Learnt from John 5:1-9**

1. Firstly, the impotent man was singled out for Mercy by The Lord.
2. **Secondly, he was pulled out of the pool area, he was divinely relocated.**
3. His red light was turned to green light as he was able to now move forward.
4. **He ceased to be a spectator but now a beneficiary of testimonies.**
5. He moved from dwelling in expectation to actualization of his miracle.
6. His wish was turned to his will (realization)

In conclusion, Isaiah 44:24 “Thus saith The LORD, Thy redeemer, and He that formed thee from the womb, **I am The LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone;** that spreadeth abroad the earth by Myself That frustrateth the tokens of the liars, and maketh diviners mad; that turneth wise men backward, and maketh their knowledge foolish; That confirmeth the word of his servant, and performeth the counsel of his messengers; that saith to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be inhabited; and to the cities of Judah, Ye shall be built, and I will raise up the decayed places thereof: That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up thy rivers: That saith of Cyrus, He is my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v0g2iYFq4gs>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 28, 2019 – Pastor Nat Opaluwa (RCCG – China)*

### FAITH FOR A SHIFT & LIFT TO A NEW LEVEL

Text: Luke 22:31-32 - “And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.”

Our above Text shows how the enemy had resolved to sift Peter but The Lord being aware ahead of time had prayed for him. What a joy that we have a Great High Priest that prays continually for us.

**The greatest loss a person can suffer in life is not the loss of money, job, health but the loss of their faith.** If your faith fails everything else fails. Faith failure is destiny failure. If faith is not lost, nothing is lost. No matter what you may have lost, if your faith is still standing in God, nothing in actuality is lost.

- **The Lord did not pray for the business and marriage of Peter not to fail but for his faith not to fail.** This is because everything anchors on our faith. Michael 7:8.
- Job is another classical example, he lost virtually everything except his faith in God. Job 14:7.
- **The devil's target is really not your marriage, business, but your faith.** Job 14:15.
- Anytime you fail it is actually a faith failure. Job 19:25. Despite any challenge never let your faith fail.
- From Romans 4:19, **Abraham was not weak in faith.** Let your faith stand because The Lord Jesus Christ our Great High Priest is praying without ceasing for us.

#### How Do I Connect to a Faith That Does Not Fail?

1. **Know Him more.** The more you know God the more your level changes. Phil. 3:10. In His Light, you will see light. Even if you can't trace God, continue to trust Him. The bankruptcy of The Knowledge of God is the undoing of the fail of many Christians. When you go for God, Gold will come. Aspire to know Him more and you will never expire.
2. **Know who you are in God.** Your level in God is not the same level with any devil. Your level changed in Christ. Psalm 82:6, Ephesians 2:6
3. **Grow up in Him.** There is no end to this growing in Christ. Your prayer life, The Word, and His Kingdom must keep growing. Heb. 5:12, 2 Timothy 2:13.

In closing, you can change level because someone is praying for your faith not to fail. You are no longer a slave to fear, because you are a Child of God. **You are destined to be great but you must study to shew thyself approved unto God,** a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth – 2 Timothy 2:15.

## RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

### SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 21, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### PRAISE THAT DELIVERS GOOD TIDINGS

Text: Psalm 126:1-6 –“When The LORD brought back the captivity of Zion, We were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, And our tongue with singing. Then they said among the nations, “The LORD has done great things for them.” The LORD has done great things for us, *And* we are glad. Bring back our captivity, O LORD, As the streams in the South. Those who sow in tears shall reap in joy. He who continually goes forth weeping, Bearing seed for sowing, Shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, Bringing his sheaves *with him*.

There is a Praise that delivers Good Tidings to a person. This is our month of Thanksgiving and Good Tidings as a Church. **There is a praise that brings a person out of tragedy into testimonies.** This was what happened to the Israelites in Psalm 126.

From our above Text in Psalm 126, there was a condition they were hitherto in before The Lord turned their captivity around. Hitherto, they were suffering in the hand of their captors in Babylon but God showed up one day to deliver them.

**Babylon represents a strange land. Babylon is when you are not in your God ordained land.** No man prospers in a strange land without God's intervention. There is no testimony in a strange land, it is a land full of crying, sorrow and all manners of affliction. This was the song of sorrow of the Israelites before The Lord turned their captivity around. Babylon represents a land of slavery and storms (Luke 8:26-29). **In Babylon there are mockers. When you are in your God ordained land, your profiting will be effortless.** Without a Good Tiding from The Lord, sufferings continues in Babylon. The Israelites were in slavery for 430 years, but one day The Lord remembered them and delivered them. Also The Lord said in 3 John 1:2 says “Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.” To the sick, a Glad Tiding of The Lord's Healing Balm will bring you out of that Babylon today in Jesus Name. It takes a Good Tiding from Heaven to deliver a man from any affliction, slavery and Babylon. The Psalmist said he cried to The Lord and He heard his cry and gave him a new song.

### The Power of Praise

**There is a Praise that turns one's captivity around and bring them their testimonies.** In Acts 16:25-28, we see how Praise broke the chains of Paul and Silas in the prison. No matter the Babylon you are in, there is a Praise that will turn that situation around for a testimony. Praise makes you a lord over that situation that had hitherto kept you bound. **2 Chronicles 20 also reveals how Praise is a powerful weaponry against the fiercest of enemies.** God not only delivered them but also enriched His people with the treasures of the enemies. Psalm 149 also reveals how Praise is a Weapon of Vengeance against any enemy in warfare. God shows up as praise goes up.

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 14, 2019 – Sister Temi Ibidokun*

## **WITHHOLDING NOTHING**

- *IGA 2019 Youth's Week*

1 Corinthians 4:7 - "For who maketh thee to differ from another? and what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive it, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received it?"

**What does Withholding mean?** To Withhold means to hold back, to refuse to relish control over something to God. It also means to refuse to totally surrender one's entire being to God. Everything we have has been given to us by God so why should we withhold anything from Him?

As Children of The Most High we should withhold nothing but surrender all to God, particularly:

1. Our Time
2. Our resources - Luke 6:38
3. Our Comfort
4. Our Thanksgiving
5. Our Praises - Ps 22:3

**Can God withhold anything from us?** Yes He can but has chosen not to except things that can hurt us. For example, He warned Adam and Eve not to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil because it would hurt them. So when God withholds anything from us we can be sure it is for our good. All through Scriptures we see great vessels who did not withhold from God - Hannah (Samuel) and Abraham (Isaac) are classical examples of those who gave back their most precious possession to God.

### **What Happens When We Do Not Totally Surrender to God?**

1. Sin. **Whatever we withhold from God will ultimately lead us to sin.**
2. Separation from God. Adam and Eve were separated when they disobeyed God.
3. Defeat. We will be experiencing defeat from every side when we withhold from God.
4. **Shame will be imminent when we withhold from God.**

It is the fallen human nature to withhold things from God but because every good and perfect gift comes from Our Father God, we should never entertain the thought of withholding anything from Him.

In closing, we should totally surrender to God **because there is nothing we have that hasn't been given to us by God.** A man can receive nothing except it be given from above. John 3:27. Our time, money, resources, children, and other possessions may appear precious but should always be surrendered to God.



## RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

### SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 7, 2019 – Brother Daniel E. Adetokunbo*

## HOPE OF GLORY

- *IGA 2019 Children's Week*

Text: Colossians 1:27 - God wanted to make known among the Gentiles the glorious wealth of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

**What is Glory?** **Glory can be defined as the manifested Presence of God.** God created man to be an expression of His Glory; because we are created in the image of God so therefore we are meant to be glorious. But after Adam sinned, the glory departed from mankind and what was left was shame, reproach and all manners of evil. Shame is the opposite of glory. Though the glory departed through Adam's sin, but thank God, the Glory came back through our Lord Jesus Christ dying on the cross and resurrecting to restore God's Glory to us. John 17:22-24

**There is no Glory outside of Christ.** Without Christ we should forget about the Glory of God. Only those in Christ are qualified to experience Glory.

You are either in Christ or in Adam. In Christ we enjoy God's Glory, in Adam is shame and every work of darkness.

We all were once in Adam but **through the death and resurrection of Christ our position was changed** from sinners to the children of God and the salt of the earth.

Who are those qualified for The Glory of God? Only those who have made Jesus The Lord of their life. John 17:20 - "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message"

### Why Do We Need The Glory of God?

- a. **The Glory of God is our heritage or right as Children of God** – John 17: 10 - 11 "All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. **11** I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of Your Name, The Name you gave Me, so that they may be one as We are One."
- b. **The Glory of God is what makes us the light of the world.** Matthew 5:14 "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden."
- c. **We need God's Glory as a defense and protection from the devil.** Ps. 91: 1 - 7

**How do we experience more of the Glory of God?** By studying and mediating on The Word of God day and night. 2 Cor. 3:18 – “And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate The Lord’s Glory, are being transformed into His Image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from The Lord, Who is The Spirit.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MK9wXA-QBGY>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God’s Message To Us on Sunday, June 30, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **GUARANTEED PRESENCE OF GOD**

Text: Exodus 33:12-19 – “And he said, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest”

**The Greatest Asset in life is The Presence of God.** Our above text is an account of God guaranteeing Moses that His Presence will go before the Israelites in the journey ahead of them. This is our desire as well as we go into the second half of 2019. May God be gracious and show us great mercy in Jesus Name. Anywhere you go without the presence of God is an accident waiting to happen. May The Lord be with us all through the remaining half of this year and forever.

From our above Text Moses was saddled with the herculean task of delivering God’s people from a 430 Year bondage and leading them into the Promise Land; **he knew without The Presence of God doom would befall them.** Our qualifications, possessions, etc are worthiness without The Presence of God in our quest to enter into our Canaan Land.

**The Presence of God guaranteed the Israelites Divine Health, Victory, Safety, and Provisions all through their 40 years in the wilderness.** They became a terror to all their enemies because of The Guaranteed Presence of God. Never leave your house without The Presence of God, because that is your guaranteed from every storm of life. We are not immune from the evil of life, but His Presence is what guarantees us victory in all circumstances. The presence of God averts many evil from happening in your environment.

Psalm 23:1 says The Lord is our Shepherd we shall not want. Psalm 16:11 also tells us that in His Presence is the fullness of Joy. John 11 - The Presence of The Lord made the difference as He raised Lazarus from the dead after 4 days. Acts 12:3-9, Peter was at rest though a death sentence had been passed on him for the next day, but because he carries The Presence of a The Lord, Help came supernaturally to rescue him. Acts 16:25 - The Presence of God also rescued Paul and Silas from the prison.

#### **7 Benefits of Carrying The Presence of God**

1. Favor becomes your portion. Men will be longing to favor and help you. Isaiah 45:1, Gen. 39:12
2. The Glory of God will cover your nakedness. God will give you the treasures of darkness. Isaiah 45:3
3. **Victory is guaranteed in all areas of life.** Isaiah 45:1-2, Romans 8:31
4. The Miraculous is guaranteed. Luke 10:17-20
5. All tokens of liars are dislodged; all evil gatherings against you shall be broken in pieces. Isaiah 8:9-10,
6. **All weaknesses are turned into strength.** Neh. 8:10, 2 Cor. 12:8-10
7. Everything about you ends very well. 2 Timothy 4:7-8

#### **What Guarantees The Presence of God**

1. Living a Holy Life. Psalm 15:1-2
2. **An effectual fervent Prayer life.** Matt. 17:21, Ps. 37:5, James 5:16

3. Absolute dependence on The Word of God. John 1:1, Psalm 119:103-106
4. **Be a God Chaser.** Seek and go after God. Psalm 27:4
5. Praise and Worship God everywhere you go. 2 Chron. 20, Ps. 69:5-7

In conclusion, in this second half of 2019, look unto Jesus, The Author and Finisher of Your Faith in all your ways - Hebrews 12:2.

**Sermon Video:** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GEqpbsDEJ\\_Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GEqpbsDEJ_Q)

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 23, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE GLORY AFTER SHILOH**

Text: 1 Samuel 1:1-10

There is a glory that comes after every Shiloh. The theme of our RCCGNA Convention this Year was “Christ in You, The Hope of Glory”. Our above text is an account of how God visited a certain barren woman Hannah (her name means Grace - which means giving you what you are not qualified for) after their annual convention (Shiloh). The Name “Shiloh” first came from Genesis 49:10 by Jacob in his Blessing to Judah. He said “The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.” Sceptre connotes kingship.

**Hannah's Pre-Shiloh Conditions** - She was a woman of sorrow as she was being mocked for her reproach night and day. Also she was just another statistical number in her husband's house as she was barren.

#### **Shiloh - A Place of Encounter with God**

1. **Every visit to Shiloh always produces a turnaround for the expectant.** Hannah was expectant and her expectation was not cut off. Despite the mockery of her detractors (Penniah) God visited Hannah.
2. **Shiloh is a place God turns every mockery into an uncommon testimony.** Though there might have been a delay, God always shows up with the best. God blessed Hannah with “Samuel” - who happened to be one of the greatest vessels in the land of Israel. “Samuel” could represent a new vision, Anointing, babies, better jobs, business breakthrough, marital breakthrough, etc.
3. God always brings Salvation in Shiloh. Salvation means rescue from every work of darkness.
4. **Shiloh was where the Ark of God was kept** (in The Holy Holies) - The Ark represents The Manifest Presence of God. Thus, at Shiloh, God is encountered. Today, The Holy of Holies is no longer in a physical temple but in human temples (the children of God), Christ in You, The Hope of Glory.
5. Hannah's situation defied every human and medical solution but **at Shiloh impossibilities become cheap possibilities with The God of Shiloh.**
6. Hannah was not just a spectator at Shiloh, she went with a determination praying with her entire being, with a specific demand (a man child) from God supported with a vow to hand over the child back to God.

#### **Post-Convention Activities to Obtain Your “Samuel”**

1. Run with The Word given by God at The Convention. Col. 1:27.
2. Let The Sent Word Transform you.
3. **Start worshipping Him like never before.**
4. Go back to where you have failed before and try again. 1 Samuel 1:19
5. If you had vowed to God, honor that vow speedily just like Hannah did. 1 Samuel 2:11

Isaiah 51:11 tells us what happens after every Shiloh - **“Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head:** they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.”

After Shiloh, firstly, Hannah’s situation changed, promotion came. Secondly, she moved from the company of the barren to the fruitful ones. Thirdly, she crossed her own boundaries of limitations. Fourthly, her Prayer was granted by God (1 Samuel 1:19). Fifty, she prevailed in her prayers, as God gave her victories over all her adversaries.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2nLtbQV80gM>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God’s Message To Us on Sunday, June 16, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BE A MAN – A FATHER’S REFLECTION**

- **FATHER’S DAY**

Text: James 1:22-25 – “But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, **he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.** Today is Father’s Day and we often use the opportunity to reflect on our roles and responsibilities as Fathers. Why does God call us fathers? **From Matthew 6:9-11, The Lord set a pattern for us as Fathers using our Heavenly Father as a Model.**

- a) As Fathers we are to be a reflection of our Heavenly Father. The one the house is looking unto. Matt. 6:9
- b) In Hebrew context, Father connotes “Source”. It also means a procreator like God.
- c) A Father is the one in charge of a territory, or domain; He is the king in a specific domain. Matt. 6:10
- d) **A Father is also a provider, sustainer and Nourisher - give us this day our daily bread.** Matt. 6:11
- e) Fathers are also a benefactor sort of a care giver; one who gives without a motive to get back. Matt. 6:12
- f) **Fathers are protectors, leaders and defenders. Lead us not unto temptation.** Matt. 6:13

A Father is the foundation of every good thing that happens in a family. God sees strength and competence when He made you a Father. This is to enable you pass down that strength and competence to your family. **The pursuit of mammoth has derailed many fathers from their heavenly role to their wives and children.** Many are absentees fathers hence, the concomitant psychological effect on the children. Psalm 82:6-7 - God calls us gods, representatives and children of The High God. As a Father you must see yourself the way God sees you. But if you will not see yourself the way God sees you, but you shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.

Psalm 128:1-8 gives us a glorious picture of a Father that fears The Lord. – “Blessed is every one that feareth the Lord; that walketh in his ways. For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee. Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table. Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the Lord. The Lord shall bless thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all the days of thy life. Yea, thou shalt see thy children's children, and peace upon Israel.”

### **What Makes a Man an Effective Father?**

1. A father provides leadership - spiritually, financially, emotionally, etc. - Deut. 6
2. **Earn the Honor and respect of God and your family by being responsible** - Gen. 18
3. Acceptance of responsibility. Be a good manager of your house. 1 Tim. 3:4; 5:18.

#### 4. Following God and submitting everything about you to Him.

In closing, fatherhood is a God-Ordained Assignment. God is looking for faithful fathers who will give good leadership, correct in love, and love their wife and children. The best thing a father can do to show love to the children is to love their mother. Job 38:3 NLT - "Brace yourself like a man, because I have some questions for you, and you must answer them." God has called you a source, Nourisher, Protector, leader, - how much have you fulfilled these roles?

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4a6fOCCaQto>

## RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

### SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 9, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### GOD IS OUR REFUGE

*(USHERS' WEEKEND)*

Text: Psalm 46:1-5 – "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early.

God is our Refuge. A Refuge that has helped us in ages past and still our very present help in time of need. The Psalmist said if it has not been God Who has been on our side, what would Israel say? **This is the week to celebrate God's Goodness on our ushers.** The Ushering unit is very crucial in the Church, they organize and keep order in the Church environment so that God can manifest in our midst. For the most part they are standing while we are sitting during the Service.

Ushers create the spirit of worship and friendliness for us in The Church. They represent the Church as they give the first impression to new comers. They are using today to thank God for His Sufficiency over them as a service group in the Church. He has been their strength and totality in all circumstances. They are also thanking God for being their security. Psalm 46:4-5. They are also thanking God because He has been their help. Psalm 46:5. God has been in the midst of them, thus, they are coming back to celebrate His Supremacy in every aspect of their life and ministrations.

### Lesson Points from Psalm 46: 1-5

1. **Know that God is bigger than your issues, problems and storms.** He is our Refuge Who is bigger than any kind of storms. Refuging means a sheltering from any kind of storm. Nahum 1:7, Isaiah 25:4
2. **Know that there is a place of refuge in God in any kind of storm.** The Name of The LORD is a strong Tower - Prov. 18:10, Psalm 31:20
3. **Know that there is help waiting for you every time there is trouble.** He is the Ever Present help in time of need. 2 Chron. 20:22, 2 Kings 7:1-7
4. **Know that there is Victory at the end of every trouble.** 1 John 5:4.

In closing, the battles of life are to get you to the next level in life. Be confident that The Most High is your Dependable Refuge and Fortress. **Be still and know that He is God and will be exalted.** Deut. 20:4 says “For the Lord your God is He that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you.” 1 Corinthians 15:57 also says “But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5JSP5ew62p4>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God’s Message To Us on Sunday, June 2, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE GARMENT OF PRAISE**

Text: Psalm 34:1-8 - “I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord : the humble shall hear thereof , and be glad.”

The Psalmist said he would bless The Lord at all times; this means it is possible for a man’s lips to be filled with the praises of God. But such is not possible except one is anointed by God with a new song continually. When a man is anointed with The Spirit of Lord he becomes a Vessel God uses to preach the Gospel, deliver the oppressed, and a tree of righteousness on this earth.

Isaiah 61:1-3 - “The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because The Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord , and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; **To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness;** that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord , that he might be glorified.”

In Isaiah 45:1-2, Cyrus was anointed and marvelously assisted by God to subdue nations before him. Also David is another classical example of an anointed vessel that God used marvelously.

Praise is a spirit that destroys the spirit of heaviness. God is always looking for worshippers; He even preserves their lives because they are not many who worship Him in Truth and in Spirit. In whatever condition I counsel you to praise Him because there lies in your deliverance and lifting.

Psalm 89:20 - 26 gives a vivid picture of what God does to those addicted to worshipping Him - **He anoints them; He establishes and strengthens them; the enemy will not be able to conquer such; He beats their foes before them** (Jehoshaphat is an example of this); He plagues those who hate His anointed; His Faithfulness and Mercy will never fail to show up for them; In His Name their horns will be exalted; He will set their hands high and they will never lack anything good; He makes sure such become His firstborn; and His Covenant will stand for such forever and their seed will also endure forever. These blessings are for those that wear the garments of praise. God wants us to daily wear our garment of praise regardless of what is happening around us.

God showed up for the Israelites when He destroyed Pharaoh and his armies. Later in Exodus 15, the Israelites wore their garment of praise in songs of adoration to The Lord. Also God showed up for Hannah by Blessing her with Samuel - a great Vessel unto God. Hannah wore her garment of praise in 1 Samuel 2:2. Also God showed up for the widow of Zarahphath by turning her scarcity to abundance. Phil. 4:19 says God will Supply all our need according to His Riches in glory by Christ Jesus. God also showed up for the lame man by the pool of Bethesda, he had been there for 38 years but deliverance came when Jesus appeared to him. Also from John 9, The Lord showed up for the blind man by giving him brand new sets of eyes.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zyuSIWMBEII>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 26, 2019 – Pastor Shola & Lola Awobajo*

### **BUILDING A CHRIST-CENTERED FAMILY**

Text: Joshua 24:14-16 - “And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord , choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord . And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the Lord , to serve other gods.”

Psalm 133 reveals that God commands His Blessing on a family that dwells together in unity. Gen. 11:6 also makes us to understand the power of oneness in any group of people. They were one in an evil pursuit and God acknowledged they would carry out their desire if Heaven does not do something to forestall their ungodly intention. **God is The Author of the family institution.** Gen. 2:18. Gen. 1:26 hints that God is also a Family man; God The Father, God The Son and God The Holy Ghost came together in the making of man. Prov. 24:3-4 says through Wisdom is a House Built. Neither qualifications nor physical attribute can build any house. **Knowledge, Wisdom and understanding are very paramount in the building of any lasting structure.** Many couples have forsaken the knowledge and wisdom of God by running after mammon and earthly possessions.

#### **How Can We Build a Christ-Centered Family?**

1. **You must be deliberate about making God as The center of everything in your home.** Joshua told The Israelites to choose this day Who they would serve but as for Him and His Household they would serve The Lord. Christ is the best legacy that we can give our children. You must be determined to teach and raise your children in the way of The Lord. Gen. 18:19, Deut. 6:7. Teach them The Word of God, etiquettes, discipline, and morals.
2. **Be a godly example to your children.** Your actions speak louder to your children than your words. You and your spouse are the Living Epistle of Christ to them. It is very ungodly to be abusing your spouse as you are setting a terrible example for your children. An evil tree cannot bear good fruits. Make Christ the center of everything.
3. **Your investment and commitment in raising your family must be one of your top priorities.** Invest quality time in your family.
4. **Honest and openness must a priority in your home.** Your thoughts, likes, dislikes, Vision, dream, fears, etc must be freely shared with your spouse.
5. **Submission is very crucial.** Ephesians 5:21 enjoins us to submit to one another in fear of The Lord. Submission is not a derogatory act, as God exalts the humble.
6. **God wants us to manage our sex Life.** We should endeavor to be romantic to each other. Complimenting each other is a powerful tool to filling the love tank of many. Don't deny yourself of sexual intercourse as it

demeans your spouse. 1 Cor. 7:4-5. Love is a means of meeting needs, and sex is a great need in the lives of men. If you shy away from meeting your spouse' needs, somebody else may offer to meet that need.

7. **Be wise in handling any in-law issues as many homes have been destroyed by the extended families.** Never put your in-laws before your family. Defend your spouse before your in-laws.
8. **Effective communication must be engaged.** Understand the best way to communicate things effectively with one another.
9. **Cultivate the habit of always PRAYING TOGETHER!** Amos 3:3. Your family altar must ever be on fire. Prayer prevents a lot of issues as it keeps the enemy away from your home.
10. **Expressing the Love of Christ in your family** cements, covers and makes an impenetrable hedge around your home.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xw12MRd7AAI>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 19, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **ATTITUDE OF A VICTOR**

Text: Philippians 3:8-15 - Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ.

Before any victor emerges there must have been a certain attitude he or she possesses. Altitude they say is a function of your attitude. **Many have wrecked their destiny through their bad attitude. No man amounts to anything in life with the wrong attitude.** From our above text, we see Paul had the right attitude of a victor. The battle of life is a tough one, no one is exempted from the battles of life. From the womb to the tomb, battles show up to put man under pressure. In Matthew 6:34 The Lord said sufficient are the evil in every day. The battles of life are unpredictable as things show up unexpected. We can fly beyond the storms of life by doing what God says we should do. In v14 Paul was pressing because there were obstacles inhibiting his progress. Also Romans 8:39, Paul said in all these things we are more than conquerors (victors). It is The Word of assurance from Christ that makes us more than conqueror. This is what makes us go beyond any current circumstance we are in. **Paul said He was persuaded that his Redeemer and God is able to see him through whatever pressures of life come his way.** Just like Paul we can live above everything that is trying to limit our progress.

#### **The Attitude of Paul's Victor Mindset**

1. **Every attainment in life becomes a dissatisfier in his life.** Despite all his past successes, he saw them as dung and keeps pressing towards the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. We all need to keep yearning in order to win more of Christ in our lives. Nothing under Heaven can be compared to knowing Christ. The more of Him you know, the greater you're craving for Him. Paul saw he was wretched without Christ.
2. **There must be a steadfast determination to succeed.** V12-13. The journey of life is full of turbulences nevertheless because we are in Christ we will triumph for greater is He that is in us than he that is in the world. Many are cheaply defeated by their negative attitude. Heb. 12:2 says we should keep our gaze on Jesus The Author and Finisher of our faith. The "I CAN" attitude should be our mindset daily, for we can do all things through Christ that strengthens us.
3. **Let God be with you.** All the pursuit of Paul was to know God better and be in His Presence. That I may know Him and the power of His Resurrection, and the fellowship of His suffering.



4. **Take instruction and direction from God and ask for the pathway of success from Him.** v12
5. **Do not rely on the past success.** Strive towards greater achievement in all your pursuits. The success of yesterday should not be a hinderance to today's exploits. To every battle of life there is set strategy from God for it.
6. **Be a man and woman of prayer.** Your prayer life must be very robust to be a victor in life. Jesus said this kind goeth not except by prayer and fasting. Prayer strengthens and equips you for victory in every battle of life. Psalm 40:1-2

Our attitude in life determines how far we go. A Christ-like attitude guarantees victory in every area of life. You cannot afford to be complacent with whatever achievement you attained yesterday or yesteryears.

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yXkVIgMQiHg>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 12, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **OUR WOMEN ARE MISSIONAL MOTHERS**

Text: Proverb 31:25-31

*- Happy Mother's Day*

Who are Missional Mothers? - **These are women that have been heavenly endowed and called to the Holy assignment and ministry of motherhood.** Sad to say that not all mothers are mothers. Many are an aberration to motherhood as they have not exhibited any characteristics of a good mother. The role of motherhood is for a divine purpose. God is expecting a great result/product from every seed He has placed in their hands. **God created women to partner with him in raising godly seeds all over the earth.** When you have done the right thing as a Missional mother, the world will celebrate you to the Glory of God.

### **THE PIVOTAL ROLES OF MISSIONAL WOMEN**

1. Missional Mothers are necessities in life. Without godly mothers our society will be full of societal ills.
2. Missional Mothers are the greatest incubators in this world as every human proceeded from a woman. It is a privilege to partner with God when you are a mother. You have a co-assignment with God. Ps 127:3 says children are an heritage of The Lord ..... W.R. Wallace said "The Hand That Rocks the cradle rules the world". The great men and women that have positively affected our world were produced by mothers.
3. Every child needs a Missional mother. Children need that gentle touch, speech, encouragements, gesture, painstaking time and care.
4. **Missional Mothers are the first teachers, nourishers, nurturers, and care-givers to our children.**
5. Missional Mothers are the first persons that believe in us. They prepare and nurture the greatness seed in the lives of the children.
6. **Missional Mothers never cease to intercede for us.** They also speak The Word of God upon our lives.
7. Missional Mothers are the pillars of the family. Pillars are very pivotal to any lasting building.
8. Every Missional Woman recognize that they have been called to an Holy assignment that demands her dutifulness, diligence, and boldness.
9. **Missional Mothers show tough love to their children so that they will not go astray.** They instill discipline unto the children.
10. Missional Mothers have a powerful positive influence on their children. Hannah, Mary, Eunice, are few scriptural examples.

## Our Role In helping Them fulfill This Missional Assignment

1. We need to encourage them to do much more than what they are currently doing.
2. We should support them and not add more to their headache.
3. They need help in the areas of their weakness.
4. Let us be patient with them; they will change positively as we pray for them continuously.
5. We need to occasionally do something special to honor them.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=78qobDBFU0Y>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 5, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **OUR BEST FOR A WORTHY GOD**

Text: Luke 7:36-50 – “I tell you, then, the great love she has shown proves that her many sins have been forgiven. But whoever has been forgiven little shows only a little love.”

We are here to give praise and Thanksgiving back unto God this morning in appreciation of His abundant Mercies and Compassion over us in thus far, this Year. God has been more than good to us, thus we are here to give our best to a Worthy God.

In our text, The Lord Jesus Christ was invited to a party. While there a certain woman (a sinner) began to weep and wipe the feet of The Lord with her hair. **She saw her wretchedness at the presence of The Lord**, and thus, poured her treasured possession (an expensive alabaster box) as a sacrifice to The Lord. Some felt she was being wasteful but rather The Lord commended her actions as an expression of her love and gratitude to God. **It may be termed a waste to some but to The Lord it was a memorial to Him.**

The Lord then gave a parable of a certain creditor who forgave his two borrowers their debts; He went ahead to state that the one that will love the creditor more is the one with a greater debt. Our debt of thanksgiving to God is much because of His Protection and Provisions for us. He daily loads us with His benefits. **This is why our praise ought to be much to Him because sufficient are the evil of everyday but for The Lord Who has been on our side**, the enemy would have swallowed us.

1 John 5:4 says “**For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith**”. Victory is ours because we are born of God. Anything that is born of God lives above oppression. Regardless of what is standing as obstacle against a child of God, Victory is always guaranteed by his or her level of faith.

What can we use to quantify the goodness of God in our lives, is it the divine safety, divine provision, His daily Mercies, and boundless care for us? When she poured out all the content of that alabaster box, she was making a statement that her entirety is unto You O Lord. **The best gift you can give to The Lord is yourself.** When she

poured out the expensive ointment she was saying nothing could be compared to your worth in my life O Lord. **She was also saying O Lord You are The Only One Worthy of my utmost Praise.**

Rev. 4:11 says “Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.” Everything God Created is for His Pleasure. Your being alive today is for His Pleasure. What has God Being to you this Year? He has been my Deliverer, Healer, Protector, Lifter, and my All in All. Many are stingy with their praise and thanksgiving to God, I pray this will not be our attitude before The Lord.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OizfTaooQsc>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God’s Message To Us on Sunday, April 28, 2019 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

## **LIVING BY CHRIST**

Text: Galatians 2:20 - I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

**Who is This Christ Living in Us?** First we must realize Christ is the Mystery of all Mysteries. He is The Mystery of God (Col. 2:2). No one knows Him except The Father and no one knows The Father except Him (Matt.11:27). He is the centrality and universality of all God The Father does. He is the reality of every positive thing that adds value to humanity; He is the true food, the true drink, the true Vine, the Fountain of Life, the Bread of Life, the Tree of Life, the River of Life, etc. **We are privileged in the New Testament to have such a Great and Exalted One living in us.** Isaiah 9:6 tells us He is also The Mighty God, Everlasting Father. John 10:30 tells us He is One with The Father. When He was here on the earth, He was not here alone, He was God manifest in the flesh (1 Tim. 3:16); The Father is in Him and He in The Father (John 14:11). He is indeed a Great Mystery. **2 Cor. 3:17 also tells us “Now The Lord is The Spirit ...”.** Through His death and resurrection He became The Life-Giving Spirit. 1 Cor. 15:45b. In Revelations 2 and 3, He addresses Himself as The Spirit speaking to the Churches. **For there are Three that bear record in heaven, The Father, The Word, and The Holy Ghost: and these Three are One** - 1 John 5:7

**What do we mean by Living Christ?** This means that we are no longer to live by ourselves but by Another, Who is The LORD Himself. We were created to live by Him. We were redeemed to live by Him. He is to be our very life upon redemption. **The central theme all through The New Testament is that God in the Person of The Lord Jesus Christ has entered into man as The Spirit to sanctify and transform us.** For this to happen, certain steps had to be completed. First God must become a man, secondly, He has to die a gruesome death as a ransom for man, thirdly He had to resurrect as a Life-Giving Spirit that could now enter and dwell in man’s spirit. We could never express God except by Christ (the Embodiment of The Trinity) is living in us.

**Who is a Christian?** **A Christian is simply One in Whom Christ is living through.** He is not mimicking Christ but manifesting The Indwelling Christ. We need to always remind ourselves that we are no longer our own – we have been bought with a price, we belong to The LORD. He that is joined to The Lord is One Spirit.

In closing, The Invisible God has made Himself visible in The Person of The Lord Jesus Christ; The Untouchable or Unreachable God has made Himself Touchable and Reachable in The Person of The Lord Jesus Christ. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent His Only Begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. 1 John 4:9

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nQH2EzFqTH0>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 21, 2019 – Pastor Olusegun Joseph*

*(Easter Sunday / Elders Week Grand Finale)*

### **CALLED TO PERSEVERE**

Text: 2 Timothy 1:8; 2:7

“Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God.”

**To be Called means to make a cry to attract someone's attention.** A call is also a shout or a scream with a specific intention in mind. God has called and summoned all of us (His Children) to proclaim and propagate His Gospel everywhere.

**To Persevere is to persist, to continue, to carry on, to keep on going, not giving up, and to never stop at nothing.** Perseverance is to maintain a purpose in spite of difficult. God has called us for a purpose, we must not look back regardless of the obstacles. **No matter the situation we must not look back, even age or job schedule should never limit you.**

Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began - 2 Tim. 1:9. God has called you to His Glory (2 Cor. 2), what eyes have not seen, nor ears heard is what God has prepared for those who love Him.

#### **What You Must Know About Your calling**

1. You must make your calling a Holy One. 1 Peter 1:16 - Be Ye Holy as I am Holy.
2. You must make your calling worthy. 2 Thess. 1:11-12
3. You must make your calling Sure. 2 Peter 1:12

#### **Why Do I Need to Persevere?**

1. **Jesus Christ persevered against all temptations of the devil by what is Written. Matt. 4:1-11**
2. The Apostles persevered despite all the obstacles. 2 Cor. 1:8, 2 Cor. 4:8-9
3. In order to be a Partaker of the Glory of The Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 4:12-13, Romans 8:37

#### **What Must I be to Persevere**

1. We must be Ready - Rom. 1:11

2. **We must be Faithful** - Luke 16
3. We must be Steadfast - Col. 3:22-25
4. **We must be Patient**. Hab. 2:3, Heb. 6:14
5. We must beware of worldly things and the traditions of men that are contrary to The Word of God. We must be rooted and built up in Christ. Col. 2, Acts 28:20-21

In conclusion, the time is very short, there is no time to waste anymore (1 Cor. 7:29); therefore, we must redeem the wasted time (Ephesians 5:16). The Power of Resurrection can do anything. If He could die and resurrect there is nothing He cannot do. He abolished death because of us. He is The Mighty and Powerful One Who now has the key of hell and of death. Happy Resurrection Sunday!

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ph2ziS26P80>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 14, 2019 – Bishop Jide Orire*

*(Save and Serve Christ Family Church - Nigeria)*

### **THE COVENANT KEEPING GOD**

Text: Genesis 12:1-4 –“ Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. 4 So Abram departed, as the Lord had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

**A covenant is an agreement or contract between God and man backed up by God with some principles that are divine in nature.** Covenant always starts and comes with promises. Though the Promise may tarry but the Covenant sees to its fulfillment. God is never late when the matter of Covenant is in the picture. Gen. 17:1. Covenant is always with a Divine Instruction according to Gen. 17:11. A Covenant stands until a super-power comes to break that covenant if that Covenant is not with God. **The secret of success in life is being in Covenant with God through Christ Jesus and keeping the terms of the Covenant as stipulated in His Word.**

God is faithful to keeping His Covenant with His Children. The Covenant fulfillment may appear slow but keep rejoicing because God is preparing you so that you will fully matured for the Covenant Blessings.

## Your Part in Benefiting from God's Covenant

1. You must hear from Him.
2. **Covenant always starts with a relationship, thus, you must have a good relationship with Him.**
3. You must be Holy. Holiness is a life that is under the total control of The Indwelling Christ.
4. **You must be serious for God.** Be Kingdom minded and invest in people's lives. Numbers 25:12
5. Covenant always involves sacrifice, most of the time the sacrifice is usually painful. **Sacrificing your time, energy and money for expanding the Kingdom of God.**

**Sermon Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gk3qvJQdNuc>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 7, 2019 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **TRIUMPHANT PRAISES**

Text: Matthew 21:1-12 – “Now when they drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “**Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose them and bring them to Me.** And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord has need of them,’ and immediately he will send them.”

Our above text is an account of the concluding days of Our Lord Jesus Christ on the earth. He was about wrapping up His Ministry on the earth. He had done so many signs, wonders and miracles all over the cities and now about to make a triumphant entry into Jerusalem. He gave an instruction for a certain unused donkey to be brought for Him to make a triumphant entry into the temple in Jerusalem. What lesson can we learn from this? **The donkey could be connoted as an allegory of our praises for The Lord to ride on.** He rode the donkey into the temple and 1 Cor. 3:16 tells us we are the temple of God. As you praise Him, He will ride into your life through your praises and chase out everything buying and selling.

As The Lord of lords and King of Kings, people laid their garments for Him to ride on, palm tree branches were used to salute His Royalty. **The Lord wants to ride into your life but He needs your praises as a “donkey” to ride on so as to glorify Himself in your life.** Singing Hosanna is to praise Him for all His good works. We are in the season of Hosanna praises to Him. We are honoring Him each time we are eulogizing Him for Who He is and what He has and still doing in out

### **Why Must He Ride on Donkey into Jerusalem?**

1. What He has done could no longer be hidden again. It is time to showcase and celebrate Him for all His Goodness in your life. From Luke 17:17, we can see that He wants us to celebrate Him continually.
2. **It was time to make public Him as The Lord and King over Israel.** Zech.9:9.

3. Luke 7:36-50 show us the power of honoring Him for what He has done for us. A woman broke her alabaster box and anointed His feet to show her deep gratitude and appreciation to The Lord. Ps 34:6-8
4. Jesus earned the Hosanna Praises they were singing to Him. Our entire living is for Him. That we are alive today, we owe it to Him.
5. **We must pay Him homage with our praises because we are the sheep of His Pasture.**

In conclusion, Psalm 34:1 says we should praise Him continually. Don't be like those who sang His Hosanna Praises today and next day were shouting crucify Him.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fJOVHHPhhqM>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 31, 2019 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BREAKING FORTH OUT OF YOUR PAST**

Text: Mark 10:46-52 – “So Jesus answered and said to him, “What do you want Me to do for you?” The blind man said to Him, “Rabboni, that I may receive my sight.”

Many have missed opportunities in life because they could not perceive their time. God is a restorer of lost opportunities. From our above text, Blind Bartimeus recognized his timing when he heard The Lord Jesus was passing by. That Same Jesus is here this morning to save and to deliver. **Blind Bartimeus activated his faith as he knew Jesus Christ carried what he desperately needed.** The Lord used his mockers to bless him by asking them to call him forth. His mockers were instruments to his lifting. You just maintain your focus on God and activate your faith.

Elisha is another example of someone who was conscious of his time, he was very discerning when his master Elijah was about to depart. He was very alert and he got the double portion of Elijah's Anointing. **There are many things we cannot get in life except The Heaven give it to us, but we must recognize our timing.** Today is your day of Salvation for His Mercies and Power are always available to save and to deliver.

Your permanent victory has come but you need to exercise a little bit of patience and perseverance in the place of Prayer. Know your time, today is your day, 2 Cor. 6:2 says For He says: **“In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.** The children of Issachar knew the time and seasons. The Lord knows your current position in His agenda, yet He wants you to pray to Him for the fulfillment of His plans for your life. Blind Bartimeus knew it was God's Plan to restore his sight this prayed to Him.

**Conditions That Must Exist Before You Break Forth**

*(Case study of Blind Bartimeus)*

1. Blind Bartimeus persisted despite all hindrances.
2. **He had a dogged faith that helped him surmount all the obstacles.**
3. Be expectant for transformation and Divine increase.
4. He asked for the right thing from The Lord.
5. **He knew that it was his time and that it must not pass him by.**

Faith is like a fracking engine that helps you break through to your ocean of miracles. Time is a processor; it is often said that time heals wounds. Psalm 30:5b says weeping may endure for a night but joy comes in the morning. Ps 16:6 says lines will fall unto you on pleasant places (as you know your divine timing). **Forget the mockers as they didn't create you, your Maker is God and His thoughts towards you are thoughts of good and not of evil.** Smile and remain joyful because God will disappoint all your mockers. Elisha ignored the mockers and God later made them to bow before him. In closing, the story of Bartimeus tells of someone who broke forth from blindness into light, from obscurity into lime light, from a beggar to an instrument of great faith. Activate your faith and never mind the mockers.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v0F0DdsWxNA>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 24, 2019 – by Pastor James Fadel*

### **THE GRACE FACTOR**

Text: 1 Peter 5:10 - But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you. **Winning or success in life goes beyond human strength, smartness, and wisdom.** Eccl. 9:11 says "I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favor to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all." **Skill is necessary but grossly insufficient to fulfill destiny without Grace.** Peter was very skillful in fishing but it took The Grace of God to turn his toiling to favor overnight. David was very skillful but skill will never bring than Goliath without God's Grace Factor. It was Grace that spoke for Paul, he was hitherto a terrorist against God's Kingdom but for The Grace Factor.

**What is Grace?** God's riches at Christ's expense. It is the unmerited favor based on the love of God. 1 Peter 5:10. If you want to appreciate in life you must understand the place of The Grace of God in your life. To avoid disgrace in life, you must embrace The Grace of God. Grace helps you to reach your destination faster than your abilities. Psalm 127:1

#### **The 7 Types of Grace**

1. The Common Grace. This is to all mankind - Saved and unsaved. Matt. 5:44
2. **The Saving Grace.** Only to the Children of God. Eph. 2:8
3. The Sanctifying Grace. This is when God starts transforming you from the nature of the old man to the New Creature in Christ. He is making you more like Him in love, Patience. It is a process. Phil 1:6
4. The Provisional Grace. When you get the unexpected gifts from The Father. James 1:17
5. Miraculous Grace. When your miracle happen all of a sudden regardless of those before you. Acts 6:8
6. The Serving Grace. This is The Grace God has given you to be laboring and serving Him in His Vineyard. It is Grace to work Faithful as stewards of The Mysteries of God. 1 Peter 4:10.
7. The Sustaining Grace. This is Grace to finish well in life. 2 Cor. 12:9



**What is the difference between Grace and faith?** You need both of them to fulfill your destiny in life. The Grace is God's Bridge to connect us to His Riches and Faith. Faith is trusting God's Bridge of Grace to possess more of His Riches. Grace enables, Faith takes. Grace provides on the integrity of God, Grace provides all that Heaven can provide but faith must receive. **Everything you will ever need in life has been provided by God but Faith must be engaged to possess it.** Matthew 5:17, 26-28. The law does not make you a child of God but Grace is what makes you a child of God. Law identifies after it is committed, but Grace identifies a wrong when it is initiated in your heart so it will not manifest. Grace is stricter than law. The law waits for you to commit a sin before it condemns you, but Grace does not wait for you to commit it physically, it arrests you from the thought of it.

### **How Do We Frustrate The Grace of God?**

1. You can frustrate the Grace of God by being proud. Pride destroys Grace. 1 Peter 5:5-7
2. By being insensitive. Like being abusive and disrespectful to your spouse. 1 Peter 3:7
3. By allowing bitterness in your heart. Luke 22:31, 24
4. By devaluing what God has given to you. Esau saw no value in his birth right.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gqwLIkIySn4>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 17, 2019 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BREAKING FORTH INTO YOUR DESTINY**

Text: Acts 3:1-10 – “Then Peter said, “Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.”

Your destiny is not in the hands of man but in the Hand of God. When your destiny is in God's Hand, you are safe and secure. The Hand of God is the greatest security of any destiny. **Success is our destiny in Christ Jesus. Others might be failing but our portion is success.** Gen. 26:13 is great picture that shows how a Covenant Child (Isaac) of God could be great in the midst of famine in the land. You are a success story in Christ Jesus just like Peter in Luke 22:31. **The lives and greatness of others are hanging on you**, the substance of some people are hanging on you. So if you don't succeed you are wasting not only God's Resources but wasting other lives and destinies. You cannot afford to fail, if Peter had failed, who could have been there to minister so powerfully on the day of Pentecost? Satan wanted Peter to fail but Jesus had prayed for him. **As a Redeemed of The Lord the seed of greatest is inside of you.** The world is waiting for your manifestation as mentioned in Romans 8.

**In Christ Jesus a weak person becomes great, an unknown person becomes a renowned person because of the presence of The Holy Ghost and Prayers**, like Peter in Acts 3. He said silver and gold he has not but such as he has (The Name of Jesus) he gives..... There is The Great Power of God that money cannot buy inside of us. It is when we encounter God that His greatness in us explodes and manifests to the world.

Lameness or any disability is a bad thing, such was the case of this lame man in Acts 3 until someone with The Power of God (Peter) came to his rescue. **Lameness is not limited to physical disability, it could also be spiritual lameness, marital lameness, business or career lameness**, etc. Prov. 26:7. A lame man needs help. Lameness cripples and puts a man on same spot. Three common ways a man's destiny is attacked is his hands, head and legs. The disability of a man's legs makes them immobile. Physically a man can be moving but spiritually they are stagnant. A head could also be made graceless.

## Lesson Points from Acts 3:10

1. Anytime you come to The Church never underestimate what The Presence of God can do for you.
2. God hears the cry of His Own people. He was crying for help when Peter heard his cry. When you open your mouth in prayers to God especially in His Church, He will hear your cry.
3. **God gives attention to the need of His People at the place of Prayer.**
4. There is Transformation of Destiny in the presence of God. Joh. 1:11-12. Acts 3:8. He went from crawling to leaping to walking, jumping and praising God. His destiny was no longer limited.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Co0vJ9pxBKY>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 10, 2019 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BREAKING FORTH ON EVERY SIDE**

Text: Isaiah 54:1-4 - “For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited. Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood anymore.” This scriptural text is telling us where you have failed before God is turning the situation around. This is God’s mandate for us to break forth this month. We need to get ready for this Breaking Forth Agenda of God. We need to prepare room for breaking forth; God is responding to the spiritual investment (Fasting and Prayer) we made late last year to early this year.

Isaiah 58:8 tells us we are destined to Break Forth as the Redeemed of The Lord. God did not ask us to fast and seek Him in vain. God said certain things must happen before your light breaks forth as morning, fasting coupled with other things such as loosing the bound of wickedness, catering for the poor and showing mercy to others. Not only will our light break forth, your health will also spring forth speedily, and Christ’s righteousness shall go before you and the glory of The Lord shall be your reward. In addition God said when you call He will answer you. Don’t be fault finder from this Year if you want your light to be breaking forth continuously. Our God is The God of Light. Our Lord Jesus Christ is Light Himself.

Breaking forth means to spread abroad. Jabez prayed a Breaking Forth Prayer in 1 Chron. 4:10 - God in response blessed him indeed. Breaking forth also means when nothing can contend with God has given you, when no evil can touch what God has blessed you with. It is a time to burst with increase, to spread far and wide.

### **Season of our Breaking Forth**

1. Zec. 1:17 says God will make you experience overflow. Where you have been having lack, surplus begins to come. There is a Power in the horizon to break every limitation and struggle.
2. Psalm 126 gives a picture of what it means for God to make His people experience a Breaking Forth. God can get a lot done in a split of seconds.

3. Isaiah 40:4-5 tells us every valley shall be exalted and every mountain made low.
4. Isaiah 10:27 says the burden shall be taken away ..... There is a release of An Anointing upon us.
5. Pharaoh couldn't stop the Israelites when their season of Breaking Forth came.
6. Zec. 4:7 says who art thou o great mountain? Mountains will be disappearing suddenly.
7. Isaiah 51:11 also says therefore the redeemed of The Lord shall return .....

### Positioning Yourself for This Breaking Forth

1. Obey The Word of The Lord. Acquaint Yourself with God. Job 22:21-24
2. Do not rob God of your time, Fellowship and tithes. Mal. 3
3. Be merciful unto others. Isaiah 58:6, 2 Sam. 22:2
4. Praise God in all conditions. Ps 67:5-7

In closing be expectant this Year, Blessed is she that believes says The Word of God.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t0j9GJUO6ck>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 3, 2019 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **2019 RCCG LEGACY WEEKEND**

Text: Prov. 22:28 - "Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set". Today is our legacy weekend in RCCG Worldwide. **Our Legacy Sunday is a period where we remember where we are coming from and the heritage our forefathers left for us.** A Sunday like this affords the opportunity for those new to RCCG to be informed of the rich heritage our forefathers in RCCG passed down to us. We in RCCG have been entrusted with a rich legacy that we must fight for and defend. Our legacy is like the call of Abraham and the children of Israel. God told Abraham to leave his place and go to a place that He would bless him and make him a great nation.

Every year we return to remind ourselves of our origin. Where we are coming from. **Everyone is from a lineage and has a root, likewise the Redeemed Christian church of God started from somewhere.** We have forefathers who have left a legacy that makes us who we are today. We are not where we are by our own strength but because of God's mercies. RCCG is where we are today by the grace of God.

We made God our Lord in RCCG, We fear him and He has decided to show us His mercy. **This church is a church of covenant; God called Pa Josiah Akindayomi out of the family of idol worshippers and used him to establish The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG).** God made a covenant with Pa Akindayomi that He will make RCCG go around the world and that He will meet the church at His Second-Coming. It doesn't matter what we do, it's because God made a covenant with Pa Akindayomi and it cannot be broken but it's not a license for us to do just anything. As at today, by the Grace of God Redeemed is in over 180 countries of the world. Every day a new parish is springing up all around the world. In Nigeria alone there are over 25,000 parishes to The Glory of God.

### **OUR MISSION IN RCCG**

1. To make Heaven.
2. To take as many people as possible with us.
3. To have a member of RCCG in every family in every nation.

## OUR VALUES IN RCCG

1. We are God's chasers. **We pursue God through our prayers, worship and study of His Word.** Ps 42:1
2. **We value Christ's likeness.** We want to be like our Savior, in conduct and in our speech. Eph. 5:2
3. We value Godly Family life. We value marital fidelity. **We bring up our children in a Godly environment.** 1 Cor. 7:3-5
4. We value purposeful singleness. Our singles devote their time and energy towards the service of God. 1 Cor. 7:32
5. We value Giving. **We encourage our members to first GIVE themselves to The LORD.** Luke 6:38
6. We provide an environment where our members grow quickly so as to be ready vessels for Our God.
7. **We value modesty in our lifestyle.** We dress in a Godly manner.

**Sermon Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R7SubKsFDZ4>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 24, 2019 – Pastor Olusegun Joseph (Zonal Pastor, RCCG Nigeria)*

## **SEASON OF LAUGHTER**

Text: Psalm 126:1-2 – “When the LORD turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The LORD hath done great things for them.” When God remembers you, He will turn your sorrow to laughter. Eccl. 3:1 says “To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven .... A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance”. **Laughter is an amazing ability to supply strength in the face of sorrow. It is an ability to turn around your attitude when something happens.** Sorrow is the opposite of laughter.

### **What Happens when God changes Your Season to Laughter**

1. The jobless get a better job. - Ps 40:2
2. Sinners are saved - Rom 8:10, Ps 61:12.
3. Shame turn to Glory - Isaiah 43:7, 1 Pet 4:13
4. **Sorrow turns to Joy (Joy unspeakable)** - 1 Pet 1:8
5. Every barrenness will turn into fruitfulness (Physically, spiritually, financially etc.) - Ps 16:11
6. Incurable sicknesses and diseases are cured. - 2 Kings 2:21
7. **Mercy will cancel the punishment we deserve.** But Grace gives us favour we don't deserve.
8. Compassion turns the impossible to possibility. Matt 14:14, Matt 15:32. Compassion is a forerunner to God's miracle follow. Ps 19:2, LK 1:68.

### **Case Studies**

1. Moses sang a new song in Exo. 15:1,

2. Hannah composed a new song in 1 Sam 2:1. Her season of sorrow ceased and as her mockers were permanent silenced.
3. An end came to that problem of the woman with the issue of blood. Luke 8:43-48
4. Jabez cried to God and God turned His shame to glory and laughter. 1 Chron. 4:10

### Types of Laughter

1. Laughter in Unbelief. - Gen 18:11-12, LK 8:52-55
2. Laughter of a fool. - Eccl 7:6
3. God's Laughter. - Ps 2:1, Proverb 1:24-26.

In closing, in whatever situation you are, I believe He will see you through, because He said in Prov. 23:18" For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off." **We serve a God Who can do all things; He rules above all medical records and findings.** He rules over situations, regardless of its origin. God is The Only Who can shut and no one can open, and Who can Open and no one can shut!

Sermon Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ASLaI0LR7\\_Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ASLaI0LR7_Q)

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 17, 2019 – Pastor Olusegun Joseph (Zonal Pastor, RCCG Nigeria)*

## **UNCOMMON FAVOR**

Text: Exodus 3:21 - And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty. When God remembers you He favors you.

**What does Uncommon mean?** Uncommon means something unusual, very rare, peculiar, a customized miracle, unique, what hasn't happened before, an act of preferential treatment, exceptional, an extraordinary lifting, and something unimaginable. Esther being a queen in a foreign land is an unimaginable act of Uncommon Favor.

**What does Favor mean?** Favor means unmerited grace from God to a man or woman, a kindness from God not because your worth, qualification, connections, certificates or merits. It is an advantage over your peers, receiving something so great that you didn't even ask for.

### **Case Studies of Uncommon Favor**

1. Mary was uncommon favored among all women to carry to The Messiah in her womb. Luke 1:28-30.
2. Joseph enjoyed Favored to move from the prison to the palace. Gen. 29:31
3. Esther enjoyed uncommon favored to be queen in a foreign land. Esther 2:15-17
4. Solomon was uncommon favored as a king - with riches and peace. 1 King 3
5. Abraham was singled out to be in Covenant with God. Gen. 12

### **How do I Connect with this Uncommon Favor?**

1. Holiness - 1 Pet. 1:16, Amos 3:3, Gen. 39:21
2. Prayer - Jer. 33:3, John 14:14, 16:23-24, Acts 12

3. Persistence - Don't be weary on the Altar of Prayer. Nahum 1:7, Luke 18:3-8, Prov. 3:6
4. Sacrificial Giving - 2 Samuel 24:24, 2 Chron. 7:5,12, Acts 10:4
5. You must sow seeds of Favor to others. Be part of someone's success story - Acts 8:26, Prov. 30:7, 2 Timothy 2:2,9

### Benefits of having Uncommon Favor

1. Long life. - 1 Kings 3:14, Eccl. 5:18
2. You will not lack anything good. - 1 Kings 4:21, Isaiah 55:5
3. You will have Dominion. - 1 Kings 4:24, Isaiah 56:9-10

In closing the one that will not enjoy uncommon favor is the one that does not have connection with The God of Uncommon Favor. Without having Christ in your life, forget about anything called Uncommon Favor!

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XcKRimCY06Y>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 10, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **COME OUT OF YOUR LODE-BAR**

Text: 2 Samuel 9:1-13 – “And the king said, Is there not yet any of the house of Saul, that I may shew the kindness of God unto him? And Ziba said unto the king, Jonathan hath yet a son, which is lame on his feet. [6] Now when Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, was come unto David, he fell on his face, and did reverence. And David said, Mephibosheth. And he answered, Behold thy servant! [7] And David said unto him, **Fear not: for I will surely shew thee kindness for Jonathan thy father's sake, and will restore thee all the land of Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually.**

Whenever God opens a Book of Remembrance it has always been to change and turnaround a distasteful situation for someone. **To be remembered of God is for God to creative a positive change on your behalf.** In Genesis 8:1 God remembered Noah. Also Joseph in Genesis was remembered and taken from the prison to the palace. In Esther 6:3, the king opened a Book of Remembrance to Mordecai's favor. Wherever you have been forgotten, may God remember you this month for good. When Mordecai was remembered every enemy seating on his blessing were unseated. He was taken from the outer gate into the very presence of the king. Vashti was unseated for Esther to be seated as Queen. God divinely orchestrates the way for His Faithful Ones to get to the top in life. **You need to be spiritually violent to get out of your Lode-bar.** Hannah had a Holy anger and poured her heart to The Lord and she was remembered with the testimony of Samuel.

Our above text relates to how Mephibosheth a Son of Jonathan (David's covenant friend) was divinely remembered by King David. David favored him for the sake of his covenant friend, Jonathan. Mephibosheth was taken out of Lode-bar to the King's palace.

What does Lode-bar mean? **Lode-bar means a thing of not, dryness, emptiness, nothingness, etc.** To be taken out of Lode-bar is to be graduated from sickness to health, poverty to abundance, affliction to Glory.

## Mephibosheth's Conditions in Lode-bar

1. He was crippled. Crippleness represents being helpless before a mountain.
2. **He was in a position of shame.** Mephibosheth's name means a destroyer of shame, but here was he being destroyed by shame.
3. He was a sad man. Psalm 126:1-2
4. **He lost his Inheritance.** Instead of being in the palace he was in exile. May The Lord restore every Inheritance you have lost in Jesus Name. Joel 2:24-26
5. He was living a relegated life than what he a prince should have been living. God said He will restore health unto thee in Jer. 30:17.
6. **He suffered as a result of the curse placed upon his grandfather (Saul).** 1 Chronicles 10. A good man leaves an Inheritance for his children children.
7. He was living in fear. He was hiding, like an outcast in exile.

As the Redeemed of The Lord, glory to God as this story also typifies our relationship with God through The Blood of Jesus Christ. **We were translated from the kingdom of darkness (a type of Lode-bar) and into the Kingdom of God's Son.** We were taken from the land of bondage into the land of liberty in Christ. Now we have been made kings and royal priesthoods.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Nzdw6fKhxA>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 3, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **THE ASSURANCE OF PURPOSE**

Text: Romans 8:28-30 – “And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. **For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son,** that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.”

As believers in Christ Jesus, we are candidates of God's Glorification. **Glorification is God taking you beyond where any man can ever take you.** He called and justified you for the purpose of glorifying you regardless of the enemy's plan. We are the candidates and beneficiaries of the free gift of God - The Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 2:9 tells us, “.... Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.” What God has for you in Christ is beyond your widest imagination, thus we need to enlarge our capacity to receive it. Jabez prayed for God to enlarge his territory and God hearkened. This is your year of Glorification.

### **Assurance of Purpose**

1. You are not a product of chance. God brought you this way for a specific task. Jeremiah 1 and Romans 8 both lay credence to fact that God foreknew us so as to be conformed to The Image of His FirstBorn Son. He called us to showcase His Glory and Power through us.
2. You are designed to be a testimony that God is a Living God, not a dead god. 1 Pet. 2:9-10
3. You are not called into miseries but into a place where you can serve God in Truth.
4. You have escaped the traps and imagination of the enemy. Psalm 124, Exod. 15:9-10
5. You are called to a place where you can sing a new song unto The Lord like the Israelites did in Exod. 15:11
6. You are called into The Holy Habitation of God. Exod. 15:13

## In a Transit Point

Wherever you are today is a transit point to your place of Glory. The reason for your predestination and Justification is to show forth His Glory.

1. **The pit and prison were transit points for Joseph's Place of Glorification.**
2. The prison was also a transit point for Paul and Silas. Acts 16:24-25 shows that God can glorify His Own regardless of how unpleasant a situation might be; the chains of Paul and Silas were broken as they sang praises to God. No matter how impossible a situation is The God we serve can turn it around.
3. In Dan. 3:23-25, **He delivered the 3 Hebrew Boys out of the transit point of a fiery furnace.** Christ was the Fourth Man in the fiery furnace. If God is for you who can be against you. God has not called you to be disgraced. He will surely appear for you.

In closing, keep praising and exalting Him because where you are is but a transit point. **In everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you!**

Sermon Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U\\_uAvUhSiRU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U_uAvUhSiRU)

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 27, 2019 – Pastor (Mrs.) Lola Awobajo*

## **THE MIDDLE MAN**

Text: 1 Samuel 30:1-20 - And David enquired at the Lord, saying, Shall I pursue after this troop? Shall I overtake them? And he answered him, Pursue: for thou shalt surely overtake them, and without fail recover all. But David pursued, he and four hundred men: for two hundred abode behind, which were so faint that they could not go over the brook Besor. And they found an Egyptian in the field, and brought him to David, and gave him bread, and he did eat; and they made him drink water. God desires we as His Children should always be enquiring of Him in all our steps, like David did in our text. We have to go back to God in prayer at the occurrence of any challenge. **A middle man is an intermediary, intercessor, and mediator that helps in destiny fulfillment.**

### **THE MIDDLE MAN**

1. **The sick Egyptian soldier in verse 12 was strategically positioned to help David.** David was patient else he would have missed him. David went back to God in prayer and He directed his steps. We have to always go back to God in prayer to direct us. It might have been God that orchestrated this sick Egyptian soldier to be left behind by his commanders in order to be the middle man to help David. V12-16. David recovered all the enemies he had stolen from him because he inquired of God. The Word of God charged us to feed our enemies. Prov. 25:21.
2. **Esther is also a Middle Man or an intermediary.** She was the middle man between the Jews and the king. She interceded for her people against the plans of the enemy (Haman). She arose knowing God had placed her in a position of authority, she risked her life, fasted and besought the king to help her people. Recognize that whatever position God has put you in is for you to help others.
3. **The baker and the butler were middle men to help Joseph get to his destined place.** Joseph helped these two men who were being punished from the palace, he cared for them. Gen. 40:14. When God troubled Pharaoh with an uninterpretable dream and one of the middle men that Joseph had helped in



prison approached the king that there was a man who could interpret dreams.

4. **The little Hebrew maid in Naaman's house is another classical a middle man or woman God used to deliver an army General from leprosy.** 2 Kings 5:1-3. Naaman did not look down on this house maid; many have missed their miracles because they despised the middle man God had sent their way just because they looked inconsequential. Never look down on any man for you can never tell how helpful they may be to fulfilling your destiny. God can use anybody and anything even a spider to save a man from danger.
5. **The Lord Jesus Christ is The Greatest Middle Man and human can ever have.** Hebrews 7:25. He is our Middle Man, Intercessor, Mediator, and Great High Priest. 1 Tim. 2:5. He is our Great Deliverer Who opens and no man can shut. He is Rose of Sharon, The Alpha and Omega.

In conclusion, we need to always enquire of God in every step. We need to be patient with every one God connects us to. We need to learn to give food to our enemies. Keep doing good to all because you can never tell they may be a Middle Man to your promise land.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h0uu4B7AMEY>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 20, 2019 – Pastor Tunji Adebisi*

## **THE GOD WHO DOES NEW THINGS**

Isaiah 43:16-21 - "This is what GOD says, the God who builds a road right through the ocean, who carves a path through pounding waves, The God who summons horses and chariots and armies— they lie down and then can't get up; they're snuffed out like so many candles: "Forget about what's happened; don't keep going over old history. Be alert, be present. I'm about to do something brand-new. It's bursting out! Don't you see it? There it is! I'm making a road through the desert, rivers in the badlands. Wild animals will say 'Thank you!'—the coyotes and the buzzards— Because I provided water in the desert, rivers through the sun-baked earth, Drinking water for the people I chose, the people I made especially for myself, a people custom-made to praise me." - Isaiah 43:16-21 MSG

God never gives a Word without intending to make it a reality in the lives of His children. Every of His Promise usually carries condition or responsibility to be fulfilled by a believer. The God we serve is a God Who specializes in doing the impossible; how else can water come forth from a desert? This Year He has promised to do a New Thing in our lives so as to show forth His Glory. God says whatever we have seen Him do in the Past is a child play compared to what He is about to do in our lives from this Year.

### **What Do I Need to Do to Experience A New Thing?**

1. **Forget about the good past.** What used to work in the past may not work again as God says He will do a New Thing. Paul in Phil. 3 says he hasn't attained but he follows after forgetting the things which are past and reaching forth for those things which are before. He kept pressing forward to the greater glory in Christ Jesus. What is ahead of us is far bigger and better on what we have experienced in the past. We should not dwell on the good past only as a springboard to thank Him. God said you cannot put a new wine in an old wine skin.
2. **Forget about the negative past.** Many are being held by their unpalatable past. The pains, agonies and chains of oppression some have experienced are the greatest obstacle to their progress in life. If

you are a believer, don't listen to those lies that you can never progress in life because of a bad family pattern. You are under a Better Covenant and a greater family - The Family of God where there is no limitation or impossibility. Many believe that there is a generational problem that is hindering their progress in life, forgetting that 2 Cor. 5:17 says "Therefore if any man be in Christ He is a new creature old things are passed away, behold all things are become new". Ephesians 1:4 also says we have being blessed with all spiritual blessings in Heavenly places in Christ by God, how could a blessed child of God be afraid of the curses of man or Satan. Numbers 23:8. Israel only came under a curse because they went after other gods.

3. Fear of the past is still tormenting many from moving forward. Fear is a powerful tool in the hands of the devil. Fear of poverty, lack, opinions, etc. Some cannot take giant steps because of fear. The devil has no power over any Christian except to bring fear to incapacity him.

### How Do We Deal with Fear

1. Do not buy to the lies of the devil. Job 3:25. In nothing be terrified by your adversary. Phil. 1:28.
2. Be loaded with the weapons in The Word and watch fear flee from you. When the light of God dawns on you in any area of life, you begin to take charge.
3. Be conscious that you are carrying God inside you. Greater is He that is in you than He that is in the world.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uxmfpsio7RU>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 13, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **IT'S A YEAR OF A NEW SONG**

Text: Isaiah 43:18-21 - "Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. **Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it?** I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert. The beast of the field shall honor me, the dragons and the owls: because I give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen. This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise."

The Lord has given His Word to us as a congregation that 2019 is our Year of a New Song. Recognize that as the Redeemed of The Lord we were created to show forth His praise. You are an overcomer because it is a year of a New Song. It's the season of a New thing. Our God is not a God of the Old but a God of The New. He said in Rev. 21:5 "**And He that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new.** And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful." God's Word are not ordinary or mere human words, rather They are spirit and They are Life.

As humans it is natural for us to dwell and keep rejoicing in past glories but Paul in Philippians 3:13-14 said "**Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,** I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." As believers in Christ, we are privileged to be living in a Dispensation where God is doing a new thing for His Children. In Ps. 40:1-3, David said he waited patiently unto The Lord and He inclined unto him and gave him a New Song. Without God giving us a New Song, we will still be in our old state where there are no testimonies. What God has in store for you is bigger than you can imagine.

The day The Lord changed the song of Hannah, she said in 1 Samuel 2:1-2 that her mouth is enlarged over her enemies. The old song ceased and a new song of adoration to The Lord emerged from Hannah. God also gave Israel a New Song when they crossed the Red Sea. Exodus 15:9-11

For you to sing a new song it must as a result of knowing God in truth this year.

### Want to Sing a New Song this Year?

1. Dig deeper into the knowledge of God. Seek a deeper revelation and relationship with Him. Walk with Him deeper this year. John 3:3
2. Wait patiently for Him. Ps. 40:1. God never comes late. Don't try to fix it.
3. Be constant with Him. Don't serve Him when it is convenient for you. 2 Tim. 4:2 - Be Instant in season and out of season. Great treasures are not found in shallow wells. Digger deeper this year.

The old song of sorrow, lack, agony is coming to an end now because this year is a year and season of a new song.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bmQWC87bzGY>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 6, 2019 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **COVENANT-KEEPING GOD**

Text: Exodus 3:9-12 - “And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt? And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.”

God is a God that is faithful to His covenant from generations to generations; He brought us out of the Old year into this New Year. He brought His Covenant children out of Egypt to serve and worship Him. We have come to His Mountain to praise and exalt His Name this first Sunday to remember His Marvelous Works which He did for us in 2018. Ps 108:1-5. **God destroyed all the Pharaohs in our lives last year, He remembered and kept His Covenant with us.** The storm came, the wind blew but The God of Covenant was behind us, He stood by us all through, thus, He deserves all our praise and honor.

**The account of Luke 17:17 shows how ungrateful the human nature is, only one came back to give thanks out of the 10 cleansed lepers.** Today we are like the one leper that returned to give thanks. Thanksgiving multiplies God's Acts. As we praise Him He does more and more in our lives this Year. Psalm 48:1 says “Great is The Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of His holiness.” Our God is Great, He has done marvelous things among us. Psalm 136 is an awesome eulogy of God's Mercy that endures forever. He kept sicknesses, devil's plans and all manners of evils away from us last year, and He has promised to do much more this year, hence we must praise Him in advance for His Mercy all through this year again.

**God does not want us to be worshiping Him in bondage but in liberty.** Pharaoh thought he could keep the Israelites in bondage but God came with His Mighty Hand to set His Children free. He devastated the whole of Egypt because of His Faithfulness to His Covenant. Ps 114:1-8 tells us the sea, Jordan, mountains, and all obstacles saw

the covenant children of God approaching with Judah leading, they all fled before Israel. God kept our breathe, He has been so strong in our midst and lives.

Psalm 124 - "If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, now may Israel say; If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when men rose up against us: Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us: Blessed be the Lord, who hath not given us as a prey to their teeth. **Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped.**" Psalms 124:1-3, 6-7

### **Understanding the Power of Praises**

1. Understand that Praises refreshes God.
2. Praises renews God's oil (anointing) upon our lives.
3. Praise Him from a sanctified hearts and lips.
4. **God dwells in the praises of His people.**
5. Don't withhold your praises from God, Scripture says a liberal soul shall be made fat and he that watereth shall be Watereth.
6. Praises precedes Victory. 2 Chron. 20
7. **Praises releases glory and grace for the journey ahead.**
8. Praises makes problems to vanish, it breaks chains and fetters. Acts 16:25

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xzqFTSpGWW8>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 30, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **UNCHANGABLE GOD**

Text: Deut. 9:1-10 – "Speak not thou in thine heart, after that the LORD thy God hath cast them out from before thee, saying, For my righteousness the LORD hath brought me in to possess this land: but for the wickedness of these nations the LORD doth drive them out from before thee"

This is the 4th part of our series - "At The Verge of Breakthrough". We serve an Unchangeable God Who always does what He promises. He never changes. Man does change but not our God. He is always faithful to His Word. He brought them to the verge of their breakthrough and told them to launch into the land.

God is Faithful not because we are righteous but because of His Unchangeableness. The Children of Israel were unrighteous but God was faithful to complete what He had started.

### **GOD'S EXPECTATION AS WE GO INTO 2019**

1. God is expecting us to trust Him and believe Him the more in 2019.
2. He expects us to obey Him the more in 2019. Disobedience makes us to lose a lot. Luke 6:47-49
3. He expects us to serve Him better.
4. Spiritual immaturity keeps us stagnant in life. God is expecting us to develop our heart.
5. He is expecting us to build our hope in Him.
6. He is expecting us to make Him our Lord in all areas of life. Our job, money, etc, are not our Lord but Him alone.
7. God is calling us to change our ways in 2019. The wind will come to all in 2019 but only those with solid foundation will stand. John 16:32-33. Don't walk alone in 2019, ensure you go daily with Jesus. In Him only is Peace. Be of Good Cheer, Jesus is still on The Throne and has overcome for you

8. We must live our life better in 2019. He that covers his sin shall not prosper, but he that confesses it shall obtain mercy.

In Numbers we see that no one can curse those God has not cursed. Balaam tried to curse the children of Israel but all was to no avail, rather a Blessing came from his mouth. Balaam now advised Balak to try and make the children of Israel to sin against God and the result will invite trouble to the Israelites. If the hedge is not broken trouble cannot come in.

I counsel you to service your Covenant with God as you go into Year 2019. Worship Him always. You should circumcise yourself from every anti-Covenant habits such as envy, bitterness, murmurings, sin, etc. In Joshua 5 the Israelites were circumcised in Gilgal the second time before setting into the Promised Land. They also ate the Passover meal before crossing into Canaanland and The Lord rolled away the reproach of Egypt from them.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RA35rWmF9M0>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 25, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **THE KING IS BORN**

- Christmas Day!

Text: John 1:10-16 – “And The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth”

The God we serve knows everything that we are. He knows the end from the beginning and the beginning from the end. He is The Alpha and Omega. He knew his created man would fall and as a result He already made a restoration and redemption plan for His man even before the foundation of the earth. He was The Lamb that was slain before the foundation of the earth. This shows God is never caught by surprise, He is always proactive not reactive. **1 Peter 1:20 says Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you.** No one else was ordained to do this great assignment aside Christ. Gal. 4:4 also says at the fullness of time God sent forth His Son Jesus Christ; The King of kings appeared and manifested in the form of flesh. John 1:14 says “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us ...” He came to mingle with His fallen creatures and partook of our human suffering and eventually died a gruesome death to save.

**Until The Word was made flesh, the world was in terrible darkness.** He is The Light that darkness cannot comprehend. It's a terrible thing for a man to walk without light. We need Him that is The Light to prevent us from stumbling.

He is The Shepherd Sent by God to deliver us. The people that walk in darkness have seen a great light. Isaiah 9:2. **Until that Word comes into your life, your life will be filled with darkness.** He came to this world to die for us. He did not come like a Deity but has a human. He came to pay the ransom for man with His Life.

## Why He Came in The Flesh

1. **To reveal the heart of The Father;** that He loves us despite all our misgivings. John 3:16
2. **He came in human flesh to reveal the need of man.** After sin man became depraved. The nature of God in man died after he ate the forbidden fruit. Christ came to restore what we lost in Adam. He came to show that we need God. John 15:5
3. **He came to reveal the mystery of God's Plan.** The Mystery of Redemption was kept secret until Christ came. 1 Cor. 2 says had they known they would not have crucified The King of Glory. An end came to all animal sacrifices before God. He came to end all animal sacrifices.
4. **He came to answer to all human controversies of life.** John 10:10 says the thief comes to kill, to steal and to destroy, but He has come that we may have life and have it more abundantly. He has come to demolish all the works of darkness in our lives.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lbK-08IPYas>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 23, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **STAND UP FOR YOUR RIGHT**

Text: 1 Samuel 17:1-54 “And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of The Living God?”

This is the 3rd part of this series. **Last week we talked about overcoming discouragement at the verge of your breakthrough.** Discouragement is a normal human experience but the joy for us believers is that we can overcome it by The Power God. Elijah, David, Moses, and many other great vessels of God were once discouraged, but they overcame it. We said discouragements prevents you from fulfilling God's assignment for your life. It blinds your vision and drains the power of God in your life. Discouragements breeds suicidal thoughts like Elijah experienced after the exploits of destroying about 450 prophets of Baal.

Our above text is the account of Goliath terrorizing the nation of Israel for 40 days. **Goliath is any demonic blockage that stands at the verge of your breakthrough.** You must stand up for your right even at the face of any Goliath. Goliath may be boosting against you, but realize authentic power belongs to God alone. You are a child of God and greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world. David was a boy with the anointing of God on his life, he stood up for Israel's right at the face of Goliath. **God brought victory to a nation just because a boy who was strong in The Lord stood up for his right.** Many people rather than stand for their rights chicken out in the face of their Goliath. Eccl. 10:4 says if the spirit of a ruler rise up against you, leave not thy place. Eph. 6 says having done all, stand for we are not fighting against flesh and blood. 2 Tim. 1:7 says God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of love, power, and a sound mind. Your own Goliath could be fear like the Israelites experienced, but whatever it is stand up for your right, do not chicken out.

## David despite being just a shepherd boy did certain things to bring down Goliath

1. He surveyed the situation or problem. You need to assess what is responsible for your current situation.
2. He determined to remove the root cause of that problem. v26. He said this reproach cannot continue, hence was determined to destroy it. Any problem unattended to will continue to linger.

## Strategies to Battle Your Goliath

1. **Never assume what worked for someone else will work for you too.** Obtain your own blueprint from God. In v38 David turned down Saul's armor and went with his God-Given weapon to bring down Goliath.
2. **Trust first in The Lord not the weapon or certificates,** experiences you are carrying. David told Goliath he comes to him in The Name of a The Lord of Hosts.
3. **Make sure you celebrate your victory, testify.** 1 Samuel 17:54

Realize that sin makes it impossible for you to stand up for your right. You cannot continue to sin and expect that Goliath to fall. Gal. 5:19-21, Prov. 6:32. Re-examine yourself and determine to take care of whatever hindrance standing as Goliath before you. Stand up for your right!

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EQOoL3uhODk>

## RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

### SERMON EXCERPTS



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 16, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## OVERCOMING DISCOURAGEMENT

Text: 1 Kings 19:1-9 – “And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time. **And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life,** and came to Beersheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there. A recap of last week, by a Mighty Hand, The Lord delivered the Israelites from Egypt as He had promised. Unfortunately an 11 day journey ended in 40 years because of the spirit of weariness and discouragement. **It was at the verge of their breakthrough (at Kadeshbarnea) that an evil report came that paralyzed and discouraged them.** Fear and discouragement come from evil report and lack of insight. Their hope disappeared due to discouragement. The coming year is pregnant with wonderful things, but without insight many may not enter their Promised Land.

From our above text (1 Kings 19), we see Ahab reporting Elijah's exploits to Jezebel. This means some evil agents report our advancements in the camp of the enemy. **Jezebel then vowed to kill the man of God. This report got to Elijah, he became discouraged and spiritually weak.** Upon running, God asked Elijah what he was doing under the juniper tree. This means God is not interested in our stagnancy or complaints like Elijah was doing. Rather God is saying, move forward. The Word of God said the rod of affliction shall not rest on the righteous.

**What is Discouragement?** Discouragement is an inherent feeling of despair that comes to every human being. Everyone at some juncture get discouraged - no one is exempted. The joy is that we as Christians have God to help us in any hopeless case. He said we should be still and know that He is God. **God will fix whatever the enemy is using to discourage you, just don't give up or give in. Discouragement is to be deprived of hope and confidence.** It is to be depressed, to feel beaten down, to lack of strength, a feeling of weakness to the marrow, being demoralized, frightened, physically and mentally pressured and troubled. It is a desire to give up in. No area of our life is free of discouragements, marriage, ministry, business, etc.

### Effects of Discouragement

1. It will deter you from moving forward.
2. **It keeps you from fulfilling your vision.** It blinds your sight.

3. It paralyzed all your efforts
4. It causes you accept defeat; a feeling of hopelessness.

### What brings Discouragements

1. When your plans or desires are not forthcoming.
2. Unanswered prayers. Hannah in 1 Samuel is an example of this.

### How to Overcome Discouragement

1. Command The Word. Read, meditate and command The Word on that discouraging situation. Ps. 119:105, Rev. 12:11
2. **Express your feeling to God. Elijah poured out his heart to God.** Ps 13:1-4
3. Praise Him for that disappointments. Ps 68. As you do this, God will arise. Ps. 149. The tide changes in your favor as you switch to praise. Ps 42:5

### Examples of those that Overcame Discouragement

1. Elijah - 1 Kings 19
2. Hannah - 1 Samuel 1
3. **David - Ps. 13:1-4, Ps. 42:5**
4. Joseph - Genesis 39 & 40
5. Habakkuk – Hab. 3:17

In closing, God always charges us to move beyond that discouraging situation and not allow the circumstance to paralyze us. God told Elijah to go back and be what God has commissioned him to be.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X15wmvjgETI>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 9, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **AT THE VERGE OF BREAKTHROUGH - COMPLETE THE TASK**

Text: Deut. 1:19-30 – “And when we departed from Horeb, we went through all that great and terrible wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites, as The LORD our God commanded us; and we came to Kadeshbarnea.” We are at the verge of our breakthrough & Glory; we pray we shall complete and accomplish all that God ordained for us this Year. There shall be no carried over to 2019. **What is ahead of you is greater and bigger than your capacity; getting to your Promise Land is beyond you, hence, you need God like never before.** I pray you will stop moving in circles, may you enter where God has ordained for you. The fastest route between any two points is a straight line; walking in circles will only waste your time as where you are going is not far. But for us to get to our Promised Land, Preparation is very crucial at this point. **What we become tomorrow is a function of our level of preparation today.** People go to school today as a preparation for a brighter tomorrow. Whatever God has earmarked for us to become in 2019, will require considerable preparation now. 2019 is like a promise land, hence we cannot afford to walk into it casually.

Our above text (Deut. 1) was about the Israelites plight at Kadeshbarnea. It all started in Exodus 3 when God said He had seen the agony of His people and purposed to bring them out of the land of bondage. He did visit them and delivered them from bondage. **Egypt and the walls of Jericho were some of the barriers mounted by the enemy to prevent them from getting to their Promised Land.** Whatever will limit you in the coming year, God will crush them in Jesus Name. God did all He needed to do, He devastated and useless all the gods of Egypt in His quest to deliver His people. They had obeyed all the instructions God gave them to experience deliverance. Unfortunately they got wearied at Kadeshbarnea. They went through all the troubles but yet at the verge of breakthrough they got discouraged. Lack of insight robbed them of their inheritance. Insight means the ability to see and understand



clearly the inner nature of things. **It might not be looking like it now, but rest in the assurance that He Who Promised is able to bring to pass what He promised. He is The Almighty Who is not bound by time.** As soon as the evil report came, they got discouraged and began to wander. Elijah experienced the same thing, he got discouraged after hearing the evil reports from Jezebel. Despite his great feat of destroying about 450 prophets of Baal, an evil report from a woman paralyzed him mentally until God came to his rescue. The Israelites because of their disobedience spent 38 years for a 2 day journey.

### What is the meaning of Kadeshbarnea?

Kadeshbarnea is a spirit that must be killed, it is a spirit of non-achievement. It is a spirit of laboring without any meaningful progress. It is a spirit of confusion at every juncture. **It is a spirit that makes you start a project but never complete it. It is a spirit of almost there.** May every spirit of Kadeshbarnea die in your life in Jesus Name. So many losses were experienced in Kadeshbarnea. Moses made the greatest mistake of his life at Kadeshbarnea; all the Israelites' great leaders (Aaron, Miriam, etc) and men of war all died in Kadeshbarnea. It was in Kadeshbarnea God told them He was done with them. They got to a point of stand still for 38 years, time and destiny were wasted. But one day they overcame Kadeshbarnea after 38 years (Deut. 2:14).

In conclusion, the only way glory comes to our God is by completing what He has started in our lives. May God earn His glory over your life this year. It will be a disappointment if we don't get to God's Promised Land for our lives this Year. God is never late, He can get lots done in a split of seconds.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6YZtXFZS-yY>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 2, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **THE PRAISE THAT BRINGS DOWN THE WALLS OF JERICHO**

Text: Judges 6:1-20 – “So it was, when Joshua had spoken to the people, that the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns before the Lord advanced and blew the trumpets, and the ark of the covenant of The Lord followed them. The armed men went before the priests who blew the trumpets, and the rear guard came after the ark, while the priests continued blowing the trumpets. Now Joshua had commanded the people, saying, “You shall not shout or make any noise with your voice, nor shall a word proceed out of your mouth, until the day I say to you, ‘Shout!’ Then you shall shout.”

We welcome you into the New month of December; this is a “**Destiny Fulfilling**” month, hence must surrender every good thing the Heavens has ordained for you - promotion, healing, breakthrough, etc. Regardless of what has happened thus far, this month is the determinant month like Jericho being a determinant into the Promise Land for the Israelites. **December is also a very crucial month because it is the gateway into the New Year.** The Year 2019 ahead of us is full of promises that must be fulfilled. Psalm 100 says we should enter His Gate with Thanksgiving.

From our above Text (Joshua 6), **Jericho must be crumbled for the Israelites to go into their Promise Land.** The Year 2019 knows you are coming to obtain the treasures Heaven has packaged for you. December is a seed into the New Year. **As a Church we are going to be planting the seed of prayers, fasting, praises, giving,** and all forms of spiritual seed in preparation for the Year 2019. No reasonable man enters into a land unprepared, thus, spiritual preparation is very crucial at this point.

If Jericho was still standing, there was no way for the Israelites to enter their promised land. But how will Jericho come down? Praises! Jericho could be whatever will prevent us from getting to the Promised Land. Your honey and goodies are in the coming Year, hence you need to prepare spiritually.

### The Dangers of Jericho Still Standing

1. We will not be able to get into our maximum potential. The wilderness is not the Promise Land.

2. A lot of womb will not be able to bring forth the desired babies. A lot of visions will die, good health will be far, marriages will be troubled if Jericho is still standing.
3. Many dreams will be shattered. All visions, and labor will perish in the wilderness

What then is the antidote to Jericho? Jericho 6:3-5 gives us the answer to leveling every Jericho - Shouting in Praises to God! From Acts 16:25, an earthquake happened when Paul and Silas switched to Praises; chains of oppression were shattered in the face of Praises.

Praise Him this month as we go, glorify Him as we go this month into Year 2019.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b2XVf-kGn4g>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 25, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **DEALING WITH ANTI-HARVEST AGENTS**

Text: Judges 6:1-10 – “Then the children of Israel did evil in the sight of The Lord. So The Lord delivered them into the hand of Midian for seven years, and the hand of Midian prevailed against Israel. Because of the Midianites, the children of Israel made for themselves the dens, the caves, and the stronghold.

From our above Text, the children of Israel did evil in the sight of God and they fell into the hands of the Midianites. Doing evil always attracts anti-Harvest agents. They were left improvised until they began to cry in repentance unto God.

#### **THE ALTAR OF PURITY**

**What is Purity? Purity is being free from anything that pollutes, defies, contaminates. Purity is the gateway to the blessing of God.** Matt 5:8 - Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God. Our heart is the headquarters of our being. All evil proceed from within a person. You have to deal with every internal agent inhibiting your harvests.

Sin is a principal anti-harvest agent. Sin locks up your heaven and the grace of God. Sin will naked a man. Sin makes you a captive; it will make a victor a victim (Samson is an example). Sin makes a giant a dwarf. Sin quenches the power of God in any man's life. Righteous exalts a nation but sin is a reproach. Righteousness makes a captive a Captain - **Daniel is a great example, He was preferred even in a foreign land** because he consecrated himself unto The Lord. 2 Cor. 14-18- Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? Evil association

quenches spiritual fire in our lives. Be separate from them says The Lord. **Joseph is another example of a man God lifted for refusing to do wickedness.** Even in Egypt despite being sold to Slavery. The Hand of God was upon everything Joseph did in Egypt because he walked with God. He did not mortgage his destiny for a sinful pleasure. God exalted him eventually in Egypt. He said in Gen. 39:9 .... how can I do this wickedness and sin against my God. Many of us have sold our birthright for peanut. We can only be exalted by Righteousness. Ps 24:3-5, Ps 15:1-2.

### How Can I Stay Pure and Continue to Have The Blessing of God

1. **Daily Dwelling in The Word of God.** - Ps 119:9
2. Avoid the gathering of the unbelievers. - Ps 1:1-3
3. Repent from your current sin. - Rom. 6:1, Luke 19:8-9
4. **Have the desire to live a Holy Life.** - Ps. 51:10
5. Crave for the Presence of God. - Ps. 51:10

In closing, The Lord wants us to draw closer to Him. He said in Isaiah 59:1-2 “**Behold, The Lord's Hand is not shortened, that it cannot save;** neither His Ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His Face from you, that He will not hear.” Let us take off the gulf between God and we; let’s come back to The Cross and lay down every sin that easily besets us.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dSB91bxJ3HU>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 18, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BEFORE THE HEAVEN OPEN**

1 Kings 18:41-46. “And Elijah said unto Ahab, Get thee up, eat and drink; for there is a sound of abundance of rain.” **There are certain things that need to happen before the Heavens Open.** This is our month of Bountiful Harvest as a Church. This sermon is sort of part 2 of last week’s sermon. Last week we looked at the dangers of living under a closed Heaven. From our above Text, the Genesis of the problem of famine started when Elijah said there shall be no rain or dew in the land in 1 Kings 17:1. Sometimes our prayers appear to be hitting the rock, like brass as the Heavens seem closed against us. **This is why we come to Church to pray for all forces hindering our Open heavens to be crushed.** After Elijah’s declaration the whole land became dry and famine was the order of the day. In Chapter 18, we see how The Word of The Lord came to Elijah to make a declaration for The Heavens to be opened. The man of God under God’s command caused the famine to be turned into abundance. Joel 2 says God wants there to be restoration for His People.

Also from our above text, Elijah confronted Ahab as the troubler of Israel - May God trouble every troubler of your life. This caused a clash of power between Elijah and Ahab on Mount Camel. God proved that He indeed is The God of Israel. **He disgraced Baal and his prophets and all the people bowed in awe in repentance before The Living God.**

### What Elijah Did to Open The Heaven

1. He arranged things and put the altar in order.
  - **Blessing does not drop on broken and scattered altar.** Your life is an altar. God is a God of Order, details, and Principle. Until the altar was repaired fire did not come from Heaven

- Is your altar of intimacy with God broken? The serpent only bites when the hedge is broken. A broken altar attracts all manners of affliction and rottenness.
2. Elijah called The God of Heaven and the earth upon the repaired Altar and fire fell.
  3. After the fire burnt the offering, He still persisted in prayers until the rains started pouring from Heaven

### Altars that must be Repaired for Open Heavens

- |   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| 1. Repair the altar of Sacrificial Giving.  | Mal. 3:10, Exo. 23:25 |
| 2. <b>Repair the altar of your Priorities.</b> You can't serve God and mammoth.               | Matt. 6:25            |
| 3. The altar of Double Mindedness.  | James 1:6-8           |
| 4. The altar of your Faith. A strong faith is a necessity for increase.                       | Heb. 11:6.            |
| 5. <b>The altar of your Relationship with God.</b> Walk right with God.                       | 2 Chron. 7:17-18      |
| 6. The altar of Purity.   | Heb. 12:6             |
| 7. The altar of your Profession. Speak positively.  | Job 22:28             |
| 8. <b>Your altar of Prayer must be repaired.</b> Prayer until something happens in your life. | 1 Kings 18:42         |

In closing, you might be experiencing dryness, parched, God is calling you today to repair your altar by stepping up your service to Him. Are you still fellowshiping with the "Baal's" of this world? If God be God why don't you serve and face Him alone?

**Sermon Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PTWDTR0u1cY>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 11, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **ANointing FOR OPEN HEAVEN**

Gen. 28:10-19 - "And he called the name of that place Beth-el: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first." Bethel is a place dedicated to mark a memorable encounter with God. Jacob had an unusual encounter with God in Luz and he thereafter renamed the place as Bethel. This month is our month of Bountiful Harvest in Isaac Generation Assembly. **The Heavens must open before there can be a Bountiful Harvest anywhere.** This season is our season of Harvest.

#### **What Happens when The Heaven is not open**

1. The land will be parched and dry, thus no harvest will happen.
2. Every seed will be burnt for lack of rain.
3. **All efforts and time spent becomes nothing; the farmer will look like a lazy man.**
4. A closed Heaven means the earth is shut against a person.
5. All forms of help are suspended from every side.
6. **A person's prayers are not answered.**
7. The Book of Remembrance is closed against such a person.

In Zephaniah 3:20 "At that time will I bring you again, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, saith The Lord." God was saying He will undo every work of affliction, and make you a name and reference point to His Glory.

It is a disastrous thing for a person to be under a closed Heaven. In the Book of Esther, we read of an account of Mordecai, the king's sleep was suspended and a book of records opened to Mordecai's favor. Esther 6:1. **When the heavens are opened over your life, all your helpers will be looking for you with a sense of urgency.** The king honored and dignified

Mordecai from being a gate keeper to an official in the palace because the Heaven suddenly opened over his life. Joel 2:25-28 says God will restore all the wasted years.

God has a way of rescuing His Own. In Gen. 28, we see God appearing to Jacob through an open Heaven experience - angels were ascending and descending to him at Bethel. Stop playing games with God, settle with Him. You have tried to fix that situation with human knowledge and it keeps hitting the rock, why not handle it over to God?

“And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it. And, behold, the Lord stood above it, and said, I am the Lord God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: **the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed; And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.** And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.”

**From the above Gen. 28:12-15, God promised Jacob the followings and He is promising you the same for the remaining 50 days of this Year.**

1. He promised to give him the land. Likewise, He will give you your allotted portion of this land.
2. His seed shall be as the dust of the earth. He will cause you to experience multiplication.
3. His seed shall spread abroad to the west, east, north and south. This means He will cause you to experience Expansion and you will become a Blessing.
4. In His seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.
5. He will be with him wherever he goes, never to leave him nor forsake him. This is an assurance of safety.

In closing, Isaiah 51:11 says The Redeemed of The Lord shall return unto Zion. Also Psalm 5:12 says He will Bless us the righteous and surround us with Favor like a shield.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pJvDKijXJSs>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 4, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **CELEBRATION OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS**

Psalm 34:1-8 - “I will bless The Lord at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in The Lord: the humble shall hear thereof , and be glad. O magnify The Lord with me, and let us exalt His Name together. I sought The Lord , and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. They looked unto Him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.”

God is Faithful; He has kept us thus far this Year 2018. He preserved our lives from evil. We have come to magnify His Name together. We looked unto Him, He has lightened us, and we are not put to shame. We have tasted and seen that The Lord is good.

The Faithfulness of God has been made real in our lives this Year. Lamentation 2:22-23 says we are not consumed because of His Mercy. His mercies are new every morning. God preserves us so we can always come back to praise Him. He watched over us when we traveled and brought us back safely. Sufficient are the evil of every day, but thanks be God Who has been faithful to keep us from sorrow and evil. With the recent shootings in US, it appears nowhere is safe except in God.

He renews His Mercies, Protection and Love over our lives every morning. Though most of the time we often forget to appreciate this great intangibles He gives us, sometimes we even complain to Him without acknowledging His Faithfulness. Ps. 11 says they intended evil against you but The Lord crippled all their plans. This is why we are here to thank Him for all He is doing night and day in our lives. Exod. 15:9-10 - The enemy said he will pursue, overtake and carry out his desires but God overturned it by His Mercy. Blessed be God Who became your Defender and Your Rock.

What is our preoccupation? **Luke 17:11-19** tells us **we are to always come back to thank Him for all He has been doing**. Only one leper came back to give thanks, 9 did not deem it fit to come back to appreciate Him. This is the unfortunate attitude of many today, ungratefulness.

**Thanksgiving helps to restore wholeness in every area of life just like that one leper that came back to give thanks was restored and made whole by The Lord**. Leprous is a skin disease that eats into the skin and makes the body to be numb. It is a terrible disease because it is a gradual death. Leprous is a picture of sin, because it strips one of The Glory of God. Sin makes a person an outcast like the 10 lepers. Christ has compassion on us and washed us with His Blood. He removed us out of shame and brought us into His marvelous Light. Today, we have access to The Most High God Who happens to also be Our Heavenly Father, what a great Privilege!

**In closing, Luke 17:16 charges us to bow down in worship, adoration and thanksgiving to The Lord**. His coming back was to Pledge allegiance to The Lord. He came back to acknowledge the fact that Only Him as God could have reversed that impossible situation in his life. He came back to also submit to him in everything henceforth. He came back to pay his adoration to Him as Lord over all.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lf6zwwXbZ0g>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 28, 2018 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

## **THE PASTOR – A PLANTER OF CHRIST**

*- 2018 Pastor's Appreciation Day*

Text: 1 Cor. 3:6 - I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.

**The Office of a Pastor is a very Peculiar, Unique and High Calling Office**. No other profession is weightier in terms of substance than that of a Pastor. This is because the value they are adding into our lives transcends the earth; in the Heavens or spirit realm, their voice is still being heard in intercession and supplications on our behalf. The Pastor is not just a man or woman doing mundane activities but a man planting Christ into the people. He is Sower of Christ into people. **The seed he is sowing is an All-purpose and Boundless Being (Christ Himself)**. A doctor for example is not certified by the Medical Board to sow Christ into people (except that doctor is a spirit- filled believer).

**The Pastor as a Planter of Christ** - Matt. 13. He is ordained to sow Christ as a seed into people. Sow Christ, Reap Christ. If Christ is not sown into us by them, how can Christ be reaped from our lives?

**The Pastor as a Waterer of Christ.** He is washing the old nature out of the Saints through the instrument of The Word. The washing away of worldliness and habits of the old nature is not an easy task and this task is unobtainable from any other profession under heaven apart from the Church. . We all are old not because of our age but by our origin (Adam). We are of the old nature hence need to be washed of that nature so that the New Man can be manifesting through us. Ephesians 5:26, 4:22-24

**The Pastor as a Feeder of Christ.** He is not just a planter but a feeder of Christ. They feed us with Christ so that we can manifest Christ to the world. God said in Jeremiah 3:15 - And I will give you pastors according to Mine Heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding. 1 Cor. 3:2

**God's Expectation of us as a congregation.** As believers we are God's farmland or husbandry. 1 Cor. 3:9. We are to allow the planted Seed to germinate and grow in our lives. Our shining as light in the world is one of the greatest gift we can give them. They rejoice when they see their seed flourishing and bringing glory to The Name of The Lord. We should not allow anything to choke the planted Word from our hearts. We have a greater responsibility as a congregation in ensuring this sown seed of Christ finds a fertile ground to grow in us more and more so that the world will keep reaping Christ from our lives.

In closing, 1 Timothy 5:17 - Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labor in The Word and doctrine.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FN3mzB3hd3E>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 21, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **HEAVEN'S ATTENTION**

Text: Ezekiel 36:9-11 – “And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, even all of it: and the cities shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded: And I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bring fruit: and I will settle you after your old estates, and will do better unto you than at your beginnings: and ye shall know that I am the Lord.” God has a purpose for bring you to this land, do not allow anything to displace you from here. In our above text, God was assuring His people that they would be settled where He has planted them. Ezekiel 36:9 - "For indeed I am for you, and I will turn to you, and you shall be tilled and sown." From this verse God is saying -

1. I am for you
2. I will turn unto you
3. You shall be cultivated
4. Your land shall be sown

**Without the attention of God upon a person, congregation or nation, that land will go into a waste.** A land left fallow will attract all manners of weeds and animals. To bring a specific fruit, a farmer needs to be focused. He must pay his attention on it. God intends to plant something good in your life. Many people's lives have attracted so many things, hence God has promised to do His Work in your life to weed out every stranger. God wants to do some good work in your life. He intends to plant some good seeds of abundance in your life.

In this season the barren shall be fruitful, the jobless shall be gainfully employed. Delay becomes progress when God focuses His attention on you. This is a new season of Divine Progress and Activities in your life. **Isaiah 43:17-18 says God will do a New thing that will spring forth.** He said He will make a way even in the wilderness. God is The Only One who can give water in the wilderness. If you are thirsty of God, God has promised to fill you.

God does not abandon any project, He works in miraculous ways, do not worry how He can make your dry bones become a mighty army, just believe Him, He is The Almighty God. He told Ezekiel to prophesy on the dry bones (Ezekiel 37:9-10) and The Breathe of Life came on them and they turned into a Mighty Army.

In Mark 3:1-5, **Jesus entered into the Synagogue and focused His attention on a man with a wildered hand,** despite the enemies' opinion, He healed him. May God focus His attention on you from this month. His wildered hand could represent physical problems that does not let you go forward in life – maybe immigration issues, barrenness, emotional, marital, business dryness, spiritual stagnancy, etc.

**The God that raised up Lazarus is still at work.** The God that raised up the dead son of the widow of Nain will turn around situations in your life in Jesus Name. Whatever is withered in your life, be it marriage, health, vision, God raise it to life again in Jesus Name.

### Reasons for a Withered Hand

1. Sin (*Proverb 14:13-14*) - Sin is the major cause of sickness, sorry and torment. It forestalls progress. Also sin is a source of suffering and agony – Judges 6:1-2.
2. Lack of determination to seek solution.
3. Disobedience to The Word of God (*Deuteronomy 28:1-2*).

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0HXOi1XqEvU>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 14, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH**

- IGA 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Text: Matthew 16:13-20 – “And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it”.

The responsibility of building the Church is at The Master's prerogative. The Church is His not ours, hence He said He will build His Church and the gates of hell will not prevail against it. As a Church we have passed through many things but The Builder of His Church has always been Faithful. **The One that promises to Build His Church is The Creator of All Things, by Him all things were created. He is The I am that I am,** The Almighty is The One Building His Church - RCCG Isaac Generation. This means building the Church is not dependent on man's effort, might, Knowledge or capacity but by The Mighty of The Almighty!

**Christ The Builder, Foundation, Head, and Architect of The Church:** The Church is not the 4 walls but the people God has brought together as a Body. We are the Church and Christ is The Head and Foundation of The Church. As The Foundation, He is unseen but The One carrying the whole weight of His church. God Himself is The Architect of His Church. He is orchestrating things in our lives in this Church. As an Architect, He foreknew us before we were formed in our mother's womb. God chose us to be the precious stones He is using to build His Church. 1 Peter 2:4-5.

Hebrews 10:25 charges us not to forsake the assembly of His Brethren. There is something pleasant God adds to our lives each time we meet for service. Staying off from the presence of God means you are drying up gradually, this is why it is not advisable to be deliberately absenting yourself from the assembly of the Brethren.



## Brief History of The Church

This Sunday is our 18th anniversary as a Church. We are here to appreciate God for His Mercies over His Church thus far. RCCG Isaac Generation started on 15th of October 2000. Isaac Generation started with 22 in attendance at Marriott Hotel (then Adam's Mark Hotel) - 2900 Briarpark Dr. Houston on October 15, 2000. We spent 6 months in the Hotel before moving to 9525 Town Park Dr. Houston, TX 77036. We were 12 adults when we move into Town Park Dr., we were there for about

6.5 Years before moving to our permanent location now - 10330 Sugar Branch Dr. Houston, TX 77036. October 2007 Daddy

G.O (Pastor E.A Adeboye) came to dedicate this Church though it was still under construction. RCCG Isaac Generation is our own Bethel, a Divine ladder where Heaven connects with earth. **God has always caused His Heaven to be opening up unto us. God has ever been faithful, waiting for us to meet with us at every service time.**

Our Projections in the next 5 years includes: looking into some foreign missions; taking The Gospel to other lands by adopting some nations; making evangelism our second nature; Raising more Disciples; **Maturing the believers in the faith, build a Children day care center / Event center; intensifying our Prayer lives;** overgrow our current facility and begin to embark on the next phase of the Church Site Building Facility. God has established more than 16 churches in the past 18 years through this Church. God has blessed us with many children, miracles, signs, wonders, family restorations, breakthroughs, and so much.

## Expectations from the Members

1. We need your physical commitment
2. Your commitment to all services, especially the weekly services - Church connects you back to God, Your Maker & Source.
3. **Offer yourself to be used of God.** Serve God with your gifting as a way of showing your gratitude to God The Giver of all things.
4. If you have not gone through the RCCG School of disciples, endeavor to enroll in our discipleship program. Get matured spiritually
5. Give out of your material things. Give your entirety to build His Church.
6. **Seek the unity of faith among the Brethren and Christ brotherhood.**
7. Live a sacrificial lifestyle. Be a value adding member not just what you can get.

In closing, Christ is still building His Church and He is calling for more of your commitment. Matt 12:30 says He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad." **Let's cooperate with Him and He will continue to build and beautify our lives. He is The Head and we are His Body, hence we are of all men most Blessed!**

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h64-yrj4eJ8>

# **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

## **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 7, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **IT IS A SET UP!**

Text: Psalm 50:1-15 "Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto The Most High."

That you are here this morning is a set up for God to take you to the next level. From our above text God is not a God in need, He has everything; He is Jehovah Jireh (God Who is more than enough). Everything He created is at His beckon; He created everything for His pleasure. When Scriptures enjoin us to praise Him, it's simply a set up opportunity. 1 Peter 2:9-10 says we were chosen to show forth His praise. God chose us for His Purpose. All through The Bible there are different accounts where the people of God were set up for a lifting though the circumstance looked contrary. Below are a few instances.

Solomon offered an uncommon sacrificial offering to God and He appeared to him that same night. 2 Chron. 1:5-8. Regardless of your need, offer Him the sacrifice of thanksgiving and He will supernaturally visit. When you offer praise to God your life becomes attractive for God to enter because He dwells in the praises of His people.

Paul and Silas though kept in prison chose to offer the sacrifice of praises to God. God came forth for them and all their chains of bondage were loosed. The prison was a set up for God to show forth Himself through them. They became a light to set others free. Acts 16:25. See your present circumstance as a set up for God to make your enemy bow to you.

Jehoshaphat is another set up example in 2 Chron. 20. The circumstance looked contrary but through praise it resulted in a set up for promotion.

Daniel was put in the lions' den but his enemies did not know they were setting him up for God to show forth Himself through Him in Daniel 6.

The three Hebrew boys were also falsely accused by their enemies, this again was a set up in disguise, God showed Himself strong and mighty on their behalf. Offer yourself to be used by God as an instrument for Him to show forth His praises in every environment.

Psalm 92:1 says "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O Most High." Also Psalm 149:6-8 says we should let the high praises of God be in our mouth and God will execute vengeance upon our enemies. When God says praise Me, He is secretly setting you up to make your life a testimony.

Psalm 103 says "Bless The Lord on my soul and all that is within me." He used the colt as an instrument of praise in Mark 11, He can use you too if you will only offer yourself to Him to be used. You offer yourself by offering the sacrifice of thanksgiving to Him. Let God gain more access into your life and see if the world not be attracted to His Glory upon your life.

In closing Ezekiel 36:9-11 – "I am concerned for you and will look on you with favor; you will be plowed and sown, and I will cause many people to live on you—yes, all of Israel. The towns will be inhabited and the ruins rebuilt. I will increase the number of people and animals living on you, and they will be fruitful and become numerous. I will settle people on you as in the past and will make you prosper more than before. Then you will know that I am The Lord."

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bbt4u0PAqcA>

## RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

### SERMON EXCERPTS



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 30, 2018 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

## THE TREASURE OF CHRIST

Text: 2 Cor. 4:4-7 – "But we have This Treasure in earthen vessels, that the Excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."

**What is a Treasure?** Simply put a Treasure is any possession that adds tremendous value to a being. **A Treasure is that which you have that helps you to get what you could not otherwise have gotten.** Acts 3:6. A Treasure is also an asset that determines your net worth. In fact in our world, the net worth of persons, corporations and nations are measured by the value of the treasure they possess. Some are rich in gold, oil, knowledge in certain fields, etc. In all of creation, there is no Treasure like Christ. He created the gold, oil and every precious natural resource. So this makes Him far and infinitely greater than all He created.

### This Glorious Treasure In The New Testament

1. The Four Gospels give a glorious portray of This Wonderful One. **The Gospels begin with Him being Incarnated as a man, a King that brings His Kingdom to man.** They Gospels also tell us the miserable condition of man due to the fall  
– sicknesses, death, demon possession, serpentine, etc. The Gospel then showed how this Wonderful Precious One was the answer to all of man's need. To the blind, He gave sight, to the sick, He became the Healer, to the oppressed, He became the Deliverer, to the dead, He became The Resurrection and The Life, and to sinners

and entire mankind, He became The Savior! He then died and resurrected to become The Treasure in His believers.

2. **The Epistles tell us how God has now given to us This Great Treasure of all Treasures to live in us.** For instance, Romans tells us how This Great Treasure has made sinners to become sons of God. Corinthians tell us He is The Power of God, The Wisdom of God, Our Passover, righteousness, redemption, sanctification, our spiritual food and drink, Our Strength in weakness, The Last Adam, The Life-Giving Spirit, and so on. Ephesians tells us This Treasure of all Treasures is The Head of The Church. In Philippians – Paul tells us for Him to live is Christ (This Glorious Treasure). This Treasure of all Treasures has been given a Name that all things bow to! Colossians tells us He created all things – visible and invisible, He is The Mystery of God, The Head of all Principality and Power and our Life. **Hebrews tells us This Incomparable Great One is now in The Heavens as Our Great High Priest.** As our High Priest, He ministers God to us; He is constituted in the power of an Endless Indestructible Life; The Executor of The New Testament, The Author and Finisher of Our Faith; The One by Whom we are to give the sacrifice of Praise to God. Angels, Moses, Joshua were treasures but in no wise comparable to This One says The Book of Hebrew. The Epistle of Peter tells us He is The Shepherd and Bishop of our soul.
3. **No other Book of The Bible reveals more Titles and Status of This Glorious and Ascended One like The Book of Revelations.** From the Beginning to the end – He is The Central Theme!

Here is The Great Treasure God has put in you and I has His Beloved Children. What Treasure under Heaven can compare to This One! Every other treasure has limited usefulness, but not This One! On earth He is most valuable, in the heavens, He is inestimable!

O Blessed Be The God and Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ Who has Blessed us with This Unimaginable Treasure of all treasures! We have This Treasure in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of us! Romans 10:11-13 tell us – “For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: **for The Same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.** For whosoever shall call upon The Name of The Lord shall be saved.” Halleluyah!!!

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LxQloavPZTA>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 23, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **I MUST BE FRUITFUL!**

*EXCEEDING FRUITFULNESS (part 2)*

Text: 1 Samuel 1:1-18

The Word Fruitfulness means to be full of good fruits in every realm. It means not lacking any good thing in your health, business, spiritual life, family, etc. Fruitfulness also means having it in abundance. Fruitfulness is not just babies but an all- encompassing fruitfulness in all areas. It is your heritage to be fruitful as a redeemed of The Lord.

1. **You were designed to be fruitful by creation.** Gen. 1:28. Regardless of what the enemy is doing to make you barren, recognize that God's Blessing is more Powerful than that of the enemy.
2. Your Fruitfulness is a necessity.
3. **Your Fruitfulness is not meant to be seasonal, it's for all seasons.** Gen. 26:12. Isaac was so fruitful in the land of famine, that the indigenes were envious of him.
4. Your unfruitfulness angers God. Jesus and the fig tree in Luke 13:6-8.
5. **Your fruitfulness is sure regardless of famine in the land.** Isaac was fruitful despite famine in a foreign land; Joseph despite being a Slave in a Foreign Land was a prosperous man.

### Unfruitfulness gives rise to the followings:

1. Frustrations - Jesus was frustrated at the barrenness of the fig tree
2. Disappointments
3. Regrets
4. Hope is dashed.
5. Wastage of resources - Luke 13:7-8
6. Embarrassments

### What Must I Do to Experience Fruitfulness?

1. **You as the Branch must continue to abide in The Stem.** John 15:4-5
  1. Abide in the presence of God, running about gets you nowhere.
  2. God says I am the source of your Fruitfulness
  3. The stem carries the root, the roots goes about to find nutrients to supply the branches.
  4. The fruits or glory is displayed on the branches not on the root.
  5. You were not called to labor, but of abide in the Vine.
  6. Stop skipping services. Ps. 91:1
  7. Let Him become your Refuge and Fortress
  8. Don't let problems drive you away from the presence of God, rather let it draw you closer to him.
2. **Discern every area of unfruitfulness in your life.** 2 Kings 2: 19
3. Don't give up. Sarah and Elizabeth in their old age were still fruitful.
4. If need be make a vow to challenge God. Hannah made a vow to provoke her Fruitfulness. 1 Samuel 1 & 2.
5. **Make a fervent prayer.** James 5:16. Gen. 25:21, 1 Chron. 4:10-11

In closing, hold on, don't give up, your Fruitfulness is on the way. Job 8:7 says Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ljG2xCqG3h4>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 16, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **EXCEEDING FRUITFUL!**

Text: **Gen. 17:1-8** - And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.

“Exceeding Fruitfulness” is The Word of God to us as a Church this month. The Word of God is a Performer, it never returns void. **Everything is static until a force is applied to move it forward.** We must move The Word of God by Prayer and fellowshiping in the assembly of the brethren.

Our above text is God's Covenant for us as the seeds of Abraham through Christ Jesus. Ps. 24:1-2 says the earth is The Lord and the fullness thereof. Regardless of your status in this land, even if you are a stranger (an immigrant), God promised He will give you this land because you are a descendant of Abraham.

**The God that we serve is a God of Increase.** He is The God of Abraham, The God of Isaac and The God of Jacob. He is a Living God that seeks the increase of His Children. Even when Abraham was childless, He called him a father of nations. He is always turning around anything mocking the increase or Fruitfulness of any of His Children. Sarah, Hannah are few examples. **He not only gives increase by addition but also increase by multiplication.** He gave Abraham Isaac, and for Isaac He gave him Esau and Jacob, Jacob had twelve and that twelve multiplied into 70 that migrated into Egypt which later turned into 2 million when they marched out of Egypt. This is Exceeding Fruitfulness!

God never slacks in His Promises. The promise of Greatness was in Gen. 12 and by Gen. 13 He was already very rich. Between the call in Gen. 12 and Gen. 17, Abraham had committed many mistakes. Those mistakes cost him 25 years. Our mistakes delay God's promises from coming to past. One of his mistakes was that he took Lot with him. Also because of a famine in the land (Gen. 12:10), he left the land where God was with him (he went down to Egypt) and started lying that Sarah was his sister and not his wife. Anywhere you are that is not the presence of God is very dangerous for you. **Stay where God has planted you regardless of any famine. Many gave mortgaged their destiny from where God planted them because of a famine or pursuit of greener pasture (mammoth).** It was in Egypt he took Hagar and that step is still a burden and terror (Middle East crisis) to the world today. By Gen. 13:1-3, he ran out of Egypt back to where God had instructed him. Through that step, wonderful things started happening in his life, God appeared to him again and told him He is The Almighty that can do all things. By that Divine Visitation Abraham's Faith was strengthened. God told him all He needed from him was to walk before Him and be blameless. In essence God was saying to him, why are you trying to work it out by yourself? I that promised, only I can make it come to pass, any other routes you take on your own will boomerang! **God does not want us to have any "option B" beside Him. Stop trying to fix it by yourself!** Matthew 6:33 says we should seek Him first and all things shall be added to you. Fixing it by yourself is very dangerous for you. Don't fix your life, fix your relationship with God First and everything else will be falling in place!

### **Condition for Exceeding Fruitfulness**

1. Stay in the Covenant. Don't compromise. Gen. 17:1
2. **Totally surrender to Him.** Stand before God and be Thou perfect. This will provoke uncommon Blessing. Gen. 22:15-18
3. Give an uncommon sacrifice. Abraham gave an uncommon sacrifice and said God said He will multiply his descendants. Solomon also in 2 Chron. 1:6-12. Render a sacrificial offering and service to God.
4. **Give attention to details. Realize God is a God of Details.** Run from what God hates. Deut. 28:1-14
5. Be grateful unto Him and give Him praise for everything He has done. Ps 67:5-7.

In conclusion, our service in God's Kingdom is our premium to God. **Why are you running all over the place? Why are you chasing the wind?** Isaiah 55:1-2 says "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price."

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4GzwPFEH6kg>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 9, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **GREAT GOD!**

*(Choir Weekend)*

Text: Psalm 48: 1-14 – "Great is The Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of His Holiness. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King." This Psalm reveals the intents and thoughts of the Psalmist. **In life an important person is eulogized based on the level of their greatness.** Great is The Lord and greatly to be Praised. From our above text the Church is The City of Our God, a place where we meet This Great God. When you bring your situation here (Zion), He makes them beautiful. Our God is worthy of our Praise day and night. Over our lives God has been great, beautiful in all situations. **God is not only great but also incredible;** An Incredible God desires an incredible Praise. Incredible means impossible to believe. God has been doing some impossible things to believe. He does unbelievably things, thus, worthy of all our praises. **Before the Psalmist exclaimed that God is Great, he must have sized up other gods and discovered our God is Incomparable.**

### **WHAT A GREAT GOD WE SERVE**

1. Revelation 4:8-11, shows an account of how the Four Beasts and Elders in Heaven render praise to Him Who sits on The Throne forever, saying **Holy, Holy, Holy is The Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come.**

2. 1 Kings 18 is an account of how Our Great God brought fire from Heaven to consume Elijah's sacrifice. He is a God that fights for His Own.
3. Isaiah 6:1-5 reveals Isaiah's vision of The Throne of God and how praises were been rendered to This Great God we serve.
4. **Joshua 6 is an account of how This Great God brought down the impenetrable walls of Jericho.**
5. 2 Chronicles 20 gives us an account of how This Great God became a terror to the enemies of His People. As they engaged the weaponry of praise, the horror of God destroyed their enemies. When you praise Him, you have simply turned the battle over to Him.

## HOW GREAT IS THIS GOD

1. **He is so Great in Wisdom.** Through His Wisdom He created everything in the universe. His Wisdom is Unsearchable and His Ways are beyond our ways. Gen. 1:1-5.
2. **He knows Everything.** He alone can discern the intent of every man. He understands everything because He created everything. He needs not learn or discover any new thing. He knows the secret things in our heart, even the number of hairs on your head. He is incomprehensible, what a Great God we serve. Ps 139:7-9, Matt. 10:30
3. **God has no Origin.** He is The I AM THAT I AM. He has no beginning and no end. He remains The Same Yesterday, Today, and Forever. Heb. 13:8. He is Timeless and Eternal; He governs the time. He is never late.
4. **He never changes.** Malachi 3. Your complaining, situation and tears does not change Him. Before you complain He is God, while you are complaining, He remains God, after you have complained, He still remains God. Change means to be more or less than a person was yesterday or tomorrow. Our Great God remains The Same.
5. **God is Great in His Faithfulness.** Lam. 3:21
6. **God is Great in doing us Good.** Everyday He loads us with His benefits. Psalm 68:19.
7. **God is Great in Power.** His Power is incomparable. The Red Sea and the wall of Jericho can bear testimony of His Power. Luke 1:37, Ps. 62:11

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PqKqC1mvgvg>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 2, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*



## **MY EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE**

Text: Psalm 69:30-36 - "I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving. This also shall please the Lord better than an ox or bullock that hath horns and hoofs." We are here this morning as our monthly Thanksgiving custom to express our gratitude for everything God has done; to pay our own side of the Covenant through Thanksgiving.

1. From Luke 11 we saw how the one leper that came back to give thanks was made whole. This shows us that God expects our thanksgiving after every of His act.
2. Psalm 22:3 makes us understand that God dwells in the praises of His people. **Praises to God is creating an habitation for Him**, sort of a comfortable place for Him to refresh Himself.
3. Numbers 11:11 shows how complaining angers God. **Many don't see what God has done, rather it is what He hasn't done they focus on.** God does not like to habitate with murmurers and complainers. Quality Praise is a great habitation for God. It is a sort of "Tip" for Him, just as a good waitress gets a good tip for quality service. Your praise, worship and gratitude is a great medium to God's Heart. Regardless of all you have been through,

praise Him, complaining is never a way out of that situation.

4. In Psalm 69:30 the Psalmist said regardless of the situation he will praise God. He says praises pleases God more than rams and goats, etc.
5. **1 Thess. 5:18 says in everything give Him thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.** Your tears neither please nor move God, only your Praises move Him. No matter the heaviness in your heart, God says, serve Him with gladness, and praise Him. Praises crushes every obstacle.
6. Rev. 4:8-10 reveal how the Angels and 24 Elders in Heaven praise Him night and day without rest.
7. Habakkuk 3:17-19 is a true expression of Thanksgiving, Praise and honoring God. It charges us - "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labor of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation."
8. **Acts 16:25 reveals how singing praises to God causes every chain of the enemy to fall off from our lives.** Paul and Silas praised God and there was an earthquake in the prison, and all prison doors were opened supernaturally.
9. Psalm 149:3-9 shows that praises is a two-edged sword used by God to execute vengeance upon our enemies.

In closing, your situation does not change God, He remains The Same Yesterday, Today and Forever, whether you praise Him or not, He remains God. 245 days has passed already this Year, without doubt God has preserved your life and family from sorrow. Count your many blessings and praise Him for His goodness and mercy. Things might not have worked out as you expected, but yet, rejoice in The Lord for there lies your miracle!

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xLgZI8T-Yzk>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 26, 2018 – Pastor (Mrs.) Brenda Ademoroti*

## **VIRTUES OF A GOOD WOMAN**

**-Annual Women's Week**

Text: Proverb 31

Virtuous women are becoming very scarce in our world. A virtuous woman is a godly woman who operates in different capacities at her home; she is a Pastor, a Nurse, a Doctor, a Finance Manager, a Child minder, a Good Hostess to all, a Prayer Warrior, a Nutritionist, etc.

### **THE VIRTUES OF A GOOD WOMAN**

1. She must be truly Born Again.
2. She must serve God with all her heart, soul, spirit and everything.
3. **She must be very respectful to her husband and in-laws.**
4. She must teach and plant The Word of God in her children.

5. She must take care of her family's health and total well-being. She must prepare and serve nutritious food.
6. She must be mindful of her family's appearance in & out – proper attire, costume etc.
7. She must uphold her family in the place of Prayers.
8. **She must be financially prudent. A good finance manager of the home. She is not a squanderer.**
9. She must never be lazy, must be hardworking and diligent.
10. She must be good home maker, One Who invests her time wisely.
11. She must be a good friend to her husband and her in-laws.
12. **She must be beautiful from inside out;** she uses her inner beauty to entice her husband not just her outward beauty.
13. She must be a true worshipper of God.
14. She gives her husband sound wisdom. She is like a diamond, very valuable to her husband.
15. She is trustworthy because her husband trusts in her.
16. She is an early riser.
17. **She is a good planner. She plans her home well.**
18. She does not keep secrets or any information from her husband.
19. She is satisfied and contented with what she has.
20. She take cares of the poor and needy around her.
21. **She sees the big picture/ vision of God for her husband and children and prays for its actualization.**
22. She uses her God given talent to bless her home and generation.
23. She is self-controlled and not easily annoyed.
24. **She is teachable; takes corrections.**

### Three Things a Virtuous Woman Must Never Joke With

1. Sex: Satisfy him sexually.
2. Food: Serve good and healthy food.
3. Honor: Sing his praise, affection and love.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Ws4o4ur6tA>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 19, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **WALKING IN DOMINION**

Text: Gen. 1:26-28 – “And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.” The Theme of this year's RCCG Convention was “Dominion”. **God's Mandate for man after creation was to live a life of dominion.** God gave man a five-fold mandate - “Be fruitful, multiply, replenish, subdue the earth and take Dominion over everything ...”. Unfortunately, the life many live today is contrary to this mandate, Adam made us an enemy of God through his disobedience, thus, toiling and struggling was introduced into humanity. Adam brought sin into mankind and our dominion heritage was jeopardized.

### Bases of Our Dominion

1. We can walk in Dominion because **Jesus Christ has now made us a new creature.** 2 Cor.5:17 says “If any man be in Christ, old things are passed away behold all things have become new”.



2. We can walk in Dominion because **we now have the exceeding greatness of His Power towards us who believe**. Eph. 1:19-20. Through His Resurrection Power, we are now far above every principality, and power of darkness.
3. We can walk in Dominion over every situation because **God has given Christ a Name that is above every name**. Every problem, situation, sickness, etc has a name but at the mention of His Name, they must all bow. Phil. 2:9-11
4. We can walk in Dominion because **we are now seated with Christ in the Heavenly place**; a place of Authority and victory. Dominion is now our heritage because He has made us kings and priests. Rev. 1:6
5. We can walk in Dominion because **Jesus Christ is now our Elder Brother**. Through His death and resurrection, He has made us adopted children of God; hence, we belong to the Household of God, a Family of Dominion. This is our heritage in Christ.

### Steps to Exercising & Walking in Dominion

1. **Accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior**. John 3:16. New Birth makes a child of man a child of God. 2 Cor. 5:17 says "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."
2. **Begin to see yourself the way God sees you**. God sees you as the Head, never see yourself as a grasshopper, your status changed the moment you met Jesus. 1 Pet. 2:9-10, Num. 13:27, Luke 10:19, Ps. 82:6-7
3. **Deal with that fear** by trusting God absolutely for everything. Fear is the opposite of faith. Faith is confidence in The Lord. Fear paralyzes faith. Rom. 1:17, Ps. 23:4.
4. **Speak boldly and in confident** against whatever issue is contending with your dominion. Mark 11:23.
5. **Arm yourself with Scriptures**. Engage The Sword of the spirit to deal with that mountain. Heb. 4:12 says "For The Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword...."
6. **Be Humble**. Christ humbled Himself and God exalted Him.... Phil. 2:9. It takes humility to live a life of dominion. God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble.
7. **Be a soul winner**. Invite others to Christ. He that wins soul is wise. Daniel 12:3, Matt. 28:18-20

### Obstacles to Dominion

1. Sinful indulgence or lifestyle. Rom. 6:23. Ezekiel 18:20.
2. A life of doubt. Num. 13:28-29, Matt. 21:21

Sermon Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_UuN1aOz7TI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_UuN1aOz7TI)

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 12, 2018 – Deacon Tunji Akinrinde*

## **WHAT SEEKEST THOU?**

Text: Gen. 37:2-15 - "And a certain man found him, and, behold, he was wandering in the field: and the man asked him, saying, What seekest thou?"

Joseph got a picture of God's plan for his life at the age of 17 but it was not until he was 30 before its realization. **In those 13 years, he went through great trials and ordeals, yet he kept the faith**. Interestingly, his ordeal started from his very household; his brothers went all out to destroy his destiny. This is a lesson for us that not everyone that we share our dreams with will support it. Has God revealed His plan for your life and your current circumstance appear contrary? Be encouraged God has not forgotten you. Regardless of what the enemy may have done to terminate God's plan for your life, God is more than able to make it work together for your good! **Every step they took against Joseph, God used it to promote him. Joseph**



went through many conspiracies both from within and without. He was put in a pit of no water, sold to slavery, lied against, betrayed, etc. yet he kept his focus on God. The Bible said - Joseph was a prosperous man (despite being in the prison) because God was with him. Gen. 39:2-3. No matter how difficult it may seem now, God will still make a way for you, He never stops working. They thought they were killing his dream but they were unknowingly pushing him to his destiny. **It would appear God uses the wilderness to train, prove and build our character;** He could have taken the Israelites through a shorter route (11 days) to the Promised Land but opted for the wilderness route to prove and take Egypt out of them. Everyone God will use mightily will have a fair share of the wilderness, the trials are not designed to kill the dream but to build our character and intimacy with Him. Despite everything, **Joseph never lost his relationship with God. He knew that was his greatest asset in life.** May we never be so mundane (being ungrateful, care-free) with the things of God. Even while in Prison, he still kept the dream alive because he was interpreting the dreams of others.

**Trusting in God** - Jeremiah 17:5-6 warns us of the danger of shifting your focus from God, while verse 7-8 points us to the blessings of putting our trust in Him. “Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.”

### LESSONS TO LEARN FROM JOSEPH

1. In the midst of his journey he always sought The Lord. Matt 7:7
2. He looked up to God. Ps 121:1-2
3. He cried unto God in Prayer. Ps 34:6-7
4. He feared God - Ps 34: 7-10
5. He kept his tongue. He was not a murmurer or blabber. Ps 34:12-13
6. He departed from evil, he was careful not to compromise. He resisted the temptation to sin against God
7. He was in constant communication with God
8. He had a contrite spirit. In the midst of everything he was humble. Ps 34:14, 37:18, 27

In closing, Joseph knew one thing, if he was ever going to get to his destination, it had to be God. **It was God that gave Pharaoh the dream; it is The Same God that gave Joseph the interpretation.** God created the problem and God gave His Own the solution. God has not forgotten you, He is taking you through the wilderness to build and develop your character. Only God can open that door, why not keep your focus on Him rather than trying to force the door to open on your own. 2 Peter 1 :2-10 exhorts us “... And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; **And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience;** and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.”

**Sermon Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yV5kXUAGFvM> & <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iD01BY6JvA>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 5, 2018 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

### **COMING TO THE LORD FOR LIFE**

Text: John 2:1-11, 5:40 – “And ye will not come to me, that ye might have Life.”

The Four Gospels show us a 4-Dimensional portrait of The Lord Jesus Christ. The Book of Matthew seems to focus on Jesus as a King-Savior; Mark focuses on Jesus as a Slave-Savior; Luke focuses on Jesus as a Man-Savior; and The Gospel of John appears to focus on Jesus as a God-Savior. John portrays Jesus as The Resurrected One Who turns death into Life. **All through John, we see different accounts where The Lord changed death to Life!** The Lord asserted that He has come to give Life and that This Life is Himself. **Man's greatest need is The Life of God. We all wake up short of it,** hence our continuous need for Him to daily, hourly supply us His Life in every situation. The sick, the healthy, the poor, the rich, the young, the old, all are in dare need of This Life!

From our above Text in John 2, we see how a wedding occasion almost turned into a disaster but for the presence of The Lord. **This wedding event is an allegory that shows how The Lord turns death into Life.** There are certain salient key factors in this story – first the event happened on the Third day – this represents Christ’s resurrection on the third day to give Life to the dead. Secondly, the marriage was in Cana of Galilee – the name Cana means “a place of the weak or fragile people” – signifying The Lord coming to the human race (full of weak or fallen creatures); thirdly, it was a wedding ceremony – signifying the celebration of the union of natural life; fourthly, they ran out of wine – this means the natural human life will always run out of anything it rejoices in that is outside of God. Wine signifies life as it is a product of grapes. Fifthly, The Lord asked them to fill the waterpots with water – this means that before The Lord can turn death to life, there must first be repentance through water baptism, which then leads to The Spirit baptism (portrayed as the New Wine). **The changing of water to wine is a pictorial illustration of the termination of the old life or wine in order for the germination of the New Life or wine.** New wine is not poured into old wineskins – Matt. 9:17. The summary of this account is that we all need more of This Life every hour; none is exempted.

### Why Do We Need This Life?

1. Every one of the old creation is a dead person, hence needs to be quickened by This Life. Eph. 2:1, Jn 5:26
2. **After redemption, we need the continuous supply of This Life.** Rom. 5:10 - For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.
3. **This is a Life nothing can conquer;** it has already conquered everything, including death. Rev. 1:18
4. This Life gives Light that shines in darkness, and darkness has no answer to it. John 1:4
5. This Life is the revealer of Truth that sets free. John 8:32
6. **This Life is what makes us One with The Divine Trinity.** John 17:21
7. This Life is the breath of The New Creation. John 20:22
8. **This Life is a Living Person – The Lord Jesus Christ.** John 14:6, 11:35
  - a. He is The Bread of Life
  - b. He is The Tree of Life
  - c. He is The Water/River of Life
  - d. He is The Breath of Life
  - e. He is The Spirit of Life, The Life-Giving Spirit. 1 Cor. 15:45b

In closing, Our Lord Jesus said in John 10:10b, **I have come that they may have Life and have it more abundantly.** He came to give us Life. He came to bring us into God. He came to breath the Life of God into us.  
Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jvXwObn6n0A>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God’s Message To Us on Sunday, July 29, 2018 – Pastor (Mrs.) Doyin Jaiyesimi*

*(RCCG Nigeria)*

### **DEVELOPING A DEEPER LOVE FOR GOD**

Text: John 3:16 - “For God so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” **God demonstrated His Love towards humanity by sending His Son to die for us.** What does it mean to develop a deeper love for God? There are 3 key words in this question – Develop, Deeper, Love. To “Develop” is to progress or advance further through a sequence in something or someone. “Deeper” means voluminosly large or intense. “Love” means a strong affection or attachment to someone. Developing a deeper love for God simply means advancing further in our attachment to God our Maker. It also means desiring to know God more and more every day.



**Love is of God**, 1 John 4:7-8 says “Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.” Without God, we cannot do anything. Matthew 22:37 says Jesus said to him, “You shall love The Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” **From this verse, we can infer that loving God is a Divine Instruction or Commandment.** Someone may ask - Why must I develop a deeper love for God? First, recognize that God is The One sustaining your breath. Second, recognize that God saved you by His grace; you could never have been able to save or redeem yourself from the kingdom of darkness. Additionally, there are too many evils in every day God keeps away from you and your family. Regardless of what you may be going through, God still deserves to be praised - if for nothing you are not in the mortuary! **If you do not love God, you will automatically love the world.** 1 John 2:15-16 says – “Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of The Father but is of the world” Whoever does not love God is indirectly turning their back to God.

**How Can I Deepen My Love for God?** You need the intervention of The Holy Spirit because ‘Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, says The Lord’ - Zech. 4:6. **When The Holy Spirit comes to indwell a being, everything about them is engrossed in God’s love;** nothing in this world makes meaning to them any longer except God and His Kingdom. With The Holy Spirit’s help, you will be engrossed in a life of Thanksgiving, thus, your prayer life will be greatly enhanced. 1 Thess. 5:17. You will always be seeking to be alone with God, desiring to know Him more and more. Phil 3:10. You will also be empowered to live a life of obedience and holiness. You will also be a generous giver. Luke 21:1-4.

### Benefits Of a Deeper Love for God

1. God takes over of the battles of your life. 2 Chron. 20:22
2. You will start to enjoy Divine Immunity. Exo.15:26: Mark 16:18
3. **You will start to enjoy Divine Blessing.** Phil 4:19
4. Doing exploits will be a daily thing in your life. Phil. 4:13

### Biblical Examples

1. Abraham - Gen. 12:1-4
2. Joseph - Gen 39:9
3. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego – Daniel 3
4. The Shunammite woman - 2 Kings 4:8-17
5. Little boy who gave his lunch to Jesus. John 6:9
6. The Poor widow that gave her all. Luke 21:3

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p8fJITiBG4>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God’s Message To Us on Sunday, July 22, 2018 – Sis. Bukky Deborah Awobajo*

*- Annual Youths’ Week*

## **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

Matthew 5:13-15 - “Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. **Ye are the light of the world.** A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.”

**We were create to make a difference in this world.** There was a specific purpose God had in mind before we were formed in our mother’s womb. What does it mean to make a difference? It means making a positive, lasting and memorable impact in our world. This is our heritage as believers and Children of God. We were redeemed to be a light of the world and the salt of the earth. **Light and salt always make a great difference everywhere.** Your worth is very precious to The Kingdom of God.

## STEPS TO MAKING A DIFFERENCE

1. **Understand we have being chosen and singled out to make a difference in this world.** John 15:16 tells us we did not chose Him but He chose us. By choosing us God really created us to be a part of His story of making the world a better place. Regardless of your age, color or race, there is something God put in you that would be a blessing to the world. 1 Cor. 2:9 tells us ““Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man, The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.” Romans 8:28 also says “And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose”. Are you willing to be a vessel for God to make a difference in the world? Our being chosen does not mean we would not face challenges and trials – every vessel ever used by God had their fair share of trials before they made a difference in the world. Imagine the agony our Lord Jesus Christ went through before making an everlasting difference in the world through salvation of mankind.
2. **We must seek the face of God through Prayer and His Word to build intimate relationship with Him.** Only God can give us the strength to make a difference. Human energy will utterly fail us. For example, an uncharged phone even though loaded with potential is useless to make a difference. Likewise we need to be recharged through continuous fellowship with God. Jesus said in John 15:5 without Me you can do nothing. Our recharge plug is Prayer and His Word. The longer you charge your phone the longer its durability to make a difference. David was a king that made a great difference because he always sought The Lord.
3. **You must remain humble and make yourself receptive to God's calling.** David humbled himself and obeyed his dad by taking food to his brothers, which was the Medium God used to make him see, confront and conquer Goliath. He could not tolerate Goliath terrorizing God's People. He learnt a great skill by tending the sheep, that same skill was what he used to bring down Goliath. It was what God taught him in the secret that he used to slain Goliath.
4. **We must remain consistent and focused.** The devil will try to distract us. Joseph refused to be distracted when Potiphar's wife came to tempt him. Gen. 39:12. Whatever the devil cannot destroy he will distract.
5. **You must believe in the Power that you carry.** Luke 10:19. God has already empowered you to subdue the enemy. 1 Sam. 3:1 makes us understand that you are never too young to make a difference; Samuel was only a boy (not a man) when God began using him to make a difference. Joseph was also a youth. Even The Lord Jesus started to make a difference from His Youth.
6. **We must get out of our comfort zone.** Never allow the society limit your potential. Deborah was a woman and God used her to lead His people to victory.
7. **We must be willing to bear each other's burden.** We should never judge others; we are all recipients of His Mercy. Never look down on anything God has already lifted up. In closing, we have the power to make a difference in our generation so let us answer the call to be God's Vessel to make an lasting impact in our world.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1PJvvhf8ZpQ>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 15, 2018 – Rabbi James Petersen*

## **FENCES AND GATES**

Fences and gates are part of our lives. We generally use them to safeguard our lives and possessions from uninvited persons or creatures. Biblically speaking fences and gates are to keep unholy things outside and Holy Things inside. In Hebrew, the word Holy means that which is “uniquely separated and set apart from the common”. We have physical fence, verbal fence, etc. Verbal Fences are words to restrict others from taking certain actions. **For instance in Genesis 2:16-17, God gave Adam certain instructions on which tree to eat from and which**



**tree not to eat.** Adam and Eve disobeyed and humankind became condemned and alienated from the Presence of God. Satan became the new master of man because Adam disregarded the fence God instituted. Also from Leviticus 11, God enumerated certain foods or meat the Israelites should stay away from; this is a type of verbal fence. Prohibited things are unclean food God says we should not eat because of their effects in our body.

**In the Old Testament, there were 3 courts – the outer court, The Holy Place and The Most Holy Place.** A veil restricted access to The Most Holy Place. This veil is a type of fence. Only The High Priest could go in once a Year but not without blood (The Day of Atonement).

## **The New Covenant in Christ Jesus**

**What Happened to that Curtail?** On the day Our Lord shed His Blood on The Cross that curtail (or fence) was torn apart. He said “It is Finished”. What was finished was the work of redemption He wrought for us. He sacrificed Himself once and forever. Matthew 27:51-52 - Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split, and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. Now there is no other name by which men can be saved except through Christ Jesus.

**There is no more fence between God and us. Now we can have fellowship with Him without restrictions or boundaries. No door separates us from God because Jesus took the fence out of the way.** From John 10:9, He said, I am The Door. Jesus is now The Only Door to God. He is The Gate or Door to God’s Salvation. There is no prohibition now except if we harden our hearts to Him. The Cross symbolizes The Covenant Christ made on our behalf. But in The New Covenant, The Lord Jesus Christ came as the Eternal Sacrifice that would pave the way for us to have unrestricted access into The Holiest of All. By His Blood the veil has now been torn apart and we can have unbroken fellowship with Adonai.

Hebrews 9:24-26 - For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; not that He should offer Himself often, as The High Priest enters The Most Holy Place every year with blood of another— He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

The Word of God as Our Entrance - **The Word is the entrance that leads any man into a Covenant with God.** The Word enlightens and educates us on the terms of the Covenant.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FbjPi5d3Nv0>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God’s Message To Us on Sunday, July 7, 2018 – Bro. Favor Adewoye*

*(Annual IGA Children’s Week)*

## **VICTORY IN CHRIST JESUS**

**Text:** 1 John 5:4-5 - “For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?” Everybody wants to be a winner in life, rarely does anyone works at losing in any endeavor in life. **What is Victory? Victory can be defined as the act of overcoming an enemy in order to attain a goal in life.** Victory can also means winning and succeeding in life. The opposite of victory is defeat or failure. The Bible is full of stories of people God helped to be victorious in life. Examples are David, Joshua, Deborah, and many more. That Same God is still helping His children to live a victorious life today. God does not want His children to fail in life.

**THE TWO FAMILIES IN THE WORLD:** **The Family of God** consists of people who have accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior. **The family of Satan** on the other hand consists of people who have refused to accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior; they are sinners and enemies of God, hence, they will always experience defeat and failure in life. The Family you belong to will determine whether you will experience victory or defeat in life. God created man to live a victorious life according to Gen. 1:26, however, the devil came to tempt and make man sin against God and thus, man became a member of the family of Satan. However, God sent His Son Jesus Christ to come and redeem man from the family of Satan. He paid the price for our **redemption** by shedding His Blood on The Cross. If He did not do this for us, we would have been doomed forever in life.

**THE FAMILY OF GOD:** The family of God is a Family of Victors, Winners and Overcomers. 1 John 5: 4-5 says “For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is The Son of God?” Jesus said in John 14:6 that I am The Way, The Truth, and The Life: no man comes unto The Father, except by Me. This means without a personal relationship with The Lord Jesus Christ, you cannot be a member of the family of God. **God always helps everyone in His Family to experience victory in life because defeat does not glorify His Name.** He said in Matt. 5:14-16, **we are the light of the world and we should let our light so shine before men, that they may see our good works, and glorify our Father Who is in heaven.** We are victors in life because Jesus conquered the devil on The Cross. He obtained victory for us, without Jesus, we will be losers in life. 1 Cor. 15:57 says “But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.” 2 Cor. 2:14 says “Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place”. According to Phil 2:9-10 - we are also victors in life because Jesus has been given a Name that is above every other name. At the mention of His Name, sickness must bow, failure must bow, shame must bow, and every knee must bow!

### **How Can We Experience a Life of Victory in Christ**

1. **You must be Born Again:** John 3:3 - Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see The Kingdom of God.
2. **You need to Study and Grow in The Word of God:** Joshua 1:8 says - This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.
3. **You need to be Prayerful and Thankful to God:** 1 Thess. 5:17-18 says “Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.”

In closing, Jesus did not die for us to be defeated in life. He went through great pain so that you and I will be victors in life. He wants us to experience victory in our health, education, career, spiritual lives and families. He said in John 10:10 - The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

**Video of Sermon:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BEI3bCIBL0A>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 1, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **MAKE PRAISE HAPPEN: USE ME AS AN INSTRUMENT**

**Text:** Luke 19:32-40

We were created as instruments of praise unto God. We are like that colt in Luke 19 that The Lord requested to ride on to get into Jerusalem (means city of peace). **The destiny of that colt was to be a praise instrument for The Lord.** God redeemed and preserved you as His instrument of praise. Hitherto, The Lord had given them an instruction that if any should ask any

question regarding His request, they should simply say, The Lord has need of it. **The Lord is in need of your praise to ride on.** Psalm 22:3 says God inhabits the praises of His people.

### God Deserves to be Praised

1. For His Mercies – Daily He preserves our lives from destruction, for sufficient is the evil of every day. Matt. 6:34
2. He chose us to show forth His Glory. 1 Peter 2:9 says - But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; **that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light:**
3. He chose us as earthen vessels to carry The Heavenly Treasure - 2 Corinthians 4:7 - But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.
4. **He redeemed and ransomed our lives from death.** Ps. 71:23 says My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee; and my soul, which thou hast redeemed.
5. We are nothing without Him. John 15:5c says “.... for without Me ye can do nothing.”
6. By Him all things consists. Col. 1:16-17 says “For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: **all things were created by Him, and for Him:** And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist.
7. He sustains our breath during sleep. Ps. 3:5 says “I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for The Lord sustained me.”
8. **He opens the gate of overflow when we praise Him.** 2 Chron. 20:22-25
9. He causes the earth to yield her increase as we praise Him. Ps. 67:5-7 says “Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.”

### Dangers of not Praising Him

1. **Ingratitude could cause you to be replaced with stones.** Luke 19:40 says “And He answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.”
2. Malachi 2:1-2 says - And now, O ye priests, this commandment is for you. If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto My Name, saith The Lord of Hosts, **I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings:** yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay it to heart.

In closing, Psalm 149:1-3 says, Praise ye The Lord. Sing unto The Lord a new song, and His praise in the congregation of saints. Let Israel rejoice in Him that made Him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. **Let them praise His Name in the dance:** let them sing praises unto Him with the timbrel and harp.

Sermon Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rAs8\\_vsQGyM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rAs8_vsQGyM)

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 24, 2018 – Pastor (Mrs.) Brenda Ademoroti*

*(RCCG, Nigeria)*

## **THE AWESOMENESS OF GOD**

We serve an Awesome God! In greatness and might, none is comparable to Him. There is no such thing as an impossible situation with Him because He is Omnipotent (All-Powerful), Omnipresence (present everywhere), and Omniscience (All-Knowing). All through scriptures, we see His uncountable Names and Titles. All through the tribes and nations of the world, He is eulogized for His Awesomeness. God is The Only One Who has the ability to maintain the breathe of any being.





He is called The Alpha and The Omega. There is nothing about you He does not know; He can use any situation in your life to glorify His Name. He is always at work. He is never late and never wrong!

### The Awesomeness of Our God

1. **The Awesomeness of His Thoughts & Ways** - Isaiah 55:8-9 says “For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways,” says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.”
2. **The Awesomeness of His Plans for Our Lives** – Jeremiah 1:5 says “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations.” Jeremiah 29:11 also says “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says The Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.”
3. **The Awesomeness of His Creation of the Heavens & Earth** – Isaiah 48:13 says “Indeed My Hand has laid the foundation of the earth, And My Right Hand has stretched out the heavens; When I call to them, They stand up together.”
4. **The Awesomeness of His Mindfulness of Us** – Psalm 8:4 says “What is man that You are mindful of him, And the son of man that You visit him?” He is The One Who wakes us up every day, this is why we bow in worship of Him.
5. **The Awesomeness of His Ability to still any Storm** – He alone can still any boisterous storm. With a Word, He can silence any storm in your life. Mark 4:39 says “Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace, be still!” And the wind ceased and there was a great calm.”
6. **The Awesomeness of His Ownership of Everything** – Psalm 24:1 says – “The earth is The Lord’s, and all its fullness, The world and those who dwell therein.”
7. **The Awesomeness of His Trustworthiness** – Prov. 3:5 says Trust in The Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding.
8. **The Awesomeness of His Power** - Job 26:14 says Lo, these are parts of his ways: but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand? The Acts of God are so much. God can provide for our needs through vast number of ways.

In closing, God is The God is all gods, The Lord of all lords, learn to start your day eulogizing Him for His Awesomeness. He delights and inhabits the praises of His people (Psalm 22:3).

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gPpoOg1orQE>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God’s Message To Us on Sunday, June 17, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

*(2018 Father’s Day)*

## **DISCOVER & RECOVER YOUR PLACE**

Text: 1 Samuel 30:1-19

Fathers are scarce. Every day, the number of true fathers are reducing in our society as many men are walking out of their homes, thus, leaving many innocent children fatherless in life. Technology appears to have worsen the case as some women rather than getting married to have children are opting for sperm



donors because they do not want to be under the headship of any man. This is not God's design; every child was created to be raised by a father and a mother. **Statistics tell us 75% of Children in U.S are not raised by both parents – mother and father.** The place of fathers is a position of great responsibility because they are God's representatives on the earth. Our Lord Jesus Christ in Matt. 6:9 taught us to pray to "Our Father" Who is in Heaven.

**"Discover" means to find out; to realize something existing but not known.** It also means getting back something that is lost; regaining control of something; and to be indemnified (restoring back in the place before a loss). The American system appears to have crippled our fathers through promulgation of certain anti-God laws that prevent fathers from taking corrective measures against erring children. Some laws empower the children to report their parents when disciplinary actions are taken them; this undoubtedly weakens the role of fathers. We pray our children will not be part of the statistics of youths in the prison.

### **What Fathers Need To Discover**

1. **They need to discover their position in The Lord.** Fathers are the Head by God's standard. Today few men are interested in growing their spiritual lives; rather they are seeking more of mammoth. As fathers, we need to take up our place of priests in our homes. Matt. 6:33, Ephesians 5:23. When you beef up yourself, opportunities will be looking for you. David discovered his position in The Lord.
2. **They need to discover they cannot go far with the energy of your flesh.** Realize without God you can do nothing. You can't afford to be prayerless as a father because your children's destiny are hanging on your prayer bank. David was a man of prayer in 1 Sam. 30, he kept inquiring of The Lord.
3. **They need to discover they are not born to live an ordinary life.** Mediocrity is not your position in Christ; you should strive for excellence in your home. Adam was created to live a life of Heaven on earth in Gen. 1:26-27. You are to live a life of dominion and do greater works. John 14:12.

### **What to Recover**

1. You are to recover every lost ground and opportunity the devil has stolen from you. Joel 2:25, 1 Sam. 30:18-19. David was the instrument of recovery and solution to his family and nation.
2. You are to recover every lost blessing. The prodigal son got back everything he lost. Luke 15:22
3. **You are to recover your health.** Jer. 30:17
4. You are to recover every lost dream and aspiration. Joel 2

### **Steps to Recovery**

1. **Come back home.** Just like the prodigal son in Luke 15, you need to get back to your first love (Christ), and make Him your priority for living. Isaiah 55:6-7.
2. **Take inventory of what you have lost and take it to The Lord in prayer.** God caused David to recover all in response to his prayers.

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UiEt5dQt3Gc>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 10, 2018 – Pastor Ayodele Ajisola*

*(Provincial Pastor, RCCG Nig.)*

## **WHO IS ON THE LORD'S SIDE?**

Text: Daniel 3:22-25



Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, and spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king. He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God. **The above topic is one of the greatest question everyone must answer in life.** To whom you belong will determine your lot in life; as victory or defeat always hinges on whose side you belong to. There are two principal sides in life - The Lord's Side and the Devil's Side. If you are not on The Lord's Side, by default you are on the devil's side. Our Lord Jesus Christ said in John 10, that He knows His sheep and His sheep know His Voice. There is no way you can be on The Lord's Side that you will not know and enjoy His numberless benefits. God always has a blessing for everyone on His side. Ps 103:1-5.

**Our text above is an account of the 3 Hebrew men (Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego) who refused to bow to the golden image in Babylon;** they stood their ground and vowed not to move from The Lord's Side. If you know The God you serve, you will be bold to declare Him even in the midst of opposition. King Nebuchadnezzar was arrogant but he forgot there is a superior authority far above him. God can never leave you for the devil to torment. When men begin to speak arrogantly against you, be conscious that you have a Father Who enthrones and dethrones kings.

**Those on The Lord's Side have certain characteristics.** They do not bow to idols. They are never moved by human intimidations. They stand with God no matter the situation. They are steadfast in the face of opposition and never deny their faith in Him. They ever remain glued and connected to Him no matter what the devil is doing. Sometimes it may appear the devil is gaining the ground but be rest assured victory is yours because you are on The Lord's Side. Majority do not carry the vote in God's Kingdom, only the one with God's Vote is ultimately victorious. The condition or position of your heart determines whose side you are on. **Where is Your Heart?** The Lord Jesus said in Matt. 6:20 - For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Also in Matt. 15:8-9 - This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. Trouble only comes to check whose side we are on? The Lord's Side or the devil's? Joshua warned the Israelites to serve God alone in Joshua 24:14-15

### **What Benefits Do You Derive for Being on The Lord's Side**

1. **He will honor your faith and answer you with testimonies.** God honored the Hebrews Boys faith by showing up for them. Faith always births miracles. Faith commands wonders. Faith brings hope. It Births a better future. Trials come to test our level of faith. The just shall live by faith (not by singing or dancing). The faith is the enemy of the devil and the devil is the enemy of your faith. Don't allow the devil subdue your faith. Mark 5:24-35
2. **He will not allow your enemy to triumph over you.** It will be impossible for the enemy to subdue you. Ps 25:2. God will always fight for you. The fire did not do any harm to the 3 Hebrews Boys. Isaiah 8:9, Job 20:5. God will ensure your enemy never triumphs because He will fight for you.
3. **He will send help to you.** Help will always come from God. Help came for the 3 Hebrews Boys in The furnace of fire, The Son of God showed up to help them. Psalm 121:1-2
4. **He will give you hope and he will settle you.** Regardless of the problem and situation God will reenforce your hope. Job 14:7-9. God is the Hope of the hopeless. 1 Pet. 5:10
5. **He will Ransom your life.** Christ paid for us on the Calvary to redeem our lives from destruction. He ransomed our lives with His Blood. Prov. 26:27, Prov. 21:8, Jer. 31:11

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FDqN1g5q5fE>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 3, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **SECURED IN HIS HAND**



Text: Job 12:1-10 - **Who knoweth not in all these that The Hand of The Lord hath wrought this? In whose Hand is the soul of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind.**

No man is secured outside of God. Our lives are secured only in His Hand; for safety is of The Lord. The breathe of every living thing is in His Hand, He decides who lives. Nothing happens outside His Knowledge; not even a strand of our hair falls without His permission. Our safety and children's safety are always in His Hand. Rev. 4:11 tells us God has created all things for His Pleasure. We are alive by His Sheer Grace.

Satan could not touch Job without God's permission; he could not go beyond certain boundaries in his attack. There is nothing outside of God's control - our seeing, eating, breathing, are all in His Hand. Job faced a great deal of trouble in a single day, yet He acknowledged God is still God; he said he knows his Redeemer lives - Job 19:25-26. This means despite all He went through he knew he was secured in God's Hand. Even his wife's disparaging comments did not make him deny God as His Redeemer.

Paul is another example, despite all his persecutions and sufferings, he said in 2 Timothy 1:12 - For the which because I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: **for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.** Paul knew he was secured in God's Hand. The wind might be threatening, yet Paul knew he and everyone in the ship would be secured - Acts 27. They all acknowledged God regardless of what they were going through.

### God is Waiting for Your Praise

No matter what you are going through, God is waiting for your praise. Job praised him in his trials, Paul and Silas also praised Him in the midst of persecutions - Acts 16:25. **The moment praises go up, God always steps in and every chain falls off.** God is waiting for our praise and thanksgiving. Whenever anything stronger than you threatens, just praise Him. Do not struggle with the chains just praise God and watch the chains disappear. The enemy always submits to God when you praise Him. **Psalm 149:6-9 makes us to understand that, praise is a weapon - a double-edged sword to execute vengeance on the enemy.** In 2 Chron. 20:21-23, Jehoshaphat appointed singers in the midst of a great danger, but praises made God turned the tide in their favor.

### The By-Products of Praise

- |  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| 1. It brings increase.                           | Matt 14:13-21        |
| 2. Every dead virtue will come alive.            | John 11:42-45        |
| 3. <b>Doors will begin to open.</b>              | Acts 16:25, Joshua 6 |
| 4. God will fight your battle.                   | 2 Chron. 20:21-22    |
| 5. <b>Your life will be secured in His Hand.</b> | 1 Chron.29:26-28     |

In closing, God prolongs the life of a praise worshipper. The Psalmist also said Magnify The Lord with Me and in Psalm 150:6, he declared "Let everything that has breathe praise The Lord".

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ar2rPrDZ-Pk>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 27, 2018 – Bro. Emmanuel Joseph*

*(IGA Youths Leader)*

**YOUNG AND MIGHTY IN GOD'S HANDS**



Text: 1 Samuel 17:55-58

And when Saul saw David go forth against the Philistine, he said unto Abner, the captain of the host, Abner, whose son is this youth? And Abner said, As thy soul liveth, O king, I cannot tell. And the king said, Enquire thou whose son the stripling is. And as David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, Abner took him, and brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistine in his hand. And Saul said to him, Whose son art thou, thou young man? And David answered, I am the son of thy servant Jesse the Bethlehemite.

**There is no age limit to being used by God.** Age is certainly not a barrier with God to do great and mighty things; all He wants are willing vessels regardless of their age. All through Scriptures, we see certain individuals who allowed God to use them to accomplish great feats on the earth.

### **What Does It Take To Be Used Mightily By God?**

1. **Total Obedience** – You must be abiding and living in obedience to God's Word.
2. Reliability - Joseph was very reliable in Potiphar's House. Gen 39
3. Diligence
4. **Faithfulness to His Doctrines and laws** – in our world today, many are kicking against the doctrines of God such as tithing, you cannot afford to be found in such a camp.
5. **Dedication of Your Time** – no one becomes anything in life without a great investment of time in their pursuit. You have to create time for God regardless of your busy schedule.
6. **A Sacrificial Life** – You must be ready to sacrifice your entire life for God's use. Nothing must be more important in your life than God.

### **Case Studies of Those Used Mightily By God**

1. **David** - God used him mightily at a very young age to bring deliverance to Israel. Every one fled from Goliath until David showed up to bring down his head. 2 Sam. 17
2. **Timothy** – He was very faithful to keeping the core doctrines Paul had instructed him. 1 Tim. 6:20
3. **Paul** – God used him mightily to spread The Gospel all over the Gentile nations.
4. **Esther** – She was used to rescue the Jews from extermination in Haman's hand.
5. **Our Lord Jesus Christ** – There is no greater example than our Lord. He spent quality time with God; without Him, there would be no such thing as Salvation in the world. What would our lives have looked like without Him sacrificing Himself for us? Luke 2:52 tells us “And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.”

**Sermon Audio:** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QX\\_0r9GRVgg&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QX_0r9GRVgg&feature=youtu.be)

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 20, 2018 – Rev. Olatunde Oladunjoye (New Covenant Church)*

## **MEN AS KEEPERS OF THE FLAME**

Text: Acts 28:1-5, Prov. 26:20

Fire is mysterious as it makes light, it makes warm, and it makes survival. There is hardly any aspect of man's endeavor that fire is not involved. From our above texts, we can see how a fire kindled by Paul generated a heat that exposed and made a venomous viper to flee. Venomous viper could come in form of sickness, doctors report, unpleasant situations, etc. **As men our main duties as keepers of the flame is to know the kinds of wood to gather**, and how to gather such woods that ignites and sustains Fire.

### What Kinds of Wood do I Gather?

1. **The Hard Wood:** this is the strong meat of The Word of God. Our world is filled with people who are uninterested in the Solid Word of God; all they want is prophecies upon prophecies no matter the source. Many do not want to hear messages on fervency in prayers, Tithing, obedience to spiritual authority, etc.
2. **Heavens Wood:** This kind of Wood makes Heaven your focus in life. John 13:8. It also makes you lay up your treasure in Heaven.
3. **Holy Wood:** This kind of Wood makes you conscious that without Holiness no man shall see The Lord. Heb. 12:14
4. **Hill Wood:** This kind of Wood makes you set your eyes on God alone for everything. Psalm 121. They looked unto Him and their faces were lightened and they were not ashamed – Ps. 34:5.
5. **The Holy Ghost Wood:** This kind of Wood aligns you continuously with The Spirit of God. It separates you from the world and its lust unto The Holy Ghost alone. Acts 13:2

Where Do I Gather these Kinds of Wood? **The Greatest Wood Shelf in the world is The Word of God, The Bible.**

### How Do I Gather These Woods?

1. **You must be CONNECTED with the Headship of The Lord Jesus Christ.** 1 Cor. 11:3. If you are not in total submission to Christ as your Head, do not expect your wife and children to be submissive to you.
2. **You must be REFRESHING your Knowledge.** Leaders are readers. Books keep the flame on. You are the same today 10 years from now, except the books you read and the people your mingle with. Daniel 9:2, Luke 4:12-20.
3. **You must be RETREATING with God regularly.** Exod. 34:23-24. Retreat ignites fresh fire. Create time to be alone with God. Men cultivate the habit of retreat. Fresh wood is from retreat.
4. **You must be KEEPERS of Covenant with God** to gather fresh fire. 2 Chron. 1:6
5. **You must know how to BUILD an Altar.** An altar is a place of exchange, a place of strength, a place where you worship, a place you call on The Heavens for intervention. It is a risky thing not to have an altar in life. Isaac gave a pattern on raising an altar in Gen. 26:25.

In closing, Jesus is the initiator of any fire that lasts. When people saw the boldness of Peter and John, **they said they must have been with Jesus, not that they have been to Harvard!** There is great danger if you fail to gather the appropriate Woods in appropriate time, the flame will go out!

**Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fTsJNNfe8Dw>

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

### **SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 13, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# SPIRITUAL MAKEOVER

2018 Mother's Day Celebration

Text: 1 Peter 3:1-6, Prov. 31:30

“Do not let your adornment be merely outward—arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on fine apparel— **rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God.**”

Not all mothers are mothers. There are counterfeits and there are genuine and caring mothers. **The assignment of motherhood is an Holy Assignment given by God.** For God to produce godly children, He had to partner with women. Mothers are partners with God. It is a glorious thing to partner with God in carrying out His agenda on the earth. Women are incubators; they multiply whatever you give them.

This mornings' message is an exhortation to our women as we celebrate the grace of God on our women. Women naturally love looking beautiful; hence, give great attention to external beauty. As a daughter of God, recognize that all artificial makeovers are temporary and not your true beauty in life. **Do not be engrossed with external beauty at the detriment of your inner beauty (your soul and spirit) as all external beauties will one day be terminated by death.** Let your pursuit be that of a meek and quite spirit that has eternal value and of great treasure before God. 2 Cor. 4:18 says – “While we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal”. **Sarah was beautiful internally and externally. Submission makes a woman very beautiful.** Sarah submitted to Abraham from her heart, even when it was against her wish. This is why in 1 Pet. 3:5-6, Sarah was commended and used as a role model for wives submitting to their husbands.

As a virtuous woman, you need to adorn yourself with a beauty that lasts and is of great treasure to God. This is a gentle, meek and quite spirit. Be more concerned about what beautifies your spirit and soul as against pursuing what gratifies the flesh. God is always attracted to inner beauty. **Inner beauty can take the form of submission to your husband.** The more you submit to your husband, the more God prospers you because you are honoring His Word that your husband is your head. Eschewing every form of outbursts is also a form of internal beauty, **be peaceful even if it appears your spouse is wrong.**

## How Can I Possess a Quiet and Meek Spirit?

1. **Make it your heart desire and focus.** 1 Pet. 3:1-4
2. Pray about. Mark 11:23-24
3. Search for relevant scriptures and mediate on God's Word. Joshua 1:8
4. Seek for mentors
5. **Attend women empowerment seminars and conferences like RCCGNA WIM Conference.**
6. Invest in buying and reading anointed books and messages that add value to your life. Prov. 23:23

In closing, Matthew 5:5 says “Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth”. Our mothers' prayers, love and sacrifice have made us what we are today, and we celebrate the grace of God on their lives. For our men, please let us support our wives with things that will add value to their lives. Let us defend them against any opposition and above all, continue to intercede for them! Happy Mothers' Day!

**Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ri6pyjez-ig>

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

**SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 6, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **HE HAS GIVEN YOU HIS UTMOST, SO PRAISE HIM**

Text: Luke 7:36-50

“And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment, And stood at His feet behind Him weeping, and began to wash His feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed His feet, and anointed them with the ointment.”

Our text is an account of how a certain woman purposed to have a unique encounter with The Lord Jesus. She was a sinner who recognized her wretchedness by busting into tears before The Lord. A woman's hair is naturally her pride, but she humbled herself by wiping The Lord's Feet with her tears, her hair, and breaking an expensive alabaster box in honor of The Lord. For her acts, she was recognized in the Bible for her sacrifice. **Some people termed her action as wasteful but The Lord commended her.** Prophet Isaiah did a similar thing when he suddenly found himself before The Lord; he saw his wretchedness - “Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.” Isaiah 6:5

**The measure of our praise to God is rooted in the depth of our love to Him based on what He has done for us in redemption.** The Lord Jesus used her story to give a parable of two people who were forgiven their debts, but it was the one with the greater debt that showed the greater love.

Praise brings us to the presence of Jehovah. This morning we have come to thank and praise Him for His awesome doings in our lives thus far this year. To praise Him you need to remember what He has done, and what He is still doing for you and your family. God has done so much for us so we need to praise Him in an uncommon way. He put food on our table, He protected us from the arrows of the enemy, and innumerable things that we are unaware of. Many complain that God has not done anything substantial for them, one wonders whether they privately manufacture the oxygen they breath? God has given us a breath of life. Isaiah 38:18-19 – “**For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth. The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth.**”

He has Given You His Utmost, Please Praise Him.

**Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=smKQccF2FWo>

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

**SERMON EXCERPTS**



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 29, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*



# **A HEART THAT GUARANTEES GOD'S BLESSING**

(Part 3)

Text: Isaiah 66:2b - ... But to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at My Word.

We continue with the 3rd part of our series on the above topic. A brief recap, we learnt that God does not just blesses everybody, there is something He always looks for – those with a contrite spirit. **Unlike man, God is uninterested in the externalities of a man;** always He searches the heart before blessing. The heart denotes the center of all our human, physical, emotional and intellectual being. The heart defines who a man truly is; what you are is your heart. Prov. 23:7a. Man looks at the face but God looks at the heart. **God deals with every man according to his heart.** Jer. 17:10.

All through scriptures, we see a pattern, before God blesses any man He takes them through a wilderness process in order to test their heart. The father of faith, Abraham, went through series of Divine tests and processing before a blessing was proclaimed on his life. **Many of us are going through God's processing and the earlier we align in obedience the better for us.** Deut. 8:2 says "The way which The Lord thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no". God was proving their heart in the wilderness but many of them failed the tests and thus, did not enter Canaan.

## **KINDS OF HEARTS THAT GOD BLESSES**

1. **A Willing Heart** – see March 25, 2018 sermon excerpts.
2. **An Obedient Heart** - see April 15, 2018 sermon excerpts.
3. **A Pure Heart**
  - a. This is a heart that is free of offense and bitterness.
  - b. **Matt. 5:8 says - Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.**
  - c. It is not good to look beautiful externally and be stinking internally.
  - d. Psalms 24:3-5. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in His Holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
  - e. A Pure Heart is what defines whether God accepts our offerings and sacrifices. Matt. 5:23-24
4. **A Perfect Heart**
  - a. This is a heart that has all the attributes of the above hearts.
  - b. A Perfect Heart trembles at God's Word like David did in 2 Samuel 12:13
  - c. God hearkened to Hezekiah's Prayers for healing because he walked with God with a perfect heart. Isa. 38
5. **A Trusting Heart**
  - a. To trust is to place your confidence only in The Lord God Almighty
  - b. **Trust in The Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. Prov. 3:5-6**
  - c. The Three Hebrew boys had a trusting heart (Daniel 3:16-24) to God and He delivered them to His glory.
  - d. Abraham hoped upon hope and God showed up for him at the end.
  - e. God never disappoints a trusting heart. He never comes late, He is always on time. Jesus has no option but to appear for any that trusts in Him.
6. **A Humble Heart**
  - a. A humble heart is one that is always emptying itself before God. Jam. 4:10
  - b. **Jesus emptied Himself in order to carry out the work of redemption.** He humbled Himself even unto death ... and God has highly exalted Him and given Him a Name above every name. Phil. 2:4-11.
  - c. God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. James 4:6
  - d. Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Matt. 5:3
  - e. Humble yourselves therefore under The Mighty Hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time. 1 Pet. 5:6
  - f. Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life. Prov. 4:23

**Sermon Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ls0MlwnY3B8>

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

**SERMON EXCERPTS**



## **DRY BONES SHALL RISE AGAIN**

- Elders' Annual Week

Text: Ezekiel 37:7 – “So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.” **There is no such thing as an irreversible case before God.** God often communicates to us through different means such as by an event, by examples, and by symbols. Ezek 37 is one of such cases that God used different means to demonstrate the awesomeness of His Power. A mysterious and miraculous thing happened in Ezekiel 37 – dry bones came back to life. **Dry bones could represent people's battered lives or hopeless situations.** Recognize Christ has redeemed us from the curse the law, He does not just have resurrection power, He is The Resurrection and The Life.

God turns situations around through prophetic utterances. **He told Ezekiel to prophesy to the dry bones; this means a sealed lip is a sealed life.** Whatever you have never spoken into your life, you cannot have. A dry bone is a miracle waiting for a man to declare a prophetic Word on it. Jesus said you shall have whatsoever you say. It was by the spoken Word the fathers of faith (Abraham, Moses, etc.) performed great miracles all through the scriptures. Isaiah 9:8 says The Lord sent a Word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel.

Today many Christians are stranded because they do not understand the place of The Word. God created the Heavens and the earth by His Word. **He rarely does anything without The Word as the base. God's Word never returns to Him void because He is bound by His Word.** To bring dry bones back to life, you must understand the place of The Word; it has infinite and unlimited capacity to destroy any work of darkness. This is why as believers we need to always declare God's Word in the morning so as to take charge of our day. To prophesy is to speak about what you want to see happen, it is not about speaking what you are seeing. Speaking opens the doors of your future. As children of God, we are the representatives of God and should be speaking creative and positive words.

### **Conditions for Dry Bones to Live Again**

1. **You must have a Relationship with God.** Ezekiel had a deep relationship with God.
2. You must Renew your mind and expectations. Begin to see and speak possibilities.
3. **You must Raise your faith and expectations for your miracles.**
4. Let your trust be in God alone. Remember that God is ever faithful. He was faithful to Abraham, Moses, Esther, David, etc.
5. **You must understand the infinite Power and Capacity of God's Word**
  - a) Ezekiel spoke The Word of God and the dry bones came to live.
  - b) The devil respects and bows to The Word.
  - c) Every dry bone is waiting for a faith filled and faith fired Word to be spoken over it.
  - d) The Word is Born of God, hence carries an overcoming power. 1 John 5:4
6. **When you speak The Word, The Holy Spirit gives Life to that situation.** Job 33:4
  - a) Holy Spirit with your speaking The Word is equal to manifestation.
  - b) Holy Spirit with no speaking of The Word leads to frustration.
7. **You must live in Holiness**
8. You must not live in Disobedience

**Sermon Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BzBystR5Uq0&t=3398s>

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

**SERMON EXCERPTS**



## **THE HEART THAT GUARANTEES GOD'S BLESSINGS**

(Part 2)

Text: 139:23-25 - Search me, O God, and know my heart Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts. This is the second part of our above topic. **God does not deal with man without a pattern; always He checks the condition of everyone's heart.** Even in the secular world, interviews are done to screen applicants based on preset criteria, sometimes a probing is done to know the intention or motives of the heart. Likewise, God is ever searching our hearts to see our motives and intention. Often He asks Himself "Can this one maintain what I intend to give to him or her?"

**God does not just put people in place without first trying or testing their hearts.** David was bold to ask God to search his hearts if there was any wicked way in him - Ps 139:23-24. If God were to search your heart this morning, what would He find there? God will always check or examine us before blessing us. We should make it our daily prayer for God to search and try your heart. This will help straighten you up daily. We naturally fear or reverence anyone who can know the intention of our heart. There is a power that mirrors the heart and knows the intent of the heart.

The heart is very crucial as it denotes the center of a man's entire being. The heart is the core of our being and actually defines who will truly are. Prov. 23:7a says "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he.....". The heart is your inner orientation. Jesus said in Matthew 15:18 – "But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man." This means defilement of a man emanates from the heart. **God never looks for the most flamboyant, eloquent, physique or external attributes; always He is searching the hearts of men before doing anything.** 1 Sam. 16:7. He said in Jer. 17:10 – "I The Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings." This knowledge of God searching our hearts makes us to fear and reverence Him in all our ways.

### **HEARTS THAT GOD BLESSES**

1. **A Willing Heart** – this was treated extensively in the part 1 of this series. God does not like to compel a man to do anything, He simply gives them options and advises them what to choose. He wants you to serve Him and walk with Him willingly. Exod. 35:5, 1 Chron. 28:9. God is not looking for a reluctant or self-willed heart like king Saul in 1 Sam. 15. Mary was willing to be used by God to carry The Messiah despite of the seeming ridicule. Our Lord Jesus Christ also came with a willing heart in Luke 22:42 - Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not My Will, but Thine, be done.
2. **An Obedient Heart**
  - a. This is a heart that goes all out in full obedience to God. Deut. 28:1-2. Half or partial obedience is disobedience before God. 1 Sam. 15:22, 2 Tim. 2:19, Romans 6:1
  - b. **Obedience is the key to God's Heart. The best way to express your love to God is obedience.** John 14:23
  - c. Obedience is a principal thing; it is not optional in our service to God. John 14:15, 1 John 2:2-3
  - d. Obedience brings blessing. Malachi 3:10, John 14:23
  - e. **Obedience makes Jesus Christ and God The Father to come and live in you.** This makes you a "no fly zone" for any devil. It is the greatest blessing on earth for any man to be a carrier of Christ. John 14:23
  - f. Abraham was greatly blessed because of his obedience to God. Obedience makes you a solution to your world like Joseph was in Egypt.
  - g. Knowing and being intimate with God is tied to obedience. 1 John 2:5, John 15:14
  - h. Obedience turns you from a servant to a friend of God. John 15:14
  - i. **Obedience makes God to commit greater things and anointing into your hands.** God revealed His intention to Abraham concerning Sodom and Gomorrah. The secret of The Lord is with them that fear Him; and He will shew them His Covenant. Ps. 25:14
  - j. **God glorified Jesus because He did all The Father asked Him to do.** John 17. God also gave Him a Name that is higher than every other name because He obeyed even to the point of death. Phil. 2

**Sermon Video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3W6QKjxhvdI>

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

**SERMON EXCERPTS**



## **A NEW AND BETTER COVENANT**

2018 Fire Conference/Covenant Weekend

Text: Hebrews 9:12-15 – “And for this cause He is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.”

**What is a Covenant?** A Covenant is an agreement between two parties. In certain instances the covenant terms are set by one party and the other simply derives benefits from it based upon fulfillment of certain conditions (like death) - in such cases, the covenant is called “a Will or a Testament”.

### **The Old Covenant & The New Covenant**

1. There is an Old and New Covenant between God and man.
2. **There were weaknesses in the Old Covenant that necessitated God instituting a New Covenant.**
3. In the Old Covenant, man could never approach God by himself, except through a prophet or a priest, thus, there was no intimate fellowship with God to meet his needs.
4. In the Old Covenant, man was always transgressing the laws of God because of the inherent weakness of his flesh.
5. **Christ in The New Testament**
  - a. He came in the form of man, lived in complete righteousness, and offered Himself as the perfect and eternal sacrifice before God on man's behalf.
  - b. **He is The Mediator, Negotiator and Arbitrator of the New Covenant**
  - c. He is our Intercessor ever living and praying for us.

It is rather unfortunate that despite all Christ went through to establish a New Covenant with God on our behalf many believers are still unwilling to depart from their old way of life. Worldliness is still the order of the day in some Christians' lives, as there is hardly a difference between them and sinners. We were redeemed to live in holiness and righteousness before God and men; otherwise, we should forget about experiencing the blessings of the New Testament. Many have not really given their heart and totality to The Lord; they merely profess to be Christians, forgetting that membership to a particular Church is not the passport to making Heaven! Their character is nothing to write home about and yet they expect to derive benefits from The New Testament. God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap - Gal. 6:7.

### **BENEFITS OF THE NEW COVENANT**

1. Man will begin to experience and live in perfect love and friendship with God and his fellow man. 1 John 1:3
2. **Man will begin to experience a clear heart and conscience before God because his sins are forgiven.** Gal. 1:4
3. Man will begin to experience assurance of deliverance from sin, corruption, sickness, joblessness, condemnation and worldliness. Gal. 3:13, Isaiah 53
4. Man will begin to have assurance of absolute security, knowing God has accepted him and will live with Him forever without fear of facing judgement.
5. Man will experience peace and enlargements from God.
6. **Man will experience “newness” of life in all areas.** 2 Cor. 5:17

Sermon Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7F1V2GKJS5E>

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

**SERMON EXCERPTS**



## **THE BLESSING OF RESURRECTION**

Text: 1 Cor. 15:12-20 – “Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. **And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty.** Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up—if in fact the dead do not rise. For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!

Today is very significant in the history of mankind, it marks the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. His Resurrection brought many blessings to us. **The whole essence of Christianity hinges on the premise that Jesus Christ rose from the dead.** On the morning of His resurrection, the disciples went to the tomb but did not find Him there; He had Risen like He said. Luke 24:1-6. The tomb where they laid Him was empty, proving He had obtained victory and deliverance for us. He fought and defeated everything that will ever attempt to keep us in the grave. If the tomb had been occupied, it would have been disastrous for us as we would still have been in darkness but thank God, He is no longer there, He is Risen! He rose from dead to fulfill the agenda and purpose of God. Resurrection answered many controversies and questions in our lives as Christians. **Without resurrection, Christianity would have been like any religion in the world where the founders died and rot in the grave.** Christianity is not a religion but a Way of Life courtesy of Risen Lord and Savior, Who now holds the key of hell and of death.

### **THE BLESSINGS OF HIS RESURRECTION**

1. **If He had not risen, our preaching would be vain.** The Gospel would have had no power to change lives; but thank God He is risen and the Gospel is potent! 1 Cor. 15:14
2. **After His resurrection, He was given a Name that is higher than every other name;** an Exalted Name that is now our Refuge and High Tower.
3. If He had not risen, our faith would have been vain. We would have had nothing to believe in, our faith would have no anchor. 1 Cor. 15:14
4. His resurrection made old things to pass away and all things to become new in our lives. 2 Cor. 5:17
5. If He had not risen, we would be found false witnesses of God. 1 Cor. 15:15
6. **Because He is risen, Christianity becomes experiential** (an intimate fellowship of man with His Maker) and not just an abstract or meaningless religion.
7. If He had not risen, we would have remained in our sin, but thank God, resurrection brought us forgiveness and justification. Romans 4
8. **Because He is risen, the veil of the temple has been torn and we can now come boldly to The Throne of Grace.**
9. Resurrection gives us hope in every situation. If He had not risen, we would have no hope of spending eternity with God. 1 Thess. 4:15-17

In closing, 1 John 3:2 tells us “Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is”.

*Sermon Audio:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4OrFU3u3ggU&feature=youtu.be>



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 25, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE HEART THAT GUARANTEES GOD'S BLESSINGS**

(Part 1)

Text: 139:23-25 - Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting. God does not just blesses anything; He has certain conditions that provoke His blessings. **God does not look at the outward but on the inward before blessing anybody.** As humans, we are largely influenced in our decisions based on external appearances, this is not so with God. God is usually uninterested in a man's wisdom or stature; He focuses on the condition of his/her heart. 1 Sam. 16:7 says – “But The Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. **For The Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.**”

**The Heart** - The heart denotes the center of all human physical and moral activities. It is the center of everything. It is the core of a person's total being. **The heart defines who a person really is, not who they claim to be.** Jesus said in Luke 6:45 - A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks. What defies a man is what proceeds out of his mouth. God said in Matthew 15:8 – “These people draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me.” Our heart needs to be broken down. Jer. 17:10 - **I, The Lord, search the minds and test the hearts of people.** I treat each of them according to the way they live, according to what they do.”

**God Often Tests Our Hearts** - My son, give Me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe My ways. Prov. 23:26. God tested the heart of Abraham before blessing him. He said of David that he was a man after His heart. Presently, God is processing or trying our hearts through various experiences we face in life. **He uses what we are going through to determine the condition of our hearts.** This is why you should never complain or turn our back at Him no matter the trial. He took the Israelites through the wilderness to try their hearts. God is not as much interested in your money or possessions; He is interested in your heart and in your heart alone!

#### **GOD LOOKS FOR A WILLING HEART**

1. **God does not compel or coerce anyone to do anything for Him.** He simply appeals or knocks at the door of our hearts. Only the devil compels. Take ye from among you an offering unto The Lord: whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of The Lord; gold, and silver, and brass. Exod. 35:5.
2. David advised Solomon in 1 Chron. 28:9 - And thou, Solomon my son, know thou The God of thy father, **and serve Him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for The Lord searcheth all hearts,** and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek Him, He will be found of thee; but if thou forsake Him, He will cast thee off for ever.
3. A willing heart not a self-willed heart. Someone can have a willing heart but somehow along the line they deviate and follow their own will like king Saul in 1 Samuel 15. He obeyed God but followed his own will along the line.
4. Our Lord Jesus Christ said “I can of Mine Own Self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and My judgment is just; because **I seek not Mine Own will, but the will of The Father which hath sent Me**”. John 5:30
5. Mary also in Luke 1:38 offered herself willing to God despite the seeming shame of being pregnant before marriage.
6. Paul also said he will very gladly spend and be spent. 2 Cor. 12:15.

**In closing, the only obstacle between God and any man is the condition of their heart.** On this Pre-Resurrection or Palm Sunday, why don't you let Christ ride triumphantly into every aspect of your heart? Isaiah 66:2 - For all those things hath Mine Hand made, and all those things have been, saith The Lord: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at My Word.

*Sermon Audio:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I3zXc3oR5l4&feature=youtu.be>



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 18, 2018 – Deacon Bisi Ajala*

### **A GENERATION CHOSEN TO IMPACT CHANGE**

- YOUTHS' SUNDAY

Text: 1 Peter 2:9 – “But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light”.

God calls us a chosen and peculiar people. **To be chosen means to be selected out of many for a particular purpose.** We are blessed to be a generation of believers chosen by God Himself to impact a positive change in the world. This is why as believers in Christ Jesus we should never settle for average in life; we were redeemed a king and priest to impact a global change.

**What is Change?** **Change is to make or become different. It is moving from one particular position to another.** It also means not staying at same spot year over year. Change could be positive or negative. Multi-national corporations know they either embrace change or lose relevance, hence, they invest maximally on their research and development. **Change is also what you do differently to attract people.** We live in an ever-changing world, and the expectation from various stakeholders for change is very high.

**Why were we Chosen by God?** We must recognize we cannot impact change without first understanding why we were chosen. **David, despite being very young, understood he was chosen by God to impact a change.** 1 Sam. 17:14. He was very young but he did not disqualify himself on the ground inexperience. This is a lesson for us that God is a respecter of nobody – age is certainly not a barrier to God. I believe anyone who has not arrived at the evening of their life is a “Youth”. The evening could connote a period one has achieved all God has for them in life. I believe none of us can boldly say you have achieved God's maximum potential for your life. There is still a lot God has in stock for you regardless of your age.

#### **Ways to Impact a Global Change**

1. **We need to start thinking globally; enough of being a local champion,** God has greater heights for us to scale.
2. We need to use of our God given talents to impact a positive change everywhere we find ourselves. None of us is without a gift from God that is meant to bless humanity.
3. We need to embrace and utilize modern technological tools. We cannot afford to keep doing things the same way and expect different results.
4. Our “Pauls” and “Apollos” need to wake up and keep planting and watering so that God can give the increase.
5. **We need to embrace people of other cultures and values.** Our service modes, atmosphere and structure must not be a deterrent to the unsaved from coming into The Kingdom. We need to show the love of Christ to the unsaved rather than stereotyping them. God will certainly work on them as we first embrace them with open hands.
6. We need to invest in the right infrastructures that will create a positive change.

In closing, 2 Corinthians 3:18 enjoins us that – “But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of The Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by The Spirit of The Lord”. **Let's embrace change that will make us a blessing to the world; for this is our heritage in Christ as Abraham's seed.**

*Sermon Audio:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5bB-b2Afh-M&feature=youtu.be>

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

**SERMON EXCERPTS**



## OUR TOOL IN REDEMPTION

Text: 2 Cor. 5:17 - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

**A New Being:** When you became a Christian, God made you a new being in entirety. You were not redeemed as an amendment or adjustment of your old self. Everything about you became new. Through salvation God has redeemed us as kings to reign on the earth. **He called us out of darkness into His marvelous light so that we can show forth His glory.** Christ has connected us to a supernatural source. The root determines the greatness and capacity of any tree. By redemption, you have taken your root from The Most High. Palm trees are rarely uprooted by any wind they simply bend and get back to shape.

**Your Spirit Made Alive in Christ:** When Adam sinned, our spirit man died but Christ came to regenerate our spirit man back to God. We were initiated into the realm of the Spirit by redemption. God is a Spirit; hence, we must be a spirit to relate with Him. **He not only made our spirit man alive, He also made us gods to exercise dominion and authority on the earth.** Psalm 82:5 also says - I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the Most High.

### TOOLS FOR OUR REDEMPTION

#### 1. The Tool of The Word:

- a. The Word is God Himself. John 1:1
- b. The Word is The Creator of all things. John 1:3. As Creator of all, only Christ can fix us because it takes the manufacturer to fix any defects in its product. John 1:14
- c. The Word of God is our most potent weapon. **You must know "what is written" to defeat the devil.** Matt. 4:4
- d. The Word of God is Spirit and Life. John 6:63.
- e. **The Word of God is what gives good success.** You need to meditate on it day and night. Joshua 1:8
- f. The Word is Almighty (undefeatable) because God and His Word are One. John 1:1.
- g. The Word of God is fire and hammer; it has ability to destroy any barrier. Jer. 23:29.
- h. The Word of God is what changes a man because man is a product of The Word. John 1

#### 2. The Tool of Prayer:

- a. God is Sovereign but has attached Himself to prayer. He gave us the tool of Prayer. Matt. 7:7
- b. Prayer produces wonderful results. James 5:16b -The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.
- c. Prayer makes you to operate in dominion. Jesus said in Luke 18:1 .... that men always ought to pray and not lose heart.
- d. **Prayer gives us charge over any environment.** Jesus was always in the place of prayer hence was always in charge everywhere. John 14:14
- e. Prayer connects us to our root. We maintain our link with God through prayer. 1 Thess. 5:17
- f. Prayer enables us to take command over our day. Job 38:12
- g. Through your prayers, God does exceeding more than we can ask or think. Eph. 3:20
- h. **We obtain our inheritance in redemption by prayer.** Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. Psalm 2:8

Sermon Audio: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wjx6Rn4bGrY>

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

**SERMON EXCERPTS**





## WHAT SHALL I RENDER

Text: Mark 5:1-20 - "And when He got into the boat, he who had been demon-possessed begged Him that he might be with Him. However, Jesus did not permit him, but said to him, "Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things The Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you."

The Lord has done so much for us in these 63 days in 2018. We have had a record number of gun violence already in this nation, the weather has been extreme and many have lost their lives in the process. **Often times we take being alive for granted to the extent that some believe God has done nothing thus far this year.** I pray such will repent and appreciate God for His mercy and faithfulness over their household. If it had not been for The Lord, who knows what our lots would have been?

**Recognize that even when it seems nothing is happening God has been working on our behalf.** Take for example our above text of Mark 5; Jesus went through a great storm before He could minister healing to this demon-possessed man. This is why we come to render praises and thanksgiving to Him because of all He does to keep us in safety and give us victory in every battle. For some of us we do not recognize what it costs God daily to preserve our lives, we forget that the enemy goes about seeking who to devour but for The Lord Who neither slumbers nor sleeps we would have been destroyed by the devil. **We should never forget that the faithfulness and power of God is ever keeping our households from the evil of every day,** lets never take this for granted, God has indeed been merciful to us!

### What Are We Going to Render for All He Has Done?

1. **We are to go tell others of The Lord's goodness.** Just as The Lord commanded the demon-possessed man after he was healed, we are to spread the Good News of The Lord's Mercy and Faithfulness.
2. **Respond to what He has done in Worship.** Ps 34:1-3 - I will bless The Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make its boast in The Lord; The humble shall hear of it and be glad. Oh, magnify The Lord with me, and let us exalt His Name together.
3. **Get dedicated to Him in return.** Be more zealous in our service to His kingdom and flee from sin. John 8:10-11

In closing "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in The Name of The Father and of The Son and of The Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. Matthew 28:19-20.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**

**SERMON EXCERPTS**



## **CHANGING THE VERDICT**

Text: Matthew 15:22-28

A Verdict could be defined as a pronouncement made by a higher authority on what has been concluded to be done about a person. A verdict could be passed by man or God.

- Ps 115:3 - But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases.
- Ps 135:6 - Whatever The Lord pleases He does, In heaven and in earth, In the seas and in all deep places.
- Job 9:12 - If He takes away, who can hinder Him?
- Numbers 23:23 - For there is no sorcery against Jacob, Nor any divination against Israel. It now must be said of Jacob And of Israel, 'Oh, what God has done!'

### **Process of Effecting a Change of Verdict**

*Matt. 15:22-28*

1. **Don't die in silence, CRY out to God**
  - a. Matt. 15:22 - The Syrophenician woman cried out to The Lord for Mercy to effect a verdict change over her daughter.
  - b. Mark 10:46-52 - Blind Bartimaeus cried out to The Lord for Mercy that he may receive his sight.
  - c. Prayer: Father, please have Mercy on Me O Lord, JESUS Thou Son of David, I Need your Mercy.
2. **Ensure a good communication and relationship between you and God**
  - a. Matt. 15:23-28 - After Syrophenician woman cried out to The Lord, she ensured a good discussion took place between her and The Master.
  - b. Gen. 18 - Abraham also had a good discussion with God before the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah.
3. **Engage the Key of Worship**
  - a. Matt. 15:25 she came and worshipped Him. The woman engaged the key of worship. She started eulogizing The Lord and the evil verdict over her daughter's life was changed.
  - b. John 9:31 tells us God listens to worshipper.
  - c. 1 Samuel 2:30 - God gave a verdict and rather for Eli to plead for Mercy he kept quiet. God honors those who honor Him with worship.

No matter the evil verdict there is hope - "For there is hope for a tree, If it is cut down, that it will sprout again, And that its tender shoots will not cease" - Job 14:7. No matter the verdict over your life, God can change it as long as you maintain a good relationship with Him; the battle is not yours, but His. Isaiah 8:10 - Take counsel together, but it will come to nothing; Speak the word, but it will not stand, For God is with us."

In closing, Jesus said, Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest – Matt. 11:28

*Sermon Audio:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kzzj4oxntiq&feature=youtu.be>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Feb. 18, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## KNOW WHO YOU ARE

Texts: Rev. 5:9-10 - And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, **And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth.**"

The knowledge of who you are is one of the most crucial thing in life. This morning we continue in our "Back to Eden" series. In the previous messages we had mentioned that Eden is a form of paradise God created man to live in and that through Christ's redemptive work we can experience Heaven on earth.

### What Christ Did for Us

1. He chose us out of every tribe, tongue, people and nation. Note, not everyone was chosen.
2. He redeemed us by His Blood.
3. He chose us to make us kings and priests unto God.
4. **He chose us so that we can rule and reign in life.**
5. He chose us to showcase His glory, excellence and power. 1 Pet. 2:9
6. He chose us to make us gods on the earth. Psalm 82:4-5

### What You Need to Know to Rule & Reign in Life

- a. Know who you are in The Lord.
- b. Know your place in redemption. You are lively stone in The Body of Christ. 1 Pet. 2:5
- c. **Know your position in the Kingdom and exercise that authority in the workplace and among men.**
- d. Know what God calls you in Christ and not what people are calling you.
- e. Know your root in Christ. Know that you are coming from a Mighty Root. John 15:5, Phil. 4:13
- f. Know that The Hand holding you is a Powerful One.
- g. Know that you are connected to a supernatural power and source.

### Examples of Those Who Knew Who They are in God

- |  |              |
|--|--------------|
| a. John the Baptist knew who he was.   | John 1:19    |
| b. <b>Paul knew God had put His Son in him.</b>  | Gal. 1:15-16 |
| c. Esther knew she was created to stop the killing of the Jews.                          | Esther 4:16  |
| d. <b>Joseph knew who he was hence all the trials he faced did not make him give up.</b> | Gen. 50:20   |
| e. Isaiah received a heavenly vision that changed his ministry.                          | Isaiah 6:1   |

In closing, if you don't know who you are you cannot fulfill your destiny of ruling and reigning in life. Until you know who you are you don't have a future. When you know your worthy, you will begin to do what you could not do before. The knowledge of who you are will continue to propel you to where you need to be. Luke 22:41-43

Video of Sermon: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JRKNZYKPPXS>



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# HEAVEN ON EARTH

Texts: Isaiah 26:1-3, Ephesians 2:1-7

Even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. Eph. 2:5-7

God's original intention at creation is for man to experience Heaven on Earth. He put Adam in Eden so that man will always dwell in His Presence. As a redeemed child of God, you are entitled to the best - Heaven on earth. **The below are a few of our redemptive rights through Christ Jesus.**

1. We were regenerated or quickened from the dead through Christ Jesus – Eph. 2:1-5
2. We experience Heaven on earth through Christ
3. **We enjoy the Grace of God through Christ Jesus.** Eph. 2:5
4. We enjoy divine supplies for all our needs through Christ Jesus. Phil 4:19
5. **We enjoy Divine Immunity on earth through Christ.**
6. We are ambassadors of Heaven through Christ. 2 Cor. 5:20
7. We receive The Spirit of The Lord through Christ. Luke 4:18-19
8. We receive Healing through Christ. Isaiah 53:1-5
9. **We enjoy ready-made pasture through Christ** - John 10:9-11.
10. We experience The Life of God in abundance through Christ. John 10:10
11. We enjoy Christ's shepherding. John 10:11
12. **We were made royal priesthoods to show forth God's Glory through Christ Jesus.** 1 Peter 2:9
13. We were made a light in the world through Christ Jesus
14. **We become a New Creation through Christ Jesus.** 2 Cor. 5:17

### What To Do To Experience Heaven On Earth

1. **Go back to God.** If you not born again, give your life to Christ. 2 Cor. 5:17. You will experience refreshing when we go back to The Lord. Acts 3:19. Also abstain from sin. Gen. 3:16.
2. **Release The Word of God upon those circumstances.** The Word of God has power to connect you back to your heritage in Eden. Declare the appropriate scriptures over any strange situations. The Word gets you back to your root in Christ.
3. **Ensure your position with The Lord is intact.** Never relinquish your position in Christ.
4. **Remain planted in The House of The Lord.** Be rooted in Christ. Psalm 92:10

**Video of Sermon:** [HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=MNVQKXRCJZM&FEATURE=YOUTU.BE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MNVQKXRCJZM&feature=youtu.be)



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Feb. 4, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# BACK TO EDEN

Text: Ps 9:1-11 – “Sing praises to The Lord, Who dwells in Zion! Declare His deeds among the people.”

The original purpose of God is to give us a place where there will not be suffering. After creating man, He kept him in a garden called Eden. There is a place called Eden for every one of us. This morning, we want to examine how we can provoke and bring back our Eden.

### What is Eden?

- a) **Eden means the Presence of God.** Wherever you go, you are to carry the presence of God. No power stands the presence of God; everything bows to it.
- b) Eden is also defined a place **where the Grace of God flows.** A place where there is no lack, suffering, or work of darkness; a place of abundance, delight and pleasure.
- c) **Eden also means paradise, a Garden of God.** A place where all the provisions of God are domiciled. A place of no sweat or toiling.

### What Brings Back Our Eden – WORSHIP!

Without question, worship brings back our Eden. God so much loves praise that all creatures in Heaven - the Four Living Creatures, Elders and Angels in Heaven all proclaim night and day - Holy, Holy is The Lord God Almighty - Rev. 4:8-12. Whatever you are going through now, **God is still worthy to be praised because were it not for Him, it would have been worse.** This is why we are to praise Him regardless of what we are going through. God is a good God, though the bills might be unpaid, God is still worthy to be praised, glorified and exalted.

- a) **Your praise refreshes God, as water refreshes a bathing man.** God comes with His presence as you praise Him. No evil stands where God is refreshed. Ps. 22:3, Ps. 100:4.
  - I. Be thankful in all situations.
  - II. Let your praises come from a sanctified lip.
  - III. When He comes, He comes with all that He has. Be liberal in your praises to God this year. Prov. 11:25
  - IV. Our praises provoke a tip from God, as a waiter after a good service.
  - V. God is looking for worshippers so that He can bring back their Eden. John 4:23-24
  - VI. Those who offer worship to Him do not die early, because He knows the grave cannot praise Him. Isa 38:18
- b) **Praise Him for the past victory and then He will come through for you in the present situation.** 1 Sam. 17:31-38.
- c) **Do not be a doubter.** Adam and Eve doubted the power of God in Eden and lost their Eden. Trust God All the way regardless of how hopeless the situation may appear. Gen. 3:1, James 1:6-7
- d) As you praise Him, recognize that you are what you are by the grace of God. Never take for granted the Grace of God. 1 Cor. 15:10
- e) **Know your weakness and ask Him to help you.** He releases more Grace and Glory as you acknowledge your helplessness without Him. Exod. 33, John 15:5

**Video of Sermon:** [HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=KXW6QAJUNBQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KXW6QAJUNBQ)



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2018 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

# THE PRIESTHOOD MINISTRY OF CHRIST

Text: Heb. 4:14-15 – “Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. **For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses**, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.” Our Lord Jesus Christ is no longer just our Redeemer He is our Great High Priest. He became our Savior and Redeemer when we got saved; thereafter He has become our High Priest overseeing every area of our lives. Men often boast of how great the possessions they have – cars, houses, qualifications, family doctors, etc, **but here comes the writer of Hebrew charging us that “we have a Great High Priest”**. There is no higher or more valuable possession under Heaven than to have Jesus as your High Priest.

**Who is a High Priest?** A High Priest is one appointed for men in things pertaining to God; one who stands before God on behalf of men; **one who draws men nearer to God; and one who ministers God to the people**. No one appoints himself as High Priest, only God appoints into such an exalted office. Heb. 5:1-4. A High Priest is chosen among men so that they may have compassion and be able to relate with the infirmities of the people. An angel cannot be appointed as a High Priest simply because they would not be able to sympathize with our human weaknesses. Heb. 4:15. No man will go far in life without having Jesus as their Great High Priest. We all need a High Priest Who can orchestrate situations in our favor in the Heavens.

### The Two Aspects to The LORD's Priesthood Ministry

1. **The Earthly Ministry (after the order of Aaronic Priesthood)**
  - a. He accomplished this when He became our ransom by offering Himself as an Eternal sacrifice for all our sins on the Cross. Heb. 10:5-10
  - b. Thus, He became The Author of Eternal Salvation. His earthly ministry was finished on The Cross. Heb. 9:24-26, John 19:30
  
2. **The Heavenly Ministry (after the order of Melchizedek Priesthood)** - This entails:
  - a. Interceding for us ceaselessly night and day – Heb. 7:24-25
  - b. Blessing all that pertains to us – Heb. 7:1
  - c. Ministering God to us continuously by imparting us with The Indestructible Life of God. Heb. 7:16
  - d. Executing the New Covenant provisions to us. Heb. 9:11,15

### What Makes Him Such a Great High Priest?

- a. He is infinitely higher than the Heavens – Heb. 7:26
- b. He is both God and Man. **As Man He can sympathize with our weaknesses, and as God He can help us**. Heb. 2
- c. He continues forever, having an unchangeable priesthood (He cannot die). Heb. 7:24
- d. He is The Mediator and Executor of The New Covenant. Heb. 9:15

In Closing, your most valuable possession in life is to be ever conscious of having The LORD Jesus Christ as your Great High Priest. Heb. 8:1 sums it up – **“Now this is the main point of things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, Who is seated at the Right Hand of The Throne of The Majesty in The Heavens.”**

**Audio of Sermon:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XvAh-EO1m1q&feature=youtu.be>



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, Jan. 21, 2018 – Pastor Peter Olawale

(SATGO, RCCG Prayer Co-ordinator)

# HE IS STILL IN CHARGE

Text: Luke 5:1-7

“But Simon answered and said to Him, “Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your Word I will let down the net.” And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking.”

We serve a LORD Who does not just do miracles but is Miracle Himself. The word miracle does not exist outside of Him. Our above text relates to how He changed the destiny of a man through a single encounter. Peter was a professional fisherman who had toiled all night and caught nothing. However, after he allowed Jesus to use his boat for ministry, he obeyed an uncommon instruction from The Lord to launch into the deep; the result was unprecedented and miraculous. All the night he caught nothing, but when The One Who is Miracle appeared, he moved from toiling to becoming an employer of labor.

### What is a Miracle?

From Luke 5:1-7

- I. A miracle is to make to work that which had failed before.
- II. A miracle is to restore confidence where every hope had been lost.
- III. A miracle is to find within minutes what one has been looking for over a period of time.
- IV. A miracle is to discover abundance in same place where nothing was on ground.

### LESSONS FROM LUKE 5:1-7

1. His Grace and Favor are still at work in Your Life. A few case studies of those who received grace and favor.
  - a. Peter did not invite Jesus but when The Lord appeared unexpectedly, he received grace and favor. Luke 5
  - b. Joseph never contested for the position of a prime minister but grace and favor took him from the prison to the palace. Gen. 41:40-41. All of us were saved by His Grace.
  - c. Mary never prayed to become the mother of Jesus; she only woke up one day and discovered the grace of God has singled her out to carry The Savior of The World. Luke 1:26-35.
  - d. Elisha was merely going about his farming/animal husbandry business when Elijah came by and singled him out to be the next prophet in Israel. 1 Kings 19:19
  - e. David was in the wilderness but the Grace of God located him despite so many others in town. 1 Sam. 16:11-13
2. The Power of His Presence in creating hope for the hopeless is still in force.
3. The Miracles of God are still in operation.
4. His Power to save and deliver from sin is still available. Luke 5:8-9. Jesus cast out 7 demons from Mary Magdalene.
5. An encounter with Jesus will promote you to become a blessing to your generation. Peter became a blessing to generation after the encounter with Jesus. Acts 4:13.
6. Obedience remains the major strength behind God's intervention. Never put God in a corner. No matter how absurd the instruction is, if God says do a thing, an uncommon miracle is waiting. Isaiah 1:19 - if you are willing and obedience, you will eat the good of the Land.

In closing, this year, God does not want you to be visiting Him; He wants you to dwell permanently with Him. Just as no plant can exist outside the soil and no fish can live outside water, no human creature can amount to anything outside of God. A man can have everything and still be dead. Where are you? Inside or outside God?

Video of Service: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sWwSs0sw1So>



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Jan. 14, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# SEASON OF A NEW THING

Text: Psalm 149:1-9

Praise ye The Lord. Sing unto The Lord a new song, and His praise in the congregation of saints. Every new day and year bring new opportunities. We are in the season of a New Thing because we serve a God of New Things. He said in Isaiah 43:18 - **Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing;** now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

I am here to admonish you to wait upon The Lord this new Year like a waiter waiting upon a customer. The waiters are usually extra nice for obvious reason of a good tip. When you wait upon The Lord very well, He will leave a tip for you, and such a divine tip is worth more than years of labor.

**God comes down when we praise Him. He changes all who offer praise to Him.** Paul and Silas in Acts 16:25 recognized the wonders of praise as they switched from prayer to praises and their deliverance manifested. Jehoshaphat had similar experience, when he made Israel switched to praise, the tide turned in their favor and they were well compensated by God

### What You Need To Do To Get Tip From God

1. **Forget the past and focus on the new things God wants to do in 2018.** Phil. 3:13-14. If you must remember the past, only remember the faithfulness of God in prior years as a launching pad for the new things God wants to do in 2018.
2. **Begin to sing a new song unto The Lord.** Enough of the old songs of sorrow, failure, etc. Ps. 149:1. Begin to praise Him ahead of what He will do this year. Ps 40:3 also talks about putting a new song in your mouth.
3. **Dance unto Him.** Ps. 149:3-4. God blesses anyone who dances unto Him. If an earthly king could bless a human for dancing unto him (Mark 6:22), how much more our Most High King of kings?
4. **Bring hope alive.** Trust Him that this year will be great for you. Hope in The Lord. Job 14:7-9. Father Abraham brought hope alive regardless of the surrounding circumstances. Romans 4:18.
5. **Be ever joyful.** The J Factor. Whatever you do let the J factor be there regardless of what comes your way. Heb. 12:2 tells us Our Master Jesus endured The Cross because of the Joy ahead of Him.

In closing, Joseph kept hope alive despite being in prison, Christ too was not cast down but was focused on the joy ahead. Keep hope alive, believe The Word of God. Let your hope anchor on The Word of God. Col. 1:27 says **Christ in you, The Hope of Glory!**

**Video of Service:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPf5GKXxeQw>





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Jan. 7, 2018 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **CELEBRATION OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS**

Exodus 15:1-13

Then Moses and the children of Israel sang this song to the Lord, and spoke, saying: "I will sing to The Lord, For He has triumphed gloriously! The horse and its rider. He has thrown into the sea!

**We are here this morning to recount, rejoice and reflect on God's Faithfulness**, just as The Israelites returned to praise God for delivering them from Egypt. They sang to The Lord for triumphing over the enemy. The enemy said he would pursue, overtake and recover them but God was the fortress and shield of The Israelites. This was the intention of the enemy over your life all through 2017 but God never allowed that to happen. From Ps. 21:11 we can see the enemy imagining mischievous devices which God never allowed. This is why we are here today to thank Him for His Grace over our lives.

A day like this is noted for recalling, rejoicing and recounting of God's Faithfulness. One of God's character is Faithfulness. His compassion fail not, Great is His Faithfulness. Psalm 103 enjoins us to bless The Lord and all that is within us and forget not His benefits. He redeemed our lives from destruction.

**Man is always prone to forget, hence, as believers, we should be careful never to forget to recount, rejoice and reflect on all God has done and is doing in our lives.** When King Nebuchadnezzar forgot God rules in the affairs of men, he became an animal instantly. All we have in this world belongs to God, the clothes we wear, our shoes, the food we eat, the houses we live, etc. all belong to God because He is Lord over all. Lord means Owner. Ungratefulness and forgetfulness of God's Faithfulness reduce a man to nothing. No matter how little you perceive God's Blessing never take it for granted, hence, you lose that which He gave you. When you are grateful over the little, God will add more to you. In Romans 1, we see the result of unthankfulness to God, Scriptures says, He left the unthankful to their reprobate mind.

Lamentation 3:21 tells us when we recall God's Faithfulness, Hope comes. **When you think of God's Faithfulness, you will be ever hopeful of Better tomorrow.** One of the demonstration of His Faithfulness is His Unceasing Love and Mercy over us. We need to celebrate His Faithfulness and lovingkindness everyday of our lives.

#### **What are the Benefits of Celebrating His Faithfulness**

- |   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| 1. You will enjoy His Presence.   | Exo. 15, Deut. 33:1   |
| 2. Fruitfulness is released into your lives. Everyday will be a fruitful day for you. | Ps. 92:1-3, Lev. 26:9 |
| 3. You can confidently boast of God everyday.   | Ps 44:8               |
| 4. Long Life is assured.  | Ps 91:16, Isa. 38:18  |
| 5. There is Hope for tomorrow.  | Lam. 3:21             |

In closing, **as you praise Him all through this Year, your life will begin to gather meaning.** Thank Him everyday for His Faithfulness. When Jesus is in your boat, life is worth living. Praises keep Him in your boat. Isaiah 38: 18-19 **"For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.** The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth."

Video of Sermon: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SBq52zjJyvk>



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Dec. 31, 2017 – Rev. Gabriel Akin Oke*

### **THOU SHALL EAT IN PLENTY**

John 10:10 - The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. He came to give us abundant life. We are to live in abundance in the coming Year - abundant Health, Prosperity and Life.

#### **Lev. 26:3-13**

God's Word can never change. 2018 is a Year we have not encounter before but God has given us His Word from Leviticus 26:3-13. However, for His Promise to happen, He gives us certain condition or guidelines to see His Covenant Word fulfilled. The commandments of God are the footprint unto success and abundance.

**The foundation for greatness in 2018 is a desire and heart after God.** It is as you make God your priority that the earth will yield its increase to you. Only God can make anyone inherit wealth and abundance. There is a life beyond living in credit; God's Blessing makes you to be above all earthly standards. When you live on credit, you live in the system, but when the abundance of God comes, you live beyond the credit systems.

#### **Rise Up Against Your Fear**

There is a case in 2 Kings 7, where God did the miraculous by causing abundance in a spade of 24 hours. God's Word is Prophetic, thus, creates what might seem impossible. **When God wants to do a thing, He does not look at your salary or ability, all He needs is for you to believe.** God used 4 lepers to cause His abundance in a nation. Many of us have allowed fear to keep us from God's Plan of abundance. It may come as an uncommon idea but if you hearken, abundance will manifest in your life. This was the case of the 4 lepers in 2 Kings 7, they did not allow their complacency to keep them bound. Esther did same thing, she did not allow fear to keep her back. The 3 Hebrew boys in the Book of Daniel also damned the consequences, they rose up and confronted their fear with a trust in God.

#### **God has Betrothed You**

In 2018, The Lord wants to marry you afresh. Hosea 2:18-22 – **"I will betroth you to Me forever; Yes, I will betroth you to Me in righteousness and justice, In lovingkindness and mercy; I will betroth you to Me in faithfulness, And you shall know The Lord.**" "It shall come to pass in that day That I will answer," says the Lord; "I will answer the heavens, And they shall answer the earth. God says He will betroth you afresh. To betroth is to marry, to become one with a person. The betrothment of Jesus makes you to be heard in Heaven. Whatever business you are in God will cause you to prosper because He has married you. The Lord Jesus is remarrying you again. When He marries you, He will be speaking to Heavens to cause everything to favor you.

#### **Cherish God's Word In 2018**

For God to bless you 2018 from Deut. 6:1-4, you must cherish and do God's commandment or guidelines. You must fear The Lord. Obey His Word. You must keep His Word in our hearts. God honors His Word more than His Name. **When you hold His Word in your heart, it will be well with you and you will Increase mightily.**

In conclusion, Proverb 13:4, the soul of a lazy man desires, and has nothing; but the soul of the diligent shall be made rich. Therefore, in 2018, you have to be diligent and not lazy; pursue what God has laid in your heart. God will open your eyes to see solutions where others see problems. Trust God to invent things through you that will be a blessing to humanity!

Audio of Sermon: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z8efot4dx4A>



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Christmas Day, Monday, Dec. 25, 2017 – Rev. Gabriel Akin Oke*

# THE KING IS BORN

Text: Isaiah 9:6

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the Government shall be upon His Shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. We thank God for sending His Son Jesus to the world. He sent Jesus to terminate every form of rulership of the power of darkness in our lives.

### He Came as a Baby

Jesus did not come to the world as a full-grown man nor as an angel, He came as a baby. He experienced what we experienced as children growing up – he drank milk, ate, played football, and ran errands. **He passed through what we passed through in order to feel what we feel as humans.** He went through challenges and obstacles but He overcame them all.

### He Came to Bring Peace

Jesus came to bring peace to the world, not just peace but also joy, wonders, power and everything that He is. Jesus is the embodiment of all the fulness of God. There is no peace outside of Jesus.

### He Came with a New Government

When a king is born, He brings in a new regime and government. As a new Government, He rules over kings and nations. **He desires to be Ruler over every area of your life. Many have not handed over their entire life to Him.** Let Him be the Controller of every area of your life, marriage, business, and ministry. As He has come to your life, He is bringing a new order of Government, which carries power, favor, grace etc. would you allow Him to lead? Would you hand over every area of your life to Him?

### He Came to Bring Glad Tidings

The King of kings came to bring you good tidings. God planned the coming of Jesus with the intention of bringing joy to the world. Luke 2:8. **As you open up more areas of your life to Him, He fills it with joy.** The coming of The Son of God though was for good tidings but was unfortunately turned to sorrow as Herod went on rampage slaughtering children under 2 years of age. Matthew 2:11-13.

### He Came for the Fall and Rise of Many

And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against. Luke 2:25-34. **Jesus came for the fall of the powers of darkness.** He came for the fall of those who put one leg in the Church and one leg in the powers of darkness.

### He Came to Fulfill Prophecies

From Luke 2:13-14 we understand multitudes were with the angels celebrating the fulfillment of prophecies. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Audio of Sermon: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Shc0JCbU0F4>



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 24, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE PLACE OF MIRACULOUS TERRITORY**

Text: Deuteronomy 9:1-3

**Hear, O Israel:** Thou art to pass over Jordan this day, to go in to possess nations greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and fenced up to heaven, A people great and tall, the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest, and of whom thou hast heard say, Who can stand before the children of Anak! **Understand therefore this day, that The Lord thy God is he which goeth over before thee; as a consuming fire he shall destroy them,** and he shall bring them down before thy face: so shalt thou drive them out, and destroy them quickly, as The Lord hath said unto thee.

#### **Moral Lessons from Our Above Text**

1. **God needs our attention all through Year 2018.** He said “Hear O Israel.....”. You have to be calm in the place of prayer and fellowship to hear from Him. Make God a priority in 2018. As you listen to Him, He will feed you like a shepherd. Isaiah 40:11. The function of you getting there is listening to Him. **If you must get to your miraculous territory, your ears must be a listening and attuned to Him.** The Word of God is like an engine oil that lubricates our spirit. As a Member of The Family of God, you must be able to recognize His Voice. John 10:27, Psalm 23.
  - a. Your protection is guaranteed if you can hear Him.
  - b. He will protect us from mistakes.
  - c. Hearing from Him produces success in your life.
  - d. He carries you like a Shepherd carrying his sheep.
2. **By strength shall no man prevail.** Without Him, you can do nothing. Key to Him, don't depend on your strength.
3. **Our listening and communing with God guarantees us victory** no matter the strength of the enemy. Every wall of Jericho crumbles at His Presence. Deut. 9:3
4. **Trust Him in all your endeavor and He becomes your consuming fire.** Deut. 9:3. Let Him become your Captain and Commander in Chief and the victory is sure.
5. **Be careful to remember to give Him the Glory as things are happening.** Speak not thou in thy heart ... that your righteousness has made you possess the Land. Deut. 9:4. Be thankful and grateful. Let thanksgiving be the oil of your life.

#### **Words of Admonition For Year 2018**

1. There will be challenges but I counsel you, don't give up because you are on your way to Canaan Land. Joshua did not give up at the verge of breakthrough because God promised to be with him. Joshua 1:5
2. **Know that God has a great plan for you in the Year 2018.**
3. Look up to the hill for your help cometh from The Lord. Psalm 121
4. The enemy knows 2018 is your Year, hence are already panicking. Joshua 5. **What you are afraid of is actually afraid of you.** God has already gone ahead of you.
5. Look your mountains at the face and say who art thou mountain thou shall become plain in The Name of Jesus Christ.
6. **God will give you helpers of destiny just as He sent a helper to Joshua.** Joshua 5:14
7. Don't look down like Peter in Matthew 14:30. When you look down, you start sinking, look up to Jesus!



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 17, 2017 – A/P Wole Olubajo

### **THE INCREASE OF CHRIST**

Text: Ephesians 4:4-10

Now that He ascended, what is it but that He also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, **that He might fill all things.**

An increase is only needed when there is a shortage of something. All over the universe, there is a great shortage of Christ. In every home, city, nation, business, marriage, Church and human endeavor, Christ is the greatest need. He is the Reality of every positive thing in the universe. He is The Bread of Life, The Breathe of Life, The True Vine, The Resurrection and The Life, The Head of The Church, The Cornerstone of The Church, and The Creator of all things. Christ is The Power of God; hence, as Christ increases in your life, the power of God will also be on the increase. **God has nothing to give any man outside more of Christ.** God has appointed Him as Heir of all things. If you ask God for peace, He simply gives you more Christ because Christ is Peace. Christ is also The Life of God; darkness has no respect for anything except light. John 1:4-5 tells us in Him was Life, and the life is the light of men and the light shines in darkness, and darkness cannot comprehend it!

#### **Christ is Our Inheritance**

The Bible is a Biography of The Lord Jesus Christ. He is the Central Figure of every book in The Bible. He is The Word of God. **The Old Testament had a people chosen by God called Israel, and The New Testament has a people chosen by God called The Church.** Israel was a type of The Church. They were under bondage in Egypt; Egypt was a type of the world, while Pharaoh was a type of Satan. God promised to deliver Israel from the land of bondage to a land flowing with milk and honey; but for them to get to the Promised Land, they had to go through the wilderness.

#### **Discipleship – Our Greatest Need as Believers**

The call of the Christian faith is the call to Christ discipleship. Jesus said in Matthew 28:19 – “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in The Name of The Father and of The Son and of The Holy Spirit.” What is Discipleship? **Discipleship could be defined as an on-going process where the Divine Life is displacing the natural life in a believer.** Put in another way, it is the increase of Christ and the decrease of self in a believer. John 3:30 says, He must increase, but I must decrease. Though God had delivered the Israelites from Egypt, many of them still had Egypt predominant in their heart. **They were out of Egypt but Egypt was not out of them!** This is the story of many believers today, they have been delivered by Christ from the world but the world is still predominant in their heart. **The wilderness was meant to be a form of discipleship program where Egypt will be taken out of them but unfortunately, many of them refused to co-operate with God,** hence they perished in the wilderness. Today, many believers are not ready to be discipled after Christ; they are still engrossed with all manners of worldliness and carnalities. Such will not benefit much from their inheritance in Christ.

#### **Every Body Needs More of Christ Every Day**

Every husband needs more of Christ daily in order to love his wife as Christ commands, likewise every wife needs more of Christ daily in order to respect her husband as God expects. **Every business, career, community, nation needs more of Him day after day. We never outgrow our need of Him.** As His Word keeps growing in our hearts, we will experience His increase and more of God's fullness and Blessings. He is Inexhaustible, hence, there is no limit to His increase in our lives, we only go from glory to glory in Him. 2 Cor. 3:18.

Video of Sermon: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=49xFHEAb6ZM>



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 10, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **ANOINTING FOR EXPLOITS!**

Text: Isaiah 11:1-3

And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of His roots: **And The Spirit of The Lord shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, The Spirit of Counsel and Might, The Spirit of Knowledge and of The fear of The Lord;** And shall make Him of Quick Understanding in the fear of The Lord: and He shall not judge after the sight of His Eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of His ears.

There are spirits and there are spirits. A man needs the operation of a Spirit in his or her life to be victorious, some could call it anointing, power, or unction. **It is The Spirit of The Living God that makes a man to succeed in life.** The Spirit is the one that destroys yokes and makes a man a solution in His Generation. Our above text relates to the prophesy given before Jesus came to the earth. All the anointing needed for Him to succeed had already been there, hence, He knew could not fail in life. **He had a perfect understanding of His mission because The Spirit was upon Him.** Luke 4:17-19 "... And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."

### **THE SEVEN SPIRIT OF THE LORD**

1. The Spirit is the Power from on high that makes a man to do the impossible in life. He made a virgin to conceive a Holy Child in Luke 1:35-36
2. **The Spirit makes a man not give up in the midst of any trial.** Joseph never gave up during his trials neither did Paul give up despite all he went through in the Book of Acts.
3. **The Spirit makes a man or woman finish well.** 2 Tim. 4:7-8
4. The Spirit is The Only One that reverses the irreversible.
5. The Spirit is The Spirit of Wisdom that brings a man out of any dungeon. It takes wisdom for a man to overtake and outrun his contemporaries. Wisdom makes you see beyond the ordinary. The Spirit is the same that made Elijah outrun Ahab. 1 Kings 18:46
6. **It is The Spirit that makes a servant a master.** That same Spirit made Joshua become a leader from a servant. Deut. 34:9
7. The Spirit makes a man a winner in every area of life. Samson was a winner in every area as long as this Spirit was upon Him. He makes you subdue all your enemies; no man will be able to handle you.
8. **The Spirit makes of quick understanding.** This means He quickens us by making us understand the mysteries of God's Word. Romans 8:11 - But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.
9. **The Spirit is a Grace that makes a man do the extraordinary in life.** Paul said in 1 Cor. 15:9 –10, he was what he was by The Grace of God. Grace takes a man from the back to the front. Grace also makes a man to qualify for things they are not qualified for.

In closing, Psalm 92:10 - But my horn shalt thou exalt like the horn of an unicorn: I shall be anointed with fresh oil.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 3, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BE THANKFUL & GRATEFUL!**

Text: Luke 17:11-19

There was a certain elderly man who got an exorbitant bill for the treatment of his inability to urinate. He started crying and the doctors asked why he was crying, **he said he was not crying because of the bill but because God had made him urinate for 70 years without sending him a bill!** We all are guilty of taking God for granted in our lives. We breathe, eat, and urinate without a single bill from Heaven, yet many of us have the guts to complain that God has done nothing! May God forgive us!

From our above Text, 10 lepers were healed by The Lord but only one returned to give thanks. **The attitude of the 9 is the unfortunate attitude of many Christians.** To many believers, divine provisions and healings are seen as rights instead of acts of God's Mercies! The Lord was expecting the 10 lepers to return but it was only the Samaritan that returned to be grateful. Never forget that it is not all that sleep that wake up!

### **The Result of Ingratitude**

1. **An ingratitude heart is capable of evil imagination.** Romans 1:21-22. When we are not grateful, our hearts will be filled with all manners of evil imaginations.
2. **An ingratitude heart breeds envy.** Cain was ungrateful hence became a murderer. Ungrateful people are always envious of people God is blessing.
3. **An ingratitude heart produces covetousness.**
4. An ingratitude heart is a danger to itself; **it can attract the curse of God.** Malachi 2:1-2.
5. **An ingratitude heart leads to dryness.** The unfruitful wicked servant with 1 talent in Matt 25:28.
6. An ingratitude heart forestalls progress. God detests ingratitude and murmuring; **He made the Israelites go in circles in the wilderness for years because of their murmurings.** Numbers 14:27

As you continually give thanks to God, He will give more and perfect everything in your life. God wants us to be grateful as we approach the end of this year. Be thankful always and serve Him better as an appreciation for His gift of Salvation to you!



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 26, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# THE UNCHANGEABLE LORD

Text: Gen. 41:37-45

God is The Only One Who never changes. The world may change but Jesus never changes. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. Every other thing may change but God is ever constant. He was before the foundation of the earth, no one is like Him. Heb. 13:8. **He is The God of Eternity Past, Eternity Present and Eternity Future. He will not be more powerful tomorrow than He is today.** He rules in the affairs of men and knows your beginning and end. In Rev. 1:8, He calls Himself The Alpha and The Omega....The Almighty. The Almighty means He is The Most Powerful One; none can be compared to Him.

In Mark 4:38-40, He was sleeping in the midst of turbulence because He is the controller of storms, no matter what you are going through, He is with you to see you through. If He can't sink, you can't sink. The disciples forgot Jesus was in the boat hence they were trying to stop the storm by themselves, but thank God, they remembered Jesus was in the boat. Situation might change along the line but He never changes. **In as much as we carry Christ, we are masters of situation and circumstances** because greater is He that is us than he that is in the world.

From our text, Joseph was going through various ordeals because of his destiny. **He was put in the pit, sold to slavery, and falsely imprisoned, but The Unchangeable Lord changed his situation one day**, from prison to the palace in a strange land. In between Joseph's dreams and fulfillment, though God was silent, yet He was with him all through. God may be silent but He is cooking something glorious for you behind the scenes. He did it for Joseph, He will do it or you too. Throughout the time of Joseph's ordeal, God never allowed the enemy to kill him before his day of glorification. People had mocked Joseph, but they became a mockery when God remembered him for good. Ignore the mockers, and be steadfast in your walk with The Unchangeable Lord.

### 7 Lessons to Learn from Our Text

1. God never slacks concerning His promises. 2 Peter 3:1, Num. 23:13
2. **God never comes late** - John 11, Rom 8:28
3. God rewards faithfulness
4. **It pays to trust God and rely on His Word and not your circumstances.**
5. Trials always reveal our true essence, brings the best out of us.
6. Righteousness only exalts a man, it brings victory. Prov. 14:34
7. **The Truth will always prevail. Every lie has an expiration date.**

It is in adversity we know what is inside of you, God often uses adversity to bring us to maturity. Joseph was being tested all through his trials. All the trials along the way are simply stepping-stones to higher grounds. The way you handle your trials determines how your outcome will be. Don't be bitter with God. Without exam there can't be promotion to the next class.





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 19, 2017 – Pastor Tony Ojo-Ibukun*

# **RULE IN THE MIDST OF YOUR ENEMY**

Text: Psalm 110:2 – “The Lord shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies”.

**Rule in the midst of your enemy is a command from God to His children.** Let's start with the fact, God does not mince words; when He says there are enemies, you better believe, otherwise you might find yourself playing into the hand of enemies. When you are not ignorant of the reality of enemies, then you will be able to deal with the situation adequately. Some are afraid of the enemy and by the reason of that dread, they have turned themselves into psychological and emotional wreck, and as a result, they see enemies everywhere they are, even the wind that blows to give them life is like enemy. That is not how God wants you to relate with your enemy. David said in Psalm 23 that God has set a table before him in the midst of his enemies and has anointed him with oil. God wants you in the midst of these enemies to rule, to sit in the place of authority, establish your throne, and to make His Glory revealed in your life and all that concerns you.

### **Types of Enemies**

1. **Death is an Enemy:** It is the last enemy that shall be destroyed. Death can come in various forms – spiritual death, financial death or even the physical death. Death is not what God promised us. The Bible says in John 10:10 that God has come to give us life and give us more abundantly.
2. **Lack is an Enemy:** lack of any good thing is an indirect way of the enemy saying your God is incapable. God is The One Who was, Who is and forever will be! He is The One Who was when there was nothing and Who will be when all things would have passed away. God can turnaround any adversity in your life for the glory of His Name. God can make what the enemy intended to bring you down to a source of joy.

### **The Womb of The Morning**

Psalm 110:3 - Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth. **Here we see the morning being presented as a woman about to give birth. It is a tragedy that many are snoring when their womb is about to give birth.** The beauty of Holiness comes at the door of God's presence. Job 38:12 also says - Hast thou commanded the morning since thy days; and caused the dayspring to know his place.

### **You Need to Build Strength**

When we talk about enemies, enemies do not play with one but ruin one's life. You need strength in the presence of God to subdue your enemy. When you come into the Church, you have come to receive strength and power as Ps. 84:10 says - They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God. **One thing about building strength is that you don't know when you are going to put that strength to use.** In many cases, it is during days of adversity that all the stored strength in you will be released to deal with the issue at hand.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 12, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo

# A DEEP LOVE FOR A DEEP MERCY

ANNUAL MERCY WEEKEND

Text: Luke 7:1-10

Ministering to the needy is one of our core responsibilities as citizens of The Kingdom of God. **We are not redeemed to live for ourselves but to reach out and be influencers of lives.** We cannot stop doing good as we cannot quantify the number of lives we are touching. It is time for The Church to take The Gospel to the unchurch as we can no longer be doing religious activities within the 4 walls of the church. God has called us to show forth His glory because the demand for ministering to the poor is so great around us. The statistics of the poor and the homeless is alarming.

From Matthew 25:31-37, when we help the needy we are actually ministering to The Lord. Helping the needy is part of the Kingdom agenda for our lives. The poor will not cease in the land, hence there will always be opportunity to add value to humanity. **God is not going to look at your religious activities to judge you but by how much good or provision you have ministered to others.** God will not leave anyone without making provision to have them taken care of them.

From Luke 7:1-10, scripture tells us **the good you do pave way for God to act on your behalf.** The centurion in our above text is a classic example of this, Jesus attended to his need (healing his servant) because of the good he had done for the Jewish community. Dorcas in Acts 9 is another great example of how her good works made God to raise her from death. Before certain great things can happen in our lives, God looks at our Heavenly account of good works before showing us mercy. Our account is being credited by Heaven for each good work we do.

### BENEFITS OF GIVING TO THE POOR

- |  |              |
|--|--------------|
| 1. God will deliver you in the day of trouble.                                       | Ps 41:4      |
| 2. <b>It is a way of honoring God.</b>   | Prov. 14:31  |
| 3. It is a form of stacking treasure that will be awaiting you in Heaven.            | Matt 19:21   |
| 4. It makes submitting to God very easy to the believer; God can trust you the more. | Luke 16:9-11 |
| 5. <b>It makes believers look like Their Heavenly Father.</b>                        | John 3:16    |
| 6. Giving causes you to have more.   | Luke 6:38    |
| 7. Giving brings joy.  | Prov. 14:21  |
| 8. <b>When you give to the poor, you are lending to God.</b>                         | Prov. 19:17  |

### HOW TO GIVE ACCEPTABLY BEFORE GOD

1. You should give liberally for the benefit of the poor.
2. **You should give with humility knowing that God is the Giver of all.**
3. You should show true love as you give to the needy.

In closing, Galatians 6:10 tells us “Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith”.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 5, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo

# CHANGE MY LOCATION

Text: Luke 13:10-17

And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself. **And when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.** And He laid His hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

Our above text relates to how Jesus changed the location of a daughter of Abraham who had been bound by satan for 18 years. **She was not created a cripple but at some point in her life, the enemy sent a spirit of infirmity into her life.** In life, it is what we give chance to that enters into our life. Until you break a hedge, the serpent cannot bite. In most cases, our undoing opens the door for the enemy to afflict us. As a Redeemed of The Lord, you are a Temple and a House of The Lord and God has promised in 1 Cor. 3:17 that He will destroy anyone defiling His Temple.

### Her Condition Before She Met The Lord

1. She was living a life of misery. **A life outside Christ is a life in misery.** The prodigal son in Luke 15.
2. She was living a life of defeat. Judges 6:11-13
3. **She was living a life of frustration.** Ps 137:1-4

### Four Things The Lord Did to Her

1. The Lord SAW her
2. **The Lord CALLED upon Her**
3. The Lord TOUCHED her
4. **The Lord SPOKE into her Life.**

Just as Jesus changed this woman's location from infirmity to wholeness, He will relocate your position too this morning. **God uses His Word to change our location; He sends His Word to heal and deliver us from every destruction.** God wants to change your location from poverty to wealth, from shame to glory and from affliction to restoration. Joel 2:25-26 tells us that God will restore the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm.

### Things That Can Attract Oppression Into a Person's Life

1. **Sin** - Heb. 10:26, Judg. 6:1
2. Ignorance & rejection of The Law of God. - Hosea 4:6
3. **Prayerlessness & spiritual slumber** - Matt. 13:25
4. Unfaithfulness in your Tithe - Malachi 3:9-11
5. Withdrawing your service in the House of The Lord - 2 Tim. 4:2



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 29, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo

### DECREE A CHANGE

Text - John 9:1-7

Blindness is a serious sickness. A blind man does not know where he is going in life as he is always at the mercy of others, thus, prone to mistakes. Much worse than physical blindness is spiritual blindness. **Being spiritually blind is living without direction in life. It means not knowing or pursuing God's vision for one's life.** Paul said in Phil. 3:10 - That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death.

**You need to include Christ in all your agendas in life.** Let Christ come in and be involved in every area of your being. John 1:4-5 says, In Him was life and that Life is the light of men and that light shines and darkness cannot comprehend it. We are the light of the world and men ought to see our good work that they may glorify our Father in Heaven. Matt. 5:14-15. As a child of God, you can no longer stay in darkness; if the work of darkness is persisting in your life, you need to decree your change! In Gen. 1:2-3, God saw darkness on the earth and decreed Light to be.

#### What is a Decree?

**A Decree is an official command or the act of issuing an official command that is backed up with power and authority.** It is also the decision or authoritative executive order of a king or god that people must comply with. As children of God in Christ Jesus, we are kings and gods. We have been given the right to decree a situation to change. Death and life are in the power of our tongue. God expects us to exercise our right of issuing executive orders. Matt. 16:19 tells us - And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. We need to issue an official order against every work of darkness in our lives. Matt. 21:21

#### Prerequisites To Issuing Decrees

- |  |              |
|--|--------------|
| 1. You must know your God.                               | Dan. 11:32   |
| 2. You must have accepted Jesus as your Lord and Savior. | 2 Cor. 5:17  |
| 3. <b>Have a personal walk with God and His Word.</b>    | Ps 119:105   |
| 4. Let The Spirit of The Lord lead you.                  | Gal 5:16-25  |
| 5. Let The Word of Christ dwell in you richly.           | Col. 3:16    |
| 6. <b>Run away from sin.</b>                             | Prov. 1:8-10 |

In closing, "Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee. Receive, I pray thee, the law from his mouth, and lay up his words in thine heart. If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up, thou shalt put away iniquity far from thy tabernacles. Then shalt thou lay up gold as dust, and the gold of Ophir as the stones of the brooks. Yea, the Almighty shall be thy defence, and thou shalt have plenty of silver. For then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift up thy face unto God. Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows. **Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.** When men are cast down, then thou shalt say, There is lifting up; and he shall save the humble person." Job 22:21-29



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 22, 2017 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

### **THE REPRODUCTION OF CHRIST IN MEN**

Text: Eph. 4:11-13 – And He gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; **For the perfecting of the saints**, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, **unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.**

Reproduction means to replicate a prototype or multiply a particular product. Usually the intention is to cause a widespread use of the product everywhere.

**GOD MADE MAN IN HIS OWN IMAGE** – **God made man in His Own Image because He desires to enter man one day so as to be his life and content.** Every man is in the image of God but not every man carries The Life of God. Tigers were not made in the Image of God neither does The Word mention that angels were created in the Image of God. Man was made to contain God. **The plan of God when He created man was that on the outside, you see a man, an earthen vessel, but on the inside, it was God living in that vessel.**

**GOD IS A FARMER** – John 15:1 and Isaiah 27:2-3 tell us God is a Farmer. Every farmer plants with the intention of reaping. **It is Jesus God wants to multiply on the earth.** For Jesus to be reproduced, He must be planted continuously into our hearts. It is only Jesus God is interested in planting in any life. **God wants our life to be a garden or plantation where people can reap Christ.** What is God looking for in each of us? What is God looking to grow in us? If you plant maize, you will reap maize, if you plant orange you will reap orange, if you allow God to plant more of Christ into your heart, what is God expecting to reap? CHRIST!

#### **WHY IS CHRIST'S REPRODUCTION THE FOCUS OF GOD?**

- |  |             |
|--|-------------|
| 1. Christ is The Only One in Whom God is well pleased.                   | Lk 3:22     |
| 2. Christ is The Power of God & Wisdom of God.                           | 1 Cor. 1:24 |
| 3. Christ is The Only True Light that dispels darkness.                  | Jn. 1:4-5   |
| 4. <b>Christ is The Only Fruit that heals nations.</b>                   | Rev. 22:2   |
| 5. Christ is The Very Life of God.                                       | John 14:6   |
| 6. Christ is The Only Bread that satisfies the souls of men.             | John 6:48   |
| 7. <b>All virtues (love, patience, etc) are actually Christ Himself.</b> | 1 John 4:8  |

#### **HOW IS CHRIST REPRODUCED IN US?**

Our spirit is the garden where Christ is to be planted and reproduced. Our spirit is a receptacle; what the stomach is to the human body (storing, digesting and distributing food) is what our spirit is to us. **Our spirit is our organ for receiving and relating with God.** Just as The Holy of Holies was the dwelling place of God in The Old Testament, a believer's spirit is the new dwelling place of God in The New Testament. Zech. 12:1 tells us God created the Heaven, the earth and the spirit of man. People cannot reap from our lives beyond what we have sown into ourselves. **If we want men to reap Christ from our lives, we must keep sowing Christ into our spirit.**

**Conclusion** - And that He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again. 2 Cor. 5:15



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 15, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# YOU ARE A FRUITFUL GARDEN

Text: Matt. 21:17-21 – “And when He saw a fig tree in the way, He came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said unto it, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever. And presently the fig tree withered away.”

As a child of God, you are a fruitful garden. **Our fruitfulness is so important to God that the first pronouncement He made to man – “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”** Gen. 1:28

**What does it mean to be fruitful?** To be fruitful means to be relevant and touching lives all the time. This is God's agenda for the redeemed; your life ought to be imparting lives wherever you go. You are redeemed to be a light that disperses darkness everywhere. This is a command from God. **It is the intention of the Husbandman to have you as an uncontaminated garden.** Today, the enemy has contaminated so many people by sowing tares in their garden while they were sleeping. John 10:10 says “The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.” Jesus came to correct and reverse every work of darkness. He came to restore your fruitfulness in every area of life.

In the order of Heaven, we are not redeemed to have any unfruitful season. 2 Timothy 4:2 admonishes us to be instant in season and out of season. From our above text, the fig tree appeared fruitful from a distance, hence, Jesus was disappointed when He discovered its emptiness. Today, many Christians are like that fig tree; they have a form of godliness but denying its power.

### **God's Command for Our Fruitfulness**

1. **Be Fruitful and multiply** ..... Gen. 1:28
2. Occupy till I come .... the Parable of the Talent in Luke 19:13
3. **Why cumbered the ground?** .... Luke 13:7
4. Be instant in season and out of season ..... 2 Tim. 4:2
5. **I am The Vine**, you are the branches, abide in Me .... John 15:5
6. Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, **that ye should go and bring forth fruit**, and that your fruit should remain. John 15:16

If you are not fruitful, you need a self-examination to see whether it is the enemy or your undoing. **Jabez took responsibility in prayer in 1 Chron. 4:9 and God changed his story.** God is the same and hasn't changed. He can do same for you if you will make time to seek Him.

### **Things that Enhance Fruitfulness**

1. Repentance before God - Rev. 3:1-3
2. **Be more intimate with God** - John 15:5, Job 22:23-24
3. Have a right walk with Him, be consistent and fear Him. Mal. 4:2
4. **Be a Tither** - Tithe removes the little foxes that spoils our grapes. Mal. 3:10

In conclusion, you need to do a self examination by asking - What is it that is making me unfruitful? Why am I fruitless in this area of my life? Is my life bearing fruit the way God wants it to be?



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 8, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### WHILE MEN SLEPT

Text: Matt. 13:24-30 - But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

Life is spiritual. **Every battle of life has a spiritual root.** If you are not alert spiritually, you would soon become a cheap prey in the battlefield of life. All through scriptures, we are warned of the danger of spiritual slumbering. Today, many Christians are sleeping spiritually, hence exposing themselves to attack. **It is during sleep the enemy strives to sow dangerous things into our lives.** Humans are most vulnerable during sleep; hence, we are warned to be ever alert and vigilant. Eph. 5:14 says "Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light."

#### Those Who Could Be Caught Sleeping Spiritually

##### 1. An individual

- a. Samson in Judges 16
- b. Saul in 1 Sam. 24
- c. Eutychus in Acts 20:7-9
- d. Jonah sleeping in the midst of danger. Jonah 1

##### 2. A leader (parent, Pastor)

- a. Eli in 1 Samuel 3

##### 3. A Whole Congregation

- a. Romans 13:11, 1 Thess. 5:6
- b. Christ is coming; as a Church we cannot afford to be sleeping spiritually.

##### 4. Watchmen (intercessors, workers, etc.)

- a. Peter and the other disciples in Gethsemane - Matt. 26:46
- b. The 5 foolish virgins in Matt. 25:1-13

**We are not fighting a physical war, hence our constant need for spiritual alertness.** Eph. 6:12 warns us - For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

#### How Do You Know You are Sleeping Spiritually?

1. When prayer ceases to be a priority in your life.
2. **When you are allergic or irritable to The Word of God.**
3. When your conscience no longer pricks you in the place of sin.
4. When the work of God you are doing in the Church no longer interests you.
5. When your Christian journey lacks excitement, you need revival.
6. **When you do not have a fresh encounter with Christ daily.**
7. When your fervency to coming to God's House is fiddling away.

If you are lazy in the place of prayer, you will suffer the repercussion in other areas of life. A decay in the prayer closet could lead to decay in one's family, business, marriage, etc. In addition, the American system of pursuing mammoth has the tendency to weighing people down if care is not taken. A lazy farmer will always suffer hunger during harvest. Isaiah 60:1 admonishes - Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of The Lord is risen upon you.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 1, 2017 – Pastor Abiodun Ilori*

### **THE SECRET OF BEING BLESSED**

Text: Gen. 32:9-32 - Then Jacob was left alone; and a Man wrestled with him until the breaking of day. Now when He saw that He did not prevail against him, He touched the socket of his hip; and the socket of Jacob's hip was out of joint as He wrestled with him. Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts. James 4:3

#### **God's Blessing Has 3 Angles**

There is a divine way to activate the blessing of God. **God's blessing is triangular; it has to be activated from the Heaven.** Satan seeks to break the link between the Heaven and us; hence, he keeps waging war against our blessing. You must be prepared like Daniel to wage war against the principalities and powers that are trying to hinder your blessing from Heaven. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places - Eph. 6:12.

#### **Worship is a Secret Code**

Many believers are suffering today because they don't know the secret code of the spiritual realm. **Worship is the language of Heaven.** David danced before The Mighty God and things changed in Israel. Learn how to dance and worship before The Lord so that things could change around you. Worrying is never the solution, the more you worry the bigger the problem becomes. Learn to be thankful to God as this is a secret code in the spiritual realm.

#### **Draw Nearer to God**

When God touches your situation, things will change. **God is always ready to change the situation of His children but the question is – how many people remain fervent after a blessing?** God is The Ancient of Days, never serve Him like you are serving an ordinary man. Draw near to Him and He will draw near to you. Only God can deliver from a dead situation, as you draw near to Him, He will give life to every good thing dying around you. God is The Only One Who says a thing and brings it to past. As you move closer to Him He will expose more of Himself to you.

#### **Faith is a Spiritual Currency**

Faith is a currency we expend for spiritual things. **This is why you must build your faith to enhance your purchasing power in the realm of the spirit.** The more your level of faith the greater your ability to purchase what you need in the spiritual realm.





## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 24, 2017 – A/P Wole Olubajo

### OUR ORGANIC UNION WITH CHRIST

Text: Romans 11:16-24

God's eternal purpose has always been to make Himself One with man. He desires to work Himself into man; this is not a small matter at all, as it costed Him a lot. Man was created to be in union with His Maker. The Gospel could be summed up as Christ coming to die for man in order to live in man. Eph. 3:14.

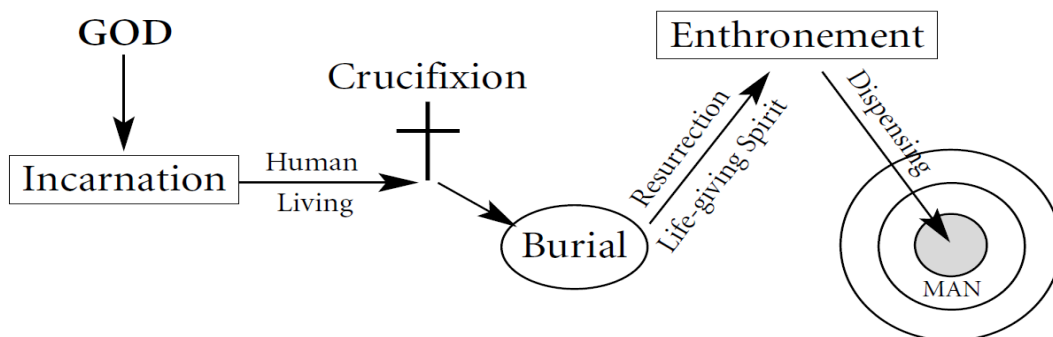
**What is an Organic Union?** An Organic union is the highest form of union in existence. **It is a union of life and spirits between two beings.** The highest form of union among humans is the marriage union yet this is not truly an organic union as neither can live in each other. **Parties in an organic union are inseparable; they live, talk, breathe, sleep, walk, move and do everything together.** For in Him we live, move and have our being - Acts 17:28. The highest form of Organic union in existence is The Union of The Trinity – God The Father, God The Son and God The Holy Spirit. Second to this is the believers' organic Union with Christ. Little wonder The Bible calls this union a mystery - Col. 1:27, Gal. 2:20 and Romans 11:16-24. This union is seen all through the New Testament in phases such as - in Christ, with Christ, in Him, by Him, through Him, by Whom, in Whom, etc.

#### Scriptural Typologies of Our Organic Union with Christ

- |  |                           |
|--|---------------------------|
| 1. A Building and its Foundation                       | (1 Cor. 3:9-11, Heb. 3:6) |
| 2. <b>A Grafted Branch and a Cultivated Olive Tree</b> | (Rom. 11:16-24)           |
| 3. Husband and Wife                                    | (2 Cor. 11:2)             |
| 4. The Head and its Body                               | (Col. 2:19)               |
| 5. The Trinity   | (John 17:21)              |

#### What Jesus Became to make This Union a Reality

1. The Incarnated Christ – He became man to save man. John 1:14
2. **The Crucified Christ** – Through death on the Cross He ended the old creation. Matt. 27:35, John 12:24
3. The Resurrected Christ - Through His Resurrection, He began The New Creation. Col. 1:18 , Mark 16:5-7
4. The Life-Giving Spirit – **He had to become a Spirit to live in us.** 1 Cor. 15:45b





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 17, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **POWER OVER LIMITATIONS & BARRIERS!**

*Part 2*

Text: Mark 10: 46-52

You are a child of destiny with a mission to fulfill in life. There is a glorious destination God has ordained for you but there are obstacles on the way. **Every great achiever overcame limitations and barriers to fulfill their destiny.** All around us are gates or barriers that must be subdued for us to make progress. No one is exempted from facing barriers in life. Even in Scriptures, there were gates standing as barrier before The King of Glory but there was a command for those gates to be lifted. Psalm 24:7-10.

The enemy has erected many gates, barriers, limitations and obstacles to keep us from our promised land. **Realize that the destiny of many are hanging on you, I pray you will not disappoint God, your family and humanity.** Your failure is too expensive, as many will be affected by it. You will be challenged in your quest to fulfill destiny. Joseph faced great challenge for his dream to happen. Despite the numerous obstacles, he was put in the pit, sold to slavery, imprisoned but he kept the faith.

Today many people are questioning why God is silent over their situation. Be of good cheer, God is working behind the scene because you are a child of destiny in Christ Jesus. **God could be silent at times but His silence does not mean He is not working.** Even though God was silent when Jesus was asking questions in the Garden of Gethsemane, He was still working a greater glory behind the scene. Matt 26:40-45. God was also silent regarding Paul's situation in 2 Cor. 12:7. Does it appear God is silent over your issue? Keep serving Him, keep witnessing for Him, never stop praying, and don't be weary in well doing, God will surely come through for you.

Sad to note that many have given up on the verge of their breakthrough. A little more was all some needed to seal their victory - King Joash lost a divine opportunity with Elisha in 2 Kings 13:17-19; the disciple of Jesus grew weary in the place of prayer in Matt. 26:40-45. **Jacob did not miss his opportunity, he held on until the angel of The Lord blessed him. He was not only courageous but tenacious.** Blind Bartimaeus also refused to be intimidated by the obstacles and barriers, he held on and kept crying to Jesus for mercy despite the mockery of the crowd - Mark 10:46-52. Brethren, many have missed their divine opportunity and day of Glory because they listened to those mocking their fervent service for The Lord. It is lack of insight and faith in God that makes a man keep going round the same mountain year after year without any meaningful progress. I pray you never lack any insight in life in Jesus Name.

Jericho is a form of obstacle or barrier to keep people in bondage. In the agenda of God for your life, Jericho ought not be standing. In Joshua 6 God gave an instruction for a shout of victory for the walls of Jericho to crumble. **If your Jericho is still standing the following are the implications:**

1. You will not be able to attain your potential.
2. There will be chattered dreams.
3. **You will not be able to get to your promised land.**
4. Your womb of divine ideas will remain closed.
5. You will not be able to get to your lifetime ambition.
6. **You will be sick because sickness is a form of Jericho.**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 10, 2017 – Evangelist Christie Ohuabunwa*

### **THE WOMAN THAT FEARS THE LORD - PRAISE THE TONIC WE MUST DRINK**

#### **Annual Glorious Women's Week**

Text: Proverb 31:30-31

Praise is a tonic we all need to drink constantly in order to keep experiencing more of God in our lives. Why do we drink? Drinking is a medium of passing liquids into our system. Praise is also a medium through which God's blessings flow into our lives. Praise is a powerful force that makes God to move in an unusual way in our favor. **We should not forget to praise people as well especially our spouses and those in spiritual authority.** Praising people is way of appreciating and bringing the best out of them. Paul did this in Romans 16:6. Our spiritual leaders (particularly Pastors' wives) need our continuous encouragements and prayers.

Who is a woman that fears The Lord? **A woman that fears The Lord is one that must have first given herself wholly to The Lord.** A woman is a delicate specie created by God for a unique purpose. There is no man on earth that was not once carried by a woman. Though as women we have a womb that carries men, we must realize that men are our head and crown. This is the design of God and not man.

#### **A Word to Our Husbands**

We plead with men to always minister to their respective wives in all areas. **We should not be stingy with our compliments but should be full of praises for them.** Many Christian men seem only interested in conjugal intimacy in the bedroom. Such men should go back to the drawing table and work at showing more affections to their wives as this helps to add more tonic that strengthens their marriage. Some men even use abusive words against their wives; no marriage survives where both parties rain bad words on each other.

Women you have a role to play to help your husbands to be more affectionate. **As a woman that fears The Lord, you should never disrespect your husband but rather sing his praise both in public and in private.** In essence, you should honor him before all. Your attitude should be Christ-like when relating with him. You should endeavor to remain attractive in your appearance particularly at home. You should not pattern your marriage after the world but after God's Kingdom.

In closing, as a woman that fears The Lord you must strive at making progress in all areas of life. A Church is a form of spiritual covering that gives protection and divine safety for God's children. **Do not keep changing churches like someone changing attires but be firmly rooted wherever God has planted you!**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 3, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **STIR UP YOUR HEAVEN WITH PRAISE**

Text: Matt 15:21-28

Then came she and worshipped Him, saying, Lord, help me. But He answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. **Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt.** And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

We are here to praise Him for all He has seen us through especially these last 10 days in Houston (aftermath of Hurricane Harvey). Harvey came with a flood to close the month of August, but God has a greater flood of Blessing for you this new month of September. We are here to load our clouds with praises so that we can experience the flood of His blessing. **Just as natural floods submerges any environment with water, so does God's flood overwhelms our life with His Blessing.** One Blessing from God can cause an unending flood of testimonies in your life.

From our above text (Matt. 15:21-28), the woman came in desperation expecting something from The Lord. Jesus told her the meat of the children was not meant for dogs, but her doggedness and attitude of worship compelled The Lord to grant her request. It does not matter what you are facing, God has said in His Word "Let everything that has breath Praise The Lord!" **Praise is a command from God, not an appeal.** Psalm 67:5-7 also charges all people to praise Him so that the earth will yield her increase. As you heed this praise command the Heavens will be opened over your life with the flood of God's Blessings. God is not just asking us to praise Him for the fun of it, but because praise intensifies and expedites His Blessings.

#### **Why We Ought To Praise Him**

1. Praise honors God. He said in 1 Sam. 2:30 "for them that honor Me I will honor....."
2. **Praise causes total restoration and wholeness.** From Luke 17:17 - the one leper that came back to thank Him was totally restored and made whole.
3. **Praise brings to remembrance all God has done,** and thus, helps us to know how to truly bless Him. From Psalm 103:1-4, the Psalmist was blessing God for the following:
  - a. He forgave all our iniquities.
  - b. **He healed all our diseases and kept us in sound health.**
  - c. He redeemed our lives from destruction, especially from Hurricane Harvey.
  - d. He crowns us with His loving-kindness and tender mercies.

#### **What Will He Do as You Praise Him**

1. He will cause the Heaven to be opened over your life. - Jer. 31:10-12
2. He will make you flourish and fertile. - Ps 92:1-2, 12
3. **He will be moved to do more and favor you.** - John 11:31
4. His divine presence and protection will be guaranteed over your life. - 2 Chron. 20
5. **He will arise and continue to fight your battles.** - Ps 149:6,9

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 27, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **POWER OVER LIMITATIONS & BARRIERS!**

Text: Deut. 1:19-22

So we departed from Horeb, and went through all that great and terrible wilderness which you saw on the way to the mountains of the Amorites, as the Lord our God had commanded us. Then we came to Kadesh Barnea. And I said to you, 'You have come to the mountains of the Amorites, which The Lord our God is giving us. **Look, The Lord your God has set the land before you; go up and possess it**, as The Lord God of your fathers has spoken to you; do not fear or be discouraged.'

**There are powers and invisible forces that keep people bound in life.** Despite the great promises in scriptures, many cannot explain the reason for their prolonged stagnancy in life. From our above text, God through Moses told His covenant children that the promised land was set before them to go in and possess it. Sadly, "the spirit of Kadesh Barnea" had kept the people going in circles for years; a journey that should have taken 11 days took 38 years.

**"Kadesh Barnea" means "a desert of wandering".** The spirit of Kadesh Barnea is a spirit of non-achievement; a spirit that makes one move in circles; a wandering spirit; a spirit that wastes people's destiny; a spirit that makes one starts a project but never completes anything, always having abandoned projects; a spirit that always makes one fail at the verge of success! **It was in Kadesh Barnea that all the Israelis men of war died;** Miriam's destiny was also wasted in Kadesh Barnea. The same spirit crushed the destiny of Moses at the top of Pisgah, a place where God showed him the work of 40 Years. What a wasted time and effort right at the edge of fulfilling his destiny! Prayer Point - Every power assigned against my breakthrough, Father please crush them in Jesus Name!

Every problem in life has an expiration date for Proverb 23:18 says – "Surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off". **There is an end to every sorrow, affliction, shame, barrenness and work of darkness.** A day came when the Israelites were delivered from Egypt after 430 Years in slavery. A day also came when Pharaoh sent for Joseph and enthroned him; everything turned around for him like a dream of the night (Gen. 41:14).

**Life is not a bed of roses, before every man's Promised Land there is a wall of Jericho that must be confronted.** No matter the size of your problem, there is solution with God. If the walls of Jericho crumbled before God's covenant Children, yours will crumble too as you give a shout of praise to God. No wall of Jericho can withstand the power of praise.

In closing, the enemy always tries to attack one's hands, legs, and head in order to keep them stagnated in life. The good news is that we serve an ever-Faithful God Who is committed to delivering His people from every work of darkness. Jer. 40:4 - "And now, behold, I loose thee this day from the chains which were upon thine hand. If it seem good unto thee to come with me into Babylon, come; and I will look well unto thee: but if it seem ill unto thee to come with me into Babylon, forbear: behold, all the land is before thee: whither it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go." By the reason of the anointing, every yoke in your life shall be destroyed in Jesus Name.

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 20, 2017 – Sis. Feranmi Oduwole*

## UNASHAMED!

Annual Youths' Week

Text: Romans 1:16

Romans 1:16 - For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is The Power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

**Jesus is The Gospel.** There is no Gospel (Good News) outside of Jesus Christ. The power of God is made manifest to the world through us preaching of The Gospel. If we are ashamed of preaching The Gospel, we are ashamed of God. We should never be ashamed of God, because He is our Maker, for without Him we can do nothing!

Why are many believers not preaching the Gospel today? **The fear of persecution has sealed the mouth of many of us from preaching the Gospel.** We should never forget that there is a great reward for those who preach The Gospel. Romans 10:15 says "And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things." Never be ashamed to preach Him because He is The One Who gives you breathe.

Jesus said in Mark 8:38 - **Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall The Son of man be ashamed,** when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. If you are ashamed of God, He will also be ashamed of you. Realize that there is a record in Heaven for every opportunity you passed to preach The Gospel. Never be intimidated by what people will say or do for preaching The Gospel.

### Examples of Those Who Were Unashamed of The Gospel

1. **The Early Church in Acts 5:42** - And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.
2. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in Daniel 3:16
3. Daniel withstanding adversity for the sake of his faith in Daniel 6
4. Ananias being instructed by Christ to preach to Paul in Acts 9:15
5. Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself in Hebrews 12:2. Looking unto Jesus The Author and Finisher of our faith; **Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame,** and is set down at The Right Hand of The Throne of God.

### Prayer Points

- A. Father, don't let me be ashamed to preach Your Gospel
- B. Father, in You I have taken refuge let me never be ashamed.

In closing 2 Timothy 1:8 says "**Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God.**" Also 1 Peter 4:16 tells us "Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf."

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 13, 2017 – Deacon Tunji Akinrinde*

### TRIUMPHING IN THE STORM!

Text: Mark 4:35-41

Life is a series of storms! Storms of life are no respecter of anybody; they come to the rich and to the poor, to the strong and to the weak, to the young and to the old. The main goal of life's storms are to hinder our progress. **As believers in Christ Jesus, we are ordained to triumph in every storm because Jesus is in the boat of our lives.** Our above text is an account of how The Lord rescued His disciples from the midst of a terrible storm. Hitherto the storm, The Lord had told His disciples He was taking them over to the other side – Mark 4:35. This morning, The Lord is saying to you, **come and let us go over to the other side where there is victory, joy, strength, abundance, solution, and God's Blessing.**

Before they embarked on the journey, the disciples had first detached themselves from the multitude. Do you want to get to the other side where your victory is waiting? God is calling you to a life of separation from pollutant friends and associates. **The undoing of many people is the wrong company they keep.** Hebrews 12:1-2 tells us to lay aside every weight, and sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, The Author and Finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at The Right Hand of The Throne of God.

#### What God Expects of Us In Any Storm

1. We are to seek Him the more. Heb. 11:6
2. We are to give ourselves to prayer and fasting. 2 Chron. 20:3
3. **We are to have Faith in Him.** Mark 11:22-23
4. We are to keep rejoicing and praising Him. Phil. 4:4, Acts 16:25, Neh. 8:10
5. **We should NEVER murmur or play the blame game.** 1 Cor. 10:9-13

#### What Jesus Did When They Called on Him

1. He calmed the storm by speaking to it.
2. **He instilled order in the midst of chaos.**
3. He gave them courage in the midst of fear.
4. He ended their stagnation.
5. **He brought joy to their weary hearts.**
6. He turned their hopelessness to hope.
7. **He got them to the other side of victory, joy and abundance.**

In closing, Romans 8:28 says "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose". **Storms though come to all because they are blind; however, they have ears, which they use to hearken to The Voice of their Master - The Lord Jesus Christ.**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 6, 2017 – Pastor Mba Kalu*

### **DON'T BE ANGRY WITH GOD!**

We all encounter situations in life but our responses are different. Often times, many going through difficult situations have a wrong attitude by getting angry or mad at God. **They believe God is not paying attention to their case. Some even go to the extent of giving God an ultimatum that they will intentionally backslide!** Satan gets them discouraged by telling them all their prayers, giving and obedience to God's Word are all exercises in futility. When such people hear testimonies of others, they get angrier with God that He is ignoring their case. Romans 12:15 admonishes us to rejoice with them that are rejoicing. I am here to tell you this morning, that **God has not forgotten you; He is waiting for you to change your attitude!** Realize your anger does not move God. He remains The Same Yesterday, Today and Forever! Only your prayers and obedience to His Word move Him.

#### **The Mystery of Praising God in Difficult Situations**

We will consider two scriptural case studies of the consequences of our attitudes in the midst of any challenge.

##### **1. King Jehoshaphat in 2 Chronicles 20.**

Here was a king who suddenly heard the news that three nations were ganging up to invading Israel. Naturally, there is the tendency to be angry at God for allowing the enemy to be plotting evil against His Covenant Children; but King Jehoshaphat knew better, his attitude was different, he mobilized the people to seek The Lord in prayers, fasting, and singing praises to God. **Rather than complaining, they reminded God of His works of old and His faithfulness, which never fails.** The rest is history; God responded by making their enemies destroy each other. Your negative attitude towards God has to change if your situation must change. Self-pity, complaining and being angry at God will get you nowhere! Beloved, realize all solutions resides in God! Resolve to seek Him more in prayers, fasting, personal night vigils and uncommon praises. Jehoshaphat took extra steps by raising a praise altar to The Lord, you can do likewise. God is a respecter of nobody, what He does for one He will do for another! **You don't get any answer by threatening Him, you only get more entrenched in that problem!** He remains The Same Yesterday, Today and Forever. No matter the hopelessness of your situation, God is able to give you victory sweatlessly, as He is The Almighty! Don't worry there is an expiration time for that problem. God will make you recover all the years the locusts have eaten for it doesn't take God anything to make you recover all!

##### **2. John The Fore Runner of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Matt. 11:2-6**

John the Baptist was angry at God when king Herod locked him in jail. He was offended at Jesus for not causing the Heaven to do something about his case. **His attitude led to his head being cut-off!** Being angry at God will do you no good! Jesus said, blessed is he that is not offended in Me.

In closing, God said in Jeremiah 29:11 – "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says The Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope". Also He said in Romans 8:28 - "**And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.**"



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 30, 2017 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

### **THE CHRISTIAN – A DISPENSER OF CHRIST**

Man was created a vessel to contain God. God made man in His image so that man could be a container that carries the Nature and Life of God about. His eternal plan is to dispense Himself into human vessels who will duplicate Him in every sphere of life. We are created containers for God and redeemed Dispensers of Christ. Bearing fruit means dispensing Christ to others. But we have this Treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. 2 Cor. 4:7

God's highest purpose concerning man is His Desire to have His Divine Element wrought into the created man that He and man may have an organic mingling. To achieve this, the following are involved:

#### **DIVINE STEPS TO RESTORE MAN'S DESTINY**

1. Incarnation - God becoming man (John 1:14)
2. Redemption - God dying for man (Romans 5:8)
3. Regeneration - God entering man's spirit (Titus 3:5)
4. Sanctification - God turning man's nature to God's nature (2 Thess. 2:13)
5. Transformation - God increasing in Man (Rom. 12:2)
6. Glorification - Man becoming God (1 John 3:2)

You are created a container of God; to contain God is your Destiny. Just as we have "Coca-Cola bottle" that contains coke, you are a "God bottle" redeemed to dispense Christ to the world. To dispense Christ is your main calling as a Christian. Every effective dispenser must remain filled with a treasure in order to remain relevant. Nothing can fill you up but God! Not education, not money, not your spouse, not your doctor, only God can fill you up!

#### **WHAT WE ARE TO DISPENSE**

1. The Life of Christ - 2 Cor. 4:10
2. The Fragrance of Christ - 2 Cor. 2:14-15
3. The Spirit of Christ - Phil. 1:19
4. The Sap of Christ - John 15:4-5
6. The Grace of Christ - Eph. 4:29
7. The Riches of Christ - Eph. 3:7-8

#### **God's Expectation of Us**

1. To EAT Jesus daily (through His Word) - John 6:27,48,57
2. To be FILLED continuously with The Spirit of God - Eph. 5:18

In closing, 2 Timothy 2:20-21 "But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor. Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work."

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 23, 2017 – Oyinola Dosunmu*

*Annual IGA Children's Week*

### **CREATED BY GOD, BUILT FOR HIS PURPOSE**

Text: Ephesians 2:10 – “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.”

Everything was created by God for a purpose. There is a purpose for rain; there is a purpose for roaches. Nothing just exists on earth without a defined purpose. What is God's purpose for your life? For what reason are you here on earth? It is unfortunate many have died without fulfilling their God ordained purpose. Purpose is the reason for which something is done or exists. As children of God in Christ Jesus, we are created for a divine purpose. Realize that God created you, you are not an accident.

#### **What is God's Purpose for Creating You?**

1. You are created to honor God. Isa 43:7
2. You are created to praise and worship God. Ps. 86:9, 1 Thess. 5:18
3. You are created to grow in the fruit of the spirit. Gal. 5:22-23
4. You are created to share The Gospel. Ps 96:3
5. You are created to use the talent God gave you. Romans 12:4-8

#### **How Can We Be Built Up for His Purpose?**

1. We must accept The Lord Jesus as our Lord and Savior. John 3:16
2. We must have constant fellowship God. Acts 4:13
3. We must be praying every time. 1 Thess. 5:17
4. We must let The Word of God dwell in us richly. Col. 3:16

#### **What is God's Expectation from Parents?**

1. You are to pray for your children without ceasing.
2. You are to plant The Word of God continuously into our lives.
3. You are to discipline us when necessary
4. You are to lay good example for us to emulate.

In closing, understanding our identity in Christ as children gives us purpose. God has a specific purpose for each of us, a unique calling for every individual. God said in Jer. 29:11 “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says The Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.”

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 16, 2017 – Pastor MBA Kalu*

### **IT CAN BE BETTER!**

Text: John 2:1-10

God's desire for us is a life of continuous progress. Wherever you are today is not your final destination, it can be better! **Where you are may be good but there is opportunity to go higher.** There is no limit to your rising in Christ for we are redeemed to live a life on unending progress.

Our above text relates to Jesus' first miracle; it was at the wedding in Cana. What was supposed to be an occasion of joy suddenly turned soured as they ran out of wine. Mary the mother of Jesus, was very instrumental in rescuing the situation, she besought The Lord for His intervention. Thereafter she commanded the servants to do whatsoever The Lord says. **For things to get better, Jesus gave a very strange instruction that the water pots be filled with water.** If they had despised this instruction, things would not have been better. Brethren, there are times God gives an uncommon instructions in order to make things better in your life. All through scriptures, God gave numerous instructions that appear foolish, but when men of old hearkened, their lives changed for the better. **Many people have missed God's best for their lives by despising God's instructions.**

Every time you obey God's instruction, you experience a miracle. At the wedding of Cana, they did whatsoever The Lord commanded (even though it sounded foolish) and the result was a change of story. **God can use anything to make your situation better.** He said in Psalm 30:5 that "Weeping may endure for a night but joy comes in the morning". I pray that from today, sweeter fruits will be coming out of your life to bless generations. The Bible also said that the wine was better than what they can hitherto be drinking in the wedding (John 2:10). Regardless where you are today, God will make your tomorrow far better in Jesus Name!

#### **The Place of Obedience**

Obedience is very crucial if you must experience a better tomorrow. Obedience to God and His Word must be a way of life. Obedience always brings increase, joy and miracle. To experience a better tomorrow:

1. **You must have a relationship with Christ for God does not give the children's bread to dogs.**
2. You must live a life of total obedience to God's Word.
3. **You must make God your reason for living by putting Him at the forefront of your life.**
4. You must make giving a life style. Without sowing today, there is no harvest tomorrow.

In closing, God is a miracle working God. There is no situation He cannot turn around. He is The Almighty Who has all power in Heaven and on earth. 1 Sam. 2:6-7 says **The Lord killeth, and maketh alive: He bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up. The Lord maketh poor, and maketh rich: He bringeth low, and lifteth up.** He is the One Who can turn everything around for you. No one has ever challenged Him and remained the same - whether for good or for bad!

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 9, 2017 – Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun*

### **RECOVERING YOUR STOLEN BLESSING**

Text: Gen. 26:34-35, Gen. 27:5-17, Gen. 29:15

There is no day without an end, neither is there any road without an end. This morning is a morning of restoration. Restoration means recovering what was stolen.

From our text in Gen. 27:5-27, Rebecca had a huge hand in Jacob's ordeals in life. She put an animal skin on Jacob to deceive Isaac, his father. This action of Rebecca turned Jacob to be a servant wherever he went; he served for 21 years before he got married to his beloved. **What did Jacob do to recover his blessing? He wrestled in the realm of the spirit with an Angel** before his destiny was turned around; He prayed violently until the Angel changed his name and destiny. Likewise, you can recover your stolen blessing by being spiritually violent in the place of prayers.

Many people's destiny have been polluted by the careless actions of their parents when they were growing up. This is why you need to cry to The Lord to uproot every evil seed that may have been planted in your life at childhood.

#### **VAIN IS THE HELP OF MAN**

Man is helpless without the intervention of God. The Rod of Moses was nothing until The Power of God came inside it. **Man cannot make you to be anything if God does not intervene. It is only God that can make great!** It is God Who can turn you to anything in life. It was Him that set up the ladder for Joseph to be great in Egypt. He is God all by Himself. He took Esther to the very top in a foreign land. He also took Daniel to the highest sphere in Babylon. What the hand of man cannot do, The Hand of God will do effortlessly!

**Man can give you money or titles but if The Breathe of God is not there it will amount to nothing.** What man cannot do for you, God will do for you. What your biological father cannot do for you, God will do much more for you! Bless God for educational qualifications and physical stature but realize **only God can take you beyond your academic qualifications.**

In closing, only God can make you recover your blessing but you have a crucial part to play; you must be willing to wrestle spiritually in prayers like Jacob did with the Angel until he was blessed. Don't relent in prayers that is where your restoration lies.

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 2, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### SACRIFICIAL WORSHIP

Text: Mark 12:38-44

Sacrificial worship is the best form of worship man can give God. Your best is all that you have, that is, your totality. From our above text, Jesus commended a certain widow who gave her best to The Lord. The two mites she gave was all she had; some would have complained that they have nothing to give but not so with her! **Her heart of humility and gratitude made her to catch the attention of Jesus; Jesus said she gave the most.** Just as giving money is an act of worship, giving thanks is also an act of worship. We have come this morning to offer our sacrifice of praise to God for the first half of The Year.

#### SACRIFICIAL PRAISE

1. **Sacrificial worship is offering God your best praise, that is, your totality.** Mark 12:38-44
2. Sacrificial worship is offering thanks and praise continually to God. Heb. 13:15
3. **Sacrificial worship causes you to experience a victory dance.** Exodus 15:20-21
4. Sacrificial worship causes you to dwell in His secret place; hence, you are shielded from the powers of darkness. Ps. 91
5. Sacrificial worship makes God do a new thing in your life. Isaiah 43:19
6. Sacrificial worship makes you return with gladness and joy; sorrow and mourning shall flee from you. Isaiah 51:11
7. **Sacrificial worship makes you experience great testimony;** God will show Himself greater and more powerful than anything standing against your testimony.

#### Lessons from Mark 12: 38-44

1. **God does not see as man sees.** God recognized her two mites. What man overlooks God never overlooks.
2. **God never judges like man judges.** Mark 12:41-44
3. **God can use your own two mites.** He dwells in the praises of His people. God identified her in the midst of the congregation. When He locates you even if you were last, He will relocate you to the front.
4. **God is interested in your attitude and motive.** It is not the quantity of what you give that matters to God but the attitude which you gave it. 2 Cor. 9:8, Luke 7:47

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 25, 2017 – Dr. Daniel Bernard*

### **PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL**

Text: Matthew 10

We are redeemed to be a positive influence in every environment we find ourselves. Jesus said we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Today, it is rather unfortunate that we are gradually losing our savor because we are no longer proclaiming The Gospel of Jesus Christ. The church in America is getting colder as The Gospel is no longer the message on our pulpits.

#### **The Imperativeness of Proclaiming The Gospel**

1. **Proclaiming the Gospel puts the angels of God to work.** When we shut our mouth, we render the angels of God unemployed. They are our ministering spirits who go to work as we proclaim the Gospel.
2. **Signs and wonders only follow us as we preach the Gospel.** Signs do not precede the preaching of The Gospel but follow it. As we go out to carry out the great commission, signs and wonders will begin to follow us.
3. We are redeemed to be proclaimers of The Good News to a dying world. We carry the solution of humanity inside of us. Col. 1:27 says Christ in you, the hope of glory. So many are hopeless and waiting for us to bring Christ (The Hope of the world) to them.
4. Jesus asked His disciples "Who do men say I am?" Christ is expecting us to go and proclaim to the world that He is the Anointed One, The Savior, The Redeemer, and The One Who died to reconcile humanity to God.
5. From Matthew 10, Jesus was very specific when He was sending the disciples out, He told them where to preach, whom to preach, what to preach, how to preach, and what equipment to use to preach. He also told them to preach upon the housetops. He also talks about the rewards awaiting those who proclaim the Good News.
6. The "Acts 5:42 Church" is a picture of what every New Testament church should look like. **The early Church in the Book of Acts witnessed tremendous signs, wonders and miracles because they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus.** Acts 5:42 - And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as The Christ.
7. We are to declare The Gospel fearlessly. Many believers in America are sounding politically correct and now fast becoming a Kingdom reject. Ephesians 6:19 says "And for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the Gospel."
8. **According to 2 Tim 4:2, we are to "Preach The Word; be instant in season, out of season ...."** Angels are waiting on us to proclaim God's Word.
9. God's Pattern of The New Testament Church all through the Book of Acts is **"Proclamation, Persecution, and then God manifested Presence and Power."**
10. Many believers are not ashamed to talk about Christ in the church but are ashamed to talk about Him in the market place (place of work, etc). If we fail to proclaim to the captives God says He will remove our liberty and we will proclaim liberty as a captive.

In closing, we need to be intentional with soul winning regardless of the persecution. The church in America is gradually becoming a marketing enterprise where we are busy with doing everything but preaching Christ.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 18, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# **THE LEGACY OF A RIGHTEOUS FATHER**

*(Father's Day)*

Text: Psalm 128:1-6

Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table.

We celebrate our Fathers this morning; we pray God will continue to increase you. Someone once said, **"It is easier for a father to have children than for a child to have a real father."** A father is one who is there through the thick and thin for his children. God is The Father of all Fathers. He begot us when we were nothing. From Matt. 6:9, Jesus taught us to pray to "Our Father, Who hath in Heaven, hallow be Thy Name ....." **As our Father, we are to reverence Him, hallow Him, and glorify Him because without Him we cannot be here.** Jesus as our Father left the greatest legacy for us through His sacrifice on The cross. He brought us out from nothing to something. He left us the legacy of New Birth. He came and rescued us from the powers of darkness. He took ordinary men as disciples and made a drastic change in their lives. He called and imparted them with virtue. He made a star of them.

### **What is a Legacy?**

**A legacy is what you leave with the people that are closer to you after you have gone.** It is what those you left remember you for. Acts 11:26. Legacies are not the houses, cars, assets you leave for your children, but rather the values you build into them. Legacies are things you have given to your children that no one can take from them. Prov. 13:22.

### **Who is a Real Father?**

1. A real father is a positive influence to his children.
2. A real father leaves the legacy of Christ for his children.
3. A real father is a ruler over his household. Matt. 24:45
4. **A real father instructs his children in the ways of God.** Gen. 18:19
5. A real father is a source; the beginning of everything.
6. A real father lays a solid foundation for his children. Ps. 11:3, 1 Cor. 3:10
7. **A real father is a trainer; he knows it is his responsibility to train his children.** Prov. 22:6.
8. A real father instills The Word of God into his children.

### **What Type of Legacy are We Talking About?**

1. The legacy of investment
2. **The legacy of the fear of The Lord** – Eccl. 12:8
3. The legacy of Christ. Introducing Christ to his children.
4. The legacy of faith.
5. **The legacy of good character**
6. The legacy of generosity.
7. The legacy of hard work and excellence.

**What does it take to leave legacy?** Firstly, leaving a legacy demands a spiritual direction. Secondly, it demands selflessness. Thirdly, it demands great faith in The Lord. John 17:12

**The results of leaving a great legacy?** Your children will be blessed (Prov. 20:7); your work will be speaking long after you are gone; and Heaven will say well done thou good and faithful servant.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 11, 2017 – Pastor MBA Kalu*

### **REWARD OF DILIGENCE**

Text: Ruth 1

We are in a world where the good is at war with the evil. **We are in an era where it seems evil is handsomely rewarded and appreciated by the society.** It seems people of questionable characters receive more honor. Psalms 73:12. This makes those of us who are walking perfectly before God to question if we are on the right track. Today, some believers are bitter against God because of the issues they are going through; **God wants us to know there is a reward for diligent and faithfulness.**

The story of our above text (Ruth 1) relates to how Elimelech relocated his family in a period famine into a strange land. **He was not patient to hear from God before taking his destiny into his hands by relocating without God's guidance.** This is what many are doing today, moving with God's leading. As a result, Elimelech lost his life and that of his two sons, leaving his wife (Naomi) and the 2 daughters in law (Orpah & Ruth).

#### **Lesson Points from this Text**

1. **No matter how bad a famine or situation is, never make a hasty decision without hearing from God.** Elimelech took a crucial step without God's input. Ruth 1:2-3
2. **Always be patient, it pays to wait on The Lord.** Elimelech lost his family for not waiting on God. Ruth 1:2-3
3. Naomi despite the ordeal of losing her husband and her two sons was open to return home after hearing the situation of the land had changed. Ruth 1:6. **It is never too late to be right; be humble to retrace your steps.**
4. Orpah deserted Naomi but Ruth cleaved to her. Ruth was committed, dedicated and diligent.
5. Ruth was a type of Messiah God sent to Naomi in the midst of her ordeal. For the sake of providing for her mother-in-law, Ruth took a job in a farm. God remembered her diligence by connected her to Boaz (a wealthy man) in marriage. Ruth 2:1-2. God so honored her that she was part of the lineage of The Lord Jesus Christ - The Savior of the world.
6. Don't be weary in well doing for in due season you shall reap if you faint not. Gal. 6:9
7. **Never join the crowd to do what seems popular; God does not forget His Own.** He is mindful of your labor, He is keeping record of all your good works and at the appointed time, your reward will surely come.

In closing, Hebrews 11:6 says – “But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him”. The question now is **"how diligent are you in what God has committed into your hands?"** Remember, “Payday” is coming, remain faithful, God rewards diligence!

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 4, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

*Annual Usher's Week*

### **HONORING GOD**

Text: John 15:1-5

I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: **for without Me ye can do nothing**. As sons and daughters of God, we are redeemed to be a branch that brings forth fruit. No branch bears fruit without a connection to the vine. There is no tree without a root, and every branch is wholly dependent on the nutrients supplied by the Vine. **God is the Husbandman, Christ is The Vine and we are the branches that people see**; it is only by a constant communion with Christ that we can bear fruit that brings glory to God. As we remain connected to the Vine, the fluid of His Life will flow through us to bless humanity. This is why sickness and every work of darkness are forbidden in our lives because we are connected to Him. People are naturally drawn to branches that bear fruit. We did not choose Him, He chose us and ordained us to go and bring forth fruit. He has promised that as we bear fruit He will answer our prayers. John 15:16.

**God created us to bring glory and honor to Him wherever we are.** Our actions, words, and character are to reflect Christ.

1. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Matt. 5:14-16
2. Even every one that is called by My Name: for I have created him for My glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him. Isaiah 43:7
3. **Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.** 1 Cor. 10:31
4. Give unto The Lord the glory due unto His Name: bring an offering, and come into His courts. O worship The Lord in the beauty of holiness: fear before Him, all the earth. Psalm 96:8-9.

#### **How Do We Bring Glory and Honor to God?**

1. **Through obedience to His Commandments.** Please fear Him and obey Him. Eccles. 12:13
  - a. Let His Word dwell in your heart. Ps. 119:11
  - b. Flee immortality. Honor Him with your body. 1 Cor. 6:18.
2. **We honor Him with our substance.** Realize that He gave all you have to you. 1 Cor. 4:7, Prov. 3:9-10, Luke 12:13-21
3. We bring glory and honor to Him through witnessing. **Soul winning is one of the best ways we bring honor to Him.** It pays to serve God. Witnessing is a great form of service to God. Matt. 28:19-20, John 15:16.
4. **By Serving Him with all our entire family.** Josh. 24:15
5. By Loving His people. Let your life count for something in the life of others, **always help people because whatever you do to others is waiting for you ahead.** Acts 10:1-4.
6. **Through Worshipping Him in spirit and truth.** John 4:23

In closing, 1 Samuel 2:30b says "... but now The Lord saith, Be it far from Me; for them that honor Me I will honor, and they that despise Me shall be lightly esteemed." Is your life glorifying God? Can you say as Jesus said in John 17:4-5 - I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify thou Me with thine Own Self with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 28, 2017 – Prophetess Kehinde Abiodun*

### **IT'S ONLY FOR A LITTLE WHILE!**

Text: Isaiah 43:18-19

Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. **Behold, I will do a new thing**; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

We serve a God of Sudden Miracles; He is mightier than any situation. You may have come this morning with a heavy heart; I have good news for you – **God told me to tell you, "It's only for a little while!"** Regardless of what you are going through, realize that it is only for a little while. Many focus and magnify their problems rather than focusing and magnifying God! **Realize that this world is not your home; you are only here for a little while.** God did not send you to this earth to suffer; you are here to fulfill your destiny. The God we are talking about is The Only One that can turn evil to good, weeping to joy, shame to glory, and poverty to wealth. Your situation is only for a little while God will turn things around for you.

From our above text (Isaiah 43), God said we should not remember the things of old because He is about to do a new thing. **No one makes progress in life by focusing on the past.** God is a God of New Beginning; He turned around the destiny of many people in the Bible. Here are few case studies:

1. **Joseph had to put his past ordeals behind him to fulfill God's purpose in life;** in Gen. 41:50-52 he named his sons by what God had done in his life. He did not allow his distasteful past to mar his future. Also he said no to sin in order not to offend God.
2. **Abraham was told by God to get out of his country and kindred in Gen. 12:1.** God was going to turn his situation around and make him a blessing to many generations, but a divine repositioning needed to first take place. Likewise, if you desire a sudden turnaround, you must be willing to get out of every ungodly association and habits. You cannot be chasing the things on this world and expect God to turn around your situation. Col. 2:18-20. Also, Isaiah 59:1-2 tells us that sin will hinder God from intervening in your affairs. In addition, God told Abraham in Gen. 17:1 to walk before Him and be thou perfect. As a believer in Christ Jesus, you are destined to be a partaker of the Abrahamic blessings but God requires your walk to be perfect before Him.
3. **Jabez is another classical example of someone who experienced a sudden turnaround.** He cried unto God in prayers and he experienced a change of story. Many people rather than seeking God are busying contacting false prophets. 2 Chron. 4:9-10
4. Hezekiah also experienced a sudden turnaround. **He changed a divine verdict by pleading for Mercy with God.** Isa 38.
5. The widow in 2 Kings 4:1-7 also experienced a sudden turnaround. **God through his prophet (Elisha) gave her a life time miracle by using what appeared to be valueless (jar of oil) to change her situation.** You may think what you have worth nothing, but realize **God does not need much to do much!**
6. Mary and Martha in John 11 thought their situation was hopeless, but God showed Himself as The Resurrection and The Life. **He raised Lazarus from death after 4 days in the grave!**

In closing, it does not take time but truth to experience a divine turnaround. Jesus is all you need in life; start making inquiry from Him regarding what is happening in your life. Are you where you are supposed to be in His Calendar? Again, whatever you are going through is only for a little while, re-align yourself with God and a sudden turnaround is imminent!

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 21, 2017 – Pastor Yemi Adekunle*

*(Annual IGA Men of Valor Week)*

# **BE THE JOSHUA**

Text: Joshua 1: 1-9

"Be The Joshua" - what does this mean? What is God desiring to communicate? **What is in Joshua's life that makes it worthy emulating?** Joshua was a man of unusual grace tremendously used by God to lead His people into the promise land. He served Moses faithfully and was very instrumental in many wars Israel fought on their way to Canaan. God is a respect of nobody; He is an equal opportunity employer Who does not discriminate. What He says to one He says to all. Mark 13:37. He is ready to make you and I "the Joshua" in our generation.

### **God's Promises to Joshua**

1. Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses. Jos. 1:3.
2. There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Jos. 1:5.

### **God's Conditions to Joshua**

1. Be strong and of a good courage – **this means possess an undefeatable and possibility mentality.** Joshua 1:6-7
2. This Book of the Law:
  - a. Shall not depart out of thy mouth;
  - b. **But thou shalt meditate therein day and night**, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Jos. 1:8

### **Joshua's Unusual Feats**

1. He led the Children of Israel to cross-River Jordan on foot. Joshua 3
2. **He commanded the Sun to stand still until victory was gotten.** Joshua 10:12
3. He led the people in the falling down of the wall of Jericho. Jos. 6:20
4. He made the people to rededicate their lives to God – Joshua 24

### **The Just Shall Live By Faith**

As believers in Christ Jesus, God has made us greater than all the Old Testament Prophets. Matthew 11:11 says "Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he". We are redeemed to live by faith and not by our certificates or bank accounts. **Our faith is very crucial; hence, we must keep building it with The Word of God.** Without faith, you cannot be "The Joshua" of our generation.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 14, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo (MOTHER'S DAY)*

### SUPPORT FOR OUR MOTHERS

Text: 2 Timothy 1:1-7, Eccles. 4:9-12

When I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also. Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

We celebrate the Grace of God on our mothers today. **Mothers are pillars in our lives as they laid the foundation in which many of us are standing.** We are all products of mothers. Mothers are God ordained coaches, advisors, motivators, teachers, housekeepers and inspirations in our families. Mothers are incubators because they provide a safe haven for us in their wombs. The life of motherhood is a sacrificial life as it involves a great deal of endurance. **Mothers give up everything for the sake of the family.** Mothers are the principal reason for peaceful homes.

#### A CHARGE FOR MEN

1. As men, our women need our support in the area of companionship. Amos 3:3
2. **Women are naturally emotional; hence, during periods of crisis, they need our encouragements.**
3. We are to be pillars that make life easier for them.
4. God put them in our lives to help them fulfill their purpose. Many women's destinies have been bastardized by their husbands.
5. We are to be a sort of security (financially, spiritually) for them.
6. **We are to stand by their visions and goals.**
7. Women are raw materials in our hands. If we sow the right seeds, they will produce the right harvests for us.
8. We are to pray and intercede for them.
9. **As weaker vessels, we should help bear their weaknesses in love.** No one is perfect yet, we are all work in progress in The Hands of God. 1 Pet. 3:7
10. We should defend them even before our parents and siblings. Gen. 2:24
11. Our women need us to take charge and control of the family.
12. We are to be patient with them. They will improve with time.
13. **We need to motivate and give them incentives to change.**
14. They will follow us as we follow Christ. 1 Cor. 11:1

#### A CHARGE TO THE CHILDREN

1. **Children, you need to celebrate your mothers for the enormous job they are doing.**
2. You need to support them by obeying them. Eph. 6:1
3. You need to Honor their words even when it is not convenient. John 2:5
4. You should never forget them in their old age. Provide the best care for them. Ps 127
5. Make sure that you do well in life. **Your success brings them the greatest joy in life.**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 7, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo (Prayer Warrior Week)*

### **ACCESS INTO YOUR INHERITANCE**

Text: Acts 16:20-26 – “The prisoners heard them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.”

God is a God of principles; He never does anything without a purpose in mind. For instance, He said, “give and it shall be given unto you”. One of His cardinal principles is “PRAISE”. He created man to be an instrument of praise. John 4:23-24. You will always get God's attention if you live a praise life-style. Praise will destroy any barrier and open any door to your breakthrough.

Praise is our access point to God. Psalm 100:4 admonishes us to enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with Praise.

**Case Study of Paul and Silas** – From our above text, Paul and Silas disregarded their circumstances and offered uncommon praise to God. They were locked up for preaching the Gospel but despite their ordeal, they praised God to the extent that the prisoners heard them. Suddenly a great earthquake not only shook the foundation of the prison but also loosed the chains of all the prisoners. Regardless of your circumstances, God expects your praise. He said in everything give thanks! You might not have received your miracles, but in Praise lies in your deliverance. Nothing can hold a praise warrior down.

#### **Other Case Studies**

1. Psalm 114:1-6 reveals how the sea fled when it saw Judah (praise) and how the mountains also skipped like rams.
2. Matthew 15:21-28 gives an account of how the Syrophenician got her miracle through the instrument of praise.
3. 2 Chron. 20 also demonstrates how the weaponry of praise brought total victory and prosperity to a whole nation.

Our inheritances cannot be gotten without Praise. This is because praise makes you a person that Heaven cannot ignore. Praise is a weapon that gets you faster to where you need to be.

#### **Three Things That Praise Will Afford You**

1. Praise will buy you more time. If you are destined to die, praise will buy you more time. Hezekiah in Isaiah 38
2. There will be direction in life. God will direct you to the place of your destiny. Acts 13:2
3. God will fight your battles. Acts 16:38-40, Psalm 149:7

In closing, praise Him for the known and unknown. Do not let the challenges of life keep back your praise for God is able to make all things work together for your good.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **SECRETS TO A LASTING MARRIAGE**

### **FAMILY FORUM WEEK** (Series 1)

Text: Matt 19:3-9

“And He answered and said to them, Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning made them male and female, and said, For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh”? So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate.” Every marriage usually starts very well; hardly do you find any couple going into marriage with the intention of breaking up.

### **SECRETS TO A LASTING MARRIAGE**

1. Make The Word of God the foundation and bedrock of your marriage. Ps. 127:1
2. **Make Prayer a priority in your marriage.** Ps. 91:1-2
3. Always submit to the leading of The Holy Spirit. Romans 8:14
4. Resolve to remain together regardless of any disagreement. Divorcing is never God's will.
5. **Make the atmosphere in your home inviting.** Don't be a monster at home.
6. A lasting relationship is built on knowledge. Knowledge does not just come; you go after it! Prov. 24:3-4.
7. For any marriage to work, time must be committed. Jesus Christ gave Himself for the church. Eph. 5:25
8. For any marriage to be successful, both couples must be willing to change.
9. Encouraging words from each other elongates any marriage. Prov. 12:25
10. **Cover each other's weakness; and practice forgiveness** - Romans 12:18
11. Serve one another. Roman 12:10
12. Marriage is created to meet needs. When needs are not met there will be conflicts. You are in your spouse's life to meet their needs.

### **What Men Need**

1. Men need sexual fulfillment - 1 Cor. 7:4
2. **Men need recreational companionship** - Gen. 26:8
3. A man needs an attractive wife. Package and renew yourself at all times.
4. A man needs a good domestic support in a wife. Good food is non-negotiable to a man.
5. A man needs admiration and respect. A man needs a submissive wife. Eph. 5:22-23

### **What Women Need**

1. **Women want affection and love.** Eph. 5:25
2. Women want constant communication
3. Women need an honest and open man.
4. Women need financial support.
5. Women need family commitment
6. **Women don't need competition in their home.** Set boundaries for your extended family.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 23, 2017 – Rev. Blessing Odetoyinbo (Elders' Week)*

### THE OLD RUGGED CROSS

Text: John 3:14 - And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up.

All through the Old Testament, it had been prophesied that Christ would die as a substitute on the Cross. **There are many crosses in the world but what makes the Cross of Christ different from the rest is because it fulfilled its destiny of carrying The Savior of world – The Lord Jesus Christ.** The Cross of Christ is unique because it is an emblem of shame, sorrow, sacrifice, sadness, suffering, success and salvation. Though the enemy meant the cross for shame, pain and disgrace but God had a hidden plan of success and glory.

#### What The Old-Rugged Cross Represents

1. It represents **SACRIFICE**. As believers in Christ Jesus, we are to live a sacrificial life like our Master. Phil. 2:6-7
2. It represents **SHAME**. Isaiah 53:3 tells us how He was rejected, despised, and wounded for our iniquities.
3. It represents **SUFFERING**. He suffered for us; we in turn ought to endure suffering for His sake. Isa. 53:5.
4. It represents **SORROW**. He went through great sorrow on our behalf. Isaiah 53:3-5.
5. It represents **SADNESS**. He was falsely accused and beaten for our sake.
6. It represents **SUCCESS**. What a joy that the cross not only represents negativity but eventually ended up in success! 1 Cor. 15:19 says if in this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.
7. It represents **SALVATION**. It was after He triumphed over satan and his principalities that He gave gifts (of salvation) to men. Col. 2:14-15

#### Our Responsibilities Towards The Cross

1. **You must DENY yourself daily.** This means you must forget yourself and make Christ your priority in life. Luke 9:23-26
2. **You must CARRY your cross daily.** In a natural sense, the Cross is not a palatable thing to carry. The cross could come in form of certain unpleasant situations like childlessness, immigration issues, unemployment, etc.
3. **You must be willing to LOSE your life for His Sake.** For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. Matt. 16:25
4. **You must be CRUCIFIED with Him.** It will no longer be you living but Christ living in you. Gal. 2:20

We all have our individual crosses to carry. The Cross represents situations or things that are too heavy for us to bear. It also represents unpleasant circumstances we want God to take away from our lives. **God expects us to preserve just as Jesus preserved; He knew a greater glory was awaiting Him at the other side.** Regardless of how heavy or painful your cross may seem, I counsel you not to give up as success will surely come if you keep your eyes on Him!

In closing, are you ready to deny yourself and carry your cross daily?

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 16, 2017 – Pastor D.A ILORI (Assistant Gen. Overseer)*

### **EXPERIENCING THE POWER OF HIS RESURRECTION**

Text: Philippians 3:10, Matt. 28:10

Many religious leaders have come, died and perished in the grave! This is not the case of Our Lord Jesus Christ; He came, died, rose and ascended to Heaven. Even now, He is sitted at The Right Hand of God in Heaven interceding for us at The Throne of Majesty. Everything Jesus did was for our benefit. **His birth though significant, was in no way comparable to His death and Resurrection.** His Resurrection was what paved the way for our reconciliation to God. If Jesus did not die and rise, our faith would be in vain. And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. 1 Cor. 15:14

#### **THE RESURRECTION POWER**

1. **The Resurrection Power is the Ultimate in the realm of power.** It is The Highest Power there is under Heaven.
2. Jesus used the Resurrection Power to bring Lazarus back from the dead. This means the Resurrection Power raises the dead. He said, I am The resurrection and The Life. John 11:25-26.
3. The Resurrection Power caused a great earthquake that opened the grave for Jesus to come out. **It also opened the prison doors for Paul and Silas.** That same power will open every prison door that has kept you in bondage in Jesus Name. Doors of promotion, joy and prosperity will begin to open to you in Jesus Name. Matt. 28:2, Acts 16:25-26.
4. The Resurrection Power made the angel of The Lord to roll back the stone from the grave where Jesus was buried. That same Power will roll away every stone of sorrow, failure, oppression, sickness, and poverty from your life. Matt. 28:2
5. **The Resurrection Power causes a divine turnaround; your enemies will be turned from victors to victims.** Those who killed Jesus thought they had won but they suddenly discovered that they were now His victims. 1 Cor. 2:8
6. The Resurrection power caused an earthquake that made the soldiers watching the grave of Jesus to be shaken and become as dead. I pray God will make all your enemies of progress to be shaken and become as dead men. Matt. 28:4
7. The Resurrection Power causes a new beginning as it enabled Jesus to come out with ease from the grave to fulfill His destiny.
8. The Resurrection Power is a turning point. Hitherto, the apostles had gone into hiding in fear and hopelessness but Jesus came to where they were and their sorrow turned to joy, their adversity turned to prosperity, and their defeat turned to victory.
9. **The Resurrection Power quickens our body by injecting the life of God into us.** Hence, no sickness or disease can survive in us. Romans 8:11
10. The Resurrection Power paved the way for us to experience Eternal Life. We can thus, live with God now and in eternity.

In conclusion, many believers are suffering today because they are not experiencing The Power of His Resurrection. Adam brought death into the world, but Christ through His Resurrection has brought life to us!

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 9, 2017 – Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun*

### **BE RESOLUTE, COMMITTED & COURAGEOUS**

God's original purpose for man is for him to have dominion over the works of His Hand. Gen. 1:26-27. Man was divinely blessed to rule over the elements of creation; but today, the contrary is the situation as the devil has imprisoned many destinies. Being resolute and committed is very vital in one's quest to have God's Blessing restored in their life.

The Church is no longer praying. All through scriptures, we see men wrestling in prayers before their glory was restored. The Lord Jesus Christ called His Church a House of Prayer. **The Church is a place where we come to wrestle with God in prayers for restoration of His blessing in our lives.** Unfortunately, prayer is no longer the reason why people come to Church. Some are in Church to display their fashion attire and other ephemeral things. Many rather than wrestle against the devil in prayers are busy romancing the devil through their sinful lifestyle like stealing, lying, etc. Many despite not praying are still busy consulting demonic prophets and priests for answers.

#### **Bible Characters That Wrestled to Victory in Prayers**

1. Jacob fought and wrestled in prayers before his destiny was divinely restored. He knew without the Blessing working in his life, struggling continues! Gen. 32
2. **The Church wrestled in prayers before Peter was released to fulfill his destiny.** Acts 12
3. Daniel was a man of prayers; hence, his destiny could not be killed in the den of the lion.
4. **Our Lord Jesus Christ wrestled in prayers in the Garden of Gethsemane, and today, He has been given a Name that is greater than every other name,** and all things now bow to Him. He wrestled and today we are celebrating Him. No spiritually wrestling, no victory! Phil. 2, Matt. 26

It is a tragedy today that many are not ready to wrestle spiritually to have their lost glory restored. The Christian race is a race that requires a great deal of commitment and perseverance. Many were born into glory but along the course of life, the enemy has bastardized their destinies.

**I counsel you to awake from your spiritual slumber because the enemy contending against your destiny is not joking!** Jesus paid the price, He wrestled in the realm of the spirit before He was enthroned, and likewise you too must wrestle spiritually if you must be enthroned to the place of your glory. He is Lord today because He was committed to a life of Prayer. What brought forth Palm Sunday? **It is His perseverance and works in the place of Prayer; He has done His part, would you be willing to do your part too?** He became poor so you can be rich; He became hungry so that you will not suffer hunger; He became a curse so that you could be blessed! We owe Him and His Kingdom so much for all He has done for us.

#### **WHAT TO DO FOR DIVINE RESTORATION?**

1. You must be ready to wrestle spiritually.
2. You must persevere and be committed.
3. **You must be strong and courageous.**
4. You must resist the devil.
5. You must fight sin and every work of darkness.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **BALANCED PRAISE**

Text: Gen. 22:1-19

Our text relates to how God tempted Abraham. Hitherto, Abraham has always obeyed the Voice of God, but this time around, God did tempt Abraham to prove him. **God was emphatic on the sacrifice; firstly, He wanted him to sacrifice his only son.** Secondly, He said he should go to a particular mountain that would take 3 days. Indeed, God stretched and pulled him beyond limit.

Abraham though tempted, did not look back, he knew God was able to raise the dead; hence he built a fresh altar for God. You need to build a fresh altar for God just like Abraham did. **If you are asking God for an extraordinary thing, you must be ready to build an extraordinary altar for God.** God was testing to prove Abraham; today, many want to be used by God but don't want to be tested and proved. Many give God space to work only in certain areas and not all areas of their life. Invariably, there are certain idols that has replaced God in their hearts. Isaac was supposed to be an idol to Abraham but He passed the test. To some, their children could be their idols, to others it may be their money, time or career.

**Realize that God is the first Giver in history. He gave us His Only Begotten Son** – Jesus Christ. If it were not for Christ we couldn't be anything in life, it is Jesus in us that makes all the difference in our lives.

### **Lessons From Our Texts (Gen. 22:1-19)**

1. **God commands worship.** He is not begging or appealing for it. Only the devil demands worship when he hasn't done anything! God Who alone gives breathe to all living beings commands our worship. God can do everything except praise Himself, so when you give Him what He cannot do for Himself, He will do for you what you cannot do for yourself.
2. **God is looking for a willing worshipper.** It takes willingness for Abraham to embark on a 3-day journey in a bid to worship God with a sacrifice. Gen. 22:3
3. **God is looking for those that can endure in the place of Worship,** not just when it is convenient but in all circumstances and situations. Can you still praise Him even in contrary circumstances? Paul and Silas are classical examples (Acts 16:25-26). Abraham believed God and endured in the place of worship.
4. **You need to drop all garbage when you are coming to praise God.** Abraham said to the young men, abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you - Gen. 22:5. Sin cannot go with you to the presence of God.
5. **Balanced praise comes with total submission.** Abraham did not hold back his precious son. Many are not ready to sacrifice their time and money. Nothing should be too much for you to sacrifice as worship to God. Gen. 22:6
6. **At the place of balanced worship, The Voice of God becomes clearer.** Whenever you offer a balanced praise to God, there will be divine direction. Gen. 22:11-12, Acts 13:2
7. **After your worship is balanced all your needs will be met.** When Abraham's obedience became total in the place of worship, God provided a ram to substitute for Isaac. Gen. 22:13
8. **Balanced praise multiplies God's Blessing.** Everything you give to God, He multiplies it back to you. God blessed and multiplied Abraham. Gen. 22:17-18

In closing, The God we serve is a God that is more than enough! He is The God that has answers to every controversy in your life. He that spared not His Own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? Romans 8:32

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## COVENANT OF FIRE

(Annual Covenant Weekend)

Text: Obadiah 1:17-18, Luke 1:71-75

### WHAT IS A COVENANT?

A Covenant is an agreement between two or more people promising to do certain things or to fulfill certain obligations under certain conditions. Covenants are always conditional. In most cases, it is between two unequal people, for instance a male and a female in marriage, a human being that is limited in power and an Unlimited God that can do all things. **When one says he is entering into a covenant with God, it means he or she has come to drop their small power to receive the power of God.** Exploits are impossible to do without being in covenant with God. Exod. 19:5 gives us one of the great benefits of having a covenant with God – “Now therefore, if ye will obey My Voice indeed, and keep My Covenant, then **ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto Me above all people:** for all the earth is Mine.” This means when you are in Covenant with God, what is impossible for others will be cheaply possible for you.

### COVENANT OF FIRE

Whether you believe it or not you need fire to operate in Christendom if you will be relevant. **Being a (fireless) believer is no longer sufficient in our day and age, you must be a carrier of the Fire of God to make any meaningful impact in life.** This is why God is entering into a Covenant of Fire with you this Year so as to make your life a terror to the kingdom of darkness. Many have been in the same spot for too long and the earnest expectation of creation are waiting for the manifestation of the children of God. Rom. 8:19. It takes a Covenant of Fire before one can move from ordinary to extraordinary. **Anywhere fire enters, darkness cannot but disappear!** With a Covenant of Fire, you are empowered to begin to do exploits for God. Also you will receive boldness to witness and win souls for Christ like never before. A Covenant of Fire also makes doors to open on their own accord to you. What others struggle to get will begin to run after you. Matt. 6:33. When you are on fire, God will always consume by fire on your behalf. Obadiah 1:18, 1 Kings 18.

### How Do I Enter into Covenant with God?

(Case study of Judah in 2 Chron. 15:5-12)

1. You need to encourage yourself in The Lord and put up the attitude of faith. *2 Chron. 15:8*
2. You must put away abominable idols and live a Holy life. *2 Chron. 15:8*
3. **You need to repair your altar (your prayer life). No altar, no covenant!** *Obad. 1:18*
4. You must offer some sacrifices or covenant tokens unto God. No offering, no record! *Ps 20:1-3, 2 Chron. 15:11*
5. You must not go back to Egypt (eschew every form of ungodliness).

### **A Covenant of Fire causes the following Sub-Covenants to begin to work in your life:**

1. Covenant of Life *(Ps. 91:16)*
2. **Covenant of Victory** *(Gen. 22:17)*
3. Covenant of Protection *(Psalm 91:1, Ps. 27:1-3, Num. 23:23)*
4. Covenant of Healing *(Isa. 53:5, Ps. 107:20, Ex. 23:25)*
5. Covenant of Abundance *(Ps. 34:10)*
6. **Covenant of Grace and Mercy** *(Ps. 89, Heb. 4:16)*
7. Covenant of Favor *(Eccl. 9:11)*
8. **Covenant of Peace** *(John 14:27)*
9. Covenant of Joy *(Ps. 30:5)*
10. Covenant of Dominion *(1 Sam. 16:11-13)*

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## IT'S MY TIME OF TOTAL LIBERATION

(Part 2)

Text: Luke 13:10-17

Our text relates to the story of how a certain daughter of Abraham was healed from an eighteen year satanic oppression. God is ever willing to liberate his people; He said in 3 John 3 – “Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.” Also He said in Jeremiah 29:11 – “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith The Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end”. God wants you to live a peaceful life. When Christ was leaving, He said, My Peace I leave with you. Nobody can give you true peace in this world except The Prince of Peace Himself – The Lord Jesus Christ! When you have peace, you have everything. `

**We are not redeemed to live an average life;** God's plan for us in Christ is to live far above the average human life. Jesus said in John 10:10a that He has come that we may have life and have it more abundantly. **Christ came to give us a life of authority and dominion, a life that is far above sickness, failure, poverty and every work of darkness.** As believers in Christ Jesus, we are to live above situations and circumstances for The Word of God says – “For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.” 1 John 5:4. But for you to live a life of dominion you must know who you are. Ps 82:6-7 says, “I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High. But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.” God calls you a god because He made you in His image. You are thus to act as a god over any situation that confronts you. You need to wake up to your true identity in Christ. **What finishes many are things they could easily have dealt with if only they knew they were gods.** If you don't know your position you will remain in oppression.

### Chains That Keep Many in Oppression

1. **Sin:** the chain of sin will send you easily into oppression. Sin will not only strip you naked, it will strip you of God's Glory and Grace. Gen. 3, Judges 6:1-2. But there is Mercy here this morning to deliver you from the tormentor that sin has handled you over to.
2. **Bad Habits:** the chain of bad habits if not addressed easily turns into a stronghold in one's life. Bad habits have kept many people in oppression. 2 Cor. 10:4-5.
3. **Our Mental Thoughts:** Fear, worry, inferiority complex are examples of mental attitudes that have crippled many in life. Prov. 4:23 enjoins us to guard our heart with all diligence for out of it are the issues of life. God wants us to be a solution wherever we go just as it was said of Christ that everywhere He went He was doing good. Acts 10:38.
4. **Ignorance:** the chain of lack of knowledge has kept many in bondage. Hosea 4:6. The Bible is the greatest information bank; if you would only take it more seriously, it will give you peace, healing, and innumerable blessings from God.
5. **Demonic forces:** Eph. 6:12 tells us we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. The good news is that we don't have to be afraid because Christ is The Head of all principality and power, hence, we are assured of constant victory in every battle. 1 John 4:4, Col. 2:10.

### WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

1. You must run away from all sins. 2 Cor. 7: 2
2. Confess and renounce every known sin in your life. Prov. 28:13.
3. Confront the mountain. Job 22:24-28
4. Begin to walk in the light of God's Word.

In closing, Matt 11:28 - Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **IT'S MY TIME OF TOTAL LIBERATION**

(Part 1)

Text: 1 Samuel 17:1-13

“And the Philistine said, I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together.”

God desires that His people be liberated from every shackle of the enemy; however, God's people have a part to play in order to move the Liberating Hand of God. God had spoken to Abraham that his seed will be in bondage for 400 years **but liberation did not come until the Israelites started crying out to God in the 430th year**. It is when you wake up and take spiritual responsibility that liberation comes your way. In most cases, we are to be blamed for any delay because it is not God's will for us to spend extra years in captivity. Exod. 2:23-25.

### **WHAT IS LIBERATION?**

**Liberation means setting someone free from any form of confinement, bondage, or restrain**. It is also the act of freeing someone from a contrary force or power. From our above text, not until David appeared Goliath kept defying and resisting the armies of Israel. There are certain forces sponsored by the enemy to resist our financial liberation, marital liberation, and spiritual liberation, hence we must rise up to the challenge. The force could be sickness, barrenness, lack, affliction, etc.

### **JESUS IS A LIBERATOR**

- Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. John 5:8
- The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: **I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly**. John 10:10
- For this purpose The Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. 1 John 3:8b
- If The Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed. John 8:36
- The Spirit of The Lord is upon Me, because He hath anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised. Luke 4:18
- **Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free**, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. Gal. 5:1

### **WHAT MUST YOU DO TO BE LIBERATED?**

1. There must be Desire. *Blind Bartimaeus in Mark 10:46-52*
2. **You must be tired of your present situation**. *Hannah in 1 Samuel 1:10*
3. Cry for Intervention. *The children of Israel in Exod. 2:23-25*
4. **Be Bold and Courageous**. *David confronted Goliath with boldness. Dan. 11:32b*
5. Take Responsibility for your Freedom. *David took responsibility for the freedom of Israel. Gal. 5:1.*

In closing, God is determined to liberate you from every Pharaoh so that you can serve Him. Exod. 9:1. **Your liberty has already been purchased by Christ but you need to take spiritual responsibility**. Stop listening to the lies of the devil, you are no longer meat for him, Christ has set you free from every form of failure, sickness, poverty, barrenness, and curse. It is time for you to rise up and begin to walk in total liberty!

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 5, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# **REMOVE NOT THE OLD LANDMARK**

## **ANNUAL RCCG LEGACY WEEK**

Text: Psalm 33:1-18

“Blessed is the nation whose God is The Lord; and the people whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance.”

Every Year in The Redeemed Christian Church of God worldwide we celebrate our "Legacy Week" to commemorate the ancient landmark our fathers in the faith passed to us. RCCG is a church of covenant; God called Pa Josiah Akindayomi out of the family of idol worshippers and used him to establish The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG). We are where we are today NOT by our strength, but God in His infinite mercies has just been The One doing His Work in RCCG worldwide. Just as God cut a Covenant with Abraham in Genesis 12, God cut a Covenant with RCCG through our founder Papa Akindayomi; he was faithful until the end, thus, the promises of God for this Mission will continue to be fulfilled.

### **The Covenant God made with RCCG Thro' Papa Josiah Akindayomi**

1. I will make RCCG go round the world. Presently RCCG has parishes in over 192 nations in the world.
2. Other Churches will come and learn from RCCG. Today many General Overseers have brought their ministries under the spiritual covering of RCCG.
3. **Christ will meet RCCG at His Second Coming.** The Church will still be standing and no gate of hell will be able to prevail against it.

### **Our Values in RCCG**

1. **We value the pursuit of God.** We are God chasers and thirsty for His Presence at all our meetings. Ps 42:1-2
2. **We value Christ likeness.** We crave to be like Our Master in all our conducts. Eph. 5:2
3. **We value godly family life.**
4. **We value marital fidelity where husbands and wives are faithful to each other.** Titus 2:3-5
5. **We value purposeful singleness,** where the uniqueness of being single will be used to bless the Body of Christ. 1 Cor. 7:32-34
6. **We value giving.** We first give ourselves to The Lord and then of our substance. 2 Cor. 8:5
7. **We value modest in our lifestyle,** chaste in our dressing. 1 Pet. 3:3-4

In conclusion, “Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set” - Prov. 22:28. The ancient landmark our fathers set in RCCG has taken us to over 192 nations, healed the sick, raised the dead, and propagated the Gospel of Jesus Christ, why then should will invent an untested new landmark?

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## THE ALTAR AND YOUR SET TIME

Text: Genesis 35:1-9

And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother. **Bethel is a place where we first had an unforgettable encounter with God.** We all have our Bethel experiences in life and God expects us to always return there each time we get to any cross road in life. For Jacob, he had an unforgettable encounter with God at Bethel – “And let us arise, and go up to Bethel; and I will make there an altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I went” – Gen. 35:3.

**Bethel is also a similitude of Mount Zion or the Church of The Living God.** It is quite unfortunate that many are not aware that a divine encounter awaits them each time they come to the Church; they see Church as a place of social gathering and networking, some even have their backs turned towards the altar through their sinful lifestyles. **Such will never have a Bethel experience with God until they purge their hearts and put away all the strange gods in their lives.** God desires internal purity above anything else before He blesses, this is why you must be correctly aligned to receive from Him. Obadiah 1:17 says that - “But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions”.

**Recognize that there is a timetable of God for your life and life will be meaningless outside God's agenda for your life,** for without Him you can do nothing. This is why it is good to always have an expectation each time you come to the Church. Hebrews 12:22-24 tells us the forces at work when we come to Church - But ye are come unto mount Zion, and unto the city of The Living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God The Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to The Blood of Sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

### What Happens When You come to Bethel at The Set Time?

1. **It is a time of Favor.** Favor means showing partiality by preferring a person above others. Romans 9:25.
2. **It is a time of Mercy.** Rom. 9:15. Mercy means to be compassionate or lenient towards someone; sort of giving them something precious they could never have deserved. Mercy overlooks a person's weaknesses or flaws. Ps 103:13.
3. **It is a place where God takes away the pains of the past.** It is a “set time” for a new beginning in life. God hearkened to the cry of the Israelites in Exod. 2:23-25 also, our Lord Jesus Christ took away the pains of the past from Blind Bartimaeus.
4. **It is a place where you get a Rhema Word from God that propels you forward in life.** God spoke to Jacob at Bethel – Gen. 35:1-3.
5. **It is a place where God makes a way for you where seems to be no way.** Isa 43:18. God will do the unusual if you will only put away all the strange gods in your life.
6. **It is a time where God arises on your behalf.** Psalm 102:13 says - Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favor her, yea, the set time, is come.

I close with a great quote from Steve Goodier - *"Both the hummingbird and the vulture fly over our nation's deserts. All vultures see is rotting meat, because that is what they look for. They thrive on that diet. But humming-birds ignore the smelly flesh of dead animals. Instead, they look for the colorful blossoms of desert plants. The vultures live on what was. They live on the past. They fill themselves with what is dead and gone. But hummingbirds live on what is. They seek new life. They fill themselves with freshness and life. Each bird finds what it is looking for. We all do".* I ask again **“what do you look for when you come to the church? A Bethel experience with God or something else?”**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 19, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### THE GLORY AFTER SHILOH

Text: 1 Samuel 1:1-18

Our text relates to the story of a certain barren woman (Hannah) who had a change of story at Shiloh. Year after year, her adversary (Peninnah) would provoke her because The LORD had shut up her womb. Despite her husband's special affection towards her, she would weep and not eat. **This particular year at Shiloh, she poured out her heart in prayers unto The LORD God of Israel.** She even went a step further and made a vow to God that if a man-child is given her, she would dedicate him to the service of The LORD all the days of his life. God hearkened and granted her her petition. God did not just blessed her with an ordinary child; He gave her the best in the land of Israel. **Samuel was special – he was a king maker, a prophet, a teacher, a judge and a priest all through the land of Israel.** In addition, Hannah had 5 other children after Samuel.

Today marks the grand finale of our 40 days RCCG Worldwide Fasting and Prayer program and God is set to answer all our petitions like He did for Hannah at Shiloh. He said in Isaiah 45:19 that **He has not asked the seed of Jacob to seek Him in vain.** For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off. Prov. 23:18.

#### WHAT HAPPENS AFTER SHILOH?

1. **The LORD God of Israel remembered Hannah at Shiloh.** He will remember you too after this fast.
2. The situation of Hannah changed at Shiloh. No matter how hopeless your situation may look like, God will change your story after this fast. Ezekiel. 37:1-10
3. **Promotion came to Hannah after Shiloh.** God will turn every barrenness in your life to fruitfulness.
4. Hannah crossed over the boundary of intimidation, limitation, provocation, and oppression.
5. Hannah's request was granted.
6. She prevailed in all her prayers. She jumped for joy and her countenance was no more sad as soon as Eli told her God had answered her prayers.
7. **The Lord gave her victory over all her enemies.** 1 Samuel 2:1-3

#### Mountains That Must Disappear After Shiloh

- |  |                             |
|--|-----------------------------|
| 1. Mountain of Stagnation                          | - Exod. 14:16               |
| 2. Mountain of Lack                                | - Phil. 4:19, Haggai 2:8    |
| 3. Mountain of Vain Labor                          | - Isaiah 65:21-24           |
| 4. <b>Mountain of Incompletion and Abandonment</b> | - Zechariah 4: 8-9          |
| 5. Mountain of Helplessness                        | - Isaiah 61:1-4, Ps 121:1-3 |
| 6. Mountain of Barrenness                          | - Gen. 1:28, Isaiah 54:1-3  |
| 7. <b>Mountain of Affliction</b>                   | - Nahum 1:7-9               |

Therefore the redeemed of The Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away. Isaiah 51:11

## RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS



## **SHIELDED BY GRACE**

Text: 1 Samuel 18:1-15

We live in a world that is filled with so much evil that if we are not shielded by Grace we might end up as victims of the enemy's plans. From our above text, David having killed Goliath got into trouble as king Saul became envious when the women started singing the praises of David. **David's accomplishment stirred up jealousy in king Saul and he came relentless in his pursuit to kill David, but God was faithful to shield David with Grace.** Sometimes our accomplishments in life stir up jealousy in the hearts of others, hence our dare need to be shielded by grace.

As a believer in Christ Jesus it is dangerous for you to be envious of other people's success. Jealousy opens up one's life to all manners of evil, in the case of king Saul an evil spirit came upon him as a result of envy. 1 Sam. 18:10. Jealousy can lead to hatred, bitterness and eventually murder.

**One great lesson we can learn from David's ordeal is the fact that all through he behaved himself wisely** (1 Sam. 18:5). He did not retaliate against king Saul but left him to God. No matter what others do to you God expects you not to avenge for yourself as vengeance belongs to Him. Romans 8:31 tells us that if God be for us who can be against us?

**Apostle Paul is another great example of someone shielded by grace.** In Acts 23:9-14 some hoodlums bound themselves under a curse that they will not eat until they have killed Paul, but God was faithful to shield His servant with grace.

Child of God, be of good cheer, God will fight for you, don't be weary in well doing and never repay evil for evil, God Who sees you in the secret will reward you openly. I pray that every conspiracy concerning your life will be frustrated by The Lord. Ps 2:2-4 makes us to understand that God laughs when our enemies are plotting evil against us because He will have them in derision.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is also a great example of someone shielded by grace. **There were several attempts to terminate His Life prematurely but God shielded Him with grace.** John 7:30. This Year, I pray God will continue to shield your family with grace!

### **There are certain requirements before one can be shield with Grace:**

1. You must be born again. John 3:7
2. **You must have a quality relationship with God.** This means dwelling continuously in His secret place. Ps 91:1-2
3. You must be willing and obedient. Deut. 28:1
4. **You must have a good character.** 1 Sam. 18:15. Always carry yourself with dignity and honor before God and men.
5. You must live a righteous life. Always pray for God to give you the grace to live above sin. 1 John 3:7
6. **You must not be weary of doing good.** Gal. 6:9. No matter the persecutions, keep doing good, don't allow anyone to distract you. God will surely reward you for He cannot be mocked, for whatsoever a man sows, he will surely reap!  
Gal. 6:7



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 5, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### AT THE CROSSROAD

Text: 2 Chron. 20:1-30

“And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith The Lord unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; **for the battle is not yours, but God's.**”

Life is never kind to any man; it is cruel and never gives us what we want, except by a Divine Force. Life is a journey with many crossroads. No man is exempted from the crossroads of life, whether we like it or not, we all will get to our crossroads at some point in life.

#### What is a Crossroad?

A crossroad is a place you get to in life where you are clueless of what to do. **Crossroads are unpleasant situations that hits us unprepared. They make us confused and speechless!** It is a period one begins to ask questions and seek clarifications from God about what is happening. No man can handle any crossroad situation successfully without the help of God. They could come in form of battles, warfare, mountains, valleys, etc. **Regardless of your anointing, crossroads will come to test what you are made of (your spiritual stamina).** Apostle Paul with all his anointing faced his own crossroad in 2 Cor. 12:7. Even our Lord Jesus Christ was not exempted from the crossroad of life - Garden of Gethsemane experience in Luke 22:42-43.

#### What Did Jehoshaphat Do at His Own Cross Road?

*2 Chron. 20:1-30*

1. **He assessed himself** to see if they had done something wrong that gave rise to the situation. Likewise, whenever you get to any crossroad situation, examine yourself, if it is sin, pray to God for mercy immediately.
2. He set himself to seek The Lord (v.3)
3. He gathered the congregation together and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah. (v.3)
4. **He went into the temple and began to eulogize The Name of The LORD.** (v.6)
5. He reminded God of how He had been their help in ages past and how He promised to always fight for them. (v.7)
6. He acknowledged that they had no might of their own to fight this battle but their eyes were on Him. (v.12)
7. **He appointed singers and commanded that they should begin to praise the beauty of His Holiness.** (v.21)
8. God responded by setting ambushment against their enemies; they were all smitten as none survived. (v.22)
9. God gave Jehoshaphat rest round about. (v.30)

In closing, The God you serve is The Possessor of all things. He is not limited in any way. He is able to heal every bitter water in your life. **When you get to your crossroad, do not be confused or dismayed for His grace is always sufficient to see you through.** God Who began the good work in you will complete it. He is a Finisher Who never abandons whatsoever He starts. It is in praising and glorifying Him (like Jehoshaphat did) that solution comes to that cross road experience. **“Let the high praises of God be in your mouth, and a two edged sword in their hand to execute vengeance upon the heathen and punishments upon the people;** to bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute upon them the judgment written; this honor have all his saints. Praise Ye The Lord”. Psalm 149:6-9.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 29, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BECOMING A CHAMPION INSIDE OF YOU**

Text: 1 Cor. 9:24-26, Hebrews 12:1-3

**Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize?** So run, that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air.

God's plan for you this Year is to be a champion for Him. **Every New Year offers the opportunity for a fresh start.** Yesterday's failures should not be a hindrance to today's success. There is something in you that you must give birth to that the whole world must see this Year - Christ in you the hope of Glory.

**Paul in our above text (1 Cor. 9) compared our earthly journey to a race. Life is a race with many laps; it is also a bundle of stories unfolded as one ages.** Paul was exhorting we should be mindful of certain ingredients to winning in the race of life. Medalist in the Olympics always prepare ahead of time, they even subject themselves to rigorous exercises and disciplines in order to achieve their goal of being a champion. Winners do not just emerge they always prepare ahead because success don't just come in life; there are disciplines that must be imbibed. Whatever you prepare yourself for today is what you will become tomorrow. You need to wake up now and start asking yourself certain pertinent questions - what must I do and where must I be to achieve God's purpose for my life this Year?

Paul said in Phil. 3:13-14 - Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, **forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark** for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. You must set something before yourself before you can achieve anything meaningful. You must have set goals for this Year.

#### **WHY MUST YOU SET GOALS?**

1. Setting goals make you stay FOCUSED. Being focused help channel all your energy in the right direction. 1 Cor. 9:26.
2. **Setting goals will cause you to be DISCIPLINED.** Unproductive habits will have to be shunned to achieve your goal.
3. Setting goals help to SET you up for success. It propels you to get to the finishing life. Heb.12:2
4. **Setting goals makes you SPECIFIC in life.** Phil. 3:10
5. Setting goals makes you to OVERCOME some insurmountable mountains.

#### **What Must You Do to Achieve Your Goal?**

1. You must run your race with caution. Do not run somebody else's race, pursue God's race for your life. Lk 22:42-43.
2. **You must be temperate in all things.** 1 Cor. 9:25
3. You must not be distracted with anything. There will be many distractions, please avoid them. Heb.12:1
4. You must consolidate on each success achieved. One success should fuel another success. The race is in laps and those laps will get you to the next success.
5. **You need Jesus at the end of the day.** If you must succeed this year, do not put your trust and confidence in any man but in Christ Jesus alone. Jesus endured the Cross and despised the shame in order to accomplish His goal. Heb. 12:2.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 22, 2017 – Pastor Peter Olawale*

*(Special Assistant to General Overseer - Prayer)*

### WHEN JESUS ARRIVED!

Text: John 5:1-9

Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. We live in a world that is full of problems that defy human solutions. This was the situation of the man by the pool of Bethesda who had been there for 38 years. Jesus never arrives in a place without leaving a positive change. No one encounters Jesus and remains the same.

#### What Happens When Jesus Arrives?

1. From John 5:1-9 when Jesus arrived, the destiny of the impotent man was drastically relocated. **Whenever Jesus arrives in a place, the destinies of people are drastically relocated.** John 5:1. A divine relocation always happens whenever Jesus arrives in a place; sickness is divinely relocated to sound health, barrenness is divinely relocated to fruitfulness; debt is relocated to riches, etc. Ps 126.
2. When Jesus arrived what was known as labor loss suddenly ended in the impotent man's life. **When Jesus arrives in any man's life, every labor loss and unfruitfulness ends.** Isaiah 45:18-19. God is the builder of all things; anything you are trying to build without Him will ultimately fail! Ps 127:1-2.
3. When Jesus arrived this helpless man found help. **Whenever Jesus arrives in any place, the helpless always finds help.** Isa. 41:14-15. He releases help to the helpless. Isa. 50:7.
4. When Jesus arrived the long standing problem of the impotent man terminated. **Whenever Jesus arrives in any place, He terminates every long standing problem.** He is the Ancient of Days Who is older than all problems in this world. 2 Kings 7:1, Joel 2:25-26.
5. When Jesus arrived things that had been hard for the impotent man were made very easy. **Whenever Jesus arrives in a place whatever has been hard to do will be made very easy.** Dryness suddenly comes to an end. Ps. 126:1
6. **Whenever Jesus arrives, a man will suddenly come in contact with his own time.** Jesus went straight to the impotent man because it was his time. When your time comes, struggling will be over. Jesus is the One in charge of time and chance, when it is your time, He will command it. Eccles 9:11 and Zacchaeus in Luke 19:5.
7. **Wherever Jesus arrives the power to rise and walk will be suddenly released.** This is what happened to the impotent man, he was empowered to rise and walk. The appearance of Jesus in any place always releases power to rise and walk. John 11:44. To walk is to make progress steadily, and to rise means to leave your current level to the next.

#### Why Was This Man Singled Out of The Crowd?

From John 5:14, after the man was healed Jesus found him in the temple. This means the man was ready to serve God. When a man is ready to serve God, God is ready to showcase him to the world. **The greatest level of service you can render to God is "SOUL-WINNING"**. This Year you must be on the "Go" for winning souls. In addition to soul winning, you must serve God with your substance. Jesus said where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matthew 6:21

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 15, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### COMPLETING THE TASK

Text: Neh. 6:1-16, Zechariah. 4:6-9

Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is The Word of The Lord unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith The Lord of Hosts.

One of God's Prophecies for us this year is that 2017 will be a Year of Completion. From the above text in Zech. 4:6-9, it's not going to be by your might or your power but by The Spirit of God. The task before you and I this year is beyond our natural abilities, hence the need to look to God. Many don't even know God's task (purpose, destiny) for them this year. For some this task could be marital breakthrough, business breakthrough, fruitfulness, immigration settlement, etc. **Whatever Heaven's task is for you this year, realize that you are incapable of fulfilling it without the help of The Spirit of God.** Don't look at your smartness or credit score, they will do you no good, rather make God your focus this year. Ps. 127 says except The Lord build a house, they labor in vain that build it.

#### Ingredients of Completion of God's Task

1. **Know that God kept You alive for a Purpose.**
  - a. Esther knew she was kept alive for a purpose. Esther 4:14
  - b. Everything that ever happened in your life has been a stepping stone to your purpose. Rom. 8:28
  - c. God never abandons any project; He always completes what He starts. Heb. 12:2, Phil.1 :6
2. **Be Bold and Courageous.**
  - a. Be bold to embark on a new project this year.
  - b. Be bold to go back to any abandoned project for The Spirit of The Lord is with you. God Who resurrected the dry bones in Ezekiel 37 will make you succeed in the place where you have hitherto failed.
  - c. There is an anointing of Complete Restoration on us in RCCG this year. Romans 9:25-26.
  - d. There are "Jordans" you and I have to go over this year and we can't do such without The Spirit of God. "Jordans" are great feats Heaven has earmarked for us to accomplish this year. Joshua 1:2
  - e. Never be discouraged for victory is never meant for the weakling. If God is for us who can be against us. Rom. 8:31
3. **Seek God's Help this Year like never before.**
  - a. Seeking God takes you straight to the point.
  - b. Don't depend on your knowledge or your abilities, trust in The Lord. Neh. 6:15-16
4. **Refuse to be Distracted.**
  - a. This Year you need to disassociate yourself from people who are adding no value to your life. Neh. 6:2-3.
5. **Never let down your guards. Be watchful and at alert.** James 4:7

In conclusion, if you are focused the following will happen; firstly, God's task for your life will be completed. Secondly, fear will come upon all the enemies of your life; and lastly help will come from God. **Please don't give up this year on God's assignment for your life.** I pray you will be able to say like Paul in 2 Tim. 4:7-8 – "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 8, 2017 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

### **THE POST-CROSS THANKSGIVING**

Text: Heb. 13:15

By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His Name. **Post-Cross Thanksgiving is simply thanking God for what He accomplished for us on The Cross through His Son Jesus Christ.** It is making Christ the root and object of our thanksgiving to God. Hebrews 13:15, Col. 3:17. As believers in Christ Jesus, we are living in the Post-Cross era. In this dispensation, certain things which were true in our lives before The Cross (works of darkness), are to be unpermitted by us in this Post-Cross era.

The Cross of Christ was the greatest event in the human history as it was the turning point of humanity to God. Man was finally reconciled to God through the substitutionary sacrifice of Christ. **“And, having made peace through the Blood of His Cross, by Him to reconcile all things unto Himself; by Him,** I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.” Colossians 1:20 . At The Cross, a divine exchange took place; a substitute borne the wrath of God on behalf of humanity. Christ died and was made a ransom for us. Romans 5:6-11.

#### **Why Are We Thanking God For The Cross?**

1. Before The Cross, we were in the first Adam; after The Cross, **We are now in The Last Adam (Christ).** 1 Cor. 15:22,45
2. Before The Cross, satan owned our lives and thus had dominion over us; after The Cross, The Lord Jesus Christ is now the new Owner of our lives. 1 Cor. 6:15, 1 Cor. 3:23
3. Before The Cross, sickness was permitted to do whatever it likes with our body; **after The Cross, sickness is scripturally forbidden as our body is now the Temple of God.** 1 Cor. 3:16-17
4. Before The Cross, God was never our Father; but after The Cross, God became Our Father. 1 John 3:1, John 20:17
5. **Before The Cross, we had only an earthly citizenship which can do us no good in the realm of the spirit;** but after The Cross, we obtained our Heavenly Citizenship. Phil. 3:20
6. Before The Cross, we were seated in the low places of this world; but after The Cross, God has raised us and made me sit with Christ in Heavenly Places. Eph. 2:6

#### **Our Responsibilities in The Post-Cross Era**

1. To Know The Truth - John 8:32
2. **To Practice The Truth** - James 1:22
3. To Love our neighbors as our selves - John 13:34
4. To Pray without ceasing - 1 Thess. 5:17
5. To Honor God with our substance - Luke 6:38
6. To Serve The Lord - Heb. 6:10
7. **To Give Thanks always through Christ Jesus** - 1 Thess. 5:18

In closing, there was no other way for you and I to be reconciled to God outside Christ; this is why we must never forget the basis and foundation of our faith. **All through the Epistles we are enjoined to keep giving thanks to God for what He has done for us in Christ Jesus.** We are a people of thanksgiving because of the unsearchable riches and blessings God has so bestowed on us in Christ. Eph. 1:3. Like Paul said in Gal. 6:14 - But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him:** Rooted and built up in him, and established in the faith, as ye have been taught, **abounding therein with thanksgiving.** Col. 2:7



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 1, 2017 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# MIGHTY TO SAVE!

Text: Ps 108:1-6

O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory. Awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early. I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations. For thy mercy is great above the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds. Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth; That thy beloved may be delivered: save with thy right hand, and answer me.

We serve a God Who is Mighty to Save. **We are alive today not by our strength but His Mighty Hand.** Not by power and not by might, but by My Spirit says The Lord. You have every reason to give thanks to God, He has been on your side, and the side of your family. **The storms of life came and destroyed many in the past year, but God gave you the grace to stand** because you were planted on The Solid Rock of Jesus Christ - Matthew 17:25. It is Him we have come to praise this morning.

God has been the one keeping you. When the enemy vowed you won't see this year, God kept and delivered you from their hands. He sank the enemy in the Red Sea. Thank Him for His Grace and Power in your life. God wants to work His Wonders in our midst this Year through the instrumentality of Worship; He has promised to give us attention as we worship Him.

### Type of Worship God is Looking For This Year

1. **God is looking for a "Focused Worship"**. Be at alert in your worship this Year. Ps 108:2.
2. God is looking for "Unwavering Worship" - **a God-centered worship**. He wants to be the center of focus of our worship this Year. Ps 108:3.
3. **God is looking for "Enthusiastic Worship"**. Ps. 108:2
4. God is looking for us to worship Him **"everywhere we are"** - both in the closet and in the public. Ps 108:3
5. **God is looking for Worship that is "Geared towards Glorifying Him"**. If it is not glorifying God, it is not an acceptable worship. Ps 108:5

In closing, God wants our worship to be intense this Year. As we worship Him acceptably, He has promised that we will get His attention this Year. Being thankful makes God do more of whatever you are thanking Him for. Luke 17:17. When you thank Him for that little, you catch His attention and He does more. As you praise Him, He begins to act mightily on your behalf in all spheres. He saves and answers as you praise Him. **Paul and Silas switched gear to Praise and God delivered them by His Might Hand. Acts 16:25.** Seek Him, exalt Him, magnify Him, and let every part of your life keep glorifying Him and you watch how He decorates you with His blessings all year round.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 25, 2016 – Pastor Joseph Ayeni*

# GOOD NEWS!

Text: Luke 2:13-14

“And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.” Today is very important as throughout the whole world the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ is being celebrated. **We all like to hear and share good news; this morning God is bringing you the good news of His Son Jesus Christ Who came to the world over 2,000 years ago to be a ransom for you and I.**

In Luke 1:27-33, angel Gabriel brought good news to Mary – “And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favored, The Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.” **No matter how hopeless your situation is this morning, Christ is God's Good News to you.** He alone has the power to change your situation and make your joy full.

We all need good news every day, because when trouble comes, even the strong do faint. But for us who are believers, Christ is always our very present help in time of trouble. **A life without Christ is a life in perpetual crisis.**

### WHAT TO DO WITH GOD'S GOOD NEWS

1. **Firstly, you must accept His Good News (The Person of The Lord Jesus Christ) into your life so as to have a new glorious beginning.** Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. 2 Cor. 5:17. This Good News of Christ is for everyone in the world, no one is excluded. Luke 2:14
2. **Secondly, after you've accepted God's Good News into your life, you must endeavor to be continuously filled with the Power of The Holy Ghost.** Acts 1:8
3. **Thirdly, God's Good News of Jesus Christ is not meant to be hoarded but to be shared with others.** Matt. 28:18-20 says - “And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in The Name of the Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.”

In closing, realize that we serve a Good God Who daily brings the Good News of Christ to us; if you reject Him, you will suffer the consequence. **There is no true good news in this world outside of Christ.** He alone is the Anchor that can never fail. Everything you will ever need is in His Hands, He has The Power and Authority to do and undo. Don't celebrate Christmas without Christ, it will always lead to crisis.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



SERMON EXCERPTS



## **YOUR NIGHT IS OVER!**

Text: Gen.32:22-32, Romans 13:11-14

And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day. Gen. 32:24.

The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Rom. 13:12.

From our above text (Gen. 32:22-32), Jacob was on his way back home (after 22 years) to reconcile with his brother, Esau; he knew fully well that he needed to prepare himself accordingly because his brother had sought vengeance against him for all these years. **He knew he could not afford to embark on this journey lackadaisically, else the result would be disastrous.** He cleverly arranged his family to go ahead of him in batches and then separated himself to be alone with his God. Jacob was going through his night season.

### **Characteristics of Night**

1. **There is torment in the night.** Job 7:3-4
2. The night is often a passive period (without action, not much is accomplished). John 9:4
3. **Stumbling and falling is more prominent at night.** The eyes are useless when one is in a dark environment, hence stumbling and falling are inevitable. Is 60:18
4. In the night, speed is reduced, hence, one is slowed down or stagnated. I pray God will grant you divine speed like He did for Elijah in 1 Kings 18:46.
5. The evil works are prominent at night. Matt 13:24-25

### **PREPARING FOR THE NEW YEAR**

As we approach the coming year (2017), it is of utmost importance that we prepare ourselves accordingly. Jacob did not leave anything to chance, he prepared himself. **No man enters into any land unprepared and hopes to attain anything meaningful.** Every year is a new beginning that offers new opportunities for us to correct past failures and mistakes.

**Firstly, there is the need to collate and assess how you've fared in 2016.** Where are you in the agenda of God? Assess where you've missed it in 2016 and how you plan to make 2017 better.

**Secondly, realize that 2017 will not give you what you want, but what you demand!** Jacob made a demand to be blessed and the Heaven obliged him. Matt. 11:12 tells us that from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force. Also Job 38:12 makes us understand that we have the power to command the morning. If we can command the morning, we definitely can command the Year.

**Thirdly, you need to separate yourself to be alone with God.** You must refuse to be casual in your approach. Jacob knew if he was casual he might end up a casualty. If there is anytime you need to be zealous, it is now. You have to be zealous in prayers and in your walk with God. The Laodicean Church in Revelations 3:14-22, were not truthful to themselves, they were complacent and were thus, seriously berated by The Lord.

**Fourthly, you need to cast off every work of darkness and put on the armor of light.** In the new year, resolve to walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying, but putting on The Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof. Romans 13:12-14

In closing weeping may endure for this night, but joy comes in the morning. **Your Night is Over in Jesus Name!**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 11, 2016 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **ATTITUDES THAT GUARANTEE RECOVERY**

Text. Amos 9:11-15

Behold, the days come, saith The Lord, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt – Amos 9:13. There is an attitude that guarantees recovery in life. But before any recovery, there must be a pursuing and an overtaking. **To overtake you must set a target, have a focus and do something towards that goal.** It is the plan of God that you fulfill His agenda before end of this Year. The Year is still pregnant, God still has many things attached to your name in these last days of 2016. God has promised to restore everything you may have lost; He said in Joel 2:25 – **“And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you”.**

When we talk about “recovery”, it means there must have first been a “loss”. **Losses mean you had something precious hitherto, but along the line, you lost it.** It could be your health, finances, marriage, etc.

#### **Biblical Case Studies of Total Recovery**

1. The woman with the issue of blood in Mark 5:25-34.
2. The sons of the Prophet and the axe head in 2 Kings 6:1-7.
3. David praying for restoration of the joy of his salvation in Psalm 51:12

**What Usually Causes Losses?** Two things are principally responsible for losses. **Firstly, “the powers of darkness”** make people lose things. For the thief comes to steal and kill and destroy. John 10:10a. **Secondly, “sin” is a principal cause of losses in any life.** Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people. Prov. 14:34. Sin will bring poverty, sickness, sorrow, dryness and all manner of evils into your life. When you stop sinning, a new grace to move ahead comes and all that God intends will begin to come back. Deut. 28:1-13

#### **ATTITUDES THAT GUARANTEE RECOVERY (2 Chron. 7:14)**

##### **1. YOU NEED TO BE HUMBLE:**

Humility both at home and outside. Pride makes a person promote him/herself rather than God. Pride will not let you consider the agenda of God for your life. Pride is very harmful to your increase. Prov. 16:19. Pride goes before destruction. A proud man is an accident waiting to happen. James 4:13-16, Prov. 26:12. There is no hope for the proud. Pride will make a man not to be conscious of his spiritual condition like the Laodicean Church in Rev. 3:14-17.

##### **2. PRAY AND SEEKING THE LORD:**

Isaiah 55:6-7 admonishes “Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon”. **Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly:** Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet. Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God? Joel 2:15-17.

##### **3. TURN FROM YOUR WICKED WAYS:**

Holiness must be your watch word if you must experience total recovery. Holiness will cost you something, you must eschew every form of wickedness. It is wickedness to be maltreating your spouse. Your attitude must change in the coming year.

In closing, “If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land”. 2 Chron. 7:14

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 4, 2016 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### YET I WILL REJOICE

Text: Habakkuk 3:17-19

Though the fig tree may not blossom, Nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, And the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, And there be no herd in the stalls— **Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.** Our above text is an account of Prophet Habakkuk who got to a point in his life when things were not working right, but rather than murmur, he chose to rejoice in The God of his salvation. The word “Yet” in this context means regardless of what the enemy is doing I will rejoice. The enemy does not want you to rejoice and have testimony but God's Word commands you rejoice always for the joy of The Lord is your strength. **As a child of God, no obstacle should be strong enough to keep you downcast.** You serve a Great God Who makes His children great in life.

#### December - A Period of Reflection

We are in the last month of the Year, a period we ought to take stock of our lives by asking ourselves certain questions - **have I fulfilled Heaven's agenda for my life this year?** Where am I in the agenda of God? This is also a period of reflecting and giving thanks to God for His faithfulness thus far. Many that started the year are no more today but The Lord in His Mercy has preserved your life. December is indeed a period of reflection and collation of all God has done this year. Let the remaining 27 days of this year be periods of thanksgiving and praises for all The Lord has done for these 339 days.

#### Lessons From Our Text (Hab. 3:17-19)

1. **Our condition does not change God's position.** Worship and praises are due to our God in everything. God is still great regardless of what you are going through. Ps. 150:1 says “Let everything that has breath praise The Lord”. Our worship and praises must be deep and continual. 1 Pet. 2:9
2. **Yet, I will joy in the God of my Salvation.** It takes God to save a man. Salvation means rescue and delivered. It takes only God to truly rescue and deliver any man. Your being alive and healthy is only by God's Salvation. God has been our Keeper and Savior. Hab 3:18, Ps 121:3-8.
3. **The Lord God is my Strength.** Recognize and acknowledge that God has been your strength. It hasn't been your skills, vitamins or abilities that has brought you this far but The Lord. The Lord God is my strength; He will make my feet like deer's feet, And He will make me walk on my high hills - Hab. 3:19

#### What Happens When You Praise Him

1. He will add speed to your life. Hab. 3:19
2. He will open the floodgates of harvest over your life.
3. **Praise as a weapon of warfare makes God take over your battles.** Ps 149:6-9
4. God executes judgement upon your enemies. Ps 149:6-9
5. God makes what is not enough to be more than enough. Matt. 14:13-21

In closing, I counsel you to end this year with a heart of gratitude, appreciate the goodness of God. For better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof. Regardless of what you've seen or not seen this Year, stir up praise in your life and you'll not only see the enemy fleeing but also see God restoring all you've lost! Yet, rejoice in The God of your salvation!

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 27, 2016 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

*Annual Pastor's Appreciation Day*

### **THE PASTOR – AN ORACLE OF GOD**

Texts: 1 Pet. 4:11 & Jer. 3:15

If anyone speaks, *let him speak* as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, *let him do it* as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen. **And I will give you pastors according to Mine Heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.**

Without farmers, we can't eat good food; without architects, we can't live in good houses; without tailors we can't wear good clothes; **without Pastors we can't live a good and victorious life.** We all need Pastors not only to help us fulfill our destinies on earth but to also help prepare us to spend eternity with God in Heaven.

#### **WHO IS A PASTOR?**

1. **He is an Oracle of God** (one whom Deity dwells & speaks through). 1 Pet. 4:11
2. One commissioned to feed the flock with The Word of God. Acts 20:28
3. One appointed by God as a Watchman & Shepherd over souls. 1 Pet. 5:2,
4. **One who stands in intercession before God on behalf of a people.** 1 Samuel 12:18-24
5. One appointed by God as an agent of Deliverance for a people. Exod. 9:1
6. One ordained by God as an agent of Divine Rewards. Matt. 10:41
7. One appointed by God as a spiritual father to a congregation. 1 Cor. 4:15
8. **One who travails until Christ is formed in the Parishioners.** Gal. 4:19
9. One who ministers Christ to the people. Rom 15:16
10. **One ordained by God to prepare people for the second coming of Christ.** Luke 16:29

#### **What God Expects from Us as Parishioners**

1. **God expects us to pray continuously for our Pastors.** Eph. 6:19
2. God expects us to minister material things to them. Romans 15:27, Gal. 6:6
3. God expects us to honor them. 1 Tim. 5:17
4. **God expects us to believe in their ministry.** 2 Chron. 20:20, Matt. 13:57-58
5. God expects us to help lift up their hands. Exod. 17:12
6. God expects us never to speak against them. Numbers 12:1-8
7. God expects us to obey them – Heb. 13:17
8. **God expects us to grow up and not remain as spiritual babes.** 1 Cor. 3:1-2, Heb. 5:12-14

In closing, the Pastoral calling is a prestigious calling, no other profession in the world has God bestowed so much honor as that of a Pastor. He even has a Crown specially reserved for them in Heaven. We beseech you Sir to continue to feed us with The Living Word of God for that is what is able to build us up and give us our inheritance among them that are sanctified. **Thrice our Lord Jesus Christ instructed Peter "Feed My Sheep".** (John 21:15-17).



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 20, 2016 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

*Annual IGA Women's Conference*

### **A NEW ME**

Text: 2 Cor. 15:14-18

Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. It is critically important that you know who you are in Christ. Ignorance is a terrible thing that makes a man function below his capacity. **If you are not conscious of who you are, you may die like ordinary men.** Ps 82:5-7.

You are no longer yourself after you gave your life to Christ; you are now a new creature, a brand new person. As a follower of Christ it is expected that certain things (baggages) ought to fall off your life. **No one encounters Christ and remains the same.** When a new master (e.g. colonization) takes over a territory, a change is always imminent – the way of life, language and culture are imposed on the subject. For us who have been translated from the kingdom of darkness to the Kingdom of God's Son, **our lives should now mirror Christ.**

#### WHAT HAPPENED WHEN YOU GOT SAVED?

1. You have been totally and entirely transformed. Eph. 4:22-29
2. **You now have a new relationship with God. No more an enemy but a child of God.** 1 Jn. 3:1
3. God is now Your New Father. No more toiling as Your Father cares for His own. Luke 12:6-7
4. **You became very valuable. The value of God became your new value.**
5. You are now a powerful being; too dangerous for any enemy. God is now your defense. Zech. 2:8
6. You are now a more than conqueror. A master over situations and circumstances. Rom. 8:37
7. You are now a spirit. You've been translated from an ordinary to a spirit being. John 3:6, 4:24
8. **You are now a light that darkness can no longer comprehend.** John 1:5
9. You now have a new Master. He is your vine and you are His branch. John 15:5
10. **You have been grafted into Christ.** He is now your new root; His Blood now flows in you, hence no sickness can survive in your body any more.

It's high time you rise to your new potential in Christ. Don't give room for fear, you now have the power to change any situation. God has conquered for you but you've got to be bold and courageous to get what belongs to you in Christ. The devil does not want you to discover your identity in Christ because he knows his reign over you will come to a sudden end. **Stop weeping as if you have no hope, stop bowing your head, shame is not your portion, you are a child of God.** Nothing should ever cause you to worry; all will be well. Rise up and take your proper position in Christ. **Let the devil know you've rediscovered yourself, no longer a toy in his hand but now a tormentor of his kingdom.**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 13, 2016 – Pastor Adeniyi Daniel*

### **GOD IS INCREDIBLY GREAT**

God is mightily, severely, incredibly and massively Great. Even our enemies acknowledge God is not their mate. Deut. 32:31 - For their rock is not like our Rock, Even our enemies themselves being judges.

God will never need light to see; He is light Himself. **There is nothing to have that God does not have in abundance.** There is nothing to understand that He does not fully understand.

God is constant – The Same yesterday, today and forever. There is no time He will not remain as God. **He will not be more powerful tomorrow than He is today.** It will not be easier for Him to help you tomorrow than He can this very moment.

#### **HIS INCREDIBLE LOVE TO US**

See what an incredible quality of love The Father has shown to us ... 1 John 3:1a. God answers our prayer because we are so incredibly and preciously loved. God can't stand to watch any of us suffer. I charge you this morning to have faith in The Love of God. Eph. 2:7 NLT - **So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of His grace and kindness toward us,** as shown in all He has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus. We are loved incredibly. He will defend you in any situation. God is incredible jealous over us. God loves us the same way He loves His Son. Start running your life under His incredible Love and Grace.

#### **THE GOD OF SUDDENLY**

All through scriptures, we find God changing the stories of people suddenly. **When you praise Him, He responds and acts suddenly.** Isa 48:3, Malachi 3:1, Acts 2:1-2

- a) It took Him probably 5 minutes to deliver the mad man of Gardarene – Mark 5:1-20
- b) It took Him probably 15 minutes to grant the Syrophenician woman her requests. Mark 7:24-30
- c) It took Him probably less than 10 minutes to heal the 10 lepers. Luke 17:11-19
- d) Jehoshaphat and his crew sang His praise and The God of Suddenly destroyed their enemies in no time. 2 Chron. 20

One wonders why some believers doubt God's willingness and ability to deliver them. When you cultivate a praise lifestyle, God always shows Himself wonderful in your life. **You can worship yourself out of any hopeless situation like Paul and Silas did in Acts 16:25.** Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? who is like Thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? Exod. 15:11. There is a God Who responds to the Praise and Worship of His People. **Those who know God know how to get out of any distasteful situation through the weapon of Praise.**

Christ upholds all things by The Word of His Power (Heb. 1:3b). Even while He was in hell for 3 days and 3 nights, He was still upholding all things in heaven, on earth and under the earth by The Word of His Power. What a joy to us that He is now seating at The Right Hand of The Almighty and Incredible God. Don't let any evil dream create fear in you, always hold on to The Truth of God's Word. **As a believer who wants to experience The Incredible God, you should know the truth, believe the truth, confess the truth and behave the truth.** Till Christ returns, you are safe and secure in Him.

In closing, God spoke again to Ahaz. This time He said, "Ask for a sign from your God. Ask anything. Be extravagant. Ask for the moon!" Isaiah 7:11 MSG. Go and bury your fears and concerns, God has everything you will ever need in life.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 6, 2016 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE HEART OF GRATITUDE**

Text: Luke 17:11-19

Leprous is a disease of the skin that eats into the human body. In the Hebrew context, every leper is confined to live outside the city because of the contagiousness of leprosy. **It is an unclean label and dreaded disease that makes one live in isolation.** Only few people in scriptures were cleansed of leprosy (e.g. Naaman and Miriam). Leprosy is form of baggage that makes one a pollutant in any society, hence we can understand why the 10 lepers cried unto Jesus for help.

#### **Leprosy is a Picture of Sin**

Leprosy is a picture of sin because it stripes one of the glory of God. Leprosy is contagious just as sin is contagious. They both pollute any environment where they are found. **Sin opens one to all forms of diseases.** God never created us to be sick, it was sin that opened mankind to sicknesses and diseases. Leprosy makes one an outcast; sin also makes one an outcast before God. People dread any form of communication with a leper; God turns His Face away from those who indulge in sin. Leprosy can lead to death; sin also does lead to death. The wages of sin is death. Romans 6:23 . **There came a time when Jesus came into our lives just as He came across the 10 lepers.** He knocked the door of our hearts and cleansed us from all our sins. He took away every scar of sin and thus, reconciled us back to God. This is why we must always return to give thanks to Him.

#### **Look What The Lord Has Done**

Don't focus on what God is yet to do instead be grateful for what He has done just like the one leper that came back to give thanks. Many think that by their effort they'll make it in life, realize that without God you wouldn't amount to anything in life. God is the only One Who gives the power to make wealth, His Blessings are without sorrow.

#### **What Ingratitude Will Bring into Your Life**

1. An ungrateful heart will compose evil imagination which will give rise to a reprobate mind. Romans 1:21. Always be grateful for where you are.
2. **An ungrateful heart breeds envy.** Gen. 4:8-9. Be contented with what you have.
3. An ungrateful heart is a danger to itself because it attracts the curse of God. Malachi 2:2
4. An ungrateful heart breeds covetousness and bitterness, which eventually kills.
5. **An ungrateful heart causes dryness.** If you chose not to thank Him, even the little in your hand will be taken from you. Matt. 25:14-30.
6. An ungrateful heart makes one to be stagnant; progress will be far from such a person. Num. 14:2

#### **The Attitude of the One Leper**

From our above text, **we should emulate the grateful attitude of the one leper who returned to give thanks.** He came back and fell on his face before The Lord, sort of adoring and pledging his total loyalty to The Lord. Luke 17:16. He was made whole and every scar or trace of leprosy disappeared from his life. Christ is everything to us. Sin is a form of leprosy and Christ carried our sins and died for us, hence we owe our totality and entire being to Him.

In closing, murmuring and complaining will do you no good. **Always stress positive for God is a God of Speed.** Stop being negative, it does not take time, it only takes God! Your set time of favor as come in Jesus Name! Ps. 102:13



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 29, 2016 – Pastor Gideon Obiwale*

### **FIVE REASONS WHY YOU MUST DO GOOD**

Matthew 25:31-40 - “Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world”.

Many Christians think coming to church is all they need to make it to heaven; this is far from the truth as there is what we call Christian duties and obligations (good works). James 2:17 makes us understand that faith without works is dead. Christian maturity is ensuring your faith is accompanied with good works so that men may glorify your Father Who is in Heaven by your good works.

From our text, Our Lord Jesus Christ was talking about how believers who do good will be rewarded in the end time. **Jesus has gone to heaven to prepare mansions for prepared people** - John 14:2.

From Matt. 25:35-36, **Jesus mentioned six things done by those who will inherit the Kingdom of God.**

1. They fed the hungry
2. They gave drink to the thirsty
3. They accommodated strangers
4. They clothed the naked
5. They visited the sick
6. They visited the prisoner

**Note that these six things were all acts of unselfishness.** God did not bless you for you to be so engrossed with yourself, He expects you to be a blessing to those who will never be able to pay you back.

### **WHY YOU SHOULD DO GOOD?**

1. **Because of “your Name”.** Whatever you do while on earth (good or bad) is forever attached with your name. Acts. 9:36
2. **Because of “your Children”.** The good works of a father does pave way for his children. Many parents have mortgaged the destinies of their children by their evil acts. 1 Kings 11:12-13
3. **Because of “the evil day”.** Life is full of trials, temptations, problems and challenges but your good works can be used by Heaven to deliver you from an evil situation. Lazarus prior to his death was always ministering material things to Jesus, hence, Jesus reciprocated by raising him from death. John 11. As a believer, if God opens His archive would He see any good works you’ve done? Acts 9:37-41
4. **Because of “your end”.** What do you expect people to say concerning you when your end comes? Will they remember you for good or for evil? 1 Kings 15:23-24
5. **Because of “Heavenly Reward”.** Whatever you have done on the earth will be rewarded in Heaven. 1 Cor. 3:13-15

In closing, the purpose of the Church is to prepare heavenly citizens. **Denomination can never save any man, it is not a ticket to heaven, it is only a label to invite you to Christ.** I ask you this morning, “Are You Conscious of Heaven?” Many are in church but their lives have added no value to the church.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 23, 2016 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# STIR UP YOUR HEAVEN

Text: 1 Kings 18:41-46

Our choices in life affect the outcome of what every year brings to us. The way we serve God determines the level of our open Heaven. From our text (1 Kings 18:41-46), there was no rain for 3 years in Samaria until the man of God stirred up the heaven.

### Lessons from 1 Kings 18:41-46

1. **Elijah took responsibility by positioning himself in the place of prayer.** You cannot afford to be complacent in your Christian race, you must take responsibility to experience any meaningful change. Life is a battle that does not always give you what you desire but what you demand. Matthew 11:12 says “And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.”
2. Elijah “climbed and went up” to mount camel. It takes effort to climb, getting to the top requires a concerted effort.
3. **Elijah was expectant and persistent** - he kept sending his servant until there was sign of rain.
4. Elijah commanded for rain to come. James 5:17, tells us that as believers in Christ Jesus, we can command our rain to come and shake the Heavens by our words, acts and prayers, just like Elijah did.

You have been praying since the beginning of the year and it appears nothing seems to have happened. Don't give up, Jacob was determined that he wouldn't let go until The Lord blessed him. But how do you stir up your heaven?

### KEYS TO YOUR OPEN HEAVEN

1. **Tithing** - Tithing is God's recipe of open heavens for your life. Your efforts are fruitless without The Hand of God upon your work. A farmer who consumes his seed should expect nothing during harvest season. Not paying your tithe is tantamount to robbing God. Lev. 27:30-32, Malachi 3:8.
2. **Keep Your Priorities Right** - let your motive for breakthrough be Kingdom driven. Matthew 6:33
3. Don't be double minded. Be constant wherever God has planted you. James 1:6-8
4. **Have a proper understanding of Who God is.** Know the nature and the ways of your God. Dan. 11:32
5. Operate in Faith. Strong faith is necessary to stir up your Heaven. Heb 11:6
6. Maintain a proper relationship with God
7. **Be willing to walk with God.** Enoch and David walked with God. 2 Chron. 7:17.
8. Keep sin out of your life. Heb 12:14
9. **Speak the right word and always carry a positive attitude.** “It is Well” should be your slogan in every situation.
10. Pray until something happens - never turn down any call for prayers. 1 Thess. 5:17

In closing, Ephesians 4:17 enjoins us to rise up from our sleep and Christ will give us light. **Until you wake up and take responsibility there will be no progress.** When your heaven is stirred up, all elements of creation will begin to work in your favor. Hannah took responsibility by taking action before God moved to take barrenness away from her.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 16, 2016 – A/P Wole Olubajo*

# YOU ARE NOT YOUR OWN

Text: 2 Cor. 5:14-21 – “And that He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.” As a believer in Christ Jesus, realize that ownership of your life changed when you gave your life to Christ. **You no longer own yourself, stop forcing things to happen**, let Him have His way!

## YE ARE DEAD

For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God – Col. 3:3. Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, **even so we also should walk in newness of life**. Rom. 6:3-4. God had to make us experience death (through water baptism) in order to make certain things a reality in our lives.

- I. A dead man is free from every accusation of the enemy – Rom. 8:1
- II. Death and sickness have no more dominion over a dead man – Rom. 6:9
- III. **A dead man is immune to the activities of the forces of darkness**. Eph. 1:20-23
- IV. Curses, spells, enchantments, evil family pattern are powerless against a dead man. Gal. 3:13-14
- V. Death of the old man must occur before one can walk in the newness of life – Rom. 6:3-4
- VI. The death of our old man now makes our bodies a container for Christ to dwell in. 1 Cor. 6:19
- VII. **Never forget, you died and your new life is hid with Christ in God!**

## YOU ARE NO LONGER YOUR OWN

- a. You have been bought with a price, realize you are no longer your own. **Slaves have no personal agenda outside of their master's**.
- b. Paul said in Gal. 2:20 “**...Not I but Christ..!**”
- c. In natural law, it's criminal to claim ownership of what belongs to another. 1 Cor 6:19-20.
- d. **You have served and mismanaged yourself long enough, would you let Christ have His way now?**
- e. No more personal agenda but Christ's agenda; no more “American Dream” but “Christ's Dream!”
- f. Remember you're going to render an account one day for how you've managed all God as committed into your hands. 2 Cor. 5:10
- g. The charge this morning is **“Henceforth, no longer live for yourself but for Him Who died to own you!”**

## YOU NOW HAVE A NEW LAST NAME

As a believer, your new Last Name is “Christ”. Eph. 3:16, 2 Tim. 2:19. Certain doors open to us in life because of the gravity, weight and authority behind our last name. **Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a Name which is above every name**. That at the Name of Jesus every knee every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth. Phil. 2:10

In closing, “And that He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.” 2 Cor. 5:15

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



SERMON EXCERPTS

*Grand Finale of Men's 2016 Conference*

## **BE A MAN!**

Text: James 1:22-25 – “For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass”. A mirror helps us to see ourselves so as to make necessary adjustments and changes. The Word of God is the true mirror of life as it shows you who you are in Christ. **There is no way a man can be what God wants him to be if he does not maintain a continuous gaze at the mirror of The Word.** As a man, when you look at the mirror of The Word, what do you see? A weakling or a mighty man of valor? A victim or a victor?

Man was created in the image of God. I have said, Ye are gods; all of you are children of The Most High - Psalm 82:6. **If The Word of God says you are a god why are you seeing yourself as a grasshopper?** Numbers 13:33. As a man you are a progenitor and sustainer; the source from where God ordains things to flow from for the family. God expects you to be a role model (spiritually, financially, emotionally, etc.) for the family. 1 Tim. 5:8.

### **WHAT MAKES A MAN A MAN?**

1. **The Commandment God has given You to be a Leader makes You a Man.** God calls you the head and enjoins you to lead courageously. Joshua 1:6-9. Don't allow the culture of the land to make you abandon your role as head of your family. 2 Sam. 11:1. As a man, God has given you a mandate that you must fulfill; real men don't abandon their course.
2. **Honor and Respect makes you a Man.** Realize that respect is earned and honor must be worked for. A real man does not demand for respect and honor, his character and godliness simply commands respect and honor from everyone. If your wife and children should follow your life style, will it take them to Heaven or hell? Gen. 18:19.
3. **Acceptance of Responsibility makes You a Man.** A real man accepts responsibility. 1 Tim. 3:4 says “One that rules well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity”. As a man, **God is calling you to be a good manager of your household.** Many men are bringing curses upon their families by their incessant sinful activities. Be very careful as your actions and inactions have eternal consequences on your children and their children's children. Eli in 1 Samuel 3:1-13 is an example of this.
4. **Total Submission to God makes a Man a Man.** A real man not only fears God, he also craves to learn from Him daily. Joshua 24:14.-15. Many men are depending on their natural abilities, and thus not trusting in God. The secret to any man's success is his fear and trust in God.

### **God called David a man after His Own Heart because:**

1. David was humble. Ps 62:9
2. David revered God.
3. David trusted God. Ps 27:1
4. **David's love to God was impeccable.** Ps. 18:1
5. David's devotion to God was unparalleled
6. David's degree of faithfulness to God
7. David had a repentant Heart.

**In closing, be a man that God has called you to be. Stand up to your true image as shown in the mirror of The Word.** Like David, can it also be said of you that you are a man after God's Own Heart?



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 2, 2016 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **SEASON OF CHANGE**

Text: Psalm 126:1-6 – “When the LORD turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream”. A season is an era in life. Nothing is permanent under heaven as seasons do change. Gen. 8:21-22.

Everything has its time and season. **Our lives on earth operate in seasons.** There are times we go through tough situations; we must always remember, tough times don't last but tough people do. Many have bowed to the pressure and discouragement of life because they have no understanding that it is only for a season. In 2 Cor. 4:8-10, **Paul was giving an account that everything had not always been rosy but The Lord had always been there for him.** Psalm 30:5a also tells us that weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

**Every season has its purpose;** the winter, spring, fall and summer seasons all have their different assignments. As believers in Christ Jesus we serve a God that specializes in changing seasons for His Children. Dan. 2:21a tells us **God changes the times and seasons.** From our above text, God changed the season of captivity into the season of joy for the Israelites in Ps. 126. He also changed Hannah's season of barrenness into a season of joy by blessing her with a child - 1 Samuel 2:1.

Child of God, no matter how hopeless your situation may look like, **recognize that God is able to change your season if you would only praise Him.** Psalm 67:5-6 says – “Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.”

#### **What Happens When God Changes Your Season?**

1. He turns away your captivity – Ps 126:1
2. Joy comes to you. – Ps. 126:2,5
3. **There shall be bountiful harvests in your camp.** Ps. 67:6
4. Every sea (obstruction) will flee before you, even Jordan will be driven back. Ps. 114:4
5. He turns you away from any path of perdition. Psalm 126:4

In closing, as you make praise your lifestyle from this new month, God will open your file and cause you to move from one season of joy and celebration to another. **Therefore the redeemed of The LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion;** and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away. Isaiah 51:11



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, Sept. 24, 2016

### IGA 2016 DRAMA FESTIVAL – GRAND FINALE

Text: Jeremiah 32:27 – “Behold, I am The LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for Me?”

God's Message to us today was through the medium of a Gospel Drama Movie produced by the IGA Drama Ministry and directed by Elvon Jarrett.

Be blessed as you watch the movie:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fryRtD7Jreo>

2016 IGA DRAMA FESTIVAL

THEME: **THE GOD OF ALL FLESH**  
JER. 32:27

WITH SPECIAL GUEST  
APPEARANCE BY:  
**ELVON JARRETT**

SEPTEMBER 22ND & 25TH 2016  
TIME: 7:00 PM & 10:00 AM

*Come and witness a Cinematic Experience of the Power of God!*

VENUE: 10330 SUGAR BRANCH DRIVE, HOUSTON TX 77036  
HOSTED BY THE IGA DRAMA MINISTRY

Isaac Generation  
ASSEMBLY

ADMISSION: FREE

Like us on

[www.isaacgeneration.org](http://www.isaacgeneration.org)

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

## **FAMILY SERIES WEEK**

Text: Matthew 19:5-6 - 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate." Many families today are facing lots of challenges, most of which are avoidable.

### **COMMON CAUSES OF MARITAL PROBLEMS**

1. **Many couples are not ready to leave and cleave**, they still allow extended families to negatively influence their marriage. Matt. 19:5
2. Many couples do not understand their biblical roles as husband and wife. Some husbands are very bossy and aren't carrying out their headership in love.
3. **Many couples have not taken time to understand each other**. Scriptures admonish husbands to dwell with their wife with understanding. Couples are to respect each other's likes and dislikes and learn to say and take sorry from each other easily and genuinely.
4. **Many couples have not made up their minds that divorce is not an option**. Mal. 2:13. God hates putting away.
5. The wise woman builds her house, but the foolish pulls it down with her hands. Prov. 14:1. Many wives are the undoing of their marriage, they aren't doing anything to build up their homes.
6. **Many wives are not help-mates to their husbands**. A help-mate is someone who helps the other do things they aren't able to do. Gen. 2:18. A godly wife complements her husband. Also the husband should be actively involved in doing house/domestic works.
7. **Many couples are not enlightened about the details of the manufacturer's instructional manual for marriage** (The Bible). They believe they don't need the manufacturer's manual. Ephesians 5:22
8. Dishonoring each other. Only a mad man beats himself, many men do not honor their wives as weaker vessels. 1 Peter 3:7. Honor your wife, always give her the benefits of doubt.
9. Many husbands are not providing for their families. 1 Tim. 5:8. As husband, you are to provide for your family's financial, emotional, and spiritual needs. You should take the lead spiritually as priest of the house.
10. **Many couples do not understand that they have different personality traits**. You need to understand personality's differences; everyone is unique, we are different genetically and in many areas. We all have areas of strengths and weaknesses.
11. Many couples use sex as an instrument to punish or take a revenge on their spouses. 1 Cor. 7:3
12. **Some husbands allow their extended families to disrespect their wife**, this is unacceptable.

In closing, Col 2:18 - "But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth". Also Ephesians 5:22-25 admonishes - "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto The Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and He is The Saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. **Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it.**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016 – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **HELP IS ON THE WAY**

Text: Jeremiah 38:1-13 - "So they pulled Jeremiah up with ropes and lifted him out of the dungeon. And Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison." Everyone needs help in life; we all need assistance to fulfill our destinies as no man is an island. You need help from above to be able to become what God wants you to become. **No man can truly succeed in life without the help of God, for vain is the help of man.** Some rely on man to help them but God says in Jeremiah 17:5 "Woe (cursed) *be* the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm." In 2 Kings 6:27 a king told a woman, "If the LORD does not help you, where can I find help for you? From the threshing floor or from the winepress. God is our only true source of help in life. Psalm 46:1 tells us "**God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.**"

Our text relates to Jeremiah's ordeal with the princes of the land and how God sent help from the least expected source to rescue him from the pit.

#### **Lessons From The Text (Jeremiah 38:1-13)**

1. Jeremiah delivered God's message of judgment to Israel regarding their sinfulness and disobedience. Jer. 38:2-3
2. As a result, the princes of the land reported him to the king and he was thus thrown into the pit to die of hunger. Jer. 38:4-7. Prophet Jeremiah got into problem while carrying out his divine assignment. **Child of God, in your quest to fulfill destiny, you will encounter certain troubles from the enemies of progress.** Realize that trouble is part and parcel of life, but be rest assured that your victory has been guaranteed by God in Christ Jesus. 1 Cor. 15:57. The agenda of the enemy is to keep you in the pit to torment you. I have good news for you this morning; help is on the way for you. No matter the issue confronting you (health, immigration, marital, etc), God will stand and fight for you.
3. **God is everywhere; there is no place where He is not.** He is everywhere because He is the ever present help in time of trouble. Zechariah 9:11 says "As for you also, Because of the blood of your covenant, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit."
4. **God can use the least expected medium to help His children.** He used the king's servant (Ebed-Melech) to help rescue Jeremiah from the pit. Child of God, recognize that God can use anybody to rescue you from any pit of the enemy. I pray you will not miss the one God has sent to help you. Jer. 38:10
5. **God rescues His own with dignity.** Jeremiah was brought out of the dungeon with comfort. Jer. 38:11-13. When Christ rescues His own, He puts His ointment over them to displace every shame and reproach in their lives.

In closing, May The LORD answer you in the day of trouble; May The Name of The God of Jacob defend you; May He send you help from the sanctuary, And strengthen you out of Zion.

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Sept. 4, 2016 – Pastor Greatness Onwudegu*

### **IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS!**

Text: 1 Thess. 5:18

In Every thing, Give Thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. The giving of thanks is very crucial in our walk with God. **We are not told to give thanks FOR every thing but to give thanks IN every thing.** As believers, the will of God for us in Christ Jesus is to give thanks IN every thing. No matter how hopeless the situation may look like, scripture enjoins us to give thanks **not for** it **but in** it. For example, we are not to give thanks for sickness but to give thanks in it if we ever experience such.

You may have lost some things in life but God is the very reason you have not lost everything. You may have lost your job, but thank God you did not lose your life.

#### **Why You Should Give Thanks IN Everything**

1. Thanksgiving attracts God into your situation.
2. Thanksgiving makes God to open a greater channel of blessing for you.
3. **Thanksgiving is a food that satisfies God.** Ps. 50:12-14
4. Thanksgiving provokes God's intervention on your behalf (Paul & Silas in Acts 16:25)
5. Complaining will do you no good, it only worsens the situation. 1 Cor. 10:10
6. **Every mortal man is moved when appreciated; how much more God?**
7. The level of your thankfulness determines your height in life.
8. Thanksgiving is the secret to your lifting in life.
9. If you give Him thanks, The Most High will draw Himself to you. Ps 22:3
10. **When you give Him thanks, He appears as The Eledumare** (The Almighty)!

God specializes in reversing distasteful situation as people truly give thanks to Him. No matter how hopeless your situation may look, God said give thanks IN it. **There are situations that may be discouraging but God says, give thanks in it** for I am able to cause it to work together for your good. Give thanks **not for** what has happened **but in** what has happened. God remains God in the midst of any situation you are going through.

In closing, your complain or crying cannot give you access to Him, Ps 100:1-4 from the Message Bible tells us the password to His access – “On your feet now—applaud GOD! Bring a gift of laughter, sing yourselves into His presence. Know this: GOD is God, and God, GOD. He made us; we didn't make Him. We're His people, His well-tended sheep. **Enter with the password: “Thank you!”** Make yourselves at home, talking praise. Thank Him. Worship Him.



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 28, 2016 – by Rev. Gabriel Akin Oke*

### **JUBILEE, MY RELEASE HAS COME!**

Text: Exo 12:29-42

Jubilee is a time appointed for fulfillment of God's deliverance among His People. **It is a celebration of God's Mighty Hand breaking yokes, barriers and limitations in people's lives and setting them free.** There are many people today living under certain bondages that Christ has already paid the price for. For this purpose The Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil – 1 John 3:8. If there was no need for divine intervention in our lives, Jesus would not have come. He died to make the Supernatural a reality in our lives.

#### **Divine Intervention for Israelites**

**God's power brought urgency to the recovery of Israel terminating scarcity, lack, and sickness,** so shall it be with you in Jesus Name. Israel had been under bondage in Egypt for over 400 years and when the appointed time came, The Lord visited them as He had said and delivered them supernaturally. Except God delivers you from bondage no matter the abundance in your environment you wouldn't be able to partake of it. But when God intervenes there will be a release of blessings to you just like God caused the Egyptian to release their wealth to the Israelites in Exod. 12:36.

#### **Jesus Came to Declare Your Jubilee**

Jesus said in Luke 4:18-19 – “The Spirit of The Lord is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; To proclaim the acceptable year of The Lord.” **The Name of The Lord is higher than any barrier around you.** That Name which is greater than every other name always provokes divine intervention on your behalf, hence no spell or curse or divination is permitted to work against you.

Jesus is still on the Throne of Majesty and in His Name you have victory in all areas of life. **He has wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us.** And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it. Col. 2:13-15. This is why as believers we are very confident in the face of any challenge - we have The Great Healer/Physician, The Man of War, The Lord of Hosts, The One Who alone can bless and no one can curse as our Lord and Savior. He can never be cornered because He is Supreme over all things, all offices, and all persons.

**In conclusion, to experience His divine intervention, you need to sing praise His Praises like Paul and Silas did Acts 16:25-26.** Despite their condition, they kept praising The Lord unashamedly and suddenly there was divine intervention - the prison door miraculously opened and they were not only set free but every one around them also obtained deliverance.

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 21, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BE CONFIDENT!**

Text: Jer. 33:1-16, Heb. 10:35-39

“Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.” God is a God of Covenant Who always performs what He promises. Before God makes any promise, He would have set in motion all that is needed for the promise to come to past. He promised Abraham a child and despite his seemingly hopeless condition, He still fulfilled His promise; your case will not be an exception in Jesus Name.

#### **Abraham Believed in Hope**

Romans 4:18 tells us how Abraham who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, so shall thy seed be. **Even though the promise looked impossible, Abraham held on to God's Word.** He was not weak in faith; he considered not his body now dead and the deadness of Sarah's womb but was strong in faith. He held on to what God had promised; he was confident that God would make good His promise.

What has God spoken about you? As a seed of Abraham through Christ Jesus, God has promised you greatness **but for that promise to come to past, you have a part to play.** You must be confident that God would fulfill His promise no matter how hopeless your situation looks like.

#### **What is Confidence?**

Confidence is the belief or trust in someone's ability that can never fail. **It is relying on the fact that someone has the capacity and ability to make good their promise.** God does not want us to put our trust in anything aside Him. Jeremiah 17:5 says “Woe *be* the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm.” Is your confidence based on the One that made you? Many have put their confidence in man and have been grossly disappointed. **Before you can have confidence in someone, there must have first being a relationship.** Many have lost hope in God because they don't have a genuine relationship with Him. The only place you can build your confidence in God is in the place of having a relationship with Him.

#### **You Build Your Confidence In God By:**

1. By accepting His invitation to come closer.
2. **By trusting in Him and not in man.**
3. By serving Him with all your heart.
4. By keeping a cheerful and joyful heart like Joseph.
5. **By not being weak but strong in faith.**
6. By believing He is able to perform what He promised.
7. **By not just “seeking” Him but “chasing” and “pursuing” Him.**

In conclusion, no matter where you are now, there is a greater level of relationship you can have with God. The greater your depths of relationship with Him, the higher and stressless you fly in life!



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 14, 2016 – by Bro. Emmanuel Joseph*

*Annual Youth's Week*

### **IN HIS TIME**

Text: Eccl. 3:1-11

Our God is a very powerful God Who makes everything beautiful in His time. The mystery of His creation is still unfathomable in the world of science. It took Him only 6 days to make everything under heaven. God is not just a Great Creator; He is also a God of Order Who has a set time for everything. He never does anything haphazard. **There is a set time for every of His plan and purpose over your life.** Eccl. 12:1 enjoins us as Youths to “Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth, Before the difficult days come, And the years draw near when you say, I have no pleasure in them”.

#### **BENEFITS OF WAITING FOR GOD'S TIME**

1. **His Blessing comes over your life.** Gen.17:16. God is never late, He is always on time, He has the ability to bypass the law of nature to bring His plans to past. Abraham and Sarah were already passed the age of bearing Children but since nothing is impossible with Him, He brought His promises to past.
2. **You will experience His Healing.** John 5:4-9. The impotent man by the pool of Bethesda received healing because God's time singled him out for his healing.
3. **You will experience His Restoration.** 1 Sam. 30:8 - God made David to recover all the enemy stole because it was His time of Restoration.
4. **You will experience Victory.** Esther 5:14. When you wait for God's timing, He causes your enemies to fall into their traps. Our God is not slack; He is a very Wise God Who shows His salvation to all who wait for Him.

**Destruction is a great consequence for anyone who chooses not to wait for God's Timing.**

a. Abraham and Sarah were both impatient and ended up causing great trouble for themselves (Ishmael) in a bid to hasten the promise of God for their lives.

b. The prodigal son too was very impatient when he demanded for his inheritance before his father's time.

#### **What To Do To Enjoy God's Blessing At His Time**

1. Be Obedient. Isaiah 1:19
2. Be Patient. Heb. 6:12
3. **Be Contented with whatever you have.** 1 Tim. 6:6
4. Always Listen to The Holy Spirit. Romans 8:14
5. **Be Prayerful .** 1 Thess. 5:17



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 7, 2016 – by A/P Wole Olubajo*

### **I AM UNCONQUERABLE!**

Text: 1 John 5:4 –“For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world--our faith.” The offspring of a goat is always a goat; the offspring of a dog is always a dog; the offspring of a man is always a man; in the same vein, **the offspring of God cannot be anything less than a “god”!** This is because in the law of creation in Genesis 1, everything produces after its kind. God is a Great God who gives birth to Great Children. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His Name. John 1:12

**What Does it Mean to be Unconquerable?** Unconquerable means when someone is indefatigable or too strong to be defeated. An unconquerable person is incapable of being surmounted. **They live above the natural realm; hence they are a “dangerous” set of uncursable people!** Certain things were bestowed on us by virtue of our redemption in Christ Jesus; God made us to be “unconquerable” in Christ. 2 Cor. 2:14, Rom. 8:37

#### **WHAT MAKES US UNCONQUERABLE?**

1. We are Born of God. 1 John 5:4
2. **We are the Seed of Abraham.** Gal. 3:29, Heb. 2:16
3. The Greater One Lives in us. 1 John 4:4
4. We are gods! John 10:34

**Your “unconquerableness” is deeply rooted in your depth of revelation of who you are in Christ Jesus.** To walk in this realm, Romans 12:2a admonishes “And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind”. This means you need a mind transplant, a continuous reprogramming of your mind with The Word of God.

#### **The Mentality (Or Mindset) of an Unconquerable Being**

1. They carry a Victory mentality – 1 Cor. 15:57
2. They carry a far above mentality – Eph. 1:21
3. They carry a Superiority Mentality – John 3:31
4. They carry a Blessing Mentality (they know curses are powerless against them). – Num. 23:11
5. They carry an Exemption Mentality – Exo. 8:22, Isaiah 60:2
6. They carry an Immunity Mentality – Acts 28:4-6
7. They carry a Possibility Mentality – Num. 13:30

#### **The “I AM” FACTOR!**

“I AM” is a Sacred Name of God that should never be used casually. Exod. 20:7 and Exo. 3:14. Any statement you make after “I am” makes the universe to create that which you have said. This is why Joel 3:10b says – “... let the weak say, I am strong!”

In closing, The Word of God is the mirror God uses to reveal your “unconquerableness” in life. As you keep looking and meditating on it, it makes you unbeatable in the battlefield of life! But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by The Spirit of The Lord. 2 Cor. 3:18.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 31, 2016 – by Deacon Tunji Akinrinde*

### **I WILL CELEBRATE!**

Text: Luke 15:11-29

Regardless of what is happening, The Word of The Lord to you this morning is – **YOU WILL CELEBRATE!** Our above text relates to the story of the prodigal son. He woke up one morning and demanded for his inheritance from his father. His father obliged him his request. It did not take long before he squandered his inheritance by a riotous lifestyle and thus, lost everything. **As his suffering multiplied, he came to himself and decided to go back to his father.** Though he had planned to return as a servant but to his surprise his father ran to welcome him with joy and thus, restored him to his sonship position.

#### **LESSON POINTS**

1. **The father was waiting for his son's return.** It does not matter how bad your situation may look now, God is waiting for you to come back to Him. He is about to turn around that situation and cause you to celebrate.
2. **The father was not pre-occupied about his son's mistakes** but was so excited that his son came to himself. Likewise, God is not counting your mistakes and shortcomings but waiting for you come to yourself and return to Him.
3. **The father gave him his best robe to cover his nakedness.** God also is waiting to cover you with the garment of His righteousness as you return to him.
4. **The father ignored his son's request to return as a servant.** As a believer in Christ Jesus, regardless of your past, God has made you a joint heir with Christ (not a servant). This is why you must be grateful for this new status in Christ. 2 Cor. 5:17
5. **The father was so elated that he threw a big celebration party** to welcome his lost son home. Luke 15:7 tells us that there is joy (big celebration) in heaven over one sinner that repents.
6. **Though the father's action did not go well with the prodigal son's elder brother,** the celebration party still took place.

You need to focus your attention on the great things God had done for you in the past rather than focusing on the things He is yet to do. **God has promised you from Ps 71:21, that He will increase your greatness and comfort you on every side.** Remember, the hearts of kings are in The Hands of God and He turns it wherever He wills. His thoughts towards you are always thoughts of good and not of evil. Jer. 29:11

In closing, Habakkuk 3:17-18 says - "Though the fig tree may not blossom, Nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, And the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, And there be no herd in the stalls-- **Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in The God of my salvation.** It does not matter how bad things may appear, God says rejoice because He is with you and working things in your favor.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 24, 2016 – by Pastor Doyin Jaiyesimi*

### **A DAY OF THANKSGIVING**

Text: Ps 107:15

Oh, that men would give thanks to The Lord for His goodness, And for His wonderful works to the children of men! Praise and thanksgiving boosts and hastens answers to prayers. **The Word of God admonishes us to give thanks to The Lord for His goodness and mercies.** You need to be ever grateful to God. Many were alive last night but are now in the mortuary, you are alive this morning and in His sanctuary – O that men will give thanks to The LORD! You have every reason to be grateful to God. Many have luxurious beds but cannot sleep, some have wealthy but cannot eat. There are so many problems out there in the world that money cannot solve. **You need to be grateful to God!** Things might not have happened the way you want them to, but thank God He didn't allow the desires of the enemy to come to pass over your life.

#### **Why Should You Praise The LORD?**

1. **God does more as you genuinely give thanks from your heart.** You provoke more of His blessings as you praise Him. You need a heart of thanksgiving. Many that were born on the same day you were born are no more today. You need to be grateful to God!
2. God takes you to greater heights as you truly praise Him from your heart.
3. God makes you a 'sought-after' person (a solution provider) as you appreciate Him more and more.
4. **When you give Him thanks, there shall be recovery of your blessings.**
5. When you praise Him in spirit and truth He brings His purpose to pass in your life.
6. **When you have a heart of gratitude, you will always enjoy Divine Direction in all your ways.** 2 Chron. 20.
7. When you develop an attitude of thanksgiving, God will always take over your battles.
8. **When you give thanks to Him in all situations you will always be delivered from every work of darkness.**
9. You should give thanks to Him for great is His Faithfulness over your life. Lam. 3:23
10. When you praise The Lord, your prayers will be speedily answered.

In closing, we celebrate God's Shepherd in the House (Pastor Shola Awobajo) as he marks his birthday today. We pray God will continue to multiply him in all areas of ministry in Jesus Name.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 17, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **JUST BE THANKFUL**

Text: Habakkuk 2:1-3.

We have every reason to be grateful to God. So much has happened this Year already, **many horrible things that have claimed many lives but God has kept you and your family alive and exempted** from those tragedies. For 199 days already this Year, He has kept your family safe from the plans of the wicked. You need to be thankful to Him for being alive because it hasn't being by your strength nor intellect but by His Grace alone.

#### **You Owe Him Praise**

Whatever might be happening around you, you still owe Him praise. Things might appear unpalatable but God says, wait for it, for the vision is for an appointed time. The waiting period may appear as a wasted time but God still says, wait for it; for it shall no longer tarry, He will surely bring it to pass. Give Him praise for where you are now. Joseph despite his pit and prison experience kept giving thanks to God and within 24 hours God promoted him from a prisoner to a Prime Minister. **As a believer in Christ Jesus, your life is in His Hands, why are you still trying to fix it by yourself?** God is ever faithful to keep whatever has been committed into His Hands.

#### **Why Must You Praise Him For Where You Are Now?**

1. **As you praise Him, the Vision will be accelerated.** Ps 67:5-7..

A. Praise multiplies what looks insufficient and makes it more than enough. Jesus fed more than 5,000 people with 5 loaves and 2 fishes after He gave thanks for the “little”. Luke 9:6-7

B. Praise makes you to flourish in all areas of life. Ps.92:12

2. **As you praise Him, your Victory will be accelerated.** He will set you on the path of Victory. 2 Chron. 20, Ps. 149:6-9

3. **When you praise Him, He will release a Glory** that will cover every shame and reproach in your life. Acts 16:25

4. **When you praise Him, He will restore those visions** you thought have been lost. Joel 2:25

In closing, in everything, give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. God inhabits in the Praises of His People. He will surely bring His vision for your life to pass as you wait for it with a thankful heart!

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 10, 2016 – by Bro. David Boham*

*(Annual Children's Week)*

## THE GOD OF FULLNESS

Text: Ephesians 3:19 – “.....To know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all **the fullness of God**”. Everything about God is in flood and abundance. You will always see the expression 'Ful' besides everything about Him. For example, He is Merciful, Faithful, Wonderful, Powerful, etc.

What is Fullness? **Fullness means the state of being filled to capacity**. It also means the state of having excess or overflow. The opposite of Fullness is lack, dryness, shortage, and scarcity. God's Desire is to make us benefit from His Fullness. He wants us His Children to be beneficiaries of His Peace, Power, Wonders, Grace, Abundance and Blessings.

### Why We All Need The Fullness of God?

1. So as to be a Blessing to His Kingdom
2. **So as to be a Blessing to others**
3. Because there is an enemy who is always looking for opportunity to steal, kill and destroy.
4. **Because as human beings, we are limited in life.** We have limited knowledge and resources.
5. Only the Fullness of God can end every sorrow in life.
6. Only the Fullness of God can heal any sickness or disease.

### Examples of Those Who Enjoyed God's Fullness in the Bible

1. God made Abraham very rich.
2. God made a barren woman called Hannah to be a mother of 5 children – 1 Samuel 1
3. God made a man born blind to gain his sight.
4. **God made the Red Sea to open up for His children to pass through.**
5. God raised the dead child of a widow in Luke 7:11-17
6. God helped Daniel to interpret the King's dream.
7. **God provided manna for the Israelites in the wilderness for 40 years.**
8. God fed 5,000 people with 5 loaves of bread and 2 fishes – Mark 6:41

Is there anything God cannot do? Is there anyone who would like to connect with the Fullness of God?

### How To Connect to God's Fullness?

1. You Must be Born Again. John 3:16
2. You Must be Prayer-Ful. 1 Thess. 5:17
3. **You Must be Full of His Word.** Joshua 1:8
4. You Must always be Thankful and Grateful to God. 1 Thess. 5:18
5. **You Must be Generous.** Luke 6:38

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 3, 2016 – by Pastor Yomi Oyenuga*

### **THE APPOINTED TIME**

Text: Hab. 2:2-3

Whether you know it or not there is an appointed for everything about your life. Nothing just happens in life, everything (good or bad) has an appointed time. For us as believers, God has an appointed time for His vision for our lives.

#### **What is Vision?**

Vision is a goal that tells about your destiny. It tells about what is coming at an appointed time. **Every vision must spell out a defined route to take.** The route may be long or short, but there is always a definitive route to see any vision fulfilled. For your vision to be fulfilled at the appointed time, there are a few things you must do.

#### **What To Do To See Your Vision Fulfilled?**

1. **There is a Place of Waiting.** For the appointed time to come, you must wait for it. Every vision must pass through a process of waiting before fulfillment. Naturally it takes about 9 months of waiting for any baby to be fully formed in the womb. For you to fulfill vision, you must be willing to pay the price of waiting. If you “cut corners” you wouldn't get to the appointed place at the appointed time. David said in Ps. 40:1, I waited patiently for The Lord and He inclined unto me and heard my cry. Isa. 40:31, Ps. 102:13.
2. **You must Position Yourself.** This means you must be in the right place at the right time for the vision to speak. You must position yourself by spending quality time in the presence of God for your vision to speak at the appointed time. You cannot be loafing about and expecting your miracle to manifest at the appointed time. Luke 6:1-10.
3. **You need to Go The Extra Mile.** You can fast track the vision by going the extra mile. Going extra mile helps in moving The Hand of God to hasten to bring the vision to past. Zacchaeus in Luke 19:4 went the extra mile by climbing a sycamore tree before his miracle of salvation came at the appointed time; Jesus saw him going through the extra mile and thus paid him a visit. 2 Chron. 16:9. **Going the extra mile means taking tangible steps that you would not have otherwise taken;** this could come in form of sowing sacrificial seeds.

In closing, blind Bartimaeus positioned himself by going the extra mile to have a divine encounter. You need to ask yourself, what extra mile can I take to position myself to fast track my miracle?

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 26, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### WE NEED TO REGAIN OUR SPEED

Text: Luke 15:11-24

Our text relates to the story of the prodigal son, how he walked his way back to regaining what he had lost. **We all have at one point or the other lost certain things in life**, hence the need for a repositioning in order to regaining whatever we might have lost. Many have lost their marriage, career, or health in life. Before you can regain anything you've lost, there has to first be a discovery of what was lost. It is after discovery that you then make efforts to recover. 1 Sam.30. **To recover is to regain what was lost, it is to be indemnified.** It is to be put in the place that you were before the lost. Without your eyes being opened (by God) to what was lost, you might never make any effort to recovering it. The prodigal son's eye was opened to what was lost when he came to himself. This was the beginning of his recovery and restoration.

**As believers in Christ Jesus, God wants us to regain (at a supersonic speed) whatever the enemy has stolen** in our lives. There are 4 levels of speed in life – (a) Snail Speed; (b) Normal Speed; (c) Jet Speed; and (d) Supersonic Speed. Supersonic Speed is the speed to light.

#### WHAT TO DO TO RECOVER

1. **You need to stop sleeping and awake from your slumber.** Eph. 5:14. Many believers don't know their position and rights in The Lord. Gal. 3:13-14. You are not cut out to be slow in life, others may be slow, but that is not your portion in Christ. God redeemed you for a life of unending progress. Prov. 4:18
2. **You need to know that you cannot go far in life in the energy of the flesh.** The Word of God says by strength shall no man prevail. As an ambassador of Christ, you are a heavenly citizen on an earthly mission; hence the resources of Heaven are always at your disposal. No ambassador is sent out to suffer or struggle in a foreign land. Acts 10:38
3. **Discover that you are not born to live an ordinary life.** The prodigal son discovered this and thus, made up his mind to get out of the mess he got himself into. Matt. 11:11. 1 Pet. 2:9 says that you are a royal priesthood, a chosen generation redeemed to show forth the Glory of God. You are to be the solution wherever you find yourself. Don't accept anything short of this.

#### WHAT ARE YOU TO RECOVER?

- A. You are to recover all that the enemy has stolen from you. 1 Sam. 30:18-19
- B. **You are to recover your denied blessings of past years.** Joel 2:25
- C. You can recover your health. Jer. 8:22
- D. **You can recover your dreams and aspirations.** Despite all Joseph went through, God helped him to recover his dreams and aspirations



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 19, 2016 – by Pastor Kunle Olukowajo*

### **A NEW THING**

Text: Mark 10:46-52

Our text relates to the experience of a man (Blind Bartimaeus) who woke up one day and unknown to him God was about to do a new thing in his Life. **When he heard that The Lord would be passing by, he saw it as a wonderful opportunity to get a new thing from Him.** We are in a new calendar year in RCCGNA as our national convention had just ended and God is ready to make good His promise for a new thing. You need to be expectant and focused on the new thing God is about to do.

#### **Salient Lessons from Mark 10:46-52**

1. Blind Bartimaeus cried for Mercy from The Lord, and God had to stand still to attend to him.
2. **He was not discouraged by the mockery of the naysayers.** He maintained his focus on The Lord.
3. He trusted God for a creative miracle. Hitherto, it was probably never heard that a blind man received a new sight. With God all things are possible. Don't belittle God, trust and look to Him alone.
4. He got an uncommon promotion and thus, became a center of attraction. God can raise you from anywhere to any height in life.
5. He got a new garment. **God took away his garment of shame and reproach.** May God put a new garment of his Glory on you in Jesus Name.
6. Discouragement turned to Victory.
7. He got a Pleasant Surprise. Blind Bartimaeus was open-minded. You need to have an open mind in order to receive a new thing from God. You never know what God can do in your life in a split of a second.

In conclusion, **Blind Bartimaeus used his "ears" to hear that Jesus was passing by and then he used his "mouth" to shout and ask for mercy** and he got mercy from God. Mercy is of God and He gives it to His children abundantly. There is no rest anywhere outside of God. He said come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Matt 11:28

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 12, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### ACCOMPLISHING THE ASSIGNMENT WITH SPEED

Text: Gen. 24:10-15. There is time for everything and a purpose for everything under the Heaven. Eccl. 3. From our above text, a time came for Isaac to be married and his father (Abraham) sent his servant to find a wife for his son from his country. The servant committed everything into the Hands of God by praying for God to grant him good speed and show him kindness; **while he was still speaking, God had answered his prayers**. Recognize that your success in life is not going to be by your smartness but by God granting you good speed.

**What is Speed?** Speed can be defined as the act of moving quickly towards a goal. **It is a rapid movement or action towards a defined destination**. It is also the act of making high rate of acceleration towards a pre-determined goal. As a believer in Christ Jesus, God has designed your life for speed; it is an aberration for a child of God to be stuck in life.

#### Types of Speed:

1. **Slow Speed:** this is movement at the pace of a snail – e.g. crawling.
2. **Normal Speed:** this is normal pace of motion - e.g. walking.
3. **Jet Speed:** this is turbo movement towards a goal - e.g. flying by plane.
4. **Supersonic Speed:** supersonic speed is the rate of travel of an object that exceeds the speed of sound. *Only The Hand of God can cause a man to experience “supersonic speed”*. You need supersonic speed to achieve God's purpose for your life; don't depend on man, for the arm of flesh will fail you. 1 Kings 18:46, Acts 8:26-40

#### What The Enemy Uses To Slow People Down

1. **Sin:** Sin will slow you down faster than anything else. Num. 31:16
2. Deliberating on the pain, mistake and guilt of the past. Phil 3:13
3. **Distraction** - Matt. 14:29-30
4. **Fear:** Fear beclouds your mind and judgment and thus destroys. 2 Tim. 1:7

#### Instruments That Will Enhance Your Speed

1. Diligence and obedience to The Voice of God. Deut. 28:1
2. **Praising God for every little thing you see;** complaining will surely slow you down. Jos. 6:20
3. Be watchful and Prayerful. Luke 18:1, 7-8
4. **Meditating and staying glued to The Word of God.** Josh 1:8

I conclude with 1 Kings 18:45-46 - Now it happened in the meantime that the sky became black with clouds and wind, and there was a heavy rain. So Ahab rode away and went to Jezreel. **Then The Hand of The LORD came upon Elijah; and he girded up his loins and ran ahead of Ahab** to the entrance of Jezreel.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 5, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE ANTIDOTE TO YOUR MOMENT OF CRISIS**

Text: 2 Chron. 20:1-30 - Our text relates to the conspiracy of three nations who vowed to destroy Judah. The natural thing for any man to do when confronted is to be afraid; **Jehoshaphat was afraid when he heard the news but thankfully he remembered the faithfulness of The God of Israel.** The enemy keeps imagining a vain thing against us as children of God, but because Jesus is our Supporter, we should never be afraid for He will not let us fall. Don't allow any threat of the enemy to shake you off from Christ.

#### **The Cross Roads of Life**

There are "cross roads" we all pass through in life, no one is exempted. **"Cross Roads" are situations that challenge our faith;** circumstances that make us feel the Heaven seems to be falling over our lives and we don't know what to do! Paul in 2 Cor 12:9-10 got to a situation in his life when he didn't know what to do. Even Our Lord Jesus Christ got to His Own "Cross Road" in the Garden of Gethsemane. Matt 26:36-46

#### **What To Do?**

From our above text (2 Chron. 20), Jehoshaphat when confronted by the enemies turned to The God of their Fathers. **God told him they would not have to fight in this battle, for the battle was not theirs but His!** All they needed to do was to position themselves, stand still and see the salvation of The LORD. 2 Chron. 20:17. God instructed them to sing His praises and as they began to sing His Praise, He set ambushes against their enemies and they destroyed themselves. 2 Chron. 20:22

In Acts 16 Paul and Silas while on a missionary journey came to their own "cross road". They were jailed for doing the work of The Master; rather than complaining they began to do what God instructed Jehoshaphat and Judah to do in 2 Chron. 20:21. **They began to sing hymns and praises to God and suddenly there was an earthquake** and the chains of every prisoner in the jail house were broken. Acts 16:25-26

Ps 149:6-9 tells us to *let* the high praises of God *be* in our mouth, for God uses our praises to execute judgment upon our enemies.

In closing, when you praise Him for everything, He becomes your everything. He becomes your Jehovah Jireh, Your El-Shaddai, Your Adonai, and Your Jehovah Rapha. **As you praise Him in this new month, He will go ahead of you like a man of war, and straighten the crooked path** and also make a way for you where there seems to be no way.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD SPEED!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



SERMON EXCERPTS

## **WHEN GOD REMEMBERS**

Text: Ps 106:4-5 – “Remember me, O LORD, with the favor *You have toward* Your people; Oh, visit me with Your salvation, That I may see the benefit of Your chosen ones, That I may rejoice in the gladness of Your nation, That I may glory with Your inheritance”. **Anything that has the tendency to be remembered also has the tendency to be forgotten.** God never forgets nor forsakes His own. Man may forget but not God, He always shows up at the appointed time. Your Heavenly Father has you in mind, He sees what you're passing through and will undoubtedly show up. **Don't lose hope, He will surely come.** Job 14:13-14.

### **What Does It Mean When God Says He Will Remember You?**

1. It means He has not forgotten you in bondage. The God Who remembered Esther in a foreign land will surely remember you too in Jesus Name. Esther 2:9.
2. It means a Divine Attention. Deut. 4:31, Ps 9:9-10.
3. **It means God will turn any satanic death sentence to life.** Esther 6:4, Prov. 11:8
4. It means He will turn around every (distasteful) situation. Ps 55:23
5. It means He will bring to you a rapid promotion. Esther 6:1.
6. **It means He will bring healing and deliverance.** Joel 2:32, Ps 44:4
7. It means He will change every negative label on your life. 1 Chron. 4:10
8. **It means Goodness, Favor and Mercy will be released.** There is Favor by availability (Gen. 12:2); there is Favor by Merit (Gen. 22:17); and there is Favor by Unmerited (Esther 2:9).
9. He will restore you and give you grace for supernatural attention. 1 Cor. 15:9

### **Benefits of God's Remembrance**

1. You will go forth - Isa 62:1.
2. **You will be called a new name.**
3. You will have a crown of Glory. Isaiah 62:3
4. You will be fulfilled and enjoy the sure mercies of David. Ps 89:28

In closing, Grace is God on duty. **For God to remember you must be a godly person, not a sinner and not among the scornful** – “Blessed *is* the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.” Psalm 1:1-2

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 22, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

# COMMITTED TO THE CALL

*Annual Ushers' Week*

Text: John 4:30-38

Our text is about the commitment of our Lord Jesus Christ to His call. While on a missionary journey with His disciples, He took a rest by a well in Sychar, where He eventually ministered to a Samaritan woman. When His disciples returned, He told them “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.” This is commitment to the core. He knew the reason why He was born hence was committed to that call. His calling was the driving factor of everything He did. He said in John 9:4-5 - “I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; *the night is coming when no one can work.* As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.”

### What is Commitment?

Commitment means faithfulness to a cause. **It is the state of being dedicated and unchangeable to a cause one believes in.** When you make a commitment you are creating a relationship with The Almighty God, hence your cause becomes His cause; **thus, He takes personal responsibility for everything about your life.** Matt. 6:33. God saved you so that you can in turn be committed to His cause on earth. It is a dangerous thing to be saved and not have any commitment (active service or stewardship) in your local Church. God is not committed to people who are not in active service for Him, even if they are saved. You are saved to serve. John 2:17, Luke 19:9-10. God is calling you today to a place of commitment and faithfulness to His service.

### Characteristics Of Committed Christians

1. They are compelled by love to do the work of The Master. Love is their driving force. Acts 14:19-20
2. **Their life means nothing to them.** As Paul said, for me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Phil. 1:20-21
3. They are glad and happy to follow Christ. Heb.12:2
4. **They are willing to suffer with Him.** Matt. 10:38-39, 16:24

In closing, do you know why you are created? Are you functioning in that area? Realize that you are called to serve. Paul said in Rom. 8:35-39 - Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?* As it is written: *"For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter."* Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD SPEED!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **YOU WILL BECOME WHAT GOD WANTS YOU TO BECOME**

Text: Ps 40:7 – “Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book *it is* written of me”. **There is a book written about you; everything about who your journey on earth has already been penciled down by God in this book.** It is the blueprint for your life and carries the mandate of Heaven concerning you. God wrote special things about who you're to become. In the Book, you are programmed to be a success and not a failure. However, it is one thing to have success written about you, it is another thing for it to manifest.

**Recognize you are not on the surface earth by accident; you are sent by God to leave an indelible imprint on the earth.** Jer. 1:5 says - "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations”.

**Life will not give you what you deserve but what you demand!** And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force - Matthew 11:12. You don't have any problem; you just have challenges opening the book. **Weeping continues until the book is opened** - Rev. 5:1-4. Even Our Lord Jesus Christ had to open the book before what was written about Him came to pass. Luke 4:17-19. His dream came to pass because He took responsibility to see that what was written came to pass.

### **What The Book Says About You as A Believer in Christ?**

1. You are a Royal Priesthood – 1 Peter 2:9
2. You are More Than a Conqueror – Rom. 8:37
3. You are an Overcomer – 1 John 5:4
4. **You are a Son/Daughter of God** – John 1:12
5. You are the head and not the tail – Deut. 28:13
6. You are a king – Rev. 1:6

### **Opening The Book**

Jesus Christ, The Captain of Our Salvation, is the only One Who can help you open the Book. And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, The Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof. Rev. 5:4.

### **How To Access What is Written?**

1. Be Born Again
2. **Be a Commitment Christian**
3. Live a Holy Life
4. Through Aggressive prayers

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**





## **THE MOTHER'S INFLUENCE**

### Mother's Day Celebration

**Text: Proverb 31:25-31.** Not all women are mothers, as many do not carry the virtue spelt out in Proverb 31. It's a divine privilege for a woman to be made a mother. God sees a woman as one that would incubate His ideas and visions, hence, the womb of a woman is created to be an incubator. Gen. 4:1, Ps. 127:1. **Women are incubators; without them, we could not be.** Every man was born by a woman. Isaiah 66:5-7. God needed a woman to partner with Him in creating children, hence the Children belong to The Lord.

Becoming a mother is a mystery, as no one can make themselves a mother without God's input. Women put their lives on the line each time they are about to bring forth. John 16:21. W.X Ross says "The hand that rock the cradle rules the world". The job of a mother is a 24 hour task, as children naturally demand attention day and night. **The very touch and speech of a mother go a long way in shaping the destinies of their children.** What influence are you having on your children?

Mothers are the first teachers as they lay the foundation. Every giant today was once born by a woman. The first bonding of a child is with the mother. **To be a successful mother involves a lot of labor, hard work and sacrifice.**

Who is a Mother? A mother is a teacher. Solomon's mother instilled certain principles into him that helped shaped his life. Prov. 31:1-6.

### **Exemplary Mothers in Scriptures**

1. Solomon's Mother – Prov. 31:1-31
2. Timothy's Mother and Grandmother – 2 Timothy 1:5
3. Samuel's Mother – 1 Samuel 1 & 2
4. Jesus Christ's Mother – Heb. 5:8, John 2:1-11

Just as we have exemplary mothers, the Bible also cites examples of bad mothers; Herodias is an example of a bad mother. - Matt. 14:6-9.

**An Admonition for Fathers:** Our mothers need your help and support; stop giving them further pains as they have endured so much. They need our encouragement; let's do things that add value and joy to their lives.

In closing, God is looking for faithful women who would partner with Him in raising Godly children. Be encouraged and fulfill your calling as a mother.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **ACCESS TO OPEN HEAVEN**

Text: Acts 16:20-26

The GOD we serve is a God of Plan, a God of Purpose and a God of Principles. **He always plans ahead of time with principles behind every of His purpose.** He knows everything about you before you were born. He had a purpose in mind when He fashioned you in your mother's womb. Jer. 1:5.

**God never goes outside His principles to do anything;** His principles are His ways of doing things. For example, His principle for accessing His Presence is found in Psalm 100:4 – “Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, *And* into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, *and* bless His Name”. **Praise is the only acceptable way to access God.** From our above text (Acts 16:20-26), Paul and Silas were chained in the prison, but rather than complain they switched to the master key of “praise”, and were thus supernaturally delivered.

### **What Happens At The Presence Of Praise?**

1. Every red sea will flee before you; Jordan will turn back; and the mountains will skip like rams. Ps. 114:1-7
2. God will give you things you're unqualified for. Matt.15:22-28.
3. Judah (praise) has 5 children - Perez, Hezron, Carmi, Hur, and Shobal. **Perez means “breakthrough”;** **Hezron means “protection”;** Carmi means “Growth”; Hur means “Purity”; and Shobal means “overflow”. 1 Chron. 4:1
4. Praise will buy you time. Isaiah 38:2-5
5. Praise will give divine direction for your destiny. Act 13:2
6. **Praise makes God to fight your battle.** Acts 16:25
7. Praise delivers you from the chain of the enemy.

In conclusion, **stop murmuring against God, it will do you no good,** rather exalt Him in that situation and watch how He makes everything work together for you good!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD SPEED!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **THE GREAT COMMISSION**

### ELDERS' GROUP ANNUAL WEEK

Text: Revelation 12:11 - And they overcame him by The Blood of The Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

**The most powerful tool for evangelism is testimony of a changed life.** The basis of being a Christian is experiencing a change of story. The Christian is an Overcomer who goes about sharing his/her testimony to win souls for Christ.

You don't have to be smart or a theologian to win souls for Christ, all you need is to share your testimony with others. Your testimony is what God has done in your life since you got saved. People need to see and hear what The Hand of God has done in your life. **Jesus died so that your life can be a testimony to win souls into The Kingdom.** As you share your testimony, you are fulfilling your role as a good steward of God's Resources.

#### **Luke Bernard's Testimony**

Luke is Dr. Daniel Bernard's son; he was involved in a ghastly car accident in March 2013 that ought to have claimed his life. **His brain was severely damaged and the doctors wrote him off but The Miracle Working God healed him of everything in 2 months.** Today he shares his testimony everywhere of The Love of God towards all. Today he is an author of a book and also working on a movie project. He believes God saved him so as to show His Unfailing Love and to also make him fulfill his destiny. When the unfortunate incident happened in 2013, his father prayed to God that his son would not die but will fulfill his destiny just as Jesus fulfilled His destiny before His death. He took the battle for his son's healing to the realm of the spirit by engaging in spiritual warfare through fervent prayers.

#### **FIGHT FOR YOUR DESTINY**

Destiny is becoming all God planned for your life. God has a destiny for your life and if care is not taken Satan could steal or kill that destiny. **You need to fight for that destiny God has for your life.** Realize that your destiny is tied to many souls' destinies, hence the need to wake up in time. Satan is going to try to keep you from fulfilling your destiny? The fight is on!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD SPEED!**

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



### **SERMON EXCERPTS**

# TEAM BUILDING

## Family Life Series (Part 1)

**Women's Group Communiqué Representation:** Communication is very important to us in our marriage; hence **we want our men to be better listeners**. We want our men to do a better job protecting us from the in-laws. We don't want our men cheating or having extra marital affairs. We don't want jobless men who rely on their wives' paychecks. We would appreciate if our men can help with more of the domestic housework. **We like our men to be more open to share their concerns with us** rather than confiding vital information with external parties. We would like vacation trips, such as ship cruise. We also want our men to learn to forgive and not keep records of wrongs.

**Men's Group Communiqué Representation:** We want our women to be more appreciative of the little house work we do rather than the incessant complain that we are not doing enough. As men we're not wired for doing certain domestic housework (like cooking), we believe our women are better at such tasks. **We want our women to trust and respect us as head of the household and not contest our headship**. God made our women to be help mates (not head mates), and they should strive to fulfill this ministry.

### Pastor and Mummy Pastor's Address

1. The first thing God gave man was work, not wife. This means a man must be working, not using the wife as a meal ticket.
2. **God has wired us differently**, women don't try to make men women and men don't try to make women men. Everyone should do their duties as scriptures as spelt out.
3. Let's learn to be vulnerable and open to one other. Never use any information against your spouse.
4. Gen. 1:26 - this is where God started the first ever team work, when He said, let Us make man in Our Own Image. So God expects every couple to work as a team before they can exercise dominion.
5. **A peaceful home is built not wished for**. Every home or relationship is to be built. Prov. 14:1 – The wise woman builds her house, but the foolish pulls it down with her hands.
6. Stop comparing your spouse to another person, God wired him / her specifically for you.
7. **Marriage is not about winning arguments**. It is about pulling resources and virtues together in order to get to God's goal for their lives. You don't get any gold medal for winning arguments in your marriage.
8. It is good for partners to make decisions together. The power of synergy.
9. Share your time, ideas, thoughts, and life together.
10. Maintain constant contacts all through the day – phone calls, texts, etc.
11. **God has given you your spouse as a treasure**; hence treat him/her the way you want to be treated by God.
12. What you have in your hand is a Child of God; if you don't handle him or her carefully you are inviting the Judgment of God upon yourself.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 10, 2016 – by Pastor D.A Ilori (A.G.O)*

### **THE PORTION OF THE RIGHTEOUS**

Text: 1 Corinthians 1:30 - But of Him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.

Who is a Righteous person? Righteousness begins when you accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior. Anyone who does not accept Jesus can never be righteous, for all our righteousness are as filthy rags. Isaiah 64:6. Until you are in Christ you cannot claim to be righteous. **Righteousness means your sins are washed away by The Blood of Jesus and thus justified before God.** The righteousness and faith of your parent or children cannot save you.

As the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus, you must live a Holy life; sin should be a thing of the past; you are to obey The Lord in everything, and to also live in Love.

#### **The Portion of The Righteous**

1. **It shall be well with the Righteous.** Isa. 3:10
2. The Righteous shall eat the fruit of their labor. They will not labor in vain. Isa. 3:10b
3. The Righteous shall be delivered from all evils and afflictions. Psalm 34:19.
4. **The Righteous shall enjoy Divine Favor from every side.** Prov. 3:1,4
5. The Righteous shall have Good Success and Prosperity. Joshua 1:5-8
6. **The Righteous shall have Good Health.** 1 Pet. 2:24
7. The Righteous will have Peace and Joy. Prov. 3:7-8, Ps 37:37.
8. The Lord will always Help the Righteous. Ps. 37:39-40.
9. The Righteous will Live Long. Ps 91:16, Prov. 3:2.
10. **The Righteous will make it to Heaven.** Matt 7:21

In closing, God is The Ultimate Doctor, He created you, hold on to His Word and reject everything contrary.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD SPEED!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 3, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### LET GO THE PAST!

Text Isaiah 42:9-12 - Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them. **Our God is The God of new things.** He wants us to forget the 'former things' (be it success or failure) as He's about to do a new thing far beyond what He has done in the past.

#### **Forget The Past**

There is nothing you can do about the past, it can't be changed neither can it be corrected; **so why keep crying and ruing over what is unchangeable when you have today to create a greater tomorrow?** If you allow the past to overwhelm you, you wouldn't move forward in life, hence, will miss the New Thing God is doing. Psalm 137:1-3 makes us to understand that remembering the (distasteful) past makes one to weep and also dwell in a strange land.

#### **Stop Looking Back**

Don't let the past moderate your life; this is why a car's rear view mirror is far smaller in size than the windshield. A continuous gaze at the rear view mirror only leads one into a ditch! Concentrate in your future, there is a target by heaven for you to reach. There is a set plan of God for your life. **God wants to turn your disappointments to appointments and your failures to successes.** He said in Psalms 102:13 - Thou shalt arise, *and* have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come.

#### **Rejoice in The God of Your Salvation**

Habakkuk 3:17-19 admonishes us on what to do when it appears nothing is happening. – “Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither *shall* fruit *be* in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and *there shall be* no herd in the stalls: **Yet I will rejoice in The LORD, I will joy in The God of my salvation.** The LORD God *is* my strength, and He will make my feet like hinds' *feet*, and He will make me to walk upon mine high places.”

#### **Rise Up and Move Forward**

For a just *man* falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief. Paul in Philippians 3:13-14 says – “**this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth** unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”

In closing, Paul said again in 2 Tim.1:12b: “.....for I know whom I have believed, **and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.**” The past will rob you of the “new thing” God wants to do in your life, let go of it!

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **HE IS RISEN!**

Text: Matthew 28:1-8. "But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, **for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen**, as He said. Come, see the place where The Lord lay". The message of Easter is found in our text. Easter is a celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the grave. The Pharisees thought killing Him would end His life and ministry **but unknown to them, their plot was a path for Him to fulfill His destiny**. No matter what the enemy is doing against you, believe and rejoice that God will make all things work together for your good in Jesus Name. Romans 8:28.

### **He Came Back From The Grave:**

1. To give us deliverance.
2. **To give gifts to men.** Eph. 4:8
3. To make us sit with Him in the heavenly places far above the devil. Eph.2:6
4. **To empower us to dominate all things including the devil.** Gen. 1:28
5. To give us victory over every circumstance. 1 Cor. 15:54-55
6. To restore us back to God's plan for our lives.
7. To reverse the curse on the ground. Gal. 3:13-14

### **If Christ Had Not Risen, What Would Have Been Our Lot?**

1. Our preaching and your faith would have been in vain. 1 Cor 15:14-15.
2. **Christianity would have been just like every other dead religion.**
3. The animal sacrifices and rituals in the Old Testament would have still continued. Col. 2:20
4. **We would still be living in our reprobate mind.** Rom.1:28-30
5. We would not have Christ (the Hope of Heaven) living in us. Col.1:27

**Through redemption, Christ has changed our genealogy from human to Divine**, hence, those hereditary and generational sicknesses, poverty, curses are henceforth forbidden in our lives.

In closing, God hid the mystery of our Resurrection from the devil; hence, crucifying Christ became his greatest undoing! Christ is the center of our focus, and He alone is our message and theme. He said in Rev. 1:18 - I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

**Happy Resurrection Sunday!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **BEHOLD, THE LAMB**

Text: John 1:26-34. “The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” **The word “Behold” means to pause and be still for a moment because of something very significant.** Our text relates to the triumphant entry of Our Lord Jesus Christ into Jerusalem popularly known as “Palm Sunday”. The event conceded with the Passover feasts, a time the Jews kill a lamb as a sacrifice to mark the remembrance of their liberation from slavery in the land of Egypt. **Unknown to them The “True Lamb of God” that takes away the sin of the world was in their midst.**

His triumphant entry saddened the Pharisees because everyone was turning to Him; hence they sought to kill Him. The first thing He did was to go straight into the temple and overturn the table of the exchangers who were buying and selling in The House of God. 1 Cor. 3:16-17 makes us to understand that “you are the temple of God”; The Lord wants to ride into your life to flog out everything buying and selling, He wants to take away everything The Father has not plant from your life.

### **Why Did Christ Chose a Donkey and Not a Horse?**

1. **To fulfill the prophesy of what was said of Him** in Zechariah 9:9-10. He came with all humility to redeem us out of every deluge and offer His salvation.
2. **Donkey signifies peace as against a horse which symbolizes for war.** Zech. 9:10. As The Prince of Peace, He came to announce peace to every area you have been struggling. You need His peace because the devil is ever contending against your peace in everything.
3. **He rode on a donkey in order to put an end to all controversies surrounding Him as Messiah.** As you allow Him to ride into your life, He will end every controversy in your life.
4. **He rode on a donkey that had never been ridden before.** It had to be a new donkey so as to establish Him as Lord over everything. Christ wants to begin a new thing in your life, I counsel you to allow Him occupy His rightful place so that His glory can show forth through you.
5. **The donkey which had been tied down for years was untied at His command.** You serve The Lord that no one dares question His command. No sickness can question His authority.

Jesus is The Lamb that was slain from the foundation of the world. **He is the solution to every issue confronting you.** Though you've been calling Him Lord before now, He wants you to experience a higher level of His awesome power to heal and to deliver.

In closing, God as Creator of all things is still in the business of healing families, businesses, marriages, and careers. His Son (The Lamb of God) carried your sorrow and sickness so that you will not need to carry it any longer. He was despised so that you will not be despised. He was wounded for your transgression; the chastisement of your peace was laid upon Him.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**



# GOD CHASERS

Text: John 12:20-26 – “Now there were certain Greeks among those who came up to worship at the feast. Then they came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and asked him, saying, **"Sir, we wish to see Jesus."** Many people desire an invitation to step into the White House before they die; but beyond the White House is the Presence of The LORD.

**What's your purpose for coming to church?** Are you here just to socialize or to ‘See Jesus’? The Grecian in our text came to the Passover feasts with the singular reason to see Jesus. They had heard the various miracles Jesus had done hence, were desirous to see Him. **They believed that Jesus carried something unique, and that He had a solution to their problem.** They knew if they meet Him, all their darkness will be illuminated and their shame will vanish. They were persistent seekers that wanted a change of story. Their trip proved fruitful as Jesus said to them that the Hour has come that He will be glorified (in that their situation). John 12:23

## Benefits of Those that Meet with Jesus

1. Every seeker will find Jesus; if you seek Him truthful you will find Him. Prov 8:17.
2. **Those that seek Him experience divine encounter** (a change of story). 2 Cor. 3:18
3. Those that seek Him experience real Peace. Knowing that He is with you gives you eternal peace, because nothing can go wrong when He is with you. Ps 46:1-3.
4. **Those that seek Him never lack anything good.** Ps 34:10. They never lacked anything good because their master was in the boat.
5. Those that seek Him have their weaknesses replaced with His Strength. 2 Cor. 12:9

## How Do You Seek Him?

1. Seek Him diligently. He rewards diligent seekers. Heb.11:6
2. **Seek Him early.** Ps 63:1-2.
3. Seek Him in spirit and truth. John 4:23
4. **Seek Him despite your weakness.** 2 Cor. 12:9
5. Seek Him decisively and Purposively. Jos 24:15
6. **Seek Him wholeheartedly.** Let your motive be centered on Him. Mark 10:46-52

I close with the hymn - Jesus only is our Message; Jesus only is our Savior; Jesus only is our Theme; Jesus only is our Sanctifier and Healer.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 6, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **SACRIFICIAL PRAISE**

Text: Mark 12:38-44 – So He called His disciples to *Himself* and said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than all those who have given to the treasury; for they all put in out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all that she had, her whole livelihood."

#### **Lesson from Mark 12:38-44**

1. **God does not see the way man sees.** What man overlooks, God does not overlook. Jesus saw the humble heart of the widow which no man saw.
2. **God never judges like man judges.** In the eyes of man, the widow only gave two mites, but in God's Eye, she gave her best.
3. **God can use your two mites this morning.** Your "two mites" of praise may simply be thanking God for the miracle of sleeping and waking up. Your circumstances may seem to discourage you from praising Him but I counsel you to praise Him in Faith, because there lies in your miracle. 1 Kings 17:8-16
4. **God is interested in your attitude and motives.** Your praise should be rooted with a cheerful attitude and not with a compelling mindset.
5. **God expects you to give proportional to what He has given to you.** He requires you to give Him your best, that's when it's acceptable to Him. Has God done much in your life? Then give Him your due praise. Luke 3:37-50.

Though the widow's two mites did not make any sound on earth when she dropped them, but there was a sound in Heaven because she gave her best; her offering caught the attention Our Lord Jesus Christ.

In closing, Hebrews 13:15 admonishes – "Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of *our* lips, giving thanks to His Name."

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD SPEED!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **COVENANT OF GRACE**

Text: Luke 1:71-75 – That we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us, to perform the mercy *promised* to our fathers and **to remember His Holy Covenant, The Oath which He swore to our father Abraham:** to grant us that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, Might serve Him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life.

**What is a Covenant?** A Covenant is an agreement between two or more people promising to do one or more things or fulfill some obligations under certain conditions. A Covenant will always have: (1) Two or more parties; (2) An agreement; (3) Specific Conditions; and (4) Penalties for breaking the covenants. A covenant is usually between two unequal people – often times between a weak/poor person and a strong/wealthy person. **An exchange of strength occurs through a covenant,** as the power of the strong is made available to the weak. 1 John 4:4, Phil 4:13

**What is Grace?** Grace, favor and mercy are synonymous, with very little difference. Grace is receiving what you don't deserve, it qualifies you for what you're unqualified for; it's unmerited favor. **Favor is the Good Face of God shining upon you** such that you're receiving a blessing you didn't ask for. Mercy is exoneration from obvious error. God simply overlooks your short-comings and pretends it never occurred.

### **Characteristics of a Gracious Life**

1. Grace singles you out for miracle. Gen.6:8
2. God Himself prays for you. Luke 22:21-32
3. Grace enables a man to reach his goal. Rom 16:9
4. **Grace makes God overlook your shortcomings.** 1 Sam. 8:1-8
5. Grace translates a life. 1 Cor 15:9-10
6. Grace teaches you to take the right decision.
7. You will benefit from everything that Grace can fetch.

### **Conditions For Entering into Covenant With God** (2 Chron 15:5-12)

1. Encourage yourself in The LORD.
2. **Put away abominable idols** (things that don't glorify God).
3. Repair your altar. You must improve upon your prayer life.
4. There must be covenant sacrifices and offering as tokens on the altar.

### **What Are The Things The Covenant Of Grace Will Do For You?**

1. It will give you Life. Ps 91:16, 118:17
2. It will give you Victory. Gen. 22:17
3. God will Protect you. Ps 91:1
4. You will be Healed. Isa 53:5
5. **You will enjoy Divine Provision and Abundance.** Ps 34:10
6. The Lord will give you abundance of Favor. Ps 5:12
7. You will enjoy Peace. John 14:27
8. You will have Joy. Ps 30:5
9. You will have Dominion. Gen 1:28

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **TAKE A LEAP INTO GLORY**

Text: Acts 3:1-10 – And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us. And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them. Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In The Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. And he took him by the right hand, and lifted *him* up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. **And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.**

This is the final full week of the annual RCCG Worldwide Fasting and Prayer Program and expectations are very high from Heaven concerning you. Even the world is waiting to hear your testimonies having partaken in the 50 days fast. Isaiah 45:19 states that **God has not asked the house of Jacob to seek Him in vain.**

Our text from Acts 3:1-10 is a metaphor or representation of what God wants to do in your life. **The enemy's top target in his destructive mission is to attack the legs, or the hands or the head of a man.**

**The Leg symbolizes movement and speed;** hence an attack on the leg makes a man lame, thereby hindering his progress in life. A lame man always depends on someone for movement. Today the enemy has made many lame spiritually because their spiritual legs have been struck.

**The Hand symbolizes the profiting and prosperity of a man.** An attack on the hands makes a failure of a person in whatever they do in life, be it exam or business.

**The Head symbolizes Grace upon a person.** *It is the control tower of a man's destiny,* hence a principal target of the enemy. I pray that God will put a new turban on your head that would engrace your life for uncommon favor.

### **MORAL LESSONS FROM ACTS 3:1-10**

1. Never underestimate what the presence of God can do at the place of prayer.
2. **At the place of prayer God hears His people's cry.** Acts 3:3
3. At the place of prayer, God gives attention to the needs of His people. Acts 3:4, 6
4. **At the place of Prayer, God transforms the destiny of His People.** John 1:11-12

In closing, many of us are clueless of what The Lord is about to do in our lives as a result of waiting on Him for this length of time. He definitely has something special that is beyond our comprehension. Just as the people saw the lame man walking, leaping and praising God, I pray that the world will begin to glorify Your Heavenly Father for His marvellous doings in your life all through this year in Jesus Name.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **WHERE ARE YOUR ACCUSERS?**

Text: John 8:3-11. “When Jesus had lifted up Himself, and saw none but the woman, He said unto her, **Woman, where are those thine accusers?**” I have good news for you this morning, if you are under the weight of any judgment or sin, today is your day of freedom in Jesus Name. The devil (the accuser of the brethren) is ever seeking for a way to break our fellowship with God.

**What does it mean to accuse?** To accuse is to charge someone with shortcoming or error; and who is an accuser? An accuser is a person who accuses in the court of law; **their mission is to ensure the punishment of the accused at all costs.** They wait for punishment and judgment to be passed on their victim.

From our above text, a certain woman was the accused; she was brought to Jesus for punishment. Her accusers were so sure she wouldn't escape judgment, but because we serve a God of Love Who is Ever Merciful in all His ways, the accused was set free to the shame of the accusers.

**In addition, Jesus was the primary target of the accusers,** - John 8:6 “this they said, tempting Him, which they might have to accuse him.” John 8:6. The accusers were only using the woman as bait to accuse Jesus. If Jesus could be falsely accused, how much more you? I pray that on this lovers' day, God will fight for you!

### **Lessons From John 8:3-11**

1. **A trap was set for the woman by her accusers.** Certain people are watching and waiting for your downfall in life. Jer. 20:10-11. Samson was careless, hence, fell into Delilah's trap Judg 16:6
2. The accusers were after the woman's life. Stones were already in their hands but God delivered her. Ps 79:11b.
3. While the accusers were busy bringing their accusations, Jesus was busy writing on the ground, most probably writing that she is loved and will be changed for His Glory.
4. What happened to her accusers? They all left bowing their heads in shame and disgrace. God will disgrace all your accusers in Jesus Name.
5. The love of God eventually set her free. I pray that God will vindicate you from all accusations in Jesus Name. Rom. 8:31

Wherever there is love there is mercy. Prov. 10:12b tells us that love covers a multitude of sin. Love and mercy go hand in hand. Love overlooks so many things while Mercy exonerates people from obvious errors.

### **Conclusion**

- Jesus loves you so much. John 15:9
- God wants you to love your neighbor; not to work against them. 1 John 4:11. **If God could love you in your filthiness, no reason is strong enough to hate your neighbor.** Today, we have many husbands and wives living together but yet have no love for one another.
- **God wants you to love Him.** You cannot continue in sin if you love God. Rom. 6:1, John 14:15, 15:14

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD SPEED!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 7, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# **BE THANKFUL**

Text: Psalm 92:1-5. “*It is good to give thanks to the LORD, And to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High*”. We often take God for granted in our lives, 38 days has gone already this year and many have already passed away. God has not made yours to be like that; He’s been preserving your going out and coming in; **He hasn’t allowed the imagination of the wicked to come to pass in your life.**

God expects us to honor Him with our praises. Some are saying God hasn’t done anything for them, yet they slept and woke up, **maybe they think everyone wakes up from their sleep?** The Psalmist said in Psalm 3:5 “I lay down and slept; I awoke, for The LORD sustained me.”

**Praise is a commandment from God, it is not optional.** Psalm 150:6 says that “Let everything that has breathe praise The Lord!”

### **BENEFITS OF PRAISING HIM**

1. **Praise brings increase.** Ps 67:5-7.
2. Praise makes you flourish like the cedars of Lebanon. Ps. 92:12
3. Praise accelerates your victory. Ps 149:6-9
4. **Praise turns your battle over to The LORD.** 2 Chron. 20
5. Praise releases God's glory which destroys every shame in your life. Acts 16:25
6. Praise accelerates the recovery of whatever you have lost, even dead situations. John 11:41
7. **Praise multiplies the little in your hands and makes it more than enough.** Luke 9:10-17

In closing, ignore whatever distasteful situation you are going through, rather turn to The God Who alone can make all things work together for your good. **In everything give thanks;** for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thess. 5:18

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD SPEED!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



**SERMON EXCERPTS**

## **O LORD, SEND YOUR RAIN**

Text: Ezekiel 34:26-27 – “I will make them and the places all around My hill a blessing; **and I will cause showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing**”. Rain is very essential to the fruitfulness of any life or land. When God said there shall be showers of blessings, it means, hitherto, there had been no rain. When there is no rain, seven serious problems emanate.

### **Problems That Arise When There is No Rain**

1. When there is no rain, **Dryness** becomes the order of the day. Ps. 117:33-35.
2. When there is no rain, there will be **Hardness of Ground** Ps. 60:3
3. When there is no rain, there will be **Heat**. Isaiah 25:5
4. When there is no rain, there will be **Famine**. Famine means scarcity. Gen.12:10
5. When there is no rain, there will be **Wasted effort and labor loss**.
6. When there is no rain, there will be **Wild Fire**. Many labor and gather only for a strange fire to ravage their harvest.
7. When there is no rain, there will be **Sorrow**.

**What Must I Do To Experience His Showers of Blessings?** From Rev. 21:6 and 22:17, The Lord never forces His Will on anyone, always He gives an invitation of “COME”. God wants your absolute surrender to serve Him. If you don't serve Him, there will be crisis and dryness in your life.

\*\*\*\*\*

### **An Address To Workers' on Sunday, Jan. 31, 2016 – by Pastor Peter Olawale**

## **WHEN YOUR NAME IS PERSONALLY CALLED**

Text: John 20:14-16. Jesus said to her, "**Mary!**" She turned and said to Him, "Rabboni!" (which is to say, Teacher). It's an awesome thing for God to call a person by name. **Anytime God calls anyone by name in the scriptures it always marks a remarkable turning point in their lives**. Until a worker is dealt with personally by God, he or she is simply wasting his or her time.

### **Case Studies of Divine Calls**

1. **Abraham** – Gen. 22:11. Abraham's divine call was **a call for a special reward after passing a test**. Until one passes a divine test, there can be no call for a divine reward.
2. **Moses** – Exod. 3:4. The **call** of Moses **was a call for a new beginning**.
3. **Samuel** – 1 Sam. 3:10. Samuel's call was a call to fill a vacuum.
4. **Peter** – Luke 22:31-32. **Peter's call is a call of reassurance of Divine Presence during a period of trial**.
5. **Saul** – Acts 9:4. Saul's call was a call for a total overhauling of a person's life.

## **RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 24, 2016 – by Pastor (Mrs.) Lola Awobajo*

### **THE GOD OF MORE THAN ENOUGH**

Text: Isaiah 55:1-3 – “Ho! Everyone who thirsts, Come to the waters; And you who have no money, Come, buy and eat. Yes, come, buy wine and milk Without money and without price.” We serve a God that is more than enough; in His infinite mercy He calls everyone who thirsts to come and buy without money **but first, He calls us to HEARKEN and INCLINE our ears to Him.**

#### **Why He wants You to Hearken to His Voice**

1. He wants to set you on high above all nations of the earth. (Deut. 28:1)
2. **He wants to bless you in the city and in the country.** (Deut. 28:3)
3. He wants to bless the fruit of your body. (Deut. 28:4)
4. **He wants to bless you when come in and when you go out.** (Deut. 28:6)
5. He wants to cause your enemies to be defeated before your face. (Deut. 28:7)

**God is more than enough in everything**, such that should the whole world come to Him, they will not be able to exhaust His infinite supplies. He is a covenant keeping God who yearns to bless His children. Just like in every covenant, there are terms and conditions to be met before the promise is fulfilled.

#### **What are the Conditions to Enjoy His “More Than Enough” Blessings?**

1. **You must HEARKEN to His Voice.** Deut. 28:1
2. **You must be spiritually connected.** Ps. 19:14-16. When you are spiritually connected:
  - a. He answers when you call.
  - b. He satisfies you with long life.
  - c. **He reveals secrets of your enemies to you** – 2 Kings 6:7-11
  - d. He will be your refuge in time of trouble. Ps. 46:1
  - e. He sends confusion into the camp of your enemy.
3. **Do not doubt God**, doubt is a destroyer. 2 Kings 7:1-2
4. **You must be Obedient.** Peter obeyed the Master in Luke 5:4-8 and his destiny never remained the same.
5. **Believe that He will restore you.** Joel 2:25-27, Ezek. 37:1-7,13-16

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD SPEED!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 17, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# YOUR LANDING POINT

Text: John 4:30-34 – Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work." Seventeen days as gone by this Year already and many are yet to have a bearing or target of where they are heading this year? **Where would be your landing point by the end of this Year?** No plane takes-off without a pre-determined destination. Where do you hope to land by the end of this year? What's the mandate of heaven over your life this year? **Will this year be another wasted year?** It's all going to depend on you if success will come your way; no man is to be blamed if you fail this year. **Take responsibility now, else you remain a liability in life.**

From our above text (John 4:30-34), Our Lord Jesus Christ knew and pursued God's will for His Life. He said His food is to do the will of Him Who sent Him and to finish His Work. What project has heaven assigned for you this year? Will you discover and pursue it? **It's all going to depend on you if you must finish well.** The economy and other eternal factors might not look good, but keep looking onto The Author and Finisher of Your Faith – The Lord Jesus Christ. **Don't settle for less than God's best for your life;** the children of Reuben and the children of Gad in Num. 32:1-5 settled for crumbs by deciding not to cross over to the other side of Jordan where God's best was waiting for them, may that not be your lot in Jesus Name!

### Issues That Will Contend with Your Success this Year

1. **Distraction** - Moses allowed the children of Israel to distract Him with their complains.
2. **Inherent vice.** You are your greatest enemy. Many of us have certain inherent vices in us like laziness, procrastination, lateness, bad habits, carefree attitude, etc. For Moses it was anger. You need to pray for God to take off any inherent vice in you.
3. **Disobedience.** Saul disobeyed and could not continue; Eli failed because of disobedience. Obey His Word this year.
4. **Greed.** Greed can corrupt the gift of God in your life. Someone once said if you can conquer greed you will make heaven. Greed is a craving to amass, always receiving and not giving; look for opportunity to add value to others this year. Judas is a perfect example of how greed can destroy a destiny.
5. **Fear.** The children of Israel saw themselves as grasshopper and they ended like grasshoppers. Number 13:32

### Factors That Will Aid Your Success this Year

1. **Hardwork.** Plan your work and work your plan. Plan your life, else you end up in some else's plan.
2. **Be Persistent.** Don't accept failure as your portion. Luke 18:1-8
3. **Prayer and Fasting.** Matt. 17:21
4. **Obedience to The Word of God.** Deut. 28:1-2
5. **Be Creative and Innovate.** What can you do to make your life better? What talents are inside of you? Train and retrain yourself.
6. **Watch Your Character.** Charisma can take you up but only character can sustain you up.
7. **Be Patient.** James 5:7
8. **Be Courageous** and confidence in your abilities in Christ. 2 Tim. 1:7, Joshua 1:9



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 10, 2016 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# MAKE PRAISE HAPPEN

Text: Ps 47:6-9 – “Sing praise to God, sing praises: Sing praises unto our King, sing praises. For God is the King of all the earth: Sing ye praises with understanding. God reigneth over the nations: God sitteth upon his holy throne. The princes of the peoples are gathered together *To be* the people of the God of Abraham: For the shields of the earth belong unto God; He is greatly exalted.” **Recognize that you are not alive today by your power or wisdom; it's been The Lord Who has preserved you.** There were many shadows of death He saw you through in 2015 hence you owe Him praise for being your Great Shepherd all through last year. He also silenced every Pharaoh that came your way, why wouldn't you praise Him? We all need to renew our energy to praise God because He has been so good to us.

**What can Praise be likened to? Praise is a Weapon. It is also a switch** by which we turn The Power of The Omnipotent One to act on our behalf. Ps 149:6-7 –“*Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand; To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD*”.

### WHY SHOULD YOU PRAISE HIM?

1. Everything that bows to God bows to praise because God dwells in the praises of His people. Ps 22:3
2. **Praise takes us to the presence of God.** God moves on our behalf as you praise Him.
3. Walls of Jericho crumble as you praise Him. Joshua 6:20
4. Praise changes the battle; God takes over your battles as you praise Him. 2 Chron. 20
5. **God executes vengeance and judgment upon your enemies as you praise Him.** Ps. 149:9

In closing, make praise happen in every situation and condition this year. Battles should cause you to praise God. As long as you praise God this year all your enemies are doomed.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 3, 2016 – by Pastor Yomi Oyenuga*

# THE LIVING SHALL PRAISE GOD

Text: Isaiah 38:18-19 – “For the grave cannot praise thee, death can *not* celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth. **The living, the living, he shall praise thee**, as I *do* this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth.” The reason God kept you and I alive till date is for us to praise Him. Only the living can praise The Lord. God’s plan is for your life, marriage, and career to show forth His praises. **In as much as you still have your being, God wants to hear your voice.** 2016 is a beginning of a new era, forget about your past failures and mistakes for they would rob you of the new things God is about to do in your life.

### WHY DO I OWE HIM PRAISE?

1. Because God commanded us to praise Him. Psalm 150:1
2. **Because God dwells in the praises of His People.** Ps. 22:3
3. For all His numerous benefits you enjoy. Ps. 68:19
4. **He did not allow the challenges of life to swallow you.** Ps 124
5. For His presence and fullness of Joy in our lives. Ps.16:11
6. For His peace in your life. John 16:33

### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF PRAISE?

1. You will carry and enjoy His presence. Ps. 16:11
2. Fruitfulness will be released to every area of your life. Lev. 26:9
3. You can confidently make your boast in Him. Ps. 34:2
4. There is assurance of long life. Ps. 91:16

In closing, your praises are like deposits or lodgments made into your spiritual bank account so as to enable you make withdrawal of God’s Blessings. So, the more the deposits the more the withdrawals you can make.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

*God's Message to us this Year*

## **2016 PROPHECIES**

### Pastor Shola Awobajo (for Isaac Generation Members)

- a. There is a change in the horizon for the heavens will cause some major shifting on behalf of many.
- b. 2016 shall be a season of divine release for restoration.
- c. 2016 is season of help to the helpless.
- d. There will be radical partnering of heaven with the obedient ones.
- e. To the thirsty and dry, The Lord says He will water them.
- f. Delay is not denial for there shall be performance of what He said in 2016.

### Pastor E.A Adeboye (General Overseer, RCCG Worldwide)

#### **1. INDIVIDUAL PROPHECIES:**

- a. Some families will trace the beginning of their generational blessings to this Year.
- b. Some will obtain help from unexpected sources.
- c. Grateful hearts will have more causes to be grateful.
- d. For many, the pendulum of life is generally on the upward swing now.
- e. A chosen few will receive blessing so large they can hardly contain.

#### **2. NIGERIA:**

- a. Things are likely to get touchier before they get better but things will surely get better before the Year ends.
- b. What He started last Year, He will finish this Year provided we don't rejoice too soon (in order words we keep praying).

#### **3. INTERNATIONAL:**

- a. Natural disasters, floods, fire, earthquakes are likely to get progressively worse until Government realize that these are part of Divine judgment against those who pass unholy laws.
- b. If Government will repent of disdainning Christ and His Church, He will help them win the fight against terrorism.
- c. A major war will be averted.
- d. A new sexually transmitted disease will surface.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 27, 2015 – by Pastor Yomi Oyenuga

# I AM BLESSED BEYOND A CURSE!

Text: Gen. 1:28 – “And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it ...”. **Recognize that as a child of God in Christ Jesus, you are blessed beyond a curse.** This is your heritage in Christ Jesus. In Gen. 12:1-3, God sworn an oath to bless Abraham and his seeds. This means anyone trying to curse you is only wasting their time because Numbers 23:8a says that - "How shall I curse whom God has not cursed? What a joy to know I am blessed beyond a curse!

**Deut.7:14-15** further affirms that as a seed of Abraham, you are blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle. And The LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all *them* that hate thee.

As a blessed of The Lord, you are unstoppable. The storms of life have swallowed many this year alone, **but because you are blessed beyond a curse, the storms of life will never be able swallow you up in Jesus Name.**

As a blessed individual through Christ Jesus, **it is important to be mindful of your utterance**, for Job 22:28-29 states that - “Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways. **When men are cast down, then thou shalt say, There is lifting up;** and he shall save the humble person.”

### What Does It Take To Be a Partaker of The Blessing?

1. **You must be FOCUSED on the one that distributes the blessing.** Heb. 12:2 instructs us to keep looking unto Jesus, The Author and Finisher of *our* faith. When you are focused it is then God knows you mean business.
2. **Never accept defeat in life.** Nobody sees you as a failure until you see yourself as one. Always see success around you because God has blessed you in Christ Jesus. Jacob in Gen. 32:24-29 knew that as a seed of Abraham certain blessings ought to be following him, hence he wrestled with God until a blessing was proclaimed upon him. **That you once failed is not an excuse to quit.** Ask any achiever in life and they would tell you they failed several times but never gave up.

In closing, a blessing makes all the difference in a person's life. There is a limit to which your intellect, talents, certificates, qualifications, connections, and abilities can take you, without the blessing of God one can still amount to a failure in life. It is not by might nor by power, but by My spirit, saith The LORD of Hosts – Zech.4:6.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Friday, December 25, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# **AND THE WORD BECAME FLESH**

## *Christmas Day Service*

Text: John 1:10-17 - And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the Only Begotten of The Father, full of grace and truth. We serve The God of all flesh; He is the God of gods. He alone knows the beginning from the end, He knows everything before they happen. **He knew that man would fall** to the trap of the devil in the Garden of Eden, hence, He had already made a plan to redeem man even before the foundation of the world. God always has a joker; **nothing catches Him by surprise, everything has already been scripted in His agenda.**

**You and I need The Word because we are products of Words.** God spoke in the beginning .... “Let Us make man in our image ...” (Gen. 1:26). Until The Word came, we all were in darkness. **It is the coming of The Word that disperses darkness away from our lives.** Christ is the center of everything. He came so that we could be free from every work of darkness. He left His Throne, wrapped up in a womb so as to come in human flesh. **He did not only come just to sympathize with us, He offered His Life for us so as to reconcile us back to God.** He became the bridge of our restoration to God. Without His coming, we would still have been languishing under the devil. If not for the substitutionary work of Calvary, we would have been a people without identity and focus. Other religions have no answer for what happens after a person dies, Christianity has an answer to that “age-long” question, all because of Christ. He said in John 14:2 – “In My Father’s house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.”

### **WHY MUST HE COME IN HUMAN FLESH?**

1. **He came in human flesh so that He can reveal The Heart of God.** God loves us specially; He cares so much about us, hence, sent His Son Jesus Christ to reconcile us back to Himself.
2. **He came in human flesh in order to reveal the need of man.** Every man needs God. Without God man is helplessly helpless. Rom.5:6 - For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.
3. **He came in human flesh so as to reveal the final mystery.** 1 Cor. 2:8 - which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified The Lord of glory.

In conclusion, the blood of bull was insufficient to cleanse us, hence God brought the final solution in form of a human flesh wrapped up in the womb of a virgin. He paid the full price of our redemption, hence, as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His Name – John 1:12.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 20, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# **ATTITUDE OF RESTORATION**

(Part 2)

## **(COMING OUT OF LODEBAR)**

Text: 2 Sam. 9:1-13 "...So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem: for he did eat continually at the king's table; and was lame on both his feet." Life is full of challenges and trials; no one is exempted from this mystery. Recognize that your problems are not unique to you, many have gone through such before and God saw them through it. **No matter how hopeless your case may look like, remember that we serve a God that specializes in turning around situations for those who call on Him.** From our above text (2 Sam. 9:1-13), the restoration of Mephibosheth is a story we are all familiar with, he was king Saul's grandson who had an accident (at age 5) and became crippled as a result of an unfortunate pandemonium that broke out when Saul was being toppled. Here is a prince who ought to be living in the palace but is now crippled and hibernating in Lodebar. **Lodebar means a land of dryness, waste and unfruitfulness.** Mephibosheth's situation is the story of many today; life has made many lamed and crippled due to situations and circumstances that wasn't their fault. The turning point for Mephibosheth came when King David remembered his covenant with Jonathan (Mephibosheth's father); God used David to restore all that Mephibosheth had lost.

### **6 Lessons Learnt From Mephibosheth's Restoration**

1. **There is always a left over that The LORD can bless.** 2 Sam. 9:1. God does not need much to turnaround situations, a remnant will always do. You may see what you currently have as little or insignificant but with God, it is more than enough. He is The Same God that turned around the fortune of the widow of Zarephath (1 Kings 17:7-16). When God's Hand comes upon the little in your hands, it will be more than enough.
2. **Note that the Mercies of God never come to an end.** Never Give Up! Everyday is a new opportunity for God to make you a success. It was on a faithful day God remembered Mephibosheth when King David enquired if there was anyone left of the house of Saul, that he could show kindness to for Jonathan's sake. 2 Sam. 9:1. God has not forgotten you.
3. **When God divinely gives you an encounter, it doesn't matter how you started, you will end very well.** Though it was initially very rough for Mephibosheth, God eventually came through for him. As a redeemed of The Lord, God will come through for you too.
4. **When The Lord remembers you, no matter what you have lost, you will regain them back.** Hannah, Esther, Mordecai are few scriptural characters that God remembered and decorated with His Glory. Joel 2:25-27
5. **God never runs dry of channels to bless you.** He has too many channels to use in causing your desired restoration. He used King David and Zeba (one of Saul's servant) to visit Mephibosheth.
6. **The God that we serve is a Covenant Keeping God.** He never fails in His Covenant and Promises. If David, a mortal man can remember his covenant with Jonathan, how much more our Immortal God?

The moral of this story is that there was a time we all were living in Lodebar (the kingdom of darkness) **but through the substitutionary sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ, God remembered us** and translated us to His Kingdom (Col. 1:13). By redemption in Christ Jesus, we now have hope, joy, peace and restoration of all we had lost. Just like the prodigal son came to himself and went back to his father, **God is waiting for you to consecrate yourself to Him so as to have your desired restoration.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 13, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# ATTITUDE OF RESTORATION

Text: 2 Kings 5:1-15 - "...But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper. *Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage.*" Our text this morning is about the restoration of Naaman. **Naaman was the captain of the host of the king of Syria, but despite his numerous conquests on the battlefield he had a "BUT" in his life;** he was a leper. Lepers are naturally not allowed to live in the community, in some cultures, they are confined outside the city (colony of lepers) because of their affliction or uncleanness.

**Many people's story today is like the situation of Naaman;** despite their achievements they still have a "BUT" in their lives. Many have riches but no peace; some have great qualifications but no job; some single ladies are so beautiful but no husband – these are all "BUTs" in life. **A "BUT" is any thing in your life that makes you sigh when you remember it.** We serve a God that specializes in removing "BUTs" from people's lives.

### 7 Lessons Learnt From Naaman's Restoration

1. **There is a need to obey every instruction of God.** God is a God of detail, whose instructions must absolutely hearken to. Deut. 28:1
2. **Pride must be destroyed.** Naaman could have missed his miracle because of pride. God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble. 2 Kings 5:11-12, James 4:6
3. **Believe that God can do your own no matter how hopeless the case may look like.**
4. Believe that God has a plan of victory and success for every individual. Jer. 29:11
5. **Don't be presumptuous.** God's way is not your way. Naaman was presumptuous of God's way; he thought the man of God would lay his hands on him.
6. Know your own "BUT". **Naaman knew his "BUT", and was thus seeking for help.** Tragically many don't acknowledge their "BUT"; rather they are busy pointing out other people's "BUTs". Why not look inward and ask God to help you? Matt. 7:4-5
7. **Don't be ignorant of the Power of God in your domain.** In our above text, the king of Israel was oblivious to the power of God around his domain, instead of referring the case to the man of God, he was mourning and crying until Prophet Elisha came to his rescue. The situation of this king is the situation of many in the church today; they are totally unaware of the power of The God around them. They attend church but refuse to engage in spiritual activities (praying, studying the Bible, etc) that engenders change.

**This month God had said He would do these 4 things for us from Zeph. 3:19-20**

1. He will undo all that afflict you;
2. He will heal wherever you're hurting;
3. He will gather you from wherever you have been driven out.
4. He will make you praise and fame.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 6, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# TRIUMPHANT PRAISE

Text: Matt. 21:1-11 - "...Saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto me". **God deserves our pure and undiluted praise.** Just like the colt was tied down in our above text, many people's "praise life" has been tied down. This morning whatever has tied down your praise life will be loosed in Jesus Name. God deserves our praise because He preserved us from known and unknown dangers all through this year. After the colt was brought to Jesus, He rode on it and entered into the temple, driving out everything buying and selling in His House. **Whenever you offer praises to God, He rides on it and enters into your life (your body is the temple of God) and thereafter, drives out every stranger.**

Each time God does anything, He expects us to return to give Him thanks. Luke 17:17 - And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? Also Isaiah 51:11 says that – "Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away."

Today, many are depressed because they cannot see what The Lord has done for them. **When you thank Him for the little in your hands, He makes that "little" to be "more than enough".** Thank Him that you are neither in jail nor on the sick bed.

## WHY DID JESUS REQUEST FOR THE COLT?

1. It was the time of celebration. In essence, it was a sort of valedictory service to Jesus.
2. **Jesus wanted to make public His claim as The Messiah, Lord and King of Israel. Zechariah 9:9**
3. Jesus had earned the praise because He had proclaimed the Gospel and delivered many that were oppressed of the devil.
4. By spreading their clothes before The Lord, it was a sign of royalty. **Invariably, Jesus was declaring that He is the One entitled to take every praise and honor.**

1 Peter 2:9 – "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light."

In closing, I pray The LORD will continually cause you to praise Him. **If they could not keep Jesus in the grave, your testimony will never be found in the grave,** it will come up in Jesus Name.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 29, 2015 – by Pastor Martins Kuyoro*

# **THERE SHALL BE A PERFORMANCE**

Text: Luke 1:39-45 - "...And blessed is she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from The Lord."

### **What Is Performance Or When Can We Say There Is A Performance?**

1. Fulfillment of an expected event, promise or other expectation.
2. Fulfillment of a contractual obligation.
3. Fulfillment of a covenant between two or more parties.
4. Fulfillment of a vision or promise given by God. (Luke 1:45; Ezekiel 12:27-28)
5. Making dry bones come alive again (Ezekiel 37:1-10)
6. Making the barren fruitful (Hannah -1 Samuel 1:9-19; Zachariah & Elizabeth - Luke 1:5-26)
7. When one is made whole (Naaman - 2 Kings 5:1-14; Man born blind - John 9:1-9)
8. Turning a situation of "Not enough" to "More than enough" (Samaria - 2 Kings 7:1-20)
9. When enemies are consumed by the fire of God (Elijah - 2 Kings 1:9-14)
10. When God makes way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert (Isa. 43:19)

### **To Experience Performance, You Must:**

1. Stay away from sins (Romans 6:1-2; Isa. 59:1-3)
2. Fear God, and be not wise in your own eyes. (Prov. 3:7)
3. Maintain a life style of holiness.
4. Extend a hand of Fellowship to the needy; be a vessel not a container. (Deut. 15:11)
5. Let your ways please the Lord

### **Results Of Performance Include:**

1. Turning your mourning into laughter / dancing and people will laugh with you.
2. People gathering to celebrate you.
3. People glorifying God for your life.
4. Your testimony overcoming the devil. (Rev 12:11)

### **Conclusion:**

Our Bible passage for this month (Eze. 12:28) assures us that none of The Word of God will be prolonged any more but The Word which He has spoken will be done. Therefore, **There Shall be a Performance.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 22, 2015 – by Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun*

# THE COVENANT OF GOD

Text: Genesis 17:1-7. “And I will establish My covenant between Me and thee and your seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.” **Realize that as a seed of Abraham through The Blood of Jesus Christ, God has a covenant of glory for your life.** You are not by yourself, God brought you to America for a purpose. All through scriptures we see God taking His children to foreign lands and prospering them to the extent that they became the envy of the land; Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Daniel, Esther are few examples. That same God is still on the Throne to prosper you wherever you go. Many are not enjoying the blessings of the covenant because they are not walking perfectly before The Lord. God told Abraham to walk before Him and be thy perfect - Gen. 17:1-2.

If you are not enjoying the blessings of the covenant of God, you need to **examine yourself and see if there are little foxes spoiling your vine.** God cannot lie, His covenant over us is a covenant of Glory the problem is always with us we are not walking perfectly before Him. To many, the covenant of God is not working in their lives because they rob God by not paying their tithe.

### What Happens When A Man Refuses To Tithe?

The heavens will be closed over such a fellow.

Doors will be shut against such a fellow.

Devourers will be having a field day with such a fellow. When you don't steal from God, no one can steal from you.

Abraham walked perfect before God and thus, enjoyed the blessings of the covenant. Noah also found favor before God because he was just and perfect – Gen. 6:9. Just like in the days of Noah, many are still busy buying and selling and ignoring the clarion call for repentance. As a covenant child of God, you ought to be living far above what others are suffering from; God is your Father and He is ever ready to bless you if you would only change your ways. **Many ought to have been millionaires but pride is their greatest undoing.** Their motive for wealth is wrong, hence, they keep toiling around in circles.

### JESUS IS KNOCKING

The Lord Jesus Christ, The Hope of Glory is standing by the door of your life and knocking. Rev. 3:20. **He is knocking because He wants to turn around hopeless situations in your life.** Many cannot open the door because they are still busy stealing, lying, fornicating and sinning. I pray that you see a vision of heaven so that you can align your life appropriately and walk perfect before The Lord.

In closing, God has not changed His original plan for your life, the plan to bless you to be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth and subdue it and have dominion - Gen. 1:28. **The question is, would you open the door for Him and walk perfectly before Him for the rest of your life?**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 15, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# GIVING TO THE POOR

Text: Matt. 19:16-24 – “Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, **and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven**: and come and follow Me.” The wealth God has given to us is not meant to be a hindrance but to be used to propagate His Kingdom. God has made room in His Household (the Church) for the poor to be taken care of.

Christ is interested in our prosperity, He said in 2 Corinthians 8:9 that – “For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.” **Christ never preached poverty because poverty is not a good thing**; He was rich but made Himself poor so that we through His poverty can be rich. God wants our progress in life, He said in Jeremiah 29:11 – “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says The LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.”

**There is nothing that you have that has not been given to you.** God's purpose for blessing is for you to be a blessing to others. He blesses you so that you can be His treasurer. Today, many have been snared by the trap of money, just like the rich young ruler in our above text (Matt.19:16-24). **Many are seeking money with their entirety; some have even sold their consciences and birth rights because of money.** Realize that your destiny is greater than any money. It is a sad thing that money has separated many spouses and even separated many from God. When The Word of God does not have the rightful place in a person's life, money will definitely lead them astray. Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in The Living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;  
1 Tim.6:17.

## WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR MONEY?

1. **For the propagation of the things of The Kingdom of God.** Matt.6:17-21. I counsel you to be very generous when it comes to the things of The Kingdom, because by so doing, you are loading your heavenly bank account.
2. **Love the people of God with your money.** What you make happen for others, God will make happen for you. There is nothing you have that has not been given to you; realize that you are just privileged to have what you have. Gal. 6:10.
3. **Give sacrificially.** What you have in your hand is a seed that you can either sow or eat. Matt 19:29

In closing Luke 12:15 – “And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses.” **Everything you do on earth is a seed. Don't allow your life to be moderated by material things, for you will leave everything behind someday** and they will become somebody else's own, why not have a rethink and invest in what has eternal value.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 8, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

# BREAK OUT

Text: 2 Cor. 6:17-18. “Wherefore come out from among them, and **be ye separate, saith The Lord, and touch not the unclean thing**; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters, saith The Lord Almighty.” This scripture is a command from God asking us to disassociate ourselves from every form of darkness. As a believer in Christ Jesus, God has called you out of darkness just as He brought Israel out of bondage.

### What Does It Mean To Break-Out?

1. It means to run away from something or to part from an evil lifestyle.
2. It means to escape often with use of force as from a prison or mental institution.
3. **It means to surpass any previous achievement**; God said in Isaiah 43:19, Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert.
4. It means to break out of any contract or promise of moral obligation.
5. It means to stop or interrupt an evil pattern in your life and family.

### If You Must Break Out, You Need To

1. Submit yourself to The Lord Jesus Christ and trust also in Him. Ps. 37:5-6
2. **Submit to His Word.**
3. Be sensitive to your timing and season. John 4:10
4. Be ready to cut off all your unwanted past. 2 Cor. 5:17

### Scriptural Case Studies

1. The Lord visited a woman of Samaria at the well and gave her the living water. John 4:7-19
2. The Lord brought hope to a widow of Nain by raising her only son from death. Luke 7:11-17
3. **Peter broke out of failure when he hearkened to The Lord to launch out into the deep** – Luke 5:5
4. The impotent man by the pool of Bethesda also had a change of story when Christ visited him. John 5:5-8

In closing, God is ready to get you out of any pit (Zech. 9:11), He said in Isaiah 28:16-18 - Therefore thus saith The Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner *stone*, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste. Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place. **And your covenant with death shall be disannulled**, and your agreement with hell shall not stand....”

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 1, 2015 – by Pastor Martins Kuyoro*

# GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Text: Ps. 117:1-2 - O praise the Lord, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great towards us: and the truth of The Lord endureth forever. Praise ye The Lord. If the will of God in Christ Jesus is to give thanks to Him in everything (**1 Thessalonians 5:18**), every believer should know why we should give thanks and be grateful all the time. Gratitude is a feeling of thankfulness and appreciation of everything The Almighty God is doing in our daily life. It is an act that allows what we desire to flow into our experience.

## Why Should We Give Thanks To God?

1. **For God's Character:** One primary reason why we should give thanks to God is God's character. We should give God thanks just because of who He is, not just for what He does. His many attributes describe God's character. He is the Creator of the Universe; **Psalm 95:2-3** - He is God of gods; The Lord of lords; His goodness, faithfulness and His unconditional Love endure forever. **Psalm 136:2-3:** "Give thanks to the God of gods. His faithful love endures forever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords. His faithful love endures forever".
2. **For What He Has Done:** We give thanks to God for His greatness and His miracles: **1 Chronicles 16:8-9:** "Give thanks to the LORD and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done. Sing to him; yes, sing his praises. Tell everyone about his miracles". Psalm 138:2.
3. **For His Great Works:** **Psalm 136:4-9:** "Give thanks to God:
  - Who alone does mighty miracles.
  - Who made the heavens so skillfully.
  - Who placed the earth on the water.
  - Who made the heavenly lights.
  - Who made the sun to rule the day and the moon and stars to rule the night.
  - Whose faithful love endures forever.
4. **He Is Our Daily Provider And He Answers Our Prayers:** **Romans 14:6:** "Those who have a special day for worshiping the Lord are trying to honor him. Those who eat all kinds of food do so to honor The Lord, since they give thanks to God before eating. And those who won't eat everything also want to please the Lord and give thanks to God".
5. **For Many Blessings:** We give thanks to God for many blessings. God increases His Blessings on those who are grateful, those who recognize His Power. People who know that God is The Owner and Possessor of everything express gratitude for good health, knowledge, wisdom, love and for God's Guidance. Knowing their weaknesses and being humble before God, they give thanks to Him for every blessing granted. The more we give thanks to God, the more we experience His kindness and His Goodness, His mercy and compassion.

**Conclusion:** **The more you give thanks to God, the more He is willing to do for you.** God grants even more health and power to those who give thanks to Him for the good health and strength they have. God bestows even more knowledge and property to those who are grateful for their knowledge or wealth. True believers remain grateful to God even under very hard conditions. **Job 1:20** - *Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell upon the ground, and worshiped.* Worship is also an act of gratitude to God. Job ended with double portion.



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 25, 2015 – by Pastor Goke Korede*

# LOST BUT FOUND

Text: 2 Kings 6:1-7 –“But as one was felling a beam, the axe head fell into the water: and he cried, and said, Alas, master! for it was borrowed.” Losing something in life is common to all of us; it is not reserved for a selected few. Individuals, families, communities and nations can lose things. **It is painful when you lose something because it usually denies you of some level of comfort.** Losing something causes bad news, sorrow and regrets, often times it disrupts your plans and makes you unfocused, like the case in our above text – the sons of the prophets who lost the borrowed axe head. In many cases, the bigger the loss, the bigger the bad news.

### What Can Be Lost?

1. It is possible to lose a precious one. Jairus daughter in Mark 5:35
2. **It is possible to lose your “sense”.** You may not have lost your sense, but recognize it is possible to lose it.
3. It is possible to lose your time.
4. It is possible to lose your position.
5. It is possible to lose your property.
6. It is possible to lose what has been borrowed.
7. **It is possible to lose your health.**
8. It is possible to lose your peace.
9. **It is possible to lose your money.**
10. It is possible to lose your soul.

### What Happens When There is a Loss?

1. When there is a loss, destinies can be altered or destroyed.
2. Generations can be brought to extinction.
3. Generations can be brought to tears.
4. Sorrow follows losses.
5. You are reduced when there is a loss; you can no longer be complete.

### How To Recover From a Loss?

1. Go to God – He is The Only One Who can never lose. John 10:28
2. **Show Him where you lost it (or missed it).** 1 Kings 6:6a – And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the place.
3. **Be willing to do whatever He asks you to do.**

### Scriptural Case Studies of - “a lost”, “a found” and “a rejoicing”

1. The parable of the prodigal son - Luke 15:11-32
2. The parable of the lost coin – Luke 15:8-10
3. Jairus' daughter – Mark 5:35

In closing, we serve a God Who can reverse the irreversible; He has spare parts for anything you might have lost. He is The Owner of time and can redeem time in your favor. Every solution is in His Hand. **He said in Matt 11:28 - “Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”** You can lose anything in life and still recover except the loss of your soul; if you are not saved, you are not safe!

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 18, 2015 – by Pastor D.A Ilori (A.G.O)

# REHOBOTH

*15<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Celebration – Grand Finale*

Text: Genesis 26:22 - And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he said, For now the LORD hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land. Rehoboth by definition means The Lord has made room for someone to be fruitful in all areas of life. What does it mean for God to make room for someone? It means expansion, healing from any sickness, restoration, open doors, miracle jobs, business breakthroughs and fruitfulness in all areas of life. I pray that The Lord Who made room for Isaac in a foreign land will make room for you today. God warned Isaac not to go down to Egypt regardless of the famine. **Isaac obeyed God; he did not depart from the land despite all the Philistines did to frustrate him.** God eventually made him very great that the Philistines became very envious of him. Is God warning you not to depart from where He has planted you? **No matter what the situation might look like, don't let the enemy dislocate you from your Rehoboth.**

## A CASE STUDY OF ISAAC

1. **ISAAC WAS PEACE LOVING.** He did not retaliate; he was very meek and kept a humble spirit about everything. Psalm 25:9 says “The meek will He guide in judgment: and the meek will He teach His way. **God will not make room for someone who is always fighting for himself.** God does not open doors for grabbers; grabbers will not make it, if they by chance make it, they will always lose it. Do not be a grabber.
2. **ISAAC WAS PERSEVERING.** He kept digging and refused to bow to the opposition. Don't give up, keep preserving and The God Who made room for Isaac will also make room for you in Jesus Name. Be stubborn in your pursuit of every God-given vision; winners don't quit and quitters don't win. **Failure is not final; it is only a temporary set-back.** There is hardly any successful person today who didn't experience some sort of failure before succeeding. Prov. 24:16 tells us that the just *man* falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief. You need perseverance for God to make room for you. **Remember, God as Creator of all things can use anything to make room for you.** He is The Same God that spoke through a donkey (Numbers 22:28); He is The same God that took sleep from the king so that He could make room for Mordecai – Esther 6:1.
3. **ISAAC WAS GOD-FEARING.** All the people God ever made room for were God-fearing. From Abraham, to Joseph, to Daniel, they are feared and revered God. Despite being in a foreign land, God made room for them and they became the envy of the land. You cannot be living your life anyhow and expect God to make room for you. Isaiah 59:1

In closing, if you want God to make room for you, you have to use your gifts and talents for Him. Covet earnestly the spiritual gifts especially the gifts of The Spirit. Proverbs 18:16 says A man's gift makes room for him, and brings him before great men. **In addition you need to be a man or woman of fasting and prayer before God can make a room for you.** Fasting energizes your prayer life and makes you strong spiritually.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), HAPPY 15<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**





## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 – by Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun*

# YOU MUST CONTEND WITH THEM

*15<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Celebration – Day 2*

Text: Genesis 26:17-22 – “And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he said, For now the LORD hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.” **Before you can get to your Rehoboth, you must contend with the opposition in battle;** you must be ready for warfare! God has a predestined plan of blessing for your life but that plan may remain unfulfilled if you do not rise up to contend with the opposition in battle. **If you are not ready to fight for your inheritance in Christ forget about getting to your Rehoboth.** Nobody gets to their Rehoboth by being casual about life, spiritual violence is a must.

### REQUIREMENTS TO GETTING TO YOUR REHOBOTH

1. You must be ready to Fight.
2. You must Persevere and Endure.
3. You must not listen to men. Always hearken to the Voice of God.
4. You must focus on God alone.
5. You must not be lazy spiritually.
6. You must not be weary in the place of Prayer
7. You must keep pressing forward.

### PRAYER POINTS

1. Father, where I have been rejected, make me an eternal excellence there.
2. Father, take away every satanic embargo from my life; let my well begin to flow unhindered.
3. Father, disgrace every power or strongman that is contending against my Rehoboth.
4. Father, envelope me with a glory that will eternally shut the mouth of my enemies.
5. Father, wherever the enemy has been mocking me, let them begin to celebrate Your Hand upon my life.
6. Father, make room for me in the high places.

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Monday, October 12, 2015 – by Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun*

### **MAKE ROOM FOR ME**

*15<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Celebration – Day 1*

Text: Luke 10:16 - He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much. There is a higher calling of God upon every child of God. **Getting to your high place would involve a great deal of preparation, faithfulness and righteousness.** God is calling us all to a higher level of faithfulness and righteousness in our walk with Him. Today, many are very unfaithful in the little committed into their hands.

#### **Getting To Your High Place**

Who are the type of people God is making room for in the high places? They are the righteousness ones. If you are faithful and righteous in your walk with God, even when you face trials, you will always triumph. From Genesis 39 we see that Joseph maintained his righteousness despite the opportunity (temptation) that came his way to destroy his destiny. If you must get to your high place, you must be righteous. **Unrighteousness and unfaithfulness have crippled many destinies in the Christendom today.** Joseph and Daniel despite finding themselves in a foreign land refused to inculcate the strange culture of the land, they knew their God hence, maintained their righteousness with Him.

In closing, there is no place where there will be no way for a child of God. If God parted the red sea for the Israelites; if God put money in the mouth of a fish for Peter; if God fed the Israelites for 40 years in the wilderness; if God used Ravens to provide food for Elijah, **there is no limit to what God will not do for you, it is your unfaithfulness and unholy lifestyle that is hindering Him.**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 11, 2015 – by Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun*

# TRUST IN THE LORD

Text: Jeremiah 17:7-8. Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, and whose hope is the LORD. For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, Which spreads out its roots by the river, And will not fear when heat comes; But its leaf will be green, And will not be anxious in the year of drought, Nor will cease from yielding fruit. **We serve and worship a good God Who never disappoints those who put their trust in Him.**

## THOSE WHO TRUST IN THE LORD

1. They are the ones who always rise and shine like the sun.
2. **They are the ones that the enemy bows to. They will always disgrace their enemies.**
3. They are the ones that are most blessed.
4. **They are the ones that always overcome tribulations and trials.**
5. They are the ones that don't jump from one church to another; they remain firmly rooted wherever The Lord has planted them.
6. They are the ones that always receive their desires from God.
7. They are the ones that can never be overcome by evil.
8. **They are the ones that always look unto God and not man.**
9. They are the ones used by God to teach and encourage others.

To trust in The Lord does not mean you will not face trials and challenges, but rather in every trial God will always make your enemies to be smitten before you according to Deuteronomy 28:7. **Just like every student is required to write examinations before moving to the next class, we all have to write our individual exams before being promoted.** These examinations come in form on trials and tribulations. Tragically in Christendom today, very few have absolute trust in The Lord, many still have alternatives to God. This explains why so many have fallen as victims and casualties in the battle field of life. Hebrews 12:2 admonishes us to look unto Jesus The Author and Finisher of Our Faith. Your help is not in any man but in God alone.

## CASE STUDIES OF THOSE WHO TRUSTED IN THE LORD

1. **David:** He trusted in God and not on king's Saul's armor. 1 Sam.17:32-40
2. **The 3 Hebrews Boys:** They refused to bow to the idols of the land despite the repercussions. Dan.3
3. **Peter:** He walked with Christ on the water. Matt 14:24
4. **Daniel:** He purposed not to defy himself with the portion of the king's meat. Dan. 1:8

## 5 PILLARS THAT WILL HELP SUSTAIN YOUR TRUST IN THE LORD

1. FAITH
2. **THE WORD OF GOD**
3. DETERMINATION
4. **PATIENCE**
5. HOLINESS

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 4, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### YOU OWE GOD GRATITUDE

Text: Luke 17:11-19. Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner? And He said to him, “Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you whole. Many come to church without any sense of purpose, to some coming to church is another time to socialize and hang-out with acquaintances, **why to some others, coming to church is an opportunity to show gratitude to God for keeping them for another week.** This set of people are grateful to God that they are not on the sick bed; they know it is The Lord that has kept them from the arrows of the enemy, hence, they feel indebted to return and thank Him, just like the one leper who came back to appreciate Him.

We all owe God a great deal of gratitude. Many started the year just like you but are no more today! That you are in the midst of the living and in the congregation of the children of God is more than enough reason to be grateful to Him. Many are wealth but have no appetite to eat, but for you, **God not only puts food on your table He also blesses you with the appetite to enjoy the food.** No reason is too small to appreciate God. The Psalmist in Psalm 40:1-3 was appreciating God for bringing him out of the horrible pit, out of the miry clay and setting his feet upon a rock. No wonder he said in Psalm 119:164 – “seven times a day do I praise You.....”

**Is God Expecting Our Gratitude?** From our text above, Our Lord Jesus Christ knew He cleansed 10 lepers and was expecting all 10 to return to thank Him, but unfortunately only one came back. **For merely returning to thank Him, God turned his destiny around by making him whole.** This teaches us a principle that any time we return to thank God for anything, He in turn makes us whole by perfecting other areas of our lives.

### WHY YOU OWE HIM GRATITUDE?

1. **If it had not been Him on your side, where would you have been?** You owe Him gratitude for His protection over you. Your being alive is a testimony to His faithfulness.
2. As The Most High, **He reigns in the affairs of men;** He brings up and also casts down. Dan.3:3-37
3. Many are dry and grounded in life for refusing to praise Him. In actual fact, those who refuse to praise Him end up with a reprobate mind. Romans 1:21-28.
4. **Until you give Him what is due to Him (praise), He will not release what is due to you.** Psalm 67:5-7 says let the people praise Thee, O God, let all the people praise Thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.
5. No matter your situation in life, you are still indebted to praise Him. **Even in your nothingness, appreciate Him.** Despite having 5 loaves and 2 fishes (Matt.14:13-21), Jesus gave thanks for what looks little and God responded with a miracle of abundance. This teaches us that giving gratitude to God expands what looks little.
6. **As you praise Him, God lengthens your days.** John 4:23-24 tells us God is seeking for worshippers; this means if you are a worshipper, God will elongate your life because worshippers are scarce.
7. Even when in a situation that looks hopeless, The God Who raised Lazarus from the dead after 4 days is still on His Throne, **if you will be wise enough to praise Him, He will turn that hopeless situation to a miracle for you.**
8. In Acts 16:24-26, Paul and Silas rather than complain and murmur against God for their imprisonment, they turned on the switch of praise and what happened? **Their chains were supernaturally loosed.** This means as you engage the weapon of gratitude any chain used to bind you will be supernaturally loosed.

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 27, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### DECREE YOUR LIGHT

Text: Matt. 5:13-14 - Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. **Ye are the light of the world.** A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. God said you are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Nobody can subdue the power of light, everything bows to light. Light is used to power and give energy to most of our equipment. **As the light of the world, God expects you to be the energy and source of powering your environment** (family, workplace, church).

Everything gravitates towards light. Light naturally attracts and commands attention. As the light of the world, it is your right to shine wherever you go. God has mandated that your light shines so that men may see your good works and glorify Him in heaven. Men should be drawn to your light; **if men are not drawn to your light, it means you are yet to know your right in Christ.** People should be coming to you for help; God has redeemed you to be a blessing to nations (Gen.12:2). Plants need light to survive (chlorophyll). There is something God has put in you that the world needs.

#### **Darkness Cannot Comprehend Light**

And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not – John 1:5. This means as the light of the world, darkness should not be able to prevail over any area of your life. The first thing God did at creation (Genesis 1) was to proclaim light upon the earth. The earth was without form and void before God decreed light upon the face of the earth.

#### **What is a Decree?**

A Decree is an authoritative order that can never be changed. It is a decision or proclamation which people and elements of creation must comply with. **As sons and daughters of God, we are to give decrees against every work of darkness around us.** And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Matt. 16:19

In closing, realize that the night season is always a temporary period; the day always breaks forth after every night. For His anger *is but for a moment*, His favor *is for life*; Weeping may endure for a night, But joy *comes* in the morning. Psalm 30:5.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 20, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## POSSESSING YOUR POSSESSION

Text: Joshua 14:10-14, Obadiah 1:17-21. There are mountains on the way to any man's inheritance. God has an inheritance for every one of His children. Ephesians 1:11 tells us that – **In Whom also we have obtained an inheritance**, being predestined according to the purpose of Him Who worketh all things after the counsel of His Own will. There are things heaven has earmarked but haven't come to your possession yet. This is why Obadiah 1:17 says "But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions." **You must know your rights before you can possess them.** Israel spent 30 unnecessary extra years in captivity in Egypt. Exo. 12:40-41. There is a land God has ordained for you to possess; you flourish effortlessly in that land; God expands and multiplies you when you are in your land. God has given you an inheritance in Christ Jesus and this inheritance is only obtainable in Christ. Caleb in Joshua 14:10 demanded for his inheritance based on what God had promised him when the Israelite were in the wilderness. **He knew there was an inheritance he was entitled to.** Child of God, what is it that God has said about you? What has God said you will become? Where did God say He will take you to? It is time to start seeking God for the manifestations of those visions and inheritances.

### Qualities Needed To Possessing Your Possession

1. **You must carry a different spirit.** God said of Caleb in Numb. 14:24 that he had "another spirit". You must have an uncommon spirit. What is an uncommon spirit? It is **a spirit that is not discouraged**, the size of the opposition notwithstanding. It is a courageous spirit that sees possibilities where others see impossibilities.
2. **You must follow The Word of God.** God testified of Caleb in Numb. 14:24b that he hath followed Me fully. Focus on what God has said not on what people are saying.
3. **You must be Patient.** Hab. 2:3 says for the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry. James 1:8 says a double minded man is unstable in all his ways. Doubt kills a man. Stay in your land, don't let any devil displace you from where God has placed you.
4. **You must be Confident in yourself.** You must possess the "I Can" attitude. Phil.4:13 says I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me.

### Things That Prevent You From Possessing Your Inheritance

1. **IGNORANCE:** Ignorance makes you less than what you ought to be. Your success lies in the truth you know. Ps 82:5-6.
2. **SIN:** Sin will strip you of your divine inheritance. Nothing brings a man down in life like sin.
3. **LAZINESS:** Don't be lazy. Laziness takes a man far away from His destiny. Prov. 12:24. Nothing comes easy in life; some people even hire lawyers if they are being denied their inheritance.
4. **IMMATURITY:** You have to be matured in The Lord if you must possess your possession. Inheritances are not given to minors because they will not only squander it, the inheritance could even destroy them. Gal 4:1
5. **FEAR:** Fear will make you less than what you are. Fear is the opposite of faith.
6. **PRAYERLESSNESS:** God says ask until your joy is full. John 16:24

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 13, 2015 – by Pastor (Mrs.) Aarinola Ojo*

## THE SPIRIT OF JOY

Text: Isaiah 61:3 – “To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.”

**What is The Spirit?** Spirit can be defined as a force, negative or positive, it can be the strength or will power behind the achievement of something. There are different forms of spirits, we have The Spirit of God, the spirit of man and the spirit of the devil.

### **The Spirit of Joy**

Joy is a major component of The Spirit of God. There is a spirit behind anything that happens in the life of a man. As we have the spirit of joy, we also have the spirit of mourning; as we have the spirit of praise, we also have the spirit of heaviness. For you to be fulfilled in life you must be joyful.

### **Why Should You Be Joyful?**

1. **For every problem of life that is well handled, there must be JOY.** Ps. 30:5 says weeping may ensure for a night, but joy comes in the morning. Don't worry yourself rather trust in The Lord. When you are downcast you are going down but a joyful person is a winning person.
2. **If God will be there, JOY must be there.** If God is not there, then you are already a loser. Ps 16:11 says “Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fullness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.” One with God is majority.
3. **JOY is a commandment. God wants you to be joyful always.** Phil.4:4 admonishes you to “Rejoice in The Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice”.
4. **You need JOY for harvest.** Ps 126:5 says they that sow in tears shall reap in joy. The harvest perishes without joy.
5. **JOY is a cure for murmuring.** The Israelites murmured in the wilderness and they were destroyed. May you not be destroyed in Jesus Name. 1Cor 10 v 10.
6. **JOY is an energizer.** Neh. 8:10 says - the joy of the LORD is your strength.
7. **God will always make a way of escape for the joyful.** 1Cor. 10:13.

In closing, if God says joy will come in the morning, then why are you still sorrowful? Luke 21:19 admonishes that **in your patience possess ye your soul**. This could also be interpreted as –“in your impatience, lose your soul, lose your life”. Remember, **if God must be there with you in that problem, then realize JOY must be there**. If you continue to be sorrowful, God will not be there with you, because in His Presence is fullness of joy.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 6, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BREAKING THE ALABASTER BOX**

Text: Luke 7:36-50 – “And He said unto the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace”. The account of the breaking of the alabaster box is a story that appears in almost all the four Gospels. Many wondered why Jesus accepted a dinner invitation from a Pharisee, giving the condemnation he often received from them. **It is believed that Jesus accepted the invitation because He knew someone would be there to tap into the virtue He carries.** Incidentally, a certain woman (regarded as a sinner or prostitute) took advantage of the rare opportunity of having Jesus around. She abased herself before The Lord by doing what others were unwilling to do.

#### **How Did She Abase Herself Before The LORD?**

1. She brought an alabaster box of ointment (worthy a year's wages). Luke 7:37
2. She busted into tears in The Presence God. The presence of God does not leave you the same. Luke 7:38
3. **She stood at Jesus' feet and began to wash His feet with her tears.**
4. She wiped The Lord's Feet with the hairs of her head.
5. She kissed The Lord's Feet, and anointed *them* with the ointment.

#### **LESSONS FROM THIS STORY**

1. **She recognized and took advantage of The Lord's Presence.** She came with her total heart focused on receiving from Christ. Whenever you come to church, always be expectant of a divine visitation, don't come casually. Rarely does anyone receive anything from God without a conscious and deliberate effort. The woman with the issue of blood and blind Bartimaeus are few examples of people who took advantage of God's Presence.
2. **She gave something very sacrificial** – breaking a very expensive alabaster box to honor The Lord. By this sacrificial act, the anointing and fragrance on Christ's Life came upon her life.
3. **She humbled herself before The Lord** by laying down another very precious thing – her hair. Women naturally esteem their hair very highly but not so for this woman, she lowered her hair and used it to clean The Lord's Feet; sort of saying – Lord, I am not myself again, I give my all to You.
4. **She was focused and unmoved by the comments by the naysayers** – Luke 7:39
5. The Lord visited her by forgiving all her sins. Sin means all her burdens were now no more.
6. **The Lord commended her by saying “she loved much”** – Luke 7:40-47

In closing, every one of us has “an alabaster box” that we can use to honor The Lord, unfortunately may chose not to break their alabaster box before The Lord.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## 1ST SERMON EXCERPT

*God's 1<sup>st</sup> Message To Us on Sunday, August 30, 2015 – by Pastor (Mrs.) Aarinola Ojo*

### YOU CAN BE FAR BETTER THAN THIS!

Text: 2 Kings 6:1-7. We serve a God of Progress. He alone has what it takes to turn impossibilities to possibilities. From our text, **by the law of nature, iron does not float, but because God is The Creator of all things, He can do anything!** Realize that there is a better level to wherever you are now. The sons of the prophet in our text realized that their current location was too strait for them, hence they sought for expansion. God had to open their spiritual eyes before they could make progress. **May God open your eyes to realize the inadequacy of your current location.** In Deut. 1:6-8, God said to the Israelites that they had dwelt too long in their current location. This morning The Lord is saying to you, you have been on the same level for too long, your life can be far better spiritually, financially, and martially. May The Lord open your eyes so that you can make progress.

**Jesus Coming into Your Boat.** To make any meaningful progress in life, you need The Lord Jesus Christ to step into your boat. In Luke 5:2, when Jesus stepped into Peter's boat, an all-night of toiling was turned into a boat sinking breakthrough. In closing, you can be far better than where you are spiritually; for the spiritual controls the physical. **As you grow spiritually, you will experience growth and progress in all other areas of your life.**

## 2ND SERMON EXCERPT

*God's 2<sup>nd</sup> Message To Us on Sunday, August 30, 2015 – by Pastor Adeola Adenuga*

### WHERE IS YOUR FRUIT?

Text: Mark 11:12-14. This text relates to the displeasure of The Master over the fig tree. **Jesus was hungry, this means God can be hungry.** He is hungry because He has an expectation for certain fruits to be produced in your life. He was utterly disappointed in the fruitlessness of the fig tree.

#### Lesson Points From Mark 11:12-14

1. **You Must Be Careful of a Hungry Man.** A hungry man is an angry man. Matt 5:6
2. **You Must Be Careful of a Rich Man or a Powerful Man.** Prov. 14:20. Do not take God for granted, be very careful that you are not playing games with Him, for He is a consuming fire.
3. **You Must Fear God** because He is The Almighty Who alone can kill and make alive. Prov.9:10
4. **Before God, there is no excuse.** He is The Potter and you are the clay. Romans 9:19-22

#### What Are The Fruits God Is Expecting From Your Life?

1. Fruits of Repentance. Matt.3:8
2. **Fruits of Holiness.** 2 Pet.3:9
3. Fruits of The Beloved. 2 Cor. 12
4. **Fruits of The Spirit.** Gal.5:22-23
5. Fruits of Righteousness. Phil. 1:11
6. Fruits of Soul-Winning. Prov.11:30
7. **Fruits of Worship.** John 4:23-24

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 23, 2015 – by Pastor Adeola Adenuga*

### **LITTLE IS MUCH WHEN GOD IS IN IT**

#### **LESSON POINTS FROM 2 KINGS 4:1-7**

From our above sermon text, we discover 7 lesson points about the challenges and trials of life.

1. **Serving God Does Not Exonerate You From Challenges**
  - a. The widow had a problem of indebtedness – 2 Kings 4:1
  - b. Life is filled with series of challenges, temptations and trials. **Coming to Jesus does not exempt you from challenges; it only guarantees you victory in every battle.** 2 Cor.2:14, 1 Cor. 15:57
  - c. As soldiers of Christ, we should see every trial as an opportunity to attain greater heights.
  - d. 1 Cor.10:13, Psalm 34:19, Isaiah 43:2, Job 14:1
2. **Commonize The Problem By Crying Out To God With Boldness**
  - e. The widow cried out to God through His Servant (Elisha). – 1 Kings 4:1
  - f. **God is above all. In Him all things consist.**
  - g. Every creature needs help, for vain is the help of man. Your help is in The LORD alone. Heb. 4:16, Ps. 46:1
3. **Everyone Has At Least Something**
  - h. The widow said she had nothing but a jar of oil. 2 Kings 4:2
  - i. No one created by God is ever without a virtue/treasure. Many are either ignorant or have commonized and disregarded what God has given to them.
  - j. John 6:9, Ephesians 4:7, Matt.25:14-30
4. **You Must Take Steps of Faith**
  - k. The widow took a step of faith as she hearkened to the instruction of the man of God. 2 Kings 4:5
  - l. For an idea to work, **you must “GO OUT”**; just as Peter launched out into the deep per the instruction of Jesus. Luke 5:4
5. **Shut The Door**
  - m. The widow shut the door until her testimony was full. 2 Kings 4:5
  - n. **Learn to shut the door of your mouth** until your testimony is full.
6. **Set Aside That Which Is Full**
  - o. The widow invested and made a living out of the excess God had blessed her with. 2 Kings 4:6-7
  - p. Don't embark on extravagance needless celebration with what God has blessed you with.
  - q. Many throw big parties to celebrate God's blessing and end up giving God an “insultive thanksgiving offering”.
7. **It Will Come To Past**
  - r. The widow's trial was eventually converted into a testimony. 2 Kings 4:6
  - s. **Every trial has an expiration date.** God will surely make everything work together for your good. Romans 8:28.

In closing, all you need is Jesus, He alone should be the center of your life. He said in Matt.11:28-29, **“Come unto Me .....**”. Once again, never forget – **LITTLE IS MUCH WHEN GOD IS IN IT!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 16, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **HOLD ON**

Text: Exodus 5:1-9,22-23. Realize that as a child of God, you belong to God; you are neither of nor on your own. God is ever monitoring you as you are the sheep of His Pasture. **Life will not always throw goodies at you;** on the path to greatness you will meet with bumps, roadblocks, limitations, pebbles and many things to hinder you.

#### **LESSONS FROM EXODUS 5 (God in the Midst of Your Trials)**

From our above sermon text, we discover that there are two intents in every challenge of life; first is the “Intent of God” and second is the “Intent of the devil”.

##### **1. THE INTENT OF GOD**

- a. The intent of God is based on the question “why is God allowing this problem/trial to happen?”
- b. God allows problem so as to prove what is inside of you and to thereafter purge you of it. Many would have abandoned God if He had answered their prayers right away; **some would have even been so proud if God had not allowed some humbling experiences in their lives.** God does not just promote His Own people. Ps.66:10 make us understand that God tries or puts His children through some trials in order to prove them. **If He didn't spare His Own Son** (Heb. 5:8, Phil.2:5-11) **why do you think you would be spared?** The truth is that whatever you are going through is simply a moment of purging so that you could qualify for His Glory. That situation is merely an experience or a promotional course in the refiner's fire. Mal. 3:1-2
- c. **God allows trials in order to train and perfect your TRUST in Him.** 1 Pet.5:10
- d. God allows trials in order to work out His Will in your life. As a Creator, He has a will over you. Heb. 13:20-21, Phil. 2:13-15. He works in you both to will and to do for His Good pleasure.
- e. **God somethings allows problems in order to buy time.** Even in the dark moments, God is ever working behind the scene. Joseph (in Genesis) and Hannah (in 1 Samuel) are classical examples of God's faithfulness even when it appeared nothing was happening in the dark moments. From Psalm 105:19-22, we understand that **before Joseph was promoted, The Word of The Lord tried and proved him,** after he passed, the king sent for him and made him a ruler and a teacher of wisdom in the land.

##### **2. THE INTENT OF THE DEVIL**

- a. The Devil's intent is to terminate and frustrate the dream of God for your life.
- b. **To bring discouragement.** It got to a point Moses was very discouraged. Exo. 5:22
- c. To make God a liar in your life.
- d. To make you rebel against God so that God can be angry against you and thus destroy you. Num.31:16

#### **What To Do During Periods of Trials and Temptations**

1. Keep your FAITH in what God has spoken. Let The Word of God be your comfort. Heb. 13:5b; Ps 23.
2. **Don't allow discouragement to overwhelm you rather encourage yourself in The LORD.** 1 Sam.30:6
3. FOCUS your attention on what God has said.
4. Don't give up. **Tough times don't last, only tough people do.**

In closing, follow the example of Our Lord Jesus Christ Who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame and is now set down at the right hand of The Throne of God.

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 9, 2015 – by Pastor Matthew Adebayo*

### DESPERATE TOUCH

Text: Luke 8:43-47 – “And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, who had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed of any”. **Life is full of issues. Every one of us has got one issue or the other.** To some their issue is loneliness; to others their issue could be barrenness, poverty, sickness or even character. No matter how charismatic a person is without character he or she is catastrophic. We all do not have the same type of issue but one thing is certain – **we all have our individual issues.** For the woman in our above text (Luke 8:43-47), her issue was the issue of blood.

#### Three Things The Issues of Life Will Take Away From a Person

1. The issues of life will take away a person's **IDENTITY**. People will be using that particular “issue” to refer or label a person, like “the woman with the issue of blood”.
2. The issues of life will take away a person's **RESOURCES**. Issues tend to always drain away a person's resources.
3. The issues of life will take away your **STRENGTH**.

#### The 3 Categories of People That Touched Jesus And Received Nothing in Luke 8:43-47

1. The first categories were people that **touched Jesus just to feel the quality of His garment**.
2. The second categories were people that **touched Jesus because they wanted to show to others** how close they were to Him. Yes they were close proximity wise, yet they were so far from Him spiritually.
3. The third categories relate to people that **touched Jesus by accident**. Maybe due to the crowd thronging on Him.

The only person that drew power from Him was the woman with the issue of blood. How was she able to do this? **She was able to draw virtue from Him because she left her house pre-determined, pre-meditated and with a mission** to obtain her miracle through a desperate touch of The Master. She succeeded regardless of the opposition.

#### FOUR INFALLIBLE WAYS OF TOUCHING THE MASTER

1. You can touch God by your **LIFESTYLE**. Your attitude & character play a significant role in touching God
2. You can touch God by your **FAITH**. Faith that is not absolute is impotent. Matt 8:5-13
3. You can touch God by your sincere depths of **WORSHIP**. A “heart-to-heart” connection with God.
4. You can touch God by your **SEED**. A sacrificial seed that shakes your hands as you offer it on the altar.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 2, 2015 – by Bro. Tobi Kotun*

# **AWESOME GOD**

## **ANNUAL YOUTH'S WEEK**

Everyone knows God is awesome. A look at creation helps us see a glimpse of the awesomeness of God. He does supernatural and significant feats. Our God Whose Throne is in Heaven is Awesome enough to say let there be light and light was. He created the heavens and the earth by uttering words.

### **WHAT IS AWESOME?**

It is to cause or to induce awe. **It is also to inspire an overwhelming feeling of reverence, admiration and fear.** As humans, we tend to use the word “awesome” very loosely; when we are impressed by certain physical feats that people do, we term them as awesome but the reality is true awesomeness is exclusively for God.

### **PROOFS OF THE AWESOMENESS OF GOD**

1. **Raising the Dead** – all through the Bible we see our Awesome God raising the dead time after time. The power to raise the dead lies only in God! Luke 7:11-17
2. **Parting of The Red Sea** – it takes only an Awesome God to part the Red Sea without the engagement of any engineer or construction crew. Exo. 14:21
3. **The Burning of the Bush** – fire by nature destroys anything it comes in contact with, but because God is Awesome, fire was burning but the bush did not get consumed. Only God could have done this. Exo. 3:2
4. **Water in the Desert** – by natural laws, you don't find water in the desert but because God is Awesome He brought forth water out of the rock in the desert. Numbers 20:7-11
5. **The Feeding of the 5,000** – it takes only an Awesome God to feed over 5,000 people with five loaves of bread and 2 fishes. Matt 14:13-21

*Video Clip on The Awe Factor of God:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Ya12I036lg>

In closing, The Awesome God Who created the universe can change, improve and make better anything that is wrong in your life.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 26, 2015 – by Susan Awobajo*

# THE PRINCE OF PEACE

## ANNUAL CHILDREN'S WEEK

Text: Isaiah 9:6 - “**For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given:** and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace”. We live in a world that is filled daily with news of discouragements. All over the media, we hear news of kidnappers, child molestations, wars, job losses, economic depression, murders, and so on. Hardly does a day go by without happenings that try to steal our joy and peace.

Peace is something we are need. Every family needs peace just as every nation needs peace. **When PEACE is absent in any family, what you have is SORROWS & FEARS.** To tell you how important peace is, some rich people wish they could buy “Peace” from the store. But unfortunately for them “peace” is not sold at Wal-Mart or Target, it is only available from one source – The Prince of Peace!

### Who Is This Prince Of Peace?

- He is The Creator of The Heavens and The Earth;
- He is The First and The Last;
- He is The One Who Was, Who Is and Who is to come;
- He is The Alpha and The Omega.

### Why You Need The Prince of Peace

Jesus said in John 16:33 - These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. **In the world you will have tribulation;** but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world. We need the Prince of Peace because **LIFE IS FULL OF STORMS.** These storms of life usually come unexpectedly. A storm can be defined as a problem, challenge or obstacle on your way. **No one is exempt from the storms of life.** The rich face storms just as the poor face storms; adults face storms just as children face storms. Someone can say do children really face storms? **Yes, children face storms too.** If we read Matthew 2:13-16, we will find out that even as a little baby, Jesus, The Prince of Peace faced His own storm when a wicked king called Herod was determined to kill Him. So you see that storms of life come to us all. **The good news for us as Christians is that we have The Prince of Peace living in us.** He is living in us so as to calm every storm we face. **Every storm bows to the authority of Jesus Christ.** Whether it is family storms, financial storms, health storms, spiritual storms, they all bow to Our Lord Jesus Christ, The Prince of Peace. This is why He said Matthew 11:28 - “Come unto Me all you that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest!”

### What To Do To Experience The Peace of God

1. First and foremost, you need to be born-again. **You need to make The Prince of Peace your Lord and Master.** John 6:37
2. Secondly, you need to read His Word day and night. Joshua 1:8. The Bible is a Book of Peace. The more of His Word you put in your heart, the more of His peace you will enjoy.
3. **Thirdly, you need to spend time daily in prayers with God.** God uses your prayers to calm every storm around you. The more you pray, the more God's peace you will experience.
4. **Fourthly, you need to speak “peace” to any storm around you.** Mark 4:39. There is power in your words, always declare God's Word over any area you are not enjoying His Peace.
5. **Finally, you need to forsake any evil association.** Don't hang around people that are not adding value to you. God says in there is no peace for the wicked in Isaiah 48:22

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 19, 2015 – by Pastor Tunde Amos Obisanma*

### MY BEST IS YET TO COME!

Text: Haggai 2:6-9 – “For thus saith The LORD of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry *land*; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith The LORD of hosts. The silver *is* Mine, and the gold *is* Mine, saith The LORD of hosts. **The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former**, saith The LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith The LORD of hosts.”

**What does “The Best’ mean?** The “Best” could mean **to surpass or to have supreme excellence in whatever you do**. Are you at your best right now? Recognize that where you are now is not your best, God still has more grounds for you to cover. **When you are at your best, there will be no more sorrow, pain or calamity**. From our text above, God is saying He will give you peace round about because your best is yet to come.

**How Do I Know Your Best Is Yet To Come?** Isaiah 48:14-17 says “All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among them hath declared these *things*? The LORD hath loved him: He will do His pleasure on Babylon, and His Arm *shall be on* the Chaldeans. I, *even* I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought him, and he shall make his way prosperous. Come ye near unto Me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, there *am* I: and now The Lord GOD, and His Spirit, hath sent me. Thus saith The LORD, thy Redeemer, The Holy One of Israel; I *am* the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way *that* thou shouldest go.”

### WHY I KNOW MY BEST IS YET TO COME?

1. **GOD IS WORKING IT OUT:** In the midst of whatever challenge or problems you are facing, be confident that God is working it out. He chose you so as to showcase His glory on your life. According to Jeremiah 29:11, God is working it out to give you a future. This is why Psalm 27:14 admonishes you to “Wait on The LORD: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on The LORD.” The same God that worked it out for Joshua (Joshua 1:1-8) will work it out for you in Jesus Name.
2. **GOD IS WORKING ON YOU:** God is always available to cut out the stones and the pebbles. He is always available to trim you as long as you submit yourself to Him. He is a Finisher Who knows your ending. Be conscious that He is working on you so that you can attain what He has ordained for your life. According to Jer. 18:6, God is working on you; He is preparing you for a future that has a glorious end. He is preparing you for your best.
3. **GOD IS WAITING FOR YOU:** Matthew 11:28 makes us to understand that God is waiting for you to give you the best – “Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest”.

In conclusion, never conclude that it is over because your best is yet to come. **God deserves your praise and thanksgiving not your complaining and murmuring because He is still working on you**. This calls for patience and a heart of gratitude to Him; for with God nothing shall be impossible! God is still at work concerning that matter; remember it took Him only 6 days to create creation and He still specializes in changing wrongful conclusions.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 12, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THIS IS YOUR DAY!**

Text: Psalm 118:24 – “*This is the day The LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.*” Your day is not in the hands of any man. As the Psalmist said in Psalm 31:15 – “My times *are* in Your Hand”. Only God has your times in His Hands. People may boast about their ability to determine the course of your life but recognize that your times are not in the hands of any man. God has “today” loaded for you according to Psalm 68:19. Some may choose to look at today as an ordinary day but for us (believers in Christ Jesus), yes it is an ordinary day, but it is loaded with supernatural and extraordinary encounter for us. Always expect your day to be full of His grace, glory, signs, miracles and wonders. **As a child of God, be mindful of the fact that God goes ahead of you every day.** This is why the Psalmist admonishes that we daily wake up and declare - “THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE, I WILL REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT!”

#### **GOD HAS NO ABANDONED PROJECT**

God never starts a thing without completing it. He always finishes what He starts. **God did not abandon the project of creation half-way; He rested only after He saw that every thing has turned out good.** This is why you should be joyful and confident that He who has begun a good work in you will complete *it* until the day of Jesus Christ (Phil. 1:6). The same God that gave life to the dry bones in Ezekiel 37:1-10 is still very much on the Throne; He will never abandon you but will perfect that which He started in your life. Psalm 138:8. Many only see gloominess ahead of them every day but you should be expectant of God's promotion, deliverance, opened doors, healing and daily blessings. These are part of your heritage in Christ Jesus.

**Blind Bartimaeus:** Blind Bartimaeus woke up on a certain day and probably thought it was an ordinary day but when he heard that The Lord will be passing by, He began shouting so as to catch The Lord's attention. **So what started as an ordinary day ended as a day of extra-ordinary encounter that changed the course of his life.**

**Man With Withered Man:** In Mark 3, the man with the withered hand woke up on a certain ordinary day but when He came in contact with The God of Creation, his withered hand was healed.

**Zachheus:** In Luke 19:1-10, Zachheus on a certain day heard that The Lord would be passing by, he took steps (climbing the sycamore tree) to ensure that that day would be a day of extraordinary encounter for him. The Lord rewarded his faith by spending the night at his house.

#### **WHAT ARE THE REASONS FOR A WITHERED HAND / LIFE?**

1. **SIN** - Sin can disable your destiny. It can truncate your spiritual connection to God. Prov. 14:34 - Righteousness exalts a nation, But sin *is* a reproach to *any* people. **Sin can cause prolong suffering and agony.** Judges 6:1. Sin is a major cause of spiritual nakedness, financial nakedness, family nakedness, marital nakedness, etc. It can forestall your progress in life. John 5:14.
2. **DISOBEDIENCE** – disobedience to The Word of God is also a major reason why people have “withered hands/lives”. Deut. 28:15.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 5, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE HIGHWAY OF OUR GOD!**

Text: Psalm 19:1-6 "Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge". All the handiwork of our God are to praise Him. He created you to praise and magnify Him. Isaiah 38:18 says "For the grave cannot praise thee, death cannot celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth." **God has spared your life so that you can praise and exalt His Name.** The entire creation praise God; He created everything to bring glory to His Name. Rev. 4:11 - "Thou art worthy, O LORD, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."

**No pressure, agony or mountain should be strong enough to withhold your praise to God.** No matter what you are going through, scripture admonishes - "in everything give thanks". 1 Thess. 5:18. **Ain't you blessed that your heart did not need to be "jump-started" this morning?** All through the Psalms, we are commanded to praise Him. It's not an appeal, it's a command. Psalm 67:7 gives another praise command - "Let the people praise Thee, O God; let all the people praise thee". Let this command resonates in your heart wherever you go this month. God takes the honor each time you genuinely give thanks to Him. He takes over your battles as you humble yourselves in praising Him. According to C.S Lewis, **"in commanding us to praise Him, God is inviting us to enjoy Him."**

Psalm 149:6 - Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand. **Praise God for whatever situation you are going through, for in praise lies the solution to your problems.** As you exalt Him, you watch how He moves on your behalf. Acts 16:25-26. You need to give Him thanks because He reigns and rules over the issues of your life. He is The Head of all principality and powers.

He created everything to praise Him. The 24 Elders in Heaven cease not to magnify His Name. Everything that consists is to lift up and glorify His Name. It is only humans that can choose not to praise Him. Colossians 1:16-17 - **For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible,** whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him. He is before all things, and by Him all things consist.

In closing, God deserves to be praised. He has seen you through the first 6 months of this year already; He has won a lot of battles on your behalf; He preserves your going out and coming in; He watches over your spouse, children and loved ones. He delivered you out of darkness into His marvelous light. Why not command your soul to bless His Holy Name!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 28, 2015 – by Pastor Yomi Oyenuga*

### **LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED!**

Text: John 14:1 “Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.” Our Lord Jesus Christ is telling us through this scripture to relax and not be afraid. In life our heart becomes troubled when we pass through the challenges and troubles of life. **What we see and what we hear naturally troubles our hearts.** In Exodus 14:10, the Israelites were afraid when they saw the enemy marching towards them, they thought the end had come but Moses encouraged them that they should hold their peace for The LORD shall fight for them.

**What Should You Do When The Storms Of Life Come?** Let not your heart be troubled; realize that God's assistance is ever sure, just believe Him. **When you believe you are relieved. Anxiety is simply a product of unbelief.** Whether we live or we die, we belong to Him. Rom. 14:8. We are the clay and He is The Potter; and the clay is ever at the mercy of the Potter, your part is simply to believe and relax in His safe Hands. Never forget that the enemy's goal in those challenges is to attack that greatness seed that God has put in you.

#### **The Storms of Life Come To Us All**

The storms of life may shake you to the left and to the right but be resolute and steadfast in your faith in God. Prov. 23:18 says “For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.” God assures us again from Isaiah 41:10 - **Fear thou not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.** Anytime the challenges of life come to press you down, rise up with your heavenly feathers and soar like an eagle. Isaiah 40:31

#### **Fear Comes To Torment**

1 John 4:18 admonishes us that there is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. **The spirit of fear is always going about afflicting every one** (rich or poor, black or white) but 2 Tim. 1:7 tells us that God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. I counsel you this morning to live a free life; **focusing on those mountains and challenges only magnifies them and thus, creates fear which in turn torments you.** The moment you allow fear to come into your heart, you open the door for discouragement which will always lead to doubt.

#### **Your Tomorrow is Greater Than Today**

Realize that as a child of God, your tomorrow is far greater than your today. Today is only the in-road to your tomorrow; your yesterday is gone, so don't allow it to trap your loaded tomorrow.

In closing, we serve a God that can change your story over night for He said in Jeremiah 32:27 – **“Behold, I am the LORD, The God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for Me?”**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 21, 2015 – by Pastor Paul Tomolaju*

### I HAVE A FATHER

*(Happy Father's Day)*

Text: Ephesians 6:1-4. Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise). **As a believer in Christ Jesus, realize that you have a Father; He is The Everlasting Father, The King of kings, The LORD of lords,** The Unchangeable God, The Ever-Present Father, and The Father of fathers. Fatherhood started with God when He made Himself The Father of all creation. Gen. 3:8 makes us to understand that God was always coming in the cool of the day to fellowship with Adam but unfortunately mankind lost that privilege due to the sin of disobedience. **But thank God for Jesus Who came to restore our relationship and fellowship with God The Father.** But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on His Name - John 1:12

**If a man does not have relationship with God, he cannot be a true father.** Having God's attribute makes you to live a godly life and thus become a godly father. Love, kindness, care, compassion, patience, mercy, and benevolence are some of God's attributes. Everything you can see in God must be seen in the life of a godly father. **One of the problems with our generation today is that we do not have godly fathers;** this explains why our society is short of worthy fathers. What type of father are you? **Are you a godly father or an absentee father?** Absentee fathers are fathers that merely bear the title of fathers, they are never around, always busy and pre-occupied with their jobs at the expense of their children.

We have two basic types of earthly fathers – spiritual fathers and biological fathers.

**Our Spiritual Fathers:** as believers, spiritual fathers are very important in our lives as scriptures make us to know that they are in our lives to give divine guidance and instructions. **Additionally, they are in our lives to labor on us as the shepherd that The Lord Jesus Christ has appointed them to be.** This explains why we must honor and pay attention to them. Gal. 4:19, Heb. 13:17.

**Our Biological Fathers:** these are fathers through whom God brought us into this world to have a physical life. **We need to also honor and respect them regardless of whether they were good to us or not.** The Word of God commands us to honor our father and our mother so that our days may be long. We are to bear and take care for them especially in their old age. 1 Tim. 5:17-18. We must also give them respect and fear (Lev. 19:3); the Bible admonishes that anyone that raises his finger to strike his father or mother must be put to death. When you dishonor your father or your mother, you are inviting a divine curse on your life.

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF FATHERS

1. It is your duty to provide for your family. 1 Tim.5:8
2. It is your duty to protect and defend your family.
3. **It is your duty to instruct and train your children in the way of The LORD.** Gen.18:19
4. It is your duty to discipline and correct any erring child. Heb. 12:7-9
5. **It is your duty to be a role model to them.**
6. It is your duty to love and care for your family.

In closing the best of all fathers is our Heavenly Father (Ps. 68:5) and Jesus came to reveal Him to us.

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 14, 2015 – by Pastor Joseph Olusegun*

### HOW TO CHANGE THE WORD OF A KING

Text: Daniel 3:24-28. Life is a matter of change and change is life. There are 3 key words in our sermon title – CHANGE, WORD, and KING.

**CHANGE:** The sure source of change is The Lord Jesus Christ; He is the only One that can give us a permanent change. **Recognize that as an obedient child of God, whatever you are passing through now is just a “passage” to a “glorious end”.** He is not taking you through that passage to abandon you. You serve a God that can change your status overnight. You are alive today because God has a purpose for you. According to Job in Job 14:14 - If a man die, shall he live *again*? **All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.**

**WORD:** The Word of God is forever settled in Heaven (Psalm 119:89). A Word from God is all you need to get results in life. There is nothing as sweet as a Word from God.

**KING:** To every Kingdom, there is always a king. There is no kingdom without a king. Eccl. 8:4 makes us to understand that **“Where the word of a king is, there is power:** and who may say unto him, What doest thou?” To every Moses there is always a Pharaoh; whoever wants to be great in life must contend with his or her own Pharaoh (a terrible king). To every Jesus, there will always be a king Herod running after his life.

### WHAT TO DO TO CHANGE THE WORD OF A TERRIBLE KING

1. **You must TRUST God.** Never think you can accomplish anything in life without God. Your trust must be absolute. Trust is rooted in a deep love for God. Prov. 3:5 tells us to “Trust in The LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding”.
2. **You must BELIEVE Him.** It's not enough to just trust Him, you must believe Him. Mark 9:23 - Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.
3. **You must be PERSISTENT.** Don't give up in your prayers (Luke 18:1-8) and service in the House of God. Worship God in the Spirit (John 4:23-24), worship Him with your substance and serve Him also. Serving God is loading your cloud so that there will be great showers.
4. **You must be PATIENT.** Don't move ahead of Him. God can never be late, be patient and wait for Him. Isa. 40:31. God is good unto them that wait for Him; your waiting must be continuous. Lam. 3:25-26. God is not slack concerning His promise (2 Peter 3:9a).
5. **You must be THANKFUL.** Remain ever thankful to God, praise Him and always rejoice before Him. Our Lord Jesus Christ gave us a pattern for experiencing a miracle in John 6:11 – He gave thanks and what was not enough became more than enough.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 7, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### THE ACCESS CODE

Text: Judges 1:1-10 - “Now after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children of Israel asked The LORD, saying, Who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first, to fight against them? **And The LORD said, Judah shall go up:** behold, I have delivered the land into his hand.” Our theme for the month of June is “Total Recovery”. To experience total recovery, you will need an “access code”.

**God is a God of Order; He does not operate haphazardly.** From our above text, He specifically mandated that Judah should go up if the children of Israel were to be victorious against the Canaanites. God expects certain promises to have come to pass in your life; if you don't get it, you should blame yourself. Recognize that you need an access code to enter into your promise land. **“Judah” (Praise) is the access code** every overcomer in the Kingdom uses to enter into their promise land.

#### Jacob's Prophecy About Judah

From Genesis 49:8-10, Jacob prophesied about Judah that: **the brothers of Judah will praise him; Judah's hand shall be in the neck on his enemies;** his father's children shall bow down before him; he is a lion's whelp; the scepter shall not depart from Judah.

#### The Children of Judah

1 Chronicles 4:1 makes us to understand that Judah has 5 children – Perez, Hezron, Carmi, Hur, and Shobal. **Perez means “breakthrough”;** **Hezron means “surrounded by wall” (protection);** Carmi means “Growth or expansion”; Hur means “Purity”; and Shobal means “multiple blessings”. This means wherever Judah goes, his children follow him.

#### What Happens When You Engage The Access Code of Praise?

1. **God simply takes over your battles** and makes your enemies to kill themselves. 2 Chronicles 20:20
2. Praise is a double-edged sword God uses to execute vengeance on your behalf. Psalm 149:6-7
3. **You will enjoy His Divine Presence wherever you go because He inhabits in the praises of His people.** Ps. 22:3
4. **God Himself rises up** and causes every prison door around you to open. When you praise Him, He does not send angels, He shows up Himself. Acts 16:25-26.
5. When you praise Him, your mountains will skip like rams. Ps 114:1-6
6. **Praise makes you a man of great exploits.** You are recognized and distinguished. 2 Chron. 29:26-28
7. When you praise Him, God lengthens your days. John 4:23-24

In closing, when prayer fails, praise will always deliver. Ps. 100:1-3, Ps. 67:5-7. **Stop complaining; complaining angers God.** Numbers 11:1. The fact that you are alive today is a proof of God's faithfulness over your life. Or do you think it was everyone that slept last night that woke up this morning?

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 31, 2015 – by Pastor (Mrs.) Nike Ilori*

### **THUS SAITH THE LORD!**

Text: Isaiah 43:1-5

“But now thus saith The LORD that created thee ...”. There is no statement in scriptures as powerful as “**THUS SAITH THE LORD!**” Every true child of God has the privilege to hear from Him at least once in a while if not at all times. The LORD is always speaking to His children depending on the type of relationship that exists between the two of them. If you are a true child of God, realize that The Lord wants to talk with you and develop a close relationship with you.

#### **IT IS DANGEROUS NOT TO HEAR FROM GOD**

One of the reasons why a child of God may not hear from Him is if that child is pre-occupied with his own business, family matters and other cares of this world. However, it is dangerous not to hear from God. Not hearing from God may result in eternal regrets. **Your entire life as a believer depends on what God says about you and not what you think about yourself or what people think about you.** What really matters in life is what God thinks or says about a man. You must realize that God Who made you knows what you don't even know about yourself and has actually made adequate provision and arrangement for every situation about your life.

#### **HOW DOES GOD TALK?**

God talks principally from His Word. Psalm 138:2 makes us to understand that God has magnified His Word above all His Names. The Word of God is very powerful. **Christians these days prefer to hear what man is saying than what God is saying;** and what God is saying is always far more important than what man is saying. I counsel you to always depend on what God says even if it is displeasing to your ears; be rest assured it is always to your benefit.

#### **WHY GOD SPEAKS?**

Anytime The Father wants to clarify an issue with His children, He does it with a statement from His Word. Jer. 6:16-17. **Whenever The Lord speaks, it is usually on very crucial matters – matters that have to do with life and death.** This is why His Word can come in form of “command”, or “warning” or “deliverance” from bondage or from death. God also speaks to bless us. **Whenever we hear from Him, the best thing to do is to quickly check our ways and align it to whatever He is saying.** Ezekiel 33:1-11. God expects you to always prophecy His Word to yourself and not to focus on what the devil is saying to you. David in Psalm 118:17 prophesied that he will not die but live to declare the works of The LORD.

#### **YOU HAVE AN ASSIGNMENT FOR GOD**

God has fought many battles on your behalf; He has even given many people in your stead so that you can finish His assignment before you depart from this earth. Isaiah 43:4.

In closing, God talks a lot about matters that have to do with our hearts and motives; we will do ourselves a lot of good by hearkening to whatever He says to us. Isaiah 57:15-20

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 24, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **CREATING AN ATMOSPHERE OF FAITH**

Text: 2 Kings 4:8-37

Our text relates to the experience of the Shunammite woman and how she created an atmosphere of faith for God to ride on. **All that God needs from us to do the miraculous is an atmosphere of faith.** Heb. 11:6. Without faith, it is impossible to please God. The atmosphere you create determines your experience in life. Two people can come to the House of God and each experience different results – one could go home blessed and the other go home unchanged; **the difference is the atmosphere each created for God to operate in or ride into.** God inhabits in the praises of His people. There are atmospheres that create or boost your faith and there are atmosphere that choke your faith.

**WHAT IS AN ATMOSPHERE?** An atmosphere is the dominant mood or emotional tone or air in a place. **It is the feeling of good or evil that the mind receives from a place or from a condition.** It could be a feeling of high hope or dejection; feeling of doubt or faith; feeling of disappointment or optimisms; feeling of impossibility or assurance of God's help to do all things (Phil 4:13). It is the mood that you create around yourself and the condition you put yourself that determines your lot in life. **Is the disappointment of yesterday still tormenting your life?** Is it the unpleasant news that is still dictating the tone in your life? These types of atmosphere cannot get you anything in the Presence of God. You have to jettison these unproductive atmospheres (loads of doubts, fears, barrenness and impossibilities) if you must move forward in life.

**More than anything else, the thing that can either boost your faith or choke your faith, are the people that surround your life.** Who are your close associates? Are they adding value or devaluing your life? The things people around you say and do create an atmosphere which can either boost or destroy your faith. **Our Lord Jesus Christ in Luke 8:51-56 shut the door against the naysayers in order to create an atmosphere for God to raise the dead child.** Elisha did the same in 2 kings 4:33-35, he shut the door against doubters and thus, created an atmosphere for God to raise the dead child.

The God you serve is The God that owns the cattle on a thousand hills; the silver and the gold is His; the earth is His; He is known as The God of all flesh; all creation submits to His authority. What can He not give you?

### **THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW**

1. **You need to know that God responds to faith not tears.** Heb. 11:6, James 1:6
2. You are responsible to create the right atmosphere. Matt 8:5-10
3. **You need to feed your spirit man with The Word of God in order to build up your faith.**
4. Don't share your dreams or problems with those who will discourage or put fear and doubt in your heart.
5. **Guard your heart jealously.** Prov. 4:23

In closing, for God to move in your life, you have a vital part and role to play. **You can change the course of time and fasten your miracle if only you learn to create an atmosphere of faith for God to ride on.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 17, 2015 – by Pastor Boniface Okenwa*

# PRAYER DYNAMICS

## IGA FIRE CONFERENCE

Text: Matthew 6:5-10

**Nothing brings the fire of God like prayer.** Prayer simply means - communing or fellowshiping with God. Prayer is very simple but has many sensitive serviceable components parts.

### Component Parts of Prayer Dynamics

The word dynamic tells you that Prayer is a force. **Nothing moves in the kingdom of God except by the forceful gear of prayer.** Matthew 6:9-10. Prayer puts the gear of motion into the kingdom life. Before Jesus started his ministry he had to go and pray; and all through His ministry He kept praying time and time again. To many, prayer is a burden because they have not discovered the dynamics of prayer. **When you understand prayer, you begin to enjoy fellowship with God.**

Answered prayer has a platform. The platform for answered prayer is RIGHTEOUSNESS. James 5:6, 1 Pet. 3:12. There are two kinds of righteousness.

1. **The Imputed / Credited / Positional Righteousness.** This type is credited to you; you do not earn it. By virtue of your accepting The Lord Jesus Christ as your Master and Savior, you automatically become a beneficiary of this type of righteousness. 2 Corinthians 5:21, Colossians 3:3.

2. **The Earned Righteousness.** The Bible describes our righteousness as filthy rags before The Lord. Isaiah 64:6. Note however, that after you have been saved and made righteousness, God expects you to continue to walk in righteousness all through your Christian life. **The Christian life will remain rudimentary and uneventful unless you are making progress in a righteous walk with God.** This kind of righteousness (earned) is the kind that determines your eternal reward of where you end up in eternity. Salvation gives you entrance into the kingdom of heaven but if you don't continue to walk and live right you are at risk of losing your salvation. Phil 2:12

A righteousness walk before The Lord guarantees the reward you get hereafter. **There is nothing like eternal salvation (once saved forever saved).** After you are born again you are expected to begin to grow in this newness of life, this is what determines how much you enjoy what Jesus had died for. In Revelations 22:11-12, the Bible tells us that we must abide by what the Word says and do the works of righteousness. Righteousness is the limiting platform to answered prayers, Psalm 62:18, if I regard iniquity in my heart The Lord will not hear me. Also in Mark 11:22-24-26, we must forgive; in Matt 5:23-24 we must make peace with our brother.

In closing, **the righteous works you do after salvation guarantees how much you enjoy in Christ;** it guarantees how much revelation you get from Him through His Word by the leadings of The Holy Spirit. It guarantees how much of the victory of Jesus you enjoy over the gates of hell literally and manifestly here, it guarantees the reward you will get hereafter and in the eternity to come. **Finally, righteousness gives you the humble boldness to approach God as a Father in prayer.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 10, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### WHAT CAN WE GIVE IN EXCHANGE OF A VALUED MOTHER?

#### Happy Mother's Day

Text: 2 Timothy 1:1-7 “When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also”. From our text, Paul commended Timothy’s mother and grandmother for building a strong foundation in the life of Timothy. Mothers generally give everything they have. **Whatever any nation or community will become is usually a by product of mothers.** Without the mothers, there cannot be a state or community.

Mothers are the teachers, homemakers, house-keepers, cook, drivers, coach, mentors, advisers, encouragers, motivators and incubators. **As incubators, they incubate us in their wombs for nine months.** They carry us until we are brought forth and become what we are. Their duty does not end after delivery; they continue to nurture us with the right nutrients to necessitate our growth. **They are everything that we are; without mothers some of us wouldn't have survived.** They give up their pleasure, life and conveniences just to make sure we are what we are.

#### Women Used By God To Impart Their Generation

1. Eve (the mother of the living) – Genesis 4:1
2. Mary, the mother of Jesus – Luke 1:41-42
3. Mary Magdalene – Mark 16:9
4. Dorcas – Acts 9:36
5. Deborah – Judges 4
6. The widow of Zarephath – 1 Kings 17:7-16
7. Hannah – 1 Samuel 1:22
8. Esther – Esther 4 :15-16

#### THE NEEDS OF OUR MOTHERS

1. **They need COMPANIONSHIP** not room-mates. A companion is a person who is frequently in the company of an associate; usually a mate or match for someone. Our mothers need our time; a dedicated time alone.
2. **They need somebody to help them in the pursuit of their visions and goals.** God has not given them to us as slaves. Women are not finished products, they are raw materials that we men need to work upon and build up so that they can become what God wants them to be. Eph. 5:25-28
3. **They need us when there is an evil report.** Our duty is to defend, stand and protect them. Prov. 26:22
4. They need us to help their weaknesses not to expose them to the outside world. They need our continuous patience.
5. **They need our AFFECTION & LOVE.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 3, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **A LIVING SACRIFICE**

#### *Annual Ushers' Week*

Text: Romans 12:1 – “I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, **that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service**”. God is not just interested in the salvation of your soul; He is interested in the totality of your life. He wants purity within and purity without. In our above text Paul was begging the believers in Rome to present themselves as a living sacrifice to God. **He charged them to let their beauty be the renewing of their heart and not just the adorning of their body.** The pressure of this earth and our daily living could make our heart stale, hence our dare need for a daily renewal of our heart. He further advised that they be transformed, which means a progressive change through the Truth of The Word of God - **But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of The Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by The Spirit of the Lord** – 2 Cor 3:18. God is expecting us to grow spiritually every day of our lives so that we can be empowered to prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

**WHAT IS A SACRIFICE?** A sacrifice is the offering of an animal or human life or something of material possession to a deity as a propitiation or as an homage. **As we present of our bodies as a living sacrifice we are offering our lives as homage to our Maker and Creator.** A sacrifice is also a surrender of a priced or desirable thing for the sake of something considered as having a higher or more pressing claim. A sacrifice is usually something dead or about to be killed. A sacrifice usually has no control of its own but at the mercy of his possessor. **Realize that as a believer in Christ Jesus, you are not your own, you have been bought with a price** (see 1 Cor 6:19-20); you are to be dead to this world. A dead man will not be responsive to what is going on in his environment or his situation. **God is expecting you to be dead to certain things – dead to the work of the flesh but alive to the work of righteousness.**

#### **GOD IS A GOOD SHEPHERD**

Know ye that The LORD He *is* God: *it is* He *that* hath made us, and not we ourselves; *we are* His people, and the sheep of His pasture - Psalm 100:3. God is a Good Shepherd. He unlike other gods, nurtures, tends, and keeps His own sheep. This is why we need to submit to Him by offering our lives as a living sacrifice to Him. **We are not of our selves any longer; we are to submit to His wills, ways and dictates.** Our lives must be used to worship and serve God.

#### **EVIDENCES OF A TRANSFORMED LIFE**

1. A life that is totally yielded to God. Phil 1:20-21
2. **A life that positively affect other lives. Is your life making a positive impact on others?** Acts 11:26
3. A life that is committed to Christ and His work. Matt. 6:33
4. A life that preaches to others. Your life should be a living epistle of Christ. 2 Cor 3:3
5. **A life drawn to God in praise.** Acts 16:25
6. A life that gives willingly without being compelled. 2 Cor 8:12

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 26, 2015 – by Pastor (Mrs) Bolanle Odetoyinbo*

# HONOR, RESPECT, INTEGRITY

## Annual Elders' Conference

Text: 1 Tim. 5:17. “Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine”. Every human being on the earth is created to be respected, honored and dignified because they are in the image of God. God created man and set him above everything; to rule, to reign, and to dominate.

### YOU ARE CREATED IN HIS IMAGE

1. **You carry God inside of you.** Gen. 2:17. Are people respecting or disrespecting the God inside of you?
2. **You represent God.** Gen. 1:26. Wherever you go, whether you know it or not, you are His ambassador. Is your life representing God?
3. **You are not an island.** God did not create you as an inland. You were created to be a powerful influence on others. Your carelessness can affect many lives.
4. **You have a very short time to showcase your best.** You do not have all the time in the world. Death is a certain reality. Do everything you can today because tomorrow is not in your hands but in the Hand of God.

### THE CALLING OF AN ELDER

An elder could be defined as an aged influential person. **The expectation of God on elders is very high. This is because their old age is backed up with lots of experiences** (both positives and negatives) which they ought to use to mentor the younger ones. This is why God said the elders that do well be counted worthy of double honor. 1 Tim.5:17. He also admonished us not to rebuke an elder (1 Tim.5:1a). As an elder (those over 50 years in RCCG) realize that you have already spent half of your life with little time remaining. Your most useful and energetic side of your life as already been spent; the clock is already ticking down; **what would you do with the time you have left?** When you die none of your material possessions will follow you, only your works (good or bad) will go with you to the other side of eternity. The calling of an elder indeed involves a great deal of sacrifices. On the last day, how many people will say you were instrumental to their making heaven?

**HONOR:** We could define this as being honest and fair in one's belief and action. It is a high public respect, fame and glory.

**RESPECT:** Esteemed for a sense of the work of excellence of a person. The respect people will give to you will be commensurate to your self-worth. As an elder you don't demand to be respected, your works naturally commands respect from others. If you are empty inside, you wouldn't command any respect from others.

**INTEGRITY:** This is relates to adherence to moral and ethical principles. Also means soundness of moral character.

### WHAT TO DO

1. Make God your Father.
2. Make Jesus Christ your Master.
3. Make The Holy Spirit your Best Friend.
4. **Remain humble.** There is nothing you have that wasn't given to you.
5. Read and meditate on the Word of God daily.
6. Be ever thankful to God for your life. You owe your being alive to Him. Never take Him for granted.
7. Serve God for the remaining parts of your life.

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 19, 2015 – by Pastor Shola & Pastor (Mrs.) Lola Awobajo*

### THE KINGDOM FAMILY

Text: Matt. 19:3-9. And He answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that **He which made them at the beginning made them male and female**, And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: **and they twain shall be one flesh?** Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

**God is the Author of marriage.** He knew it was not good for man to be alone hence He created the institution of marriage for a woman to help him. **Marriage can be defined as the coming together of two people (a male and a female) in an unbreakable blood covenant with a divine option to fulfilling God's purpose.** Many destinies have been ruined as a result of a bad marriage. Many are merely enduring their marriage rather than enjoying it. It is a tragedy that the divorce virus has destroyed many homes in our world today.

*Short clip of Youtube Video on Abby Brittany Joined for Life: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X9ht0hIbpJQ>*  
This video is a replica of the intention of God for every marriage. The two are independent but joined together. **They are united for life; inseparable until death do them apart.**

For any marriage to stand the test of time, the Wisdom of God must be put to work. Without wisdom, the home can never be together. **Knowledge is the acquisition of good information, while wisdom is the application of the knowledge acquired.** Through wisdom is a house builded; And by understanding it is established; And by knowledge are the chambers filled With all precious and pleasant riches. Prov.24:3-4.

#### Threats To Marriage

1. Lack of Effective Communication
2. Dishonesty and not being open to each other.
3. Financial Instability – cut your coat according to your coat.
4. Not being Submissive
5. Not satisfying each other sexually. 1 Cor 7:4
6. Problems of in-laws

#### Four Things That Will Not Help Intimate Conversation

1. Being Disrespectful
2. Anger
3. Dwelling on the past
4. Unnecessary Arguments

In closing, realize that your destiny is attached to your spouse's destiny. **Never say derogatory things about your spouse's personality; for you will be toiling with God's creation.** Avoid an adulterous lifestyle for you will be destroying the destiny of your children in the process. Isaiah 14:21 – “Prepare slaughter for his children for the iniquity of their fathers; that they do not rise, nor possess the land, nor fill the face of the world with cities.”

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 12, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **A BALANCED LIFE**

Text: Rev. 5:7-10. “And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth”. By redemption, you have been empowered to reign; you are not created to go under, **God has not supported you to this end to disgrace you**. Whenever God starts a project in any man’s life, He finishes it. God has created you to reign as a king and priest. **He has created a kingdom for you to rule as king**. Every king as a domain he exercises authority and power over. You are destined to prosper and do good works upon the face of the earth. **Christ has appointed a territory for us, but the irony is that many are not reigning as kings because they do not know who they are**. Psalm 82:6-7 - “I have said, Ye *are* gods; and all of you *are* children of The Most High. But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.” But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on His name. John 1:12. Since you have embraced His Name, He has given you His Power; that power is not an ordinary power, it is for you to reign, rule, and dominate the earth. The power you have been given is for you to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy. Lk 10:19, 1 John 2:14.

Equilibrium is a state of rest or balance due to equal action of opposing forces. **The power dominating your life as a child of God is the supernatural power of God. It overpowers every contrary power**. God balances your life with His supernatural power so that you can enjoy total peace. We serve a God that all storms bow to. In Mark 4:35-41, Our Lord Jesus Christ was at rest in the midst of a terrible storm. **As we journey through life, we come across storms; storms are a part of human life, they are experiences we all face**. Storms come to capsized the boats of our life but thank God as believers, we have The Prince of Peace we can always call on. Peace is not the absence of trouble but the presence of God in the midst of any storm. Realize that you are never alone; you are serving The God that has power over all storms and circumstances.

#### Your Role As A King

1. **Kings develop vision & direction for their kingdoms**. It is your duty to locate God’s vision and purpose for your life.
2. **Kings run and administer the affairs of their kingdom**. You are the administrator of your life. You are to ensure the prosperity of every aspect (spiritual, marital, career, health, financial, etc) of your life. It is your duty as king to make sure no aspect of your life is suffering by praying and declaring the Word of God. 3 John 2
3. **Kings make sure there is justice and equity in the land**. For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity. Ps. 125:3
4. **Kings protect and build up their people**. You are to build up every member of your family spiritually; as a king, you are to ensure your spouse and children are strong in The LORD.

#### Your Role as a Priest

1. **To offer praise and worship** continuously unto God. 1 Peter 2:5
2. **To intercede** for the people of God. As a priest of God, God expects you to focus less on yourself and more on praying for your fellow brethren. Eph 1:15-16
3. **To teach The Word of God** to others. Others are to see Christ in you. Your life should be a testimony of His Grace. Col. 3:16

In closing, as a king and priest of God, no storm or problem is over and above you; you are to rule and reign over them!

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 5, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### THE WONDERS OF RESURRECTION

Text: Luke 24:23-36

In the beginning of the ministry of Jesus Christ, He chose the 12 and brought them closer to Himself for a 3.5 years training. **During the training, He exposed and poured out Himself into them so that their confidence could be built up.** His disciples knew that He was The Son of God because of the diverse miracles and wonders they saw – He healed the lepers, miraculously fed thousands, raised the dead on several occasions and so much more wonders that He did. The disciples never believed anything could happen to Him, hence were dejected when He was arrested and crucified. **Despite being Deity in the flesh, He submitted Himself to his arresters dieing a horrible death just so He could save you and I.**

After He was crucified, the disciples dispersed to their various places; in their confused state, Christ met 2 of them on the way to Emmaus. **Recognize that in your confusion, Christ will always reveal Himself to you.** You are never in that situation alone.

### WHAT ARE THE WONDERS OF HIS RESURRECTION

1. They are no longer alone. **Christ has now put Himself inside of us in The Person of The Holy Spirit.** Jn 16:15
2. They are no longer in darkness. Their eyes were opened and thus, saw the solution to their problem. Lk 24:31
3. **Their lives changed because their eyes had been opened.** Their confidence came up because the truth was expounded to them. Luke 24:32-33
4. They became mobilized. They gathered themselves together.
5. All hope was restored. Their hopelessness and dejection disappeared. **Jesus is your Hope and your reason for living.** Arise from your dejection for Christ's resurrection should be the center of your joy. Luke 24:34
6. They had confirmation. **They could now testify that He truly has resurrected like He had told them.** Luke 24:34-36

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 29, 2015 – by Deacon Wole Olubajo*

### **HOPE – THE BLUEPRINT OF FAITH**

Text: Hebrews 11:1 “Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen”.

#### **FAITH**

Faith is the most important currency in the Kingdom of God. This is because it has the ability to purchase all things. **We are saved by faith, redeemed by faith, justified by faith, delivered by faith, healed by faith; we are to pray by faith, give by faith, stand by faith, walk by faith and live by faith.** Without faith, we cannot please God. Faith can also be defined as the act of taking scriptural steps with spiritual understanding in order to move The Hand of God to act in your favor. Faith is indeed the greatest legal tender on the earth because Jesus said in Mark 9:23 “If thou canst believe all things are possible to him that believeth”.

#### **HOPE**

There are 2 types of hope, worldly hope and Biblical hope. Worldly hope is simply a wish or desire for something to happen, while Biblical **Hope can be defined as a strong positive expectation that something WILL happen because of what God has said.** Phil. 1:20. Worldly hope is usually based on what one has or does not have, who one knows or does not know, race, family background, etc. **Biblical Hope is purely based on autencity of The Eternal Word of God.** Rom. 4:17-18, 15:4. The Word of God enjoins us from 2 Cor. 3:5 – Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency *is* of God. Also 2 Cor. 1:9b – “... that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God Who raiseth the dead”.

#### **Relationship Between Faith and Hope**

1. Faith is the substance of things hoped for. Without hope, faith cannot give substance to anything.
2. Hope is the raw material for faith. No hope, no faith.
3. Faith can be seen (Mark 2:5), hope cannot be seen (Rom. 8:24-25)
4. **Faith can be seen as the husband, while Hope seen as the wife.** If the wife is dead (i.e. hopelessness), faith can never produce a child. Both must be in unison to produce a testimony.
5. Hope is the breeding ground for Faith.

#### **BUILDING YOUR HOPE**

**Hope is built mainly through the same means that Faith is built - a Rhema Word from God.** Rom. 15:4, Rom. 4:17-18. If I don't have The Word of God in me I cannot have hope and therefore faith cannot operate. Hope increases as a person becomes more conscious of the Oath God sworn when He entered into a Covenant with Abraham. Heb. 6:13-19. We became a beneficiary of the Abrahamic covenant through the sacrifice of Our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross. Eph. 2:12-13

In closing, **there is no such thing as a hopeless situation before God.** We are the ones that call a situation hopeless for God has said in His Word – Behold, I am The God of all flesh, **is there anything too hard for Me?** Jer. 32:27. He raised Lazarus from the dead after they rolled away the stone of hopelessness, He opened the Red Sea for His Covenant children to pass through; indeed we serve a Mighty God! If you look at your self you will be depressed but hope thou in God. Psalm 42:5. Cast out the garment of hopelessness, rejoice in The Lord. You have no reason to be hopeless for the devil wants you to be hopeless so that he can depress you and then oppress you. Put the word of God in your heart and hope will rise and Faith will find a fertile ground to fly on. **Would you roll away that stone of hopelessness from your heart so that God can move on your behalf?**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 22, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU MEET AN EARTHLY ROADBLOCK**

Text: Job 1:13-22, Job 5:7-15. How much can a man take? Life is full of challenges! Our text is on the trial of Job, every evil thing that can happen to a man happened to him all in one day. **Life is full of ups and down, of rising and falling, unexpected occurrences, challenges and difficult times.** Life is never kind to any man! Afflictions, trials and challenges come in diverse ways and in different dimensions. And this has cut many dreams short. **As you are getting through one battle, another is already waiting around the corner.** We experience battles all through life even till our last breath. Even men of God are not exempted. Trouble will come whether you like it or not. Even our Lord Jesus Christ was not exempted (see Heb.5:8). But one thing we are sure of is that God is on our side. No matter the opposition of the enemy we know that the ultimate end is victory for every believer. Rev 2:9-10.

Whether you prepare or don't prepare trouble will still come. Trouble does not respect anointing. **Our prayers are what often temper down some of those occurrences. Some people have gone down because of challenges.** Challenges come in diverse ways – ranging from marital issues, immigration issues, financial setbacks, health challenges, and so on. Some even get out of their marriage because of these issues. Some people lose their minds because of issues of life. Some have become drunkards, drug addicts because of the issues of life. **Some have even committed suicide.** At the end of the day, the same challenge they were running away from by walking away from their marriage they end up going through greater challenges down the road. In every challenge Christ is still on the throne. Some have even ignored God whereas the problem was supposed to bring them closer to God.

Job all through his challenges did not curse God. Men will advise you over your problems but know that those issues are between you and God. All that Job's friends were doing was to try to draw him away from God. In Romans 8:35-37 the Bible tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

**What Does It Mean To Be More Than A Conqueror?** It means as you are coming out of a battle, another one to be conquered is waiting for you. But the good news is you have overcome them. When there is no test there is no testimony. Don't give up don't quit when problems come; in fact James 1:2-4 enjoins us to rejoice when we see problems. Make sure that you don't leave your post when problem arises. **Ecc 10:4 tells us that when the spirit of the ruler comes after you make sure you don't leave your place.** Recognize that you are fighting against principalities and powers therefore make sure you do not leave your place. When you don't continue with God in your tribulation then you don't attain your domain.

### **THINGS TO DO WHEN ODDS ARE AGAINST YOU**

1. **Keep calm, don't panic.** Isa. 30:15
2. Maintain a positive attitude in everything. Remain optimistic that you will overcome. Negativity pushes people who can help you away.
3. **Avoid complaining and grumbling,** it puts God off from your life. Numbers 14:26-30
4. Don't go about telling everyone about your situation. There is a time for everything.
5. **Don't withdraw yourself;** continue to fellowship with the brethren. Let there be J (Joy) factor in everything that you do.
6. Go to God in prayer. Ask for an insight and the way out. Psalm 50:15.
7. Spend time to read the Bible and focus on God. Joshua 1:8.
8. **Whatever God puts in your mind to do, make sure you do it in faith.** 1Samuel 10:6

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 15, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### THE MIND OF AN ACHIEVER

Text: Numbers 13:26-33.

Achievers carry certain things in their life. They carry a certain sign or mind of a go-getter. Life is a journey, **this world is not our place of abode, as believers in Christ Jesus we are pilgrims and strangers on this earth.** In our race on this earth, The Lord is taking us to a land flowing with milk and honey just like He did for the Israelites when He delivered them from slavery and miraculously took them through the Red Sea. When they were about stepping into the promise land, they sent 12 spies to spy the promise land. Ten of the spies brought evil reports about the land; they saw themselves as grasshoppers and the enemy as giants. One would ask, what happened between the time they left the promise land and when they arrived back to Israel? **The devil had gone into their thought process and distorted their minds with a negative word.** They forgot how God had by a Mighty Hand brought them out of the land of bondage and slavery. The evil report they brought made the Israelites to weep all night. God was greatly displeased with them and said as they have spoken in His Ears so will He do to them (Num. 14:28).

#### The Power of a Negative Word

**A negative word is very powerful as it cages a person's mind and can thus destroy a marriage, business or career.** The battle ground of most of life's battles is in the mind. Matt 12:34, Matt. 15:19. Wherever you are today is a function of the past condition of your heart or mind. Your thoughts moderate who you are in life. **Your thoughts can either advance you or make you stagnant in life. Negative thoughts put a barrier in your life. God is more interested in what is going on in your heart than anything else.** Ps 51:17. Only two of the twelve spies believed they were able to possess the land because God had said so; regardless of what the enemy looked like, they believed God would deliver the enemy into their hands.

#### SOME DON'Ts FOR AN ACHIEVER

1. An achiever will never say I don't have help. Ps 121:1-2
2. **An achiever will never say they can't make it or it is impossible (no matter the opposition).** Luke 1:37
3. An achiever will never say there is no means, or no money, or no more opportunities. Phil. 4:19
4. An achiever will never say it's not going to work. 2 Cor. 10:4-6

#### HOW TO BREAK EVIL STRONGHOLDS IN YOUR MIND

1. You have to be Born-Again. You need to have a right relationship with God through Jesus Christ. John 3:16
2. **You have to daily mortify the flesh.** 1 Cor 9:27
3. You have to be a man or woman of prayer. 1 Thess. 5:17.
4. **You have to daily occupy your heart with The Word of God.** Jer. 23:29
5. You have to be deliberate about seeing a change. Passivity breeds evil thoughts.

In closing, The Word of God makes us to understand that **as a man thinketh, so He is.** Also Proverbs 4:23 admonishes us to keep our hearts with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 8, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### REMOVE NOT THE ANCIENT LANDMARKS

Text: Psalm 33:12- 18. Every year we return to remind ourselves of our origin. Where we are coming from. **Everyone is from a lineage and has a root, likewise the Redeemed Christian church of God started from somewhere.** In the book of Joshua 4:3 The Lord told Joshua that as soon as the priest step into the Jordan he was to pick 12 stones representing the twelve tribes of Israel from the Jordan for a memorial so when their children's children inquire what the stones represent, they will tell them the story of how The Lord miraculously opened up the Jordan for them to cross over from the land of bondage. This became a legacy and that's the position which Redeemed Christian Church of God is in. **We have forefathers who have left a legacy that makes us who we are today. We are not where we are by our own strength but because of God's mercies.** RCCG is where we are today by the grace of God.

**We made God our Lord in RCCG, We fear him and He has decided to show us His mercy.** We are like Isaac whom God remembered because of His covenant with Abraham his father. God gave him seven fold promises. Those seven fold promises are for you today. Many would have been gone by now but because of this covenant. Gen. 12:1-3. These blessings are ours because we are the seeds of Abraham. He is the One fighting our battles today. It's not because the leadership or pastors are perfect, it's just because of His covenant with his children. In Gen. 17:2, God ordered Abraham to walk before Him and be perfect and He will multiply him exceedingly.

**This church is a church of covenant; God called Pa Josiah Akindayomi out of the family of idol worshippers and used him to establish The Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG).** God made a covenant with Pa Akindayomi that He will make RCCG go around the world and that He will meet the church at His Second-Coming. It doesn't matter what we do, it's because God made a covenant with Pa Akindayomi and it cannot be broken but it's not a license for us to do just anything. As at today, by the Grace of God Redeemed is in over 175 countries of the world. Every day a new parish is springing up all around the world. In Nigeria alone there are over 25,000 parishes to The Glory of God.

### OUR MISSION IN RCCG

1. To make Heaven.
2. To take as many people as possible with us.
3. To have a member of RCCG in every family in every nation.

### OUR VALUES IN RCCG

8. We are God's chasers. **We pursue God through our prayers, worship and study of His Word.** Ps 42:1
9. **We value Christ's likeness.** We want to be like our Savior, in conduct and in our speech. Eph. 5:2
10. We value Godly Family life. We value marital fidelity. **We bring up our children in a Godly environment.** 1 Cor. 7:3-5
11. We value purposeful singleness. Our singles devote their time and energy towards the service of God. 1 Cor. 7:32
12. We value Giving. **We encourage our members to first GIVE themselves to The LORD.** Luke 6:38
13. We provide an environment where our members grow quickly so as to be ready vessels for Our God.
14. **We value modesty in our lifestyle.** We dress in a Godly manner.

**2015 LEGACY WEEKEND VIDEO:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Bem--4vPAk>

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 1, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **TOTAL WHOLENESS**

Text: Luke 17:11-19 – “**And Jesus answering said, were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine?**” Lepers in the Hebrew culture are considered outcasts and are confined outside the city because of their uncleanness. Nobody in Israel likes to mingle with lepers because of the way they are perceived (sinners). Our Lord Jesus Christ went outside the city to give these lepers an opportunity to call on Him for mercy. When they saw Jesus, they cried out for mercy. “**And they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.**” Luke 17:13. When The Lord saw them, He didn't see their deformed external being but rather He saw their internal being and had mercy on them. He told them to go and show themselves to the priests. Under the Hebrew culture, when a leper is cleansed or healed, he shows himself to the priest so that the priest could give him a clean bill of health and can thus live again among the people. When these 10 lepers heard this unusual instruction from The LORD, they did not argue or procrastinate but rather they received The Word of The Lord in faith and marched towards the temple to see the priests. **As they stepped out in faith, The God of Mercy Whose Word never fails healed them on their way to the temple.**

Sin is like leprosy, it makes a man unclean. Spiritually, we all were once considered outcasts (Ephesians 2:12-13) but through The Blood of Jesus Christ, we have been brought near to God. **The Blood of Jesus is what gives us a clean bill to come before God.** It is through the righteousness of Jesus that we are made whole.

#### **ONLY ONE CAME BACK TO GIVE THANKS**

Having been supernaturally healed of their leprosy, 9 of the 10 lepers did not deem it fit to return to give thanks to God. They celebrated the gift (the cleansing) and ignored the Giver. God was expecting the 10 to come back to express their gratitude to Him but unfortunately only one came back to give Him thanks. A critical lesson point for us here is – **anytime God does anything in our lives, He expects us to come back to give Him thanks.**

#### **THE MYSTERY OF GRATITUDE & THANKSGIVING**

**Thanksgiving is a mystery. It multiplies whatever God has done in our lives; it makes God do more for us.** The one leper that came back to give thanks got additional blessings; he was not only cleansed, he was also made whole. This means all he had lost (possibly material things, family, etc.) were restored to him. Thanksgiving makes you whole.

Gratitude works out a relationship. The one leper from that day began to enjoy fellowship with God. God is naturally attracted to a grateful and thankful person; He rebuffs murmurers and complainers. **Has God done anything in your life that is worthy of His praise?** If yes, then you owe Him praise.

In closing, let everything that has breathe, praise The LORD!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 22, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BEARING FRUIT, A MUST**

*(A Fresh start - Part 4)*

Text: Matt. 21:17-21; Luke 13:1-9. "Then said He unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground? And he answering said unto Him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: And if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down". Luke 13:7-9

**Bearing fruit is a must for every believer.** God expects you and I to be fruitful in all areas of life in and out of season. 2 Timothy 4:2 and Matthew 21:17-21. Fruitfulness is one of the 5-fold ministry God gave man in Genesis 1:28 (Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it and have dominion). **For a believer to lack fruitfulness in any area of life, something must have gone wrong.** When Jesus got to the fig tree, He expected the tree to have borne fruit. This means continuous fruitfulness is the order of heaven for our lives.

The origin of unfruitfulness/barrenness was in the Garden of Eden when Satan made man to disobey God (Genesis 3). The devil always seeks to attack every form of fruitfulness in anyone's life. This is why he attacks marriages because he fears the seed (children) that will come out of it. Unfruitfulness is a plant that God has not planted in our lives, that's why scripture enjoins us to pray that "**every plant, which my Heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.**" Matt. 15:13

#### **A Fresh Start – Case Study of Jabez** (1 Chron. 4:9-10)

1. Firstly, Jabez realized the source of his problem was foundational. His name meant sorrow. This means sorrow follows him wherever he goes.
2. Secondly, Jabez having realized the source of his problem, called on The God of Israel to help him. **He knew the issue he was facing was beyond him.** Recognize that every solution you seek in life is on the Altar of God. Obadiah 1:17.
3. Thirdly, Jabez prayed that God would bless him. He asked God to enlarge his coast.
4. Fourthly, God granted him that which he requested.

#### **Four Things That Will Enhance Your Fruitfulness**

1. You need to be born-again. Acts 3:19
2. **You need to be intimate with God.** Job 22:21-24
3. You need to have a right walk with God. You need to be consistent in serving Him; and **you need to fear Him.** Mal. 3:4
4. You need to be a tither. Tithe mounts a defense around your life. **Tithing is a trade secret used by God to prosper and bless His Children.** Malachi 3:10.

In conclusion, Jabez dug into his life and found where he had missed it; he called on The God of Israel and in no time his life experienced a dramatic turnaround. I close with Isaiah 55:1 – "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price".

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 15, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **YOU ARE CREATED TO RULE**

*(A Fresh start - Part 3)*

God created man for dominion. This was and still remains His agenda for mankind. He gave man authority to rule over the works of His Hand. Dominion means authority to rule. From Gen. 1:28, **God instituted a 5-fold dominion mandate for man – fruitfulness, multiplication, replenishment, subduing and dominion over every animal upon the earth.** To dominate means to occupy a territory. God sent you to this earth as an emissary. You were created to be His regent on the earth. In the Garden of Eden (Gen. 3), man listened to the wrong voice and thus trespassed against the will of God, which resulted in his being thrown out of the garden. **Sin against God will strip you of your authority and your dominion.** Man had to struggle until Jesus came and shed His Blood to restore the dominion mandate. In Christ we live a life of dominion; dominion over defeat, failure, poverty, and sicknesses.

#### **New Birth is a fresh start.**

2 Corinthians 5:17 says, therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. This means everything not working now brings to work for you. Romans 5:12 and 17 makes it clear that those who receive the abundance of Grace and the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by Christ Jesus.

**Through the Blood of Jesus, our authority has been restored.** Instead of curses, we are now entitled to Blessing. Blessing is your right in Christ. Ephesians 1:3. But for you to enjoy this blessing in Christ, you must learn to bridle your tongue. In life you change your world through your mouth. Use your tongue wisely this year. Declare God's Word over any negative circumstance. Stop saying the condition but rather keep declaring what The Lord has said in His Word!

#### **How To Use Your Mouth**

1. Use your mouth to call into existence what you need.
2. Speak those words in Faith. Say it and mean it from the depth of your heart.
3. **Speak only what you want to see, don't confess negativity.**
4. See those things you are saying coming to past. Mk 11:22-24

In closing, you are created to rule but for you to actualize this dominion mandate, you need to take care of your thoughts as it is a man's thoughts that give birth to his word.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

**RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY**



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 8, 2015 – by Pastor (Mrs.) Aarinola Ojo*

### COVENANT OF HELP

**Text: Luke 1:71-75.** Why do we need to enter into covenant with God? Our scriptural text gives us the answer – “That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember His holy covenant; the oath which He swore to our father Abraham, that He would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear.”

**What is a Covenant?** A Covenant is an agreement between two or more people to do a certain thing under a certain condition. There must be condition(s) and purpose for a covenant to be operational. **A covenant is usually between two unequal people;** for instance, The Mighty God and we weak human beings; a rich person and a poor person, and a strong master and a servant. **In a covenant, the power of the greater becomes transferred to the smaller.** You become a god by entering into covenant with God.

#### **Why do I Need to Enter into a Covenant Agreement with God?**

1. **Help comes faster for you.** Divine intervention comes faster for a covenant partner.
2. A covenant puts an end to suffering in your life. A covenant partner helps to provide assistance in any struggle.
3. **The power of the strong is made available to the weak.**
4. God does not break covenant. Ps 89:35, Deut. 29:9.

#### **How do I Enter into a Covenant Agreement with God** (2 Chron. 15:5-15)

1. You need to encourage yourself. 2 Chron. 15:8
2. You need to put away abominable idols. 2 Chron. 15:8
3. **You need to repair your altar. Your prayer life is your altar.** No prayer no covenant. 2 Chron. 15:8
4. You must offer several sacrifices to God to support your covenant. 2 Chron. 15:10-11
5. You need to serve Him in truth. The children of Israel entered into covenant agreement that they will serve God all the days of their lives.

#### **Types of Covenant Agreements With God**

1. Covenant of Life. Psalm 118:17
2. Covenant of Victory. Gen 22:17
3. **Covenant of Protection.** Ps 91:1; Ps 27:1-3; Num. 23:23
4. Covenant of Healing and Divine Health. Ps 107:20; Exod. 23:25
5. **Covenant of Provision & Abundance.** Ps 34:10; Phil. 4:19
6. Covenant of Grace & Pardon. Heb. 4:16; Zech. 4:6
7. **Covenant of Favor.** Eccles 9:11
8. Covenant of Peace. John 14:27
9. Covenant of Joy. Ps 30:5
10. **Covenant of Dominion.** Gen. 1:28

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 1, 2015 – by Pastor Peter Olawale*

### **THE DAY THE RED SEA PARTED**

Text: Exodus 14:13-14, 22. The only way to be mightily blessed is to put your name in any scriptural promise. The Word of God does not just impart knowledge it imparts a transformation in a person's life. Other books can only inform you, The Word of God transforms you.

#### **What Happened In The Day The Red Sea Parted?**

1. **It was clearly noticed on that day that whatever has a date will be soon be out of date.** God made it clear that whatever has a start will surely have an end. No matter the displeasing experience in any area of your life, have faith that it will surely end one day. **The only thing in life that cannot be out of date is The Almighty God, because He has no beginning.** In Gen. 21:1-2, the barrenness of Sarah ended as The Lord visited her. In John 5:1-9, the 38 years of affliction of the impotent man by the pool of Bethsaida ended as The Lord visited him.
2. **That day we discover that the unstable can be stable.** Water by nature can never be stable but the day the red sea parted, the unstable became stable, as the water formed a wall of protection for the Israelites.
3. **That day the impossible will be made possible.** Jer. 32:27. Behold, I am The Lord, The God of all flesh: is there anything too hard for Me? He can do anything, anytime, any moment! He can cause something out of nothing! What is that thing you think He cannot create in your life?
4. **The day the Red Sea parted, there was a directive, there was a divine instruction.** Exod. 14:1-2, Isaiah 30:21
5. That day, all their fears and trembling ended. Exod. 14:10. In this life if you are ready to grow, you will confront things or situations that your strength and wisdom cannot handle, hence, your dare need of God.
6. **That day, there was a message of victory from above.** Exod. 14:13, Moses answered the people, “Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance The Lord will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again”.
7. The day the Red Sea parted; **there was a lifting up of voices in prayers to God.** The Israelites cried out to God in prayers. This year, be closer to your closet; create time to pray! Exod. 14:10
8. The day the Red Sea parted; there was a step of faith and act of faith.
9. **The day the Red Sea parted; there was a crossing over from the land of slavery to the wilderness and then to the land of promise.** Exod. 12:1-2 Isaiah 49:24-26.

In closing if you are ready to make it in life, be ready for battle. **For you to be recognized and known for good, you must begin to not only hit records but to beat records.** You have to try something new and think bigger. Never settle for “cookies”, take big steps of faith this year. If you want to be a blessing to your generation, be ready for battle!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 25, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **A FRESH START**

(part 2)

#### **(DEALING WITH THE OBSTACLES)**

Text: 2 Kings 6:24-30. And it came to pass after this, that Benhadad king of Syria gathered all his host, and went up, and besieged Samaria. And there was a great famine in Samaria: and, behold, they besieged it, until an ass's head was sold for fourscore pieces of silver, and the fourth part of a cab of dove's dung for five pieces of silver.

In the first part of this series (A Fresh Start – part 1), we mentioned **four things that are essential to having a “Fresh Start”** - **firstly, you must take stock of yourself**; secondly, you must change your mindset; thirdly, you must be tired of your past results; and finally, you must cut-off all unwanted parts of your life.

From our text above, there are “Benhadad” situations in life. A Benhadad situation is any siege around your life programmed by the enemy to ground you. A siege could be laid upon a nation, city, career, marriage, family, etc.

**What Are The Symptoms of a Benhadad Situation?** When there is a siege in someone's life, everything dries up; lack is inevitable; struggling is rampant and sorrow/failure becomes the order of the day. **The Good News is that there is enough Grace for anyone in Christ to overcome any Benhadad situation.** For the Word of God says in Isaiah 49:25 – “But thus saith the LORD, Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children.” The only way to deal with a Benhadad situation is to call on God for help. In 1 Kings 17:2-6, despite the famine in the land, God still provided for His own; He made divine provision for Elijah by the Brook of Cherith. He will do the same for you today, if you will but trust Him.

Realize that as a child of God, **God created your life as a gate for good things. Your life is a gate**; a gate is essentially made to block access to bad things and to give access to good things. Every year, month, week, day and hour is a fresh start from God. Every day is a gate you have to pass through. There are gates of breakthrough, promotions, etc.

For you to deal with any obstacles in life, you must first take heed of yourself. 1 Tim.4:16. **You need prayer to survive this year.** It is only when you are standing that others can lean on you. Your survival, strength and success this year lies in your prayer, fasting and Bible Study.

#### **Dealing With The Obstacles (Lessons From 2 Kings 6:24-30)**

1. The Lord can get so much done in a day. When He speaks, all machinery in the world is released to carry our His Word.
2. Never doubt The Word of God. Unbelief is a destroyer.
3. **God can use anybody to give you victory.** He transformed the land of Samaria through 4 Lepers.
4. You have to be bold and courageous for He gives strength to they that take the battle to the gate.
5. **You have to dig deeper this year.** Gold is not found on the surface.
6. You must refuse to stay on the same spot. **You must rise up and be determined.** Fear makes a man lower than what he wants to become. The 4 lepers rose up by faith.

In closing, the 4 lepers got to a critical point in their lives when they asked themselves this profound question – **Why sit we here until we die?** 2 Kings 7:3. It's time to ask yourself this same question over any Benhadad situation in your life. Refuse to remain on the same spot; be tired of where you are now, there are greater heights to attain! Rise Up and deal with that obstacle!



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 18, 2015 – by A/P Ojo*

### WHEN DO YOU CHANGE A CHURCH

Text: Genesis 28:11-19. A common question in the heart of many worshippers today is when do I change my church? What are the valid reasons for me to change my church? **Recognize that whatever you do in the House of God is a divine privilege because there are many God could use to do a better job than you.** This should forever humble you anytime you are given a task to do in the House of God.

#### Reasons People Give For Changing Their Church

1. **Because the praise and worship session is not good enough** or does not suit their taste. Is the praise and worship session designed to suit your taste or God's taste? Instead of complaining, why not take up the mantle of challenge and be the agent of change there?
2. **Because my children do not like the church.** Are your children now the source of direction for your family or God?
3. **Because they preach long and everlasting sermons,** hence they close late. A great man of God once mentioned that preaching is the central heart of Christian worship which should take the lion share of every service.
4. **Because the pastor does not do things in the olden ways** or the way it is done back home. They compare the way the church is being run now to how church was run in the nineties, and therefore are pointing out unnecessary differences.
5. **Because they do not have a good youth or children program in the church.** Why not train yourself to be a children or youth teacher to be used by God to effect the change you want to see? There is no age limit to who can serve as a youth teacher, why don't you become a children's church teacher to make a difference or go on your knees and pray for change.

#### Legitimate Reasons To Leave A Church

1. **If unholy living is tolerated in the church.** Find out if the Shepard of the church is aware of the situation, such as anyone committing any of these sins mentioned in the text. Sometimes it may be hearsay, and there no truth in the story. 1 Cor. 5:9-11
2. **When heresy or unfundamental truth is being preached from the pulpit,** then you can prayerfully make your move. Gal 1:7-9
3. **When the church is out of step with the Biblical pattern and standard of God.** 2 Thess. 3:6,14-16. We belong to RCCG and when the church begins to deviate from the rules and doctrines of RCCG then you can prayerfully make your move.
4. **When there is disregard for the scripture and the commandments of God** and there is no correction being made openly. 1Corinth 5:1-7.
5. **When the church allows external influence and erroneous doctrines on the pulpit** via the quality of the preaching of visiting ministers. Romans 16:17.

In closing, be a reformer not a complainer in your church. **Do not leave if God is not the source of your decision.** Remember whatever you do here on earth you shall one day give an account before God. God is here in IGA, if you have been planted here, pray that you will not leave your place of blessing.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS



*God's Message To Us on Sunday, January 11, 2015 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **A FRESH START**

(Part 1)

Text: Amos 9:10-15 – “And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God”. The Lord is saying that this Year He will take you back to your land flowing with milk and honey, your land of prosperity, promotion, lifting, fruitfulness, testimonies, and Miraculous encounters. The Lord is determined to rebuild every broken down tabernacle of your life.

**A Fresh start means there is a new era of increase, of harvest and of joy.** Doors will open supernaturally to you this year because God has given you grace. This year you will circumvent all the obstacles of your life. Mountain is no barrier for an eagle, it simply soars over it. Isaiah 40:29-31

### **Four Things That Must Happen Before You Experience A New Beginning**

1. **You must take stock of yourself, your past and what you have been doing before now.** You cannot continue in the same pattern, you must pause and take stock of the past. See how many opportunities you lost last year that could have taken you to where you need to be. Look at your past successes. Look at the many chances you have blown up. From Rev. 3:1-3, The Lord is calling us to repentance from the way we have been walking before Him, because his purpose for us is far better than were we are.

2. **Change your mindset.** Romans 12:1-2 transform your thoughts this year. Allow God to walk in it. You cannot continue to do things the same way and expect change. You must obtain a new pattern for your life this year.

3. **You must be tired of your past results, in order for you to experience a new start.** You must align your life with the Word of God. The prodigal son was tired of his situation. He remembered the things that were laid up for him as a son in his father's house and he decided to arise and go back to his father. That's a change of mind set. Luke 15:20-21. You may not have done things right but You must know who You are in Christ. The prodigal son's father was expecting and looking out for him every day, there was great rejoicing at his return. How much more is Jesus waiting to embrace us. All you need this season is to take a step and the Lord will meet you half way.

4. **Cut off all the unwanted parts.** In Joshua 5:3 the Israelites were circumcised in order to enter into the Promised Land. Some things need to be cut off from your life. Jeremiah 4:4 tells us to circumcise ourselves to The Lord. Take away the foreskin of our hearts. You have to put effort into your walk with God if you must grow this year. **Growth in any field demands a deliberate effort.** If you want spiritual growth, then make up your mind not to miss Sunday school, Bible study, Prayer time this year.

In conclusion, “Seek ye The LORD while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto The LORD, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon” - Isaiah 55:6-7.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# GOD'S MESSAGE TO US THIS YEAR - 2015

## 2015 PROPHECIES BY DADDY G.O (PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE)

### Individual:

*For those who fasted for 100 days last year.*

- 1. The Lord says the harvest for the 100 days fast will be given this year.*
- 2. Daddy says this year will be full of testimonies, those who have non before will have this year.*
- 3. Daddy says some of you will swim in the river of abundance this year.*
- 4. Daddy says there will be miraculous completion of projects.*
- 5. Daddy says there will be fulfillment of dreams.*
- 6. Daddy says there will be miraculous restoration.*
- 7. Daddy says the song of many will be – The Lord has been good to me.*

### International

- 1. Scientific and medical breakthrough will be many, particularly in the areas of lack of sleep, dreams and brain disorder.*
- 2. Daddy says Ebola will die out.*
- 3. Daddy says all over the world insurgencies will be considerably weakened.*
- 4. He asked us to pray against massive calamities.*
- 5. He asked us to pray against massive earthquakes, strong hurricane and typhoons.*

### For RCCG

- 1. This year all you need is to charge off your batteries by fasting for 40 days only. Those of you who want to fast continuously 20 days and 20 nights will cover the 40 days. If you miss one day, you have to cover it with two days.*

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 21, 2014 – by Deacon Bisi Ajala*

### **SUBDUING THE FLESH**

Text: Gal. 5:1-26. "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." This month has been declared as our month of Total Recovery; but why haven't many experienced this total recovered? I believe the secret behind it is the "FLESH".

**What is the Flesh?** The flesh is a virtual representation; an inevitable corrupt nature we all take when we become born. The flesh is not your body; it is a nature, for it wages war continuously with your spirit. The flesh is the sinful nature that attempts to use our bodies to lead us into lusts and sin. The flesh is a spiritual occurrence that manifests in the physical. It always seeks to be in charge; it is against anything good for your life.

**Man Is A Tripartite Being:** You are a spirit, you have a soul and you live in a body. As a believer in Christ Jesus, never look at yourself as a physical being, you are a spiritual being, for God is a Spirit and only communes with spirits. John 4:24. Romans 8:16 also tells us that "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God." This scripture brings to light the communication between The Holy Spirit (capital "S") and our spirit (small "s"). Many a time Christians forget the capital "S" (The Holy Spirit), they go around the world living in the flesh. The secret behind living a successful Christian life is indeed learning how to subdue the flesh.

#### **SUBDUING THE FLESH**

1. **Know Yourself:** To deal with the flesh, you need to first know yourself. It all starts with you, not the devil; the devil is only using your flesh to take dominion over your spirit man. **Your flesh is the root cause and foundation of whatever problem you are going through.**
2. **Walk in The Spirit:** Gal. 5:16 - *This* I say then, walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. There is a spiritual battle going on every moment. The distraction of this world continues to becloud our spirit man, hence limiting our ability to experience the fullness of The Holy Spirit. Believers should not be slaves to sin because they are free to do right and glorify God through their actions.

Gal. 5:13 – "For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another". God does not want us to misuse this freedom in Christ Jesus. He wants our lives to reflect the fruit of the Spirit in Gal. 5:22-23 (love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, self-control). **The fruit of the Spirit is what Jesus had when He walked on the face of the earth; this is God's expectation from every believer.** With The Spirit of God controlling your life, the atmosphere can never be gloomy; you will always experience the fullness of His joy. As children of God, we are spirit beings that would one day put off this corruptible nature and put on the incorruptible. 1 Corinthians 15:53-54.

**In closing, it is what you do after every sermon that determines whether you will receive anything or not from God.** God does not want you to remain the same after every service, but it is your flesh that often hinders His blessing from flowing to you. According to Apostle Paul in Gal. 2:20 - "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; **yet not I, but Christ liveth in me:** and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of The Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." Our flesh will one day wither away, it will surely die, but I pray you will not wither away with your flesh!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 14, 2014 – by Deacon Akin Ayeni*

### CATCH-UP WITH YOUR DREAM

Text: Isaiah 43:18-19. Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

**What is a Dream?** A dream is a series of thoughts, images, and sensations that occur in someone's mind probably when he or she is sleeping. A dream could also be seen as certain things God has ordained to come to pass in someone's life. There is a dream attached to your name, hence, you can't afford to fail God. This dream is far beyond owning houses, buying cars, etc. (the American dream), it transcends to making an impact that would bless generations. **Make no small plans because they have no power to stir the soul.** Recognize that every genuine dream will encounter oppositions before coming to pass. Martin Luther had a dream of equal justice in the land of America; despite the oppositions, his dream came to pass. Joseph's dream came to pass, despite his brothers' fierce oppositions. **You have a place to go, a land to conquer, a mountain to subdue, but it would take God to get you there.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ had dreams, and His dreams came to pass. Luke 4:18. He said in John 9:4 – “I must work the works of Him that sent Me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.” God is waiting for the manifestation of His dream upon your life because as His child, **you are a young god connected to The Supreme God.** PS 82:6.

### TO ACHIEVE YOUR DREAM

1. **You must know Him.** Phil 3:10. And how do you know Him? Through The Holy Spirit Who is Our Divine Connection to God. Rom. 8:11.
2. **You must be anointed.** Anointing means to be “enabled” or “empowered”. Anointing makes the difference any day. David defeated Goliath by the anointing. Our Lord Jesus Christ was anointed; hence, He fulfilled His mission in life.
3. **You must exercise this Power.** Having been anointed, you must take a step of faith to exercise His Power inside of you if you must see your dreams come to pass.

### TIME IS NOT ON YOUR SIDE

The number of days you will spend on the earth is ordered by God but how you spend it is ordered by you. Yesterday is a returned check; tomorrow is a promissory note; today is the only day you have. **Yesterday is in the tomb; tomorrow is in the womb; today is the only day you have!** Yesterday is a lesson for you learn from and tomorrow is a repercussion for what you fail to do today. Time is not on your side, you need to catch up with your dreams now.

In conclusion, **the litmus test for spiritual leadership is the ability to hear from God. If you are unable to hear from God what are you going to tell your generation?** If you speak your mind nothing is going to happen, because people only want to hear from God. The generation now and the generation unborn are waiting for the manifestation of that dream Heaven has attached to your name; may you not fail God in Jesus Name!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, December 7, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### TOTAL RECOVERY

Text: Eccl.7:8 – “Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit.” My prayer is that you will end this year better. Total Recovery means when you recover everything. **In life, sometimes the way you start does not matter; but the way you continue does matter and the way you end greatly matters.** It may be rough at the beginning but as The Lord liveth, you shall always end well.

All the trials we face in life do not change God; He remains good to us in every situation. **None of the things we pass through in life changes God from being our provider and sustainer.** He remains El-Shaddai. His faithfulness remains sure. Lamentation 3: 22-23 – “It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.”

As His child, nothing happens to you without His knowledge. **It is only the things that He permits that enter into your life. This means, if God does not permit a thing, it will not come into your life.** A case study can be found in the book of Job. Realize that it does not take God a second to step into your situation. Though the thief comes to steal, to kill and to destroy but Christ has come that He may give us life more abundantly. Christ comes to deliver us from every work of the devil.

God is still The Omnipotent and Omniscient God. The remaining 24 days of this year still has lots of goods and testimonies in package for you. **You might be surrounded by a plethora of discouraging situations, but recognize that Jesus Christ is in the midst of everything;** He is as powerful as ever before – The Lord of Hosts Himself; The Mighty Terrible One ready to stand for you as this year comes to an end. He is still God, regardless of what you are going through. One comforting word that kept Job hopeful is found in Job 19:25-26 – “For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.” It doesn't matter what is going on in your life, be hopeful and know for certain that you will end better and bigger.

### TOTAL RECOVERY THROUGH PRAISE

1. God inhabits in the praises of His people – Psalm 22:3. **No problem can withstand the power of God; as you praise Him, your problems will disappear.**
2. Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation. Hab.3:17-18
3. **Let the people praise thee, O God;** let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him. Psalm 67:5-7

In conclusion, let your situation be buried in the praises of God. **God makes Himself mighty in your situation when you praise Him. He demonstrates His mightiness and power as you engage the weapon of praise.** For all things work together for good for you as you praise Him. May He bring you to your wealthy place as you praise Him. Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place. Psalm 66:12.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 30, 2014 – by Deacon Wole Olubajo*

### **RE-BORN TO WIN**

Text: 2 Corinthians 2:14 “Now thanks *be* unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place”. We will always need the help of God. There is always a vacuum in everyone’s life that can only be filled by God. That is one of the reasons we come to church, to be re-filled with The Spirit of God. **The church is the pharmacy that brings us the help we need through His Word.**

The prefix “RE” is the English language often used to indicate a positive change in anything or an addition of value to a thing. Examples are – repair, regenerate, refurbish, redemption, restoration, etc. When we talk of “Re-Born” in Christianity it means someone has experienced a re-birth in Christ Jesus.

As believers in Christ Jesus, we were born as human beings, but have been “re-born” as spiritual beings; we were born with the natural life, but have been re-born with divine life (eternal life); we were born a citizen of an earthly nation but have been re-born a citizen of Heaven; we were born through the biological process of our parents but have been re-born as sons and daughters of God. **But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God,** even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. John 1:12-13. **What the scripture has to say about our Re-born status?** For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory which overcometh the world, even our faith. 1 John 5:4. We are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. Rom 8:37. Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world. 1 John 4:4. He that is from above is above all – John 3:31

**Are you conscious of your human origin or your supernatural roots?** God expects that we approach every event in life with the mindset that your sufficiency is in Christ. **The purpose of today's message is to Point out our consciousness of the fact that we are reborn to win and reign.** Realize that as a heavenly being you should not speak anyhow neither should you denigrate yourself. It is important to note that the way you see yourself is the way God will see, and that’s the same way the enemy will see you.

Faith is not used believing God (for the demons also believe and tremble); **faith is taking scriptural steps is taking scriptural steps to move God.** Faith is accepting scriptural responsibilities. God only moves when you move. It is you and I that initiate the moves of God by the scriptural moves we make.

**That you are born a winner does not guarantee you victory.** Though the “overcomer” seed is in you as a child of God, you must go through some phases before you can walk in total victory. Just like a seed needs to undergone certain processes (planting, watering, etc) before it becomes a fruit. **Being re-born to win is not a license to be lazy.** The charge to us today is that as a believer in Christ Jesus you are reborn to win, but the real truth is for you to walk in that realm God expects you to come up to a higher mountain in order to see what God wants to show you. God is ready to make changes but He needs the raw materials of His Word stored up in your heart. The Word of God says we should fight the good fight of faith.

In closing, the whole creation is waiting for the manifestation of the Sons of God. Recognize who you are; by virtue of where you are from, and Who lives in you, and where you are sitted today (in heavenly places with Christ – Eph. 2:6).

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 23, 2014 – by Pastor Tope Awobajo*

### THE GOD THAT IS MORE THAN ENOUGH

Text: Gen. 17:1-8. “And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, The LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, **I Am The Almighty God**; walk before me, and be thou perfect.” **This is the first time God revealed Himself as “EL-SHADDAI” to any man.** Hitherto, no man had seen this side of God. Before this encounter, Abraham probably saw God as one of those gods – just slightly superior to others; hence, God had to make Himself known to him.

#### What Does EL-SHADDAI mean?

EL-SHADDAI is a two compound Name:

1. **“EL”** – means Mighty Power; Omnipotent; The Strong One.
2. **“SHADDAI”** – means All-Sufficient Provider; Nourisher; The Breasted-One.

El-Shaddai also means to “Pour-Out”, like a running water tap. God pours His anointing in abundance to as many that come to Him. **He is Self-Existence. He doesn't need anybody. He owns everything.** He is able to supply beyond your need. He makes overflow. His blessing is trans-generational; it flows to all a person's descendants. God's sufficiency is not just about material provisions but is all-encompassing; it covers everything. Everything is abundant with Him. He has more than enough to supply the need of every creature. **The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine, saith The LORD of Hosts.** Haggai 2:8. You can never exhaust what is in His storehouse. He is sufficiency Personalified. His power is infinite.

#### The God El-Shaddai In The Lives of:

1. **Abraham** – The LORD has blessed my master greatly, and he has become great; and He has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female servants, and camels and donkeys – Gen. 24:35
2. **Job** – Yea, the Almighty shall be thy defense, and thou shalt have plenty of silver. Job 22:22-25
3. **Widow Zarephath** – divinely provided for during period of famine. 1 Kings 17:7-14
4. **Widow of a son of a Prophet** – oil was divinely filled in all the borrowed vessels. 2 Kings 4:1-7
5. **Jesus** – The feeding of more than 5,000 people with 5 loaves and 2 fishes. Matt. 14:13-21

#### Conditions To Enjoying His Abundance

1. You must make sure you walk before Him and be thou perfect. Gen.17:1
2. You must present yourself Holy unto Him.
3. **You must be totally focused on Him. He wants your full attention.**
4. You must hold on to Him.
5. You must be totally obedient to Him.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 16, 2014 – by Pastor Shola and Lola Awobajo*

### THAT THEY MAY BE ONE

*(John 17:21a)*

*Annual IGA Women's Conference*

#### A Marriage Is Built

Marriage is like a building. The union of a man and a woman is a building or house which must be built. Prov. 14:1 says - Every wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands. Prov. 24:3-4 - Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established: And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches. **If we must experience good stuffs in our marriage, then our marriage must be built on knowledge.** And knowledge is acquired principally by studying the scriptures and other anointed materials like books, CD/DVD on marriage. The knowledge that is applied is what is called WISDOM. **No one becomes wise all of a sudden.** You must make deliberate efforts to apply the acquired knowledge for the chambers of your marriage to be filled with riches.

#### Things A Couple Should Do To Strengthen Their Marriage

1. Fellowship with God together – Eccl 4:9.
2. **Prayer will strengthen your marriage.** Matt 18:19-20
3. Get rid of relationships and habit in your life that are toxic.
4. Work together as a team. Complement each other. Cover each other's weaknesses.

#### Your Wife Is What You Make Her To Be

When God gave Eve to Adam He gave him a raw material. When God caused a deep sleep to come on Adam, He removed a bye-product of Adam in order to form or mold a woman. **Adam was saddled with the responsibility of cultivating and producing the woman;** that is, he was to make the woman what she needs to be. She is what a man makes her to be.

#### Women Are Takers; Men Are Givers

Whatever you give to a woman, she will process it and give it back to you in multiple fold. Women are processors. When you give a woman a seed, she gives you children; give her money she brings groceries. So if your wife is not giving you what you want, check what you have been giving her. **HAPPY WIFE, HAPPY LIFE.** To make your wife happy will require effort on your part. **Women are emotional beings, if you don't give the right words, you wouldn't get the right action.** Mind the words you speak into her life; mind your actions; don't neglect her; give her affection; never compare her to another woman; don't talk her down in public; it is only after these that you get some good reaction from her.

#### Every Marriage Has Needs

A man has his own unique needs likewise a woman. **Love is all about identifying, caring and fulfilling each other's needs.** For instance, a top need among men is "sexual fulfilment" while for women is "being loved and provided for". If you fail to meet each other's needs, somebody outside will meet those needs! May that not be your portion in Jesus Name. AMEN!

**HAPPY WIFE, HAPPY LIFE!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 9, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### GOD, THE DEPENDER OF THE POOR

Text: Matt. 25:31-46. “Then shall He answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, **Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me**”. This is one of those sermons on the Mount. The Kingdom of God was made available to the poor. Ministering to the poor is one of God’s calls upon our lives as part of the Kingdom agenda. **The job of taking care of the poor is an endless one; and Christ has commissioned us to go forth and take care of it.**

For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land. Deut 15:11. **God in this scripture is saying, you must open your hands to the poor and the needy. God has carefully specified how the poor should be cared for, He never left them unattended to.**

He told us we must take care of them. One of the things that arouse the anger of God is neglecting the needy. God was seen chastising and rebuking the Israelites for neglecting the poor. Amos 2:6 - Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Israel, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they sold the righteous for silver, and the poor for a pair of shoes.

**Brethren, our world is full of people that need help. Many are hungry, homeless and diseased.** James 2:14-17 tells us that our faith without works is dead. 1 John 3:17-18 But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels *of compassion* from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

**Ignoring the cry of the poor is neglecting Christ Himself.** Prov. 21:13 says - Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard. **The poor are so important unto God.** Worth noting is that some of the things we often give have no record in Heaven; all the birthday gifts to close associates, spraying money at parties, “aso-ebi” (uniform attires for occasions) etc, have no iota of record in Heaven.

**The Church Needs Your Money. The 1<sup>st</sup> Century church (in the Book of Acts) was built up by the contributions of the saints.** Their projects weren't funded by unbelievers or Gentiles but by believers who went to the extent of selling their properties to cater for the needs of the saints. They gave sacrificially and voluntarily to the need of the people and the church lacked nothing. Acts 2:45.

Luke 6:34-35 - And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of The Highest: for He is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.

#### What are We Expected To Do Today?

1. To give liberally for the benefit of the needy.
2. We are expected to make the poor our priority in life.
3. We are to show the needy love, not to treat them like trash. You are not better than them; you are where you are by His Grace. Don't be proud.
4. **We are not to judge them.**

In closing, Gal. 6:10 states that **as we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.** God is looking for our commitment to the poor and not just our religious rituals or doctrines; He is actually looking for those who will show the love of God to the poor and the needy.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 1, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## THE PLACE OF WORSHIP

Text: Psalm 150:1-6, Gen 22:1-14

The “Place of Worship” is the “Place of Celebration”. At the place of worship, nothing remains the same again; everything is changed because God inhabits in the praises of His people. Whatever the situation, whatever the burden, whatever the mountain, there is always deliverance in the “Place of Worship”.

### The Place of Worship

1. It is a place of celebration.
2. **It is a place where nothing remains the same again. Everything is changed.**
3. It is a place of submission. A place where everything submits to God.
4. It is a place where things become clearer; you discover the purpose of God.
5. **It is a place where you hear the voice of God with clarity.**
6. It is a place where all needs are met.
7. It is a place where sorrow is turned to Joy unspeakable.

**Everything on the face of the earth must worship God.** Psalm 19:1-2 declares - “The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth His handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.”

### Why Must Everything Praise The Lord?

1. He is The Author of Everything.
2. He answers to nobody. Nobody can question Him.
3. His ways are different from our ways.
4. **He can enthrone and can also dethrone.**
5. He can make “a nobody” somebody.
6. **No authority can arrest Him.**
7. He has no equal (no counterpart) or exact opposite.
8. He is The Most High.

**Case Study of Abraham (Gen. 22:1-14):** In life you will go through certain tests in order to get to the next level. These tests or temptations are set-ups in disguise. Scripture tells us God did tempt Abraham (Gen 22:1); the temptation was to set him up for a miracle. **How you handle your period of temptation will determine whether you come out better or worse.** For Abraham the place of temptation became his place of worship. Rom 4:17-21.

### Requirements To Get To Your Place Of Worship

1. You must be a willing, rugged and dogged worshipper. At the face of anything, you must still praise Him.
2. You must be sold out to God.
3. You must be a man of endurance. A man or woman who would go the extra mile. Abraham went the extra mile (3 days journey) to get to his place of worship.
4. You must be a lover of God. Gen 22:12

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 26, 2014 – by Deaconess Grace Faye Aina*

*Annual Prayer Band Week (Theme: Operation Jehoshaphat)*

### **THE GREATEST ALLY**

Text: 2 Chronicles 20:1-30

Who is an Ally? An Ally is a person or organization that works with or helps another in accomplishing a particular activity. **An ally is someone who comes along to help you out. An ally is someone you can depend on; a person you call on when you are in trouble.** The opposite of an ally is an enemy; someone who fights against you.

From our text above (2 Chronicles 20), Jehoshaphat was faced with a difficult situation.

#### **What Happened When Jehoshaphat Learnt of His Enemies' Plan?**

1. First, he was afraid when he heard the news. It's not unusually for fear to come when you face a situation you are not familiar with. **But as a believer you don't stay fearful because The Word of God says "fear not".** 2 Chron. 20:3
2. **He set himself to seek The LORD. Jehoshaphat consulted the greatest Ally.** (v.3)
3. He proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah. (v.3)
4. **He began to tell God how awesome He is.** He began to remind God how He has been their help in ages past. 2 Chron. 20:6-12.
5. He confessed to God that they don't know what to do but their eyes were on Him. (v.12)
6. He encouraged his people to believe in God. (v.20)
7. **He appointed singers unto The LORD,** to praise the beauty of His Holiness. (v.21)
8. And when they began to sing and to praise, The LORD set ambushments against the enemies and they were all smitten. An ambush is a surprise attack; a trap; an unexpected attack.

In closing, **you serve a God who can fight battles in ways you can't imagine.** He caused the enemies of Jehoshaphat to start fighting each other. In life you will come against situations you don't even know what to do, why don't you just praise Him; praise Him and let Him work things out in ways He knows best. Jehoshaphat and his people didn't even fight a war, they just stood and watched God kill their enemies.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 19, 2014 – by Pastor Richard Ojo*

### **FACING YOUR GIANTS**

Text: 1 Sam. 17:31-51

In life we all will at one point or the other face certain giants. Facing giants is inevitable to everyone, no one can escape it.

**What is a Giant?** A giant is anything that appears insurmountable before you. It is also anything that has an unholy grip (habits, addiction) over you. **Giants could also be likened to an “examination” we write in order to move forward in life.** Giants tend to start small then grow bigger if not attended to. Giants could come in form of a personal (secret) sin, pride, envy, the lusts of the flesh, addictions, a threat to your life, etc. **Giants often cause many to backslide; some people even go to the extend of cursing God.**

#### **HOW ARE WE TO DEAL WITH GIANTS IN OUR LIVES?**

From our text (1 Sam. 17:31-51), the experience of David in his conquest of Goliath gives us some valuable lessons on how to overcome giants in our lives.

1. David ran towards his giant (Goliath). He did not shy away, rather he attacked his giant. Always be ready to face your giant. (v.40)
2. **David did not fear, rather he was bold.** Don't delegate your giant to anybody; take the battle to the gate of the enemy.
3. David believed in The Lord his God for victory. **He knew God will be with him.** (v.37)
4. David said to his giant, “The Lord will deliver you into my hands” (v.46). He prophesied his victory.
5. **David knew the battle belongs to The Lord, hence boasted in The Lord God of the armies of Israel.** (v.45)
6. David remembered how God had given him victories in the past (v.37), hence he had an assurance of victory.
7. **David knew he had a God Who all things are possible with.** Matthew 19:26
8. David used the sword to chop-off the head of his giant. **The Word of God is the sword you use to chop-off the head of your giant.** Eph 6:17

You have the power to deal with whatever giant is confronting you. The power is The Word of God. **Whatever your giant may be, force it into the light of day, stop rationalizing it, stop excusing it, realize you cannot defeat it in your own strength, call on God and pray for the power to deal with it and then attack it.** In addition, be accountable to others, stay away from people or situation where you can be easily tempted. Remember to be vigilant so that a defeated giant does not come back into your life.

In closing, **trust in The Lord, don't look at God in the light of your giant but look at your giant in the light of your God.** It is His battle not yours!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 12, 2014 – by Pastor Yemi Adekunle*

*Annual Men's Week (Theme: Men on The Move)*

### **GETTING INTOXICATED**

Men on the move are men that do things for God. They are men that are intoxicated with God. **They are men that a greater force has come over their lives; hence they are no longer themselves.** Micah 6:8. But he's already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It's quite simple: Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, And don't take yourself too seriously— take God seriously.

**What Does It Mean To Be Intoxicated?** It is the temporary suspension of your natural life. When another thing or force takes over the way you think and reason. **It is when you do what you will not do under normal circumstances.** It is something in you that makes you act beyond your natural ability. It is an external powerful force that is stronger than you that makes you to do what you will not do ordinarily. **All through the Bible we find men who were always on the move; they were ordinary men who did extraordinary things.** For example, the Book of Acts of the Apostles is simply an account of ordinary men who God used to do extraordinary things. The difference between the extraordinary and the ordinary is the extra. What you make first is what will make you first. What is it that moved these men to extraordinary feat? They were followers of those who through faith and patience inherited the promises. Heb 6:12.

**An Account for Our Stewardship.** Everybody will one day stand before God to give an account of himself/herself. Romans 14:11-12 - For it are written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God. God has sent you into the world to bring somebody into the Kingdom and you shall surely give an account of this someday. Rev. 22:12 "Yes, I'm on my way! I'll be there soon! I'm bringing my payroll with me. I'll pay all people in full for their life's work. **God has 5 crowns set for His faithful kingdom laborers** – the crown of life (James 1:12), the incorruptible crown (1 Cor 9:25), the crown of rejoicing (1 Thess. 2:19), the crown of glory (1 Pet 5:1-4) and the crown of righteousness (2 Tim. 4:7-8). There is something about eternity that you must not joke with; it is not a trivial issue. It is how you move higher in this world that will determine your lot in the world to come.

**Who Are The Kind Of People God Is Looking For?** But in every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. Acts 10:35. **That God is looking for men does not mean He is looking for a lazy person.** There is no body that God ever used in the scriptures that was a lazy person. Nobody employs a lazy man. God never adjusts His standard for a lazy person. The greatest way to rise in the Kingdom is by bending down; this means "SERVING OTHERS". In this Kingdom, you don't go up by climbing up, you go up by stooping down and then God lifts you up. James 4:10

In closing, no door can be shut against a man of faith. **An uninformed person is a deformed person. It is revelation that takes you to the next level.** It is understanding that sustains every revelation. You can never rise above what you know. Who you are is according to your faith. The next level you will get in life is according to your faith. It is your faith that determines your fate. The two things that determine your destiny are: (1) **What God says; and (2) What you chose to do with what God has said.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 5, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **DIVINE ENLARGEMENT**

Text: Psalm 71:20-22. Thou shall increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side – Psalm 71:21. Our theme for the month of October is Divine Enlargement. Psalm 71 is a Psalm of Remembrance. The Psalmist (David) was always remembering what The Lord has done. He recognized that he was once looking after sheep before The Lord enthroned him to rule over Israel. We ought to always give God praise for what He has seen us through; for where He is taking us to; and for who we are in Him.

**More often than not, men are prone to living a distorted life because they do not know how to appreciate the goodness of God.** If you know how to appreciate Him you will get to where you are supposed to get to.

God reduced king Nebuchadnezzar to the position of an animal (Daniel 4:33) because he would not ascribe glory to Him. **If you know how to think, you will know how to appreciate God.**

Our God reigns in the affairs of men. Don't wait until you are reduced to nothing before you give Him praise. And as Romans 1:21 puts it – **“Because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.”**

Check your life, have you given God His own portion. When you are not thankful, you become empty and thus, go down in life. When you appreciate Him for little, He will do more.

Psalm 124 states that if it had not been The Lord on our side the enemy would have swallowed us. The Psalmist once again knew what God has done and reminded Him that He can do it again.

#### **WHY SHOULD YOU GIVE HIM PRAISE?**

1. He chose you to show forth His praise – 1 Peter 2:9
2. **He averted many accidents on your behalf that should and could have happened.**
3. He has given you a sane mind. Recognize that it is a privilege to walk about with your sanity intact.
4. When you praise Him, He breaks every yoke or chain tying you down just as He did for Paul & Silas (Acts 16:25).
5. **You are at your best when you praise Him; He makes the earth yield its increase to you.** Psalm 67:5-7.
6. When you cultivate the habit of praising Him, your life becomes very precious in His Hands. John 4:24
7. You live under an “Open Heaven” when you continuously give Him praise.
8. Dead things rise at the presence of praise. **Jesus gave thanks and Lazarus rose from the dead.** Jn 11:41
9. **Praises multiply things in your life.** Jesus gave thanks for the “little” (5 loaves and 2 fishes) and God made the insufficient to be more than sufficient. Luke 9:16-17.

In closing, **until you give God what is due to Him, you will not get what is due to you;** but when you give Him what is due to Him (praises), He will surely give you what is due to you.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 28, 2014 – by Pastor Benjamin Ajayeoba*

### **A NEW SONG**

Text: Psalm 40

Those who don't know how to appreciate easily depreciate. **Songs are gifts from God; they express our feelings and thoughts to our fellow human being and to God.** When God says He will give a New Song, it means that the old song of bondage, failure, sickness, confusion must stop. Psalm 137:3-4.

David was the most successful king in Israel because he knew how to sing a NEW SONG of worship and praise to God. About 9 times is the term "New Song" mentioned in the Bible (6 times in Psalm, twice in Revelation and once in Isaiah). **A New Song is not a song of entertainment but it is a ministry.** It is a song of salvation and deliverance. Psalm 144:9-10.

#### **Bible Characters That Sang A New Song**

1. David – Ps 40:1-3, Ps 98, 2 Sam. 22:1-4
2. **Children of Israel after they crossed the Red Sea** – Exo 15:1-11
3. Hannah in 1 Sam. 2:2
4. **Woman by the well of Samaria** – John 4:5-29
5. The man born blind man in John 9
6. Peter sang a new song when the Master stepped in to end his all night of fruitless fishing. Luke 5:5-9

#### **HOW CAN YOU GET A NEW SONG?**

1. You have to be connected to The One Who gives a New Song. Be a child of God. John 1:12.
2. **You have to humble yourself before Him.** James 4:10
3. Forsake all your old ways. Old habits of sin must be gone. 2 Chron. 5:17
4. You must not only be willing but be obedient. Isaiah 1:19.
5. **You must be a tither and a tireless and cheerful giver.** Luke 6:38, Gen 26:12-14
6. You must have faith in Him. You must seek Him in faith. Heb. 11:6
7. You must serve Him. Eccle 12:14
8. You must call on Him. Jer. 33:3
9. **You must learn to praise Him.** Heb 13:15

In closing, everybody is a fool to somebody; you are either a fool for God or a fool for the devil.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 21, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **A NEW SONG**

Text: Luke 7:11-12. **God is the Author of time. He changes time and season.** He is the One that has time in His Hand. He can hold time in your favor; fast-forward time in your favor and also rewind time in your favor. God works right on time, He is never late. God not only controls time, He also changes situations and seasons. He can turn a bad situation to a good situation, a dry season to a harvest season.

### **JESUS THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE**

Jesus is The Resurrection and The Life. He is the One that can change any dead situation in your life. In John 11, He raised Lazarus from the dead. In the city of Nain, He raised the dead son of a widow (Luke 7:11-16). **Jesus works right on time in every situation.** He walked into the situation in the city of Nain and told the widow to weep no more. He commanded them to stop and drop the casket and then He reached out and touched the dead son and commanded that he be raised back to life. **This morning, The Lord Jesus Christ wants you to drop those dead situations that sadden you** (failures, sickness, pain, etc) so that He can touch and give life back to them. The instruction to weep no more means as you have received your miracle – you have now been healed, made fruitful, gainfully employed, etc.

### **JESUS A RESTORER OF HOPE**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ is a restorer of hope. He renews hope in our lives.** He does this by turning a song of sorrow into a song of Joy. This was what happened in the city of Nain (Luke 7:11-12). **He is the Unchangeable Changer Who alone can change one's story to glory.** He also delights in encroaching into His children's life. Without invitation, He often shows up to help those who believe in Him. **Sometimes He doesn't need our permission to do His good pleasure for us.** An example of this is in John 5:1-9; He encroached into the life of a certain man who had an infirmity for 38 years (pool of Bethesda). He gave the man a New Song by healing him of his infirmity, thus the man could now sing a New Song, "once I was blind but now I can see".

God also has the capacity to make a whole city sing a New Song. In Samaria He changed a lean time into a time of plenty. 2 Kings 7:1-18. Then Elisha said, "Hear the word of the LORD. Thus says The LORD: Tomorrow about this time a seah of fine flour *shall be sold* for a shekel, and two seahs of barley for a shekel, at the gate of Samaria.).

**In conclusion, it doesn't matter how much you have failed, our God is The God of all flesh and nothing is too hard for Him.** In Jeremiah 32:27, He said, Behold, I *am* The LORD, The God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me?

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 14, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### SEASON OF A NEW SONG

Text: 2 kings 7:1-7.

To everything there is a season (Eccl 3:1). This is your season to sing a new song. God has a way of doing things; He has attached certain blessings to every season. Daniel 2:21 makes us to understand that God changes the times and the seasons: He removes kings, and sets up kings: He gives wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding. **God changes seasons. He can change a lean time to a time of plenty;** He can change a bad time to a good time; He can also reverse the irreversible.

From our text (2 Kings 7:1-7), the king of Syria besieged the gates of Samaria, and therefore created a famine. The enemy shut the gates. The man of God prophesied that by this time tomorrow the drought will be over. If God says He will do it, He will do it, **don't worry about how He will do it, JUST BELIEVE.**

**The Word of God is a performer.** It can change a season of dryness to a season of abundance. It has the ability to change any situation; barrenness to fruitfulness. 1 Sam. 2:1-2

### FOUR FACTORS THAT CAN ENHANCE YOUR CHANGE

1. **God can HOLD-TIME** in your favor. Jos. 10:12. He can hold the time until you succeed. Opportunity can be lost if God is not holding time in your favor.
2. **God can FAST-FORWARD** your time. John 2:1-11, Mark 9:1, 10:46-49
3. **God can REWIND** your time. Gen 18:10, 2 Kings 20:8-11
4. **God can WORK RIGHT ON TIME** on your case. God is never late (John 11).

In closing, God can use everything around you to bless you. He can conjure all the elements of the earth and heaven to begin to work in your favor until you succeed. This is your season of restoration and greatness. Daniel 2:21, Joel 2:25.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 7, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **O SING A NEW SONG!**

**Texts: Psalm 40:1-3** – “I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, *and* established my goings. **And He hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God:** many shall see *it*, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD”. Ps 98:1 “O sing unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.” **O sing a new song is a command.** The old song of woe, failure, complains, and pain must stop; a new song must be sung. With a new song, the barren ones become fruitful, the jobless become gainfully employed. No matter the battle you are facing God has promised to do a marvellous thing to assist you. **Appreciate Him for the fact that you are alive; many are in prison today for an offence they never committed.** Often times, people that are free cannot appreciate the privilege of freedom. If you know how to think, you will know how to be thankful.

#### **What Happens When You Begin To Sing A New Song?**

1. New things will begin to happen in your life.
2. **God beautifies your life with His salvation.** Ps 149:4
3. You will come out better in every battle. Job 14:7-9
4. **He turns around impossible and hopeless situations in your life.** Romans 4:18
5. Every prison door around you opens miraculously. Acts 16:25-26

In closing, don't blame God for what you are going through, that situation is just a set up for your breakthrough. Be hopeful and He will do it. You can do all things through Christ Who strengthens you. And as Colossians 1:27 states – “To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory”.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 31, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### **YOUR REDEMPTIVE POSITION IN THE LORD**

**Texts: John 1:19-23, Psalm 40:1-3:** The prophetic word for the month of September is “A New Song”. What does a New Song mean? It means a change of story; the barren now carrying their own babies; the jobless now gainfully employed. To sing a new song, you must know your position in The LORD. **When you know your redemptive position in The LORD and you act on it, you will begin to sing a new song.** In life we all will be confronted with certain situations or problems, these problems are merely asking; do you know your right? Do you know who you are? Gal 4:1 states “Now I say, *That* the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.”

### **YE ARE GODS**

Psalm 82:7 says - I have said, *Ye are* gods; and all of you *are* children of the most High. But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes. As a believer in Christ Jesus, you are a god; you ought to function as a god over situations and circumstances. You are not the one that gave yourself this title, God did! Many lives are cut short because they don't know who they are. **For Jesus, they wanted to stone Him for blaspheming in calling God His Father.** John 10:30-33.

You cannot function less than God. Jesus knew and walked in the reality of divine status during His earthly ministry. John the Baptist also knew who he was – “He said, *I am* the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias” John 1:23. **What do you call yourself? A weakling?** The battle of life is not for weaklings. **You must see yourself strong and able before you can conquer any situation.** In Numbers 13, they saw themselves as weaklings and grasshoppers and indeed they ended up the way they saw themselves (grasshoppers). God said in Numbers 14:28b – “as ye have spoken in Mine Ears, so will I do to you.” **See yourself as a mighty man or woman, a conqueror, a victor, a billionaire, a heavenly citizen on an earthly mission.** David knew who he was in The Lord, hence was able to behead his Goliath. Jesus had to open the Book (Luke 4:17-19) to discover who He was; until the book is opened your identity and destiny remains closed.

### **ABIDE IN ME**

John 15:5 - I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. When you abide in Him and Him in you it means the Blood that runs inside of Jesus will also run inside of you. **You have been engrafted into Him to blossom and bear fruits. Nothing can harm you as you abide in Him. The curses of life are powerless against you.** Because Christ has redeemed you from the curse of the law, He has been made a curse for you so that the Blessing of Abraham might come to you. Gal. 3:13-14.

### **KNOWLEDGE IS KEY**

When you know your worth in redemption, that knowledge alone will drive you to what God has ordained for your life. The knowledge that you know you can do all things through Christ Who strengthens you. Knowledge is powerful; it drives you to attain your inheritance. **Your new birth connects you to a supernatural source.** Phil 4:19. For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith. 1 John 5:4.

**In closing, you are a child of destiny, you are born to rule and reign in life.** If you must sing a new song you better open the book (the Bible) to know your rights and who you are in The Lord.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 24, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### SHOW ME YOUR GLORY

**Texts: Gen.48:8-20, Exod. 33:18** - “And he said, "Please, show me Your Glory”. If God must bless us, He needs to show us His Glory, but this may not be possible because Rom 3:23 tells us that “**all have sinned and come short of the Glory of God**”. Our sins prevent us from seeing His Glory. If we must see the Glory of God, all our righteousness cannot qualify us because they are like filthy rags. Isaiah 64:6.

God must show us His Mercy if we must see His Glory. It is of The LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. **They are new every morning**: great is thy faithfulness. Lam 3:22-23. All of us without exception are entitled to judgment; for the scripture says, the wages of sin is death but the Gift of God is Eternal Life through Jesus Christ (Romans 6:23). **Instead of death, God gave you and I a Gift - Eternal Life** through Christ Jesus. We are alive today wholly on the mercies of God that are new every morning. Whatever you are not entitled to or you may have missed in life, the Mercy of God can give it to you. **This is why you need to pray to God for His Mercy to prevail over any judgment over your life.** Jer. 31:20

**What is Mercy?** **Mercy could be defined as a judge having found you guilty decides to reverse the judgment, hence refusing to punish you.** God never intends to visit us according to our iniquities for David said in Psalm 130:3, “If You, Lord should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?”

Mercy is also the outward manifestation of pity towards an individual. **God sent His Son to die for us as an outward manifestation of His pity towards us.** For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. John 3:16-17.

All through the Bible we find God showing His Mercy towards many; people like David, Mephibosheth, Blind Bartimaeus, the woman with the issue of blood, were all recipient of the mercy of God.

#### What Happens When Mercy Takes Over Judgment?

1. Offences are overlooked and pardoned. Prov. 19:11
2. **The punishments are waived.** Jer 31:20
3. Offenders are forgiven and pardoned.
4. The expectation of the wicked is perished.
5. **The accused will be discharged and acquitted.** Rom 8:1

In closing, we have all missed it and messed up in life, what we deserve is judgment but God through Jesus Christ has given us His Mercy so that His Glory could overshadow our lives.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 17, 2014 – by Temi Ayeni*  
Annual Youths Week

### KNOW CHRIST, KNOW LIFE

**Text: John 14:6** “I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me.” Without God, there is no life; no Jesus, No life! In other to know God we must know Jesus. For without Jesus, there is no life.

**The Blood of Jesus speaks better things into our lives** (Hebrews 12:24). His Blood speaks hope and prosperity into our lives. His blood gives us new life. The life of every animal begins with the blood. Jesus knew from the day He came to the world that He would have to shed His blood before we could be born again and have new life.

**The Name of Jesus makes every problem in our lives to bow.** Phil 2:10 makes us to understand that at the mention of the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth. Sickesses, diseases and joblessness all bow at the mention of the Name of Jesus.

**Jesus is the way that connects us to God.** Without Jesus there is no way. What does a way mean? A way is a path that you should follow. It is a blueprint. We should build our lives in the blueprint that Jesus left from the beginning to the end of His Life. He came to the earth to show us the way we should live from our birth till we die.

**Jesus is the truth that sets free.** Without Jesus there is no truth. He said in John 8:32 – you shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free. We can replace the word “truth” with “Jesus”; because Jesus is the truth. You shall know Jesus and Jesus shall set you free. So many things are wrong in people’s lives because they do not know Jesus but John 14:6 makes us to know that Jesus is the true way that brings life; life to your family, life to your health, life to your academics and life to your own life. Jesus gave us His life so that it can be easy for us to live a life that is well pleasing to God.

**To know Jesus is to have peace because Jesus is the Prince of Peace.** True peace is within Jesus.

**Jesus came so that we can have life more abundantly.** John 10:10 - The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. The devil comes to steal your happiness and advancement, but Jesus has come for you to have your joy and life more abundantly. To have abundant life you must know Jesus. How do you know Jesus?

1. **You know Jesus through knowing His Word** – 2 Tim 2:15
2. To Know Jesus is to live a holy life. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. Psalm 119:11
3. **You must help others know Jesus.** You are to live for Him by spreading His Word to others so that they can know Him.
4. **You must allow Him to control your life.** Luke 9:24
5. You must follow His ways.

What is the purpose of life? To make heaven and to take as many people with you.

In closing, there is no meaning in life without Jesus. Jesus secures your eternity. Without Jesus your eternity is blink.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 10, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### SHOW ME YOUR GLORY

**Text:** Gen. 1:16, 1 Cor 15:41 – “Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. *He made* the stars also”. (Gen. 1:16). “*There is* one glory of the sun, another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for *one* star differs from *another* star in glory”. (1 Cor 15:41). Just as there are categories of light, there are categories of glory. **What differentiates the great light from the lesser light is “GLORY”.** The glory of God disgraces every shame; shatters every darkness; and removes every reproach, barrenness, and loneliness. After Moses saw the glory of God the people could not look at his face. They had to cover his face with a veil because his face radiated the Glory of God. Exo. 34:30. When you are able to attain this level of Glory the enemy will no longer be able to withstand you any more.

### YE ARE CHILDREN OF THE DAY, NOT THE NIGHT

There is a power that rules the day and a power that rules the night. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness - 1 Thess 5:5. God has called you out of darkness into His marvellous light – 1 Peter 2:9b. Everything is good during the day, rarely do you see anyone weeping in the day, rather people weep at night. **Rejoice for the price of your weeping has been paid on the Cross of Calvary.**

- Weeping may endure for a night, but joy *cometh* in the morning. Psalm 30:5b.
- **Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows.** Isaiah 53:4a
- For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more: He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer thee. Isaiah 30:19
- **Weep not: behold, The Lion of the tribe of Judah, The Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.** Rev. 5:5

### SYMPTOMS OF DARKNESS

1. All movement ceases in darkness. Everything is broken down. Mark 1:10, Mal 4:2
2. In darkness defeat is inevitable. Matt 13:25
3. **In darkness there is stumbling and there will be falling.** John 11:9-10
4. In darkness there is no progress. John 11:9-10
5. **In darkness there are no activities. It is a passive period.**
6. In the night, speed will slow down, there is reduced speed.

**In closing, light is better than darkness, Glory is better than shame. Honor is better than reproach.** From now on The Lord will put a demarcation between you and darkness, failure, sorrow, barrenness, shame and reproach In Jesus name. AMEN!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 3, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### GIVE UP YOUR OWN COLT

**Text: Luke 19:30** – “Saying, Go ye into the village over against you; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring him hither” **Our God is not a God in need. Everything He needs is at His palm.** If He demands your praise, it doesn't mean He is in need; He is only giving you a privilege. For by Him all things consist and were created. Col. 1:16-17

**God created you for His pleasure.** 1 Peter 2:9 says “But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light”. **He chose you because He wants to showcase you;** He wants His glory to reflect through you. He chose you for a purpose so you could show forth His praises. He showed His glory through various people in the Bible – Joseph, Moses, etc.

**God is never in need, when He needed a colt to ride on, He had one already prepared** (Luke 19:30). Even at His death, He never lacked a place to be buried (John 19:38-41). This is why Psalm 113:3 mandates that The Name of The Lord be praised - From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same The LORD'S Name *is* to be praised! Also, Psalm 103:1 commands our soul and all that is within us to Bless The LORD and *ble*ss His Holy Name. You need to command your spirit to praise Him; you may not have achieved all you want but bless God for what He has helped you to achieve till date. In Acts 16:25-26, **Paul and Silas could have complained to God for being imprisoned for preaching the Gospel, but they chose otherwise, giving praises to God.** And what happened? God came down and loosed their chains and that of the other prisoners. Psalm 92:1 says “*It is a good thing* to give thanks unto The LORD, and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O Most High”. It is not good thing to complain.

**Praise makes God to take over your battle.** Jehoshaphat and the people of Judah experienced the power of praise; “And when they began to sing and to praise, The LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten. For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy *them*: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, every one helped to destroy another.” 2 Chronicles 20:22-23.

In closing, **God wants to ride on your colt and this colt represents your praise.** Praise is an access; it's the code to your increase in life. “And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna; Blessed *is* He that cometh in The Name of The Lord” (Mark 11:9). What does “Hosanna” mean? It means “Save Me”. Save me from barrenness, save me from poverty, save me from doom, etc. So as you praise Him, He saves you from every arrow of the enemy.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 27, 2014 – by Sis. Bolu Aina  
(Annual Children's Week)*

### **EXPERIENCING GOD'S OVERFLOW**

**Text:** Psalm 23:1-6. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over. **What is Overflow? Overflow can be defined as having God's abundance in your life. God does big things in our lives.** In **Gen 1:20** God said, "Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens. **Also in Gen 1:28, He said** to man, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth." **God's purpose for your life is to be BIG.** He's purpose for you is not be small; if you are small now, He's going to help you grow bigger in Jesus Name.

**Which area of our lives does God wants us to overflow? God said in 3 John 1:2** – “Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers”. This means He wants us to overflow in our spiritual lives, in our families, in our academics and careers, in our health, and in our finances.

#### **What Are The Conditions for Experiencing God's Overflow**

- a. You have to be a child of God through Christ Jesus. John 3:16
- b. You have to be willing and obedient to God – Isaiah 1:19
- c. **You cannot be lazy. You have to be diligent and hardworking.**
- d. You have to be disciplined.
- e. You have to be able to control your anger.
- f. **You have to pray a lot.** 1 Thess 5:17
- g. You have to study your Bible regularly.
- h. You have to be full of thanksgiving.
- i. You have to be in close communion with The Holy Spirit.

In conclusion, **to experience God's overflow, you have to look beyond yourself, think less of yourself and more of others.** Rather than praying for God to bless you, pray for Him to make you a blessing to others; rather than praying for healing, pray for His healing power to flow through you to others, rather than praying for a job, pray for Him to make you an employer. Your God is a BIG God and He wants you to be Big like Him.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 20, 2014 – by Pastor (Mrs.) Arinola Ojo*

### **BE OPENED!**

Text Mark 7:32-34. And looking up to heaven, He sighed, and saith unto him, **Ephphatha**, that is, **Be Opened**. The expression “Be Opened” is a command. So many things can be opened in life; a book can be opened, a door can be opened, and an opportunity can be opened. **For a thing to be opened, it means it had been previously shut.** Our God has the key of David, when He opens a door no one can shut it. Rev 3:7. There is no door God cannot open; no matter how formidable the door is that door will open at the command of God. **When God shuts a door no one can open it.** Every door of affliction will be shut against you in the mighty Name of Jesus.

#### **What Are The Major Doors We Need God To Open For Us**

1. **Doors of Promotion:** Whatever level you are today there is always a better level. In 1Sam 16:11-13, we read the story of how David was singled out for divine promotion. In the morning of that day David was ordinary, but by night his life had changed forever, he was no longer ordinary. Samuel had anointed David as King. It is time for God to open doors to your promotion.
2. **Doors of Possibility:** We serve a God of possibility. Mark 10:27 declares with God all things are possible. There is hope for you because with God nothing shall be impossible. **What is hope? It is an assurance that something positive will happen.** Father Abraham who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations. Romans 4:18-21.
3. **Doors of Healing:** The door of divine health is ever opened to anyone who is committed to serving God. And ye shall serve the LORD your God, and He shall bless thy bread, and thy water; **and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.** There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfill - Exodus 23:25-26. This is an assurance from God. In Mark 7:32-34, Jesus ministered unto the deaf and dumb man.

In closing, we all need The Master's touch in all that we do. It is His touch that makes the difference in our lives. No one receives the touch of God and remains the same. **Whenever God touches, He perfects everything concerning that person** and also takes that individual to a height that he or she could never have been able to get to by him/herself.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 13, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### THE INGREDIENT OF PRAISE

Text: Exodus 15:1-11. Who *is* like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? Who *is* like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful *in* praises, doing wonders? This was the song of the Israelites after they saw some of the wonders of God. Our God is ever doing wonders. He is ever ready on your behalf, to take you out of your bondage, poverty.

This year has been declared as our year of overflow and one of the ingredients of overflow is PRAISE. Your issue is to make the Glory of God manifest in your life. John 9:3. Isaiah 51:11 declares that – “**Therefore the redeemed of The LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion;** and everlasting joy *shall be* upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; *and* sorrow and mourning shall flee away”. As you praise Him, the issues of your life will not only collapse but will be swallowed up just as Pharaoh and his armies were swallowed up by the Red Sea.

You have every reason to give praise to God. Psalm 21:11 states that “For they intended evil against you: they imagined a mischievous device, *which* they are not able *to perform*”. Always give thanks to God for going ahead of you daily to void every plan and program of the enemy. As Psalm 124:1-3 declares - **If it had not been the LORD who was on our side,** now may Israel say; *If it had not been* the LORD who was on our side, when men rose up against us: Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us.

When God has done anything good in your life, He expects you to come back and give Him praise. Luke 17:17.

### THREE THINGS IMPORTANT THINGS ABOUT PRAISE

1. **Your Praise Refreshes God.** Praise is a sure way His creation lifts Him up. Rev 4:1. The praise of our lips and heart is always very pleasing to Him. God wants and demands our praise. When you wait upon Him very well in praise, it refreshes Him and He in turn gives you a wonderful “tip” (testimony). Prov 11:25. In this month of our thanksgiving, water God with praise day and night.
2. **Your Praise Will Precede Your Victory.** Paul and Silas (in Acts 16:25) did not wait for God to intervene in their situation before offering praise to Him, rather they sent their praise ahead and God wasted no time in intervening in their situation. Your praise is your ballistic missile sent to the camp of your enemy for their doom just as Jehoshaphat did in 2 Chron. 20:21-22.
3. **When You Praise Him, He Releases His Glory.** His Glory is His manifested presence. Glory is the opposite of shame. God inhabits in the praises of His people and when His Glory comes you are never the same again as all shame disappears. As you cultivate the habit of praising Him, He will give you double for every trouble.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 6, 2014 – by Pastor Tokunbo Adewunmi*

### THE HEART OF A THANKSGIVER

Text: Psalm 116:17. - I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the Name of The LORD. The heart is the center of a man. True thanksgiving comes from the heart. God is more concerned in what is going on in your heart than what you are saying with your lips. When God sees it in your heart, He will put it in your hand.

There are certain things you must know about Thanksgiving:

1. God promises to load every true thanksgiver with daily benefits (Ps 68:19).
2. You can contain and retain God's benefits through thanksgiving.
3. **When you stop giving thanks to God you start depreciating.**
4. Thanksgiving from the heart will take you to your Canaanland.
5. If you know how to think, you will know how to thank God.
6. Out of the heart of gratitude, there shall be multitude of thanksgiving.
7. **Thanksgiving will make you ignore the ridiculous and attract the miraculous.**
8. Thanksgiving will pave way for great opportunities (open doors) in your life. Phil 4:8
9. God never denies a thanksgiver the best of anything in life.
10. Thanksgiving turns every issue in your life to virtue.
11. **Thanksgiving can provoke Heaven to react in your favor** – 2 Chron. 20:20-22
12. Your Thanksgiving is the lifter of your head.

### THE ATTITUDE OF THANKSGIVERS

1. They ignore the ridiculous to attract the miraculous – Ps 55:2
2. **While others are sorrowful, they are joyful.**
3. They know every problem has an expiration date.
4. **They don't concentrate on what God has not done, they are thankful for what He has done.**
5. They don't join the group of murmurers. They thank God for a better tomorrow.
6. They don't take anything for granted.

In conclusion, never take God's doings in your life for granted, else you might be grounded. Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, The LORD *shall be* a light unto me. Micah 7:8

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 29, 2014 – by Pastor A.A Aderibigbe (Assistant General Overseer)*

### **FAVOR TO THE NEXT LEVEL**

Text: John 5:1-11. Everyone in life desires to change levels as they age in life. Even the rich want to change levels to “the wealthy”. Only God can truly promote a man to the next level. For promotion *cometh* neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south - Ps 75:6. **A man without favor is forgotten by all. Hardly do people reckon with someone without favor.** From our text above (John 5), Jesus Christ singled out the man by the pool of Bethesda for favor. The man with the infirmity had been on that level for 38 years before Christ asked him “**do you want to be made whole?**” (John 5:6). His day of favor came and he took advantage of it. Are you sick, forgotten and hopeless in life? Christ the Hope of Glory has come this morning to change your level. **He is saying to you now – “will thou be made whole?”** Only Jesus Christ can single out a man for favor. And it is the favor of God that guarantees success in life. A man is only as significant to the measure of God’s favor on him. Whatever may be your condition, I pray that the favor of God will single you out this morning. **The power of God’s Favor cannot be overemphasized.** His favor can bring the last born to the position of the first. It is only God that can move a man from the last to the first. Examples are – Esau & Jacob; David and his 7 brothers; Joseph and his brothers; and Esther in a foreign land. Favor turned a prisoner (Joseph) to a prime minister; favor turned a forgotten shepherd boy (David) to a king in Israel; and favor turned an immigrant (Esther) to a queen.

#### **WHAT TO DO TO EXPERIENCE HIS FAVOR**

1. **Let your ways be pleased unto God** – Prov 16:7
2. Don’t allow mercy to be far away from you. **Show mercy to those you know and to those you don’t know.** Allow mercy and truth to be your friend. Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart: So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man. Prov 3:3-4.
3. **Be a Giver.** Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days. Eccl 11:1

In closing, every problem in life has a solution. **We all need the favor of God to fulfill destiny.** I pray that from this day just as Our Lord Jesus Christ increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man (Luke 2:52), you too will daily increase in Favor with God and man.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY



## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, 6/23/2014 – by Pastor G. Lawal (RCCG – Assistant General Overseer)*

### WHERE ART THOU?

Text: Gen 3:7-9. **And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?** One thing that cannot allow your river to flow is DISOBEDIENCE. It was sin that broke the fellowship between Adam and God. Every man needs to have a constant fellowship with God. It is through continuous fellowship with Him that we experience His Glory. The Glory of God was on Adam and Eve before the fall. **When we leave His presence, His Glory departs.** This was what happened to Adam after he sinned. The question “where art thou?” is a sign of disobedience.

### WHAT ARE THE SIGNS OF A BACKSLIDER

1. **The language of a backslider is different.** O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things – Matt 12:34-35
2. **A backslider has no self-control** – Prov 13:3
3. **A backslider follows his own way.** He believes he is always right; he does not take correction.
4. A backslider worships himself. He thinks if he can't do it nobody else can.
5. A backslider is always negative in his thinking. He never thinks of winning or overcoming. Num 13:31-33
6. **A backslider is always going back to his vomit.** He does not think of making progress in life. He always refuses to focus on progress.
7. A backslider loves worldly things. 2 Corinthians 6:14-17, 2 Tim 4:10, Luke 9:62

In closing, make heaven your goal; let your talking, dressing and actions always be pleasing to God. There is nothing God cannot do in your life, just believe. Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God? John 11:40

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 15, 2014 – by Pastor E. Ibitayo*

### **GREAT FATHERS ARE HARD TO FIND**

Text: Gen 18:17-19. A father is a man with many parts; a father to his children, a husband to his wife and a son to his parents. **In every responsible community we have very responsible fathers.** A father without a testimony will bring agony to his family and community. A family is the subset of the community and the church. It will be well with the family if it is well with the father.

#### **WHO IS A FATHER?**

1. **A father is a source or origin of life.** He is the Foundation of life - Psalm 2:7. If you have a father you have a foundation. When you have a father you will go far.
2. **A Father passes on an inheritance to his children and his community.** Prov 13:22 a good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children. Fathers are to pass generational blessings as opposed to generational curses.

#### **What Are Some Of The Responsibilities Of A Great Father?**

Note we have good fathers but we also have great fathers.

1. **He is a spiritual guide to his generation.** Jos 24:15 as for me and my house we will serve The Lord. A generation without fathers will derail.
2. **A great father is a pillar of strength to his family.** If a pillar is weak it will crumble. Gen 18:19.
3. **A great father provides for his own household** because if he doesn't the Bible states he is worse than an infidel. 1 Timothy 5:8. A great father provides more than food for his family; he provides protection and moral values to his children.
4. **A great father provides spiritual leadership for his home.** As a father you are the pastor in charge your wife is the assistant pastor and the children are members of the congregation.
5. **A great father must be sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit.** A family without a leader will scatter. The father is the head, the head houses the "eyes", he must be able to "see" good things for the family. The head also houses the "mouth" and he must use his mouth to "prophesy" his children - declaring that it shall be well with them. Additional the head houses the "ears", he must be able to "hear" from The Lord.

#### **Examples Of Great Fathers In The Bible.**

1. **Noah** found grace in the sight of God. Gen 6:5-9. Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations. And He walked with God.
2. **Abraham** was the father of faith Gen 12:1-4. The Lord declared to Abraham that he shall be a father of many generations. He obeyed without knowing where he was going. **Faith sees the invisible hears the inaudible and touches the intangible.**
3. **Isaac** was the son of promise Gen 22:7-8 Isaac enquired from his father where the lamb for the sacrifice was, he submitted himself and he became great.

In closing, a man who has nothing to give to his community is not fit to be called a father. **It will take sacrifice to be a great father; others may engage in certain things but you can't afford to join them,** you are unique, you are special, representing God The Father of all fathers wherever you go.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES), HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 8, 2014 – by Pastor Nike Ilori*

### MY HELP, COMETH

Text: Psalm 121:1-2. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help *cometh* from The LORD, which made heaven and earth. What is Help? **Help can be defined as making things easier for someone by offering service or resources to them.**

There are 3 categories of Help:

1. **Help from Government:** this could come in form of educational assistance, medical aids, etc. This type of help usually has strings attached.
2. **Help from Relatives & Friends:** this type of help usually has an unwritten bond attached. People will generally expect a payback someday.
3. **Help From God:** we all need help from God. This help is supernatural and is free. It is accessible to all and has no strings attached.

### HOW CAN WE GET THE HELP OF GOD?

Help is always available from The LORD but **the problem is from us; we usually seek other alternatives. For vain is the help of man.** Ps 60:11b. We get help from God by principally seeking “The Helper”. **God is not lost; we are the ones looking for Him in wrong places.** And ye shall seek Me, and find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all your heart. And I will be found of you, saith The LORD. Jer 29:13. Daily we need to come to where help is waiting, just as the prodigal son (Luke 15:18-34) came to himself and said “I will arise and go to my father”; likewise we also should always go to our Heavenly Father for help.

**COME UNTO ME** - Are you chained or bound? The Lord said “come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest” - Matt 11:28. **This is an open invitation to come to where help is waiting.**

### HOW DOES HELP FROM GOD COME?

1. Through Angelic Visitations – Gen. 18:2-10
2. In the place of Deep worship – Acts 16:25-34
3. Engaging In fervent and effectual prayer – James 5:16b

### WHAT CAN PREVENT HELP FROM GOD?

1. Ignorance – Hosea 4:6
2. **Seeking help from other gods** – Ps 16:4
3. Sin – If I regard iniquity in my heart, The Lord will not hear *me*. Ps 66:18, Rom 6:1
4. Unbelief – Mark 9:24

In closing, **it is important to know and be conscious of the strength and ability of your Helper;** The LORD strong and mighty in battle. Ps 24:8. There is no battle He is not prepared for.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 1, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE POWER OF HIS PRESENCE**

Text: Acts 16:23-25. It is of no use gathering when the presence of God is not there. **A critical question for us this morning is why do we come to church?** Is it to socialize or to worship God? Some come to church watch and observe, some come to chat, some come to gossip but wise people come to worship and prepare to meet with their God. When the presence of God shows up the glory of God comes down.

**The presence of God is what any man needs to succeed in life. Nothing compares with it.** An example of what His Presence can be seen in our text above (Acts 16:23-25), Paul and Silas despite their being chained with fetters prayed and sang unto God and when God responded with His Presence, their chains and fetters were instantly loosed. Every situation bows to the presence of God. God always shows up when He is praised in truth for He inhabits in the praises of His People. Ps 22:3. Praise always guarantees the presence of God. **Our attitude of complaining often keeps us on the same spot.** And *when* the people complained, it displeased The LORD: and The LORD heard *it*; and His anger was kindled; and the fire of The LORD burnt among them, and consumed *them that were* in the uttermost parts of the camp (Num 11:1). **Murmuring and complaining rob us of the presence of God.**

### **WHY MUST WE PRAISE HIM?**

1. **You need to praise Him because He can use the good or the ugly to fashion your life.** Case study of Joseph - he never lost hope, he believed that one day all will be well. Even when he was sold into slavery, then thrown into jail but in the twinkle of an eye, his life was transformed from the jail house to become the prime minister in Egypt. Gen. 38,39,40
2. **Praising Him guarantees His presence wherever you go** – Ps 89:15.
3. The Glory of God is imbedded in the praises of God. When you praise Him, His glory descends and comes down mightily. It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers *were* as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up *their* voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, *saying*, For *he is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever: that *then* the house was filled with a cloud, *even* the house of the LORD; So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God - 2 Chron. 5:13-14
4. **Praising The Lord will turn your weakness to strength.** The LORD literally takes over your battle. 2 Chron. 20:21-25. When the Glory of God comes down it covers every shortcoming and weaknesses. Jehoshaphat was weak but the Glory of God covered his weakness.
5. When you are a worshiper and you let the spirit of The Lord take you over, **you will end the battle very well.** In Acts 16:30 the battle ended very well for Paul and Silas. The jailors' were overcome by the presence of God and gave their lives to God.

In closing, as we learn to praise The Lord this month He will inhabit our praises and deliver us from every opposition against our destinies in The Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 25, 2014 – by Deacon Akin Ayeni*

### **THE SECRET OF THE KINGDOM**

Text: Luke 8:10 “And He said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.” People generally say God works in mysterious ways but as a child of God, **God wants you to have knowledge of the mysteries of His Kingdom.** It may be mysteries to others but not to you. As a believer in Christ Jesus, you have been given the power to “know” – what does it mean to know? It means to have a clear and complete knowledge of something. **It is your responsibility to seek the truth.** The truth should not be something hidden from you as a child of God, you ought to know the modus operandi of God (how God works). **Realize that you are never helpless at any given point; all you need is to have your eyes opened to see and your heart enlightened to believe.** You are redeemed to operate in His abundance. Your knowledge of who you are in The LORD puts an end to toiling in your life.

There are 3 things that are important in your quest to know the secret of The Kingdom of God:

1. **FAITH:** what is your level of faith? Heb 11:6 states “**But without faith it is impossible to please Him:** for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.” You have a role to play (walking by faith) in experiencing your redemption package in Christ Jesus.
2. **COURAGE:** Courage is the thing that moves you forward; it is the muscle that moves you forward. Moses needed courage to deliver the Israelites. **Your knowledge of Who God is makes you dare the undareable!** What is behind you and what is before you is not as great as what is in you. God has put His Holy Spirit in you so that you can have the courage to confront and subdue any opposition (1 Cor 3:16). God knew Joshua needed courage to fulfill his assignment (Joshua 1:6). Courage is what activates your believe. Courage is the oxygen that makes your life to survive. **Courage is not the absence of fear but the conquering of fear.**
3. **THE WORD OF GOD:** God has spoken volumes into His Word. The Word is God Himself. The Word is the modus operandi of how God works. Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; **And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free** - John 8:31-32.

In closing, regardless of what the world labels you, stand your ground in Christ Jesus. Only God can help you no man can. For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding – Prov 2:6.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 18, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **YOUR POSITION IN REDEMPTION**

Text: Rev 5:9-10. This year 2014 was declared by the Heavens as our Year of Overflow in RCCG. Today we shall be looking at another ingredient of Overflow – “Knowing Your Position in Redemption”. Rev. 5:10 makes us to understand that we have been made unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth. **By our redemption in Christ Jesus we are no longer ordinary; we have been made kings and priests.** At redemption, everything becomes new; you are no longer an amendment of your past, your life changes literally. Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new - 2 Cor. 5:17.

At redemption, He paid the price for your death, your sorrow, your poverty, your debt, and your affliction. You don't have to sweat and toil any longer, someone (Christ) already paid with His Blood. **He redeemed you from darkness and bought you over from the slave market.** You are no longer to live in sickness, penury and bondage because His Blood has brought you up. What we lost in the Garden of Eden, Christ came to give back to us. Rom 5:15-17

#### ***Ignorance Is A Dangerous Thing***

You need to know your rights in redemption else you have no future. They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course. **I have said, Ye are gods;** and all of you *are* children of the most High. But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes. Ps 82:5-7.

### **YOUR WORTH IN REDEMPTION**

1. You have become a “spirit-being”, no longer an ordinary “human being” John 3:6
2. The yoke of poverty has been broken over you. 2 Cor 8:9
3. You can now operate in the realm and capacity of God. Ps 82:6
4. **Christ's life connects you to a supernatural source.** John 14:6
5. If the earth is The Lord's, it means it is yours too. Ps 24:1
6. You are now an “Ambassador of Christ” – you carry the authority of Christ 2 Cor 5:20
7. **You no longer helpless, all it takes to succeed is now at your disposal** John 14:16
8. You are now to operate in His Abundance and Overflow. John 10:10b, Gen 1:28

In closing, your knowledge of who you are in The LORD puts an end to toiling in your life. As a child of God, every good thing is your inheritance in Christ. **Stop lamenting and looking down on yourself, stop operating as if you are ordinary,** cease from having a poor image and estimate of yourself for you are now a carrier of The Holy Ghost. From now begin to walk in the spirit, for every word you speak carries power and authority.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 11, 2014 – by Pastor (Mrs.) Lola Awobajo*

### *HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY*

## **A HEART FLOWING WITH MOTHERLY AFFECTION**

Text: Titus 2:3-5. Who is a Mother? A mother is someone who loves you unconditionally and cares for you in everyway. She is someone who places the need of her children above hers; little wonder she is the first person a child often talks to in times of crisis. As mother you are an employed caretaker by God to your children. They are not yours; He gave them to you on trust. According to Prov 31, a Godly mother is one who is trustworthy, clever, prudent in spending, not wasteful, diligent, enterprising, industrious, a woman of faith, dedicated, charitable, loves and dresses well. She is a watchman and one who fears The LORD.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES OF A GODLY MOTHER**

1. **The greatest gift you can give to your children is constant and continuous PRAYERS for them.** Pray for them to fulfill the purpose of God for their lives.
2. A heart that provides the necessities of life; nourishing and healthy food, clean clothing, etc.
3. A heart that is Happy. As a mother, are your children and your husband happy when you are around?
4. **A heart that Gives.** Mk 10:45. The giving of your affection, energy, compliments, quality time, and encouragements to your family.
5. A heart that is Quiet. Prov 31:26

### **I HAVE A MOTHER WHO PRAYS**

Some have had kings in their lineage,  
Some to whom honor was paid.  
**I don't have those as my ancestors  
But I have a mother who prays.**

I have a mother who prays for me  
And pleads with The Lord every day for me.

**Oh what a difference it makes for me**

I have a mother who prays.

My mother's prayers cannot save me,

Only mine can avail;

**But Mother introduced me to someone,**

**Someone who never could fail.**

Oh yes...I have a mother who prays for me

And pleads with the Lord every day for me.

**O what a difference it makes for me**

I have a mother who prays.

**- Author unknown**

In conclusion, you need God's wisdom and Grace to be a Godly mother. In addition, you need lots of patience, prayer, fasting and sacrifices in other to fulfill your calling as a mother. **The calling of a mother is indeed a ministry that only God can reward you for.**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 4, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **SERVICE FROM THE HEART**

Text: Ephesians 6:5-8. Servants, be obedient to them that are *your* masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ; **Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart.** Today many claim to be are working for God but their service is not from the heart; they are merely menpleasers doing God's work with eyeservice. Apostle Paul in Ephesians 5 and 6 was exhorting the Ephesians Church on certain "Household Codes". He advised that as a believer in Christ Jesus whenever you want to render any form of service you should always do it as unto The Lord and not unto your boss or any man.

#### **The Heart As The Center of Service**

The human heart is the most sacred part of our being. Whatever you are today is a function of the condition of your heart. Your heart is the center-point of your life. What does the scripture has to say about the heart in our walk with God?

1. **My Son give Me your heart** – Prov 23:26a
2. These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me – Matt 15:8
3. **Keep your heart with all diligence**, For out of it *spring* the issues of life - Prov 4:23
4. So He answered and said, "You shall **love The LORD your God with all your heart**" - Luke 10:27a
5. **Serve The LORD your God with all your heart** and with all your soul – Deut 10:12c
6. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart - 2 Cor 9:7a

Our God is a Perfect God and He demands nothing less than a perfect service from the heart. God's standard is different from man's standard; He does not accept minimum standard, His standard is perfection. God hates slothfulness, laziness and idleness. Our Lord Jesus Christ while on the earth served God with all His Heart. He said at age 12 - "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" Luke 2:49. **God is a Business Man; He wants profits from what He has planted into your life.** Burying your potential is a way of disregarding your Master, and one day Your Master will come and withdraw that talent from you. Matt 25:15-28.

#### **Being Diligent In The Service Of God**

1. Your diligence in the service of God is **a way of Honoring Him** as the Most Important part of your life.
2. Your diligence in the service of God is **a way of showing appreciation unto Him** for redeeming you.
3. Your diligence in the service of God is **a way of maintaining your relationship with Him.**

But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. **For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.** 2 Peter 1:5-8

In closing, He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still. And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work. Rev 22:11

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 27, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **OH MY GOD, FORSAKE ME NOT!**

#### **2014 ELDERS' WEEKEND**

Text: Psalm 71:9-18. **Everyone prays to be old; no one wants to die young.** From the time a baby is born people pray that he or she lives long to fulfill purpose in life. If you must fulfill the purpose of God, then longevity ought to be attached to your life. One of God's covenants is longevity. He promises us in Psalm 91:16 – “With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.” **Salvation means deliverance from impending doom and destruction.** It does not mean there will not be challenges and attack in life but The Lord will show you His salvation.

**The place of an Elder is a great place. Elders have a significant role to play in any society; their impact is immeasurable to the growth and development of a community.** Being an Elder (above 50 years in RCCG) is not a time to retire or give up; rather it is a time to become more relevant and more fruitful. God said in Ps 92:12-14 – “The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing.”

As an Elder, you are still relevant; you still have what it takes to serve The Lord and be more relevant in His Kingdom. There is something on the inside for the coming generation. **Caleb at age 80 was still asking for mountain to subdue** - Joshua 14:12. **Service in the Army of The Lord has no age limit.** At 80 The Lord commissioned the ministry of Moses. Sarah at 80 years and Abraham at almost 100 years were both commissioned by The Lord to the ministry of nurturing a baby.

In our own time we have several examples of saints of God that were and are still relevant in their old age. Examples such as:

1. **George Beverly Shea:** important to the ministry of Billy Graham. He died at 104 years. **At 102 he got a Grammy award for his work in support of the Billy Graham's crusades.** He was still waxing strong for The Lord.
2. **John Henry Newton:** **He is the composer of the hymn “Amazing Grace”.** One of his popular quote – “I am not what I ought to be; I am not what I would like to be; I am not what I hope to be. But I am not what I once was, and by the Grace of God, I am what I am” He died at 82 years.
3. **John Wesley:** **A great Evangelist, he preached over 40 thousand sermons.** In his lifetime, he rode over 350,000 miles on horseback preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. **He complained that at 83 he was only able to study for 15hrs a day!** At 86 he complained of being slothful for sleeping till 5 am! At 87 he learnt the 11th foreign language. At 88 he was worried that he could only preach twice a day!
4. **Pa Samuel Akinbode Sadela:** **He is the oldest preacher still on the planet earth.** At 114 years of age he is a living epitome of God's goodness. He was baptized in 1928. Fully ordained reverend in 1937. Signs and wonder still follows his ministry – dead raised, lepers healed, etc. His belief is that there is no middle way in commitment to serving God. He ministered alongside with Apostle Joseph Ayo Babalola. He says the Word of God supersedes any other person's word dead or alive. **He believes since The Holy Spirit who cannot grow old, dwells in him, He will be spiritually sensitive till the end of his life.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 20, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE RESURRECTION POWER**

Text: Matt 28:4-7, John 11:25-26

The message of the Gospel was first announced by the angel in Matt 28:6 – “**He is not here: for He is Risen**”. Your God is not dead! He is The Ever Living God. The One you are serving is not dead. He said - *I am* He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death - Revelation 1:18. He is The Resurrection and The Life.

#### **WHY DID HE GO TO THE GRAVE?**

1. **He went to the grave in order to seize the power of death and hell.** 1 Cor. 15:55.
2. **He went to the grave in order to add value to your life.** His going to the grave paved the way for God's Grace and strength to flow into your life.
3. The Grave is a dark and bad place to go. It's a stinking place. **Jesus went to the grave so that you will not live your life stinking or in darkness.**
4. Through His grave experience, **we became blessed;** we can now lay claim to everything the devil has stolen in our lives. Eph 1:3
5. Through Christ, **we became partakers of the Covenant of Promise,** no longer are we regarded as a people without God in this world. Ephesians 2:12
6. He went to the cross so that **we can have all things** - the Life and the Glory of God. 2 Pet 1:3
7. He took all the beatings we could have taken so that **we can now live in abundance.** John 10:10
8. He went to the grave so as to bore our griefs, and carry our sorrows – Isaiah 53:4-5

In conclusion the women that went early to the tomb saw His grave clothes, which means that **Jesus rose up anew and left behind all the grave clothes; nothing will no longer be able to hold down our destiny.** If the grave could not hold Him down no evil will no longer be able to hold you down again. Halleluyah, “He is not here: for He is risen” – Matt 28:6. **HAPPY RESURRECTION DAY!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 13, 2014 – by Pastor Paul Akapo*

### GOD'S COVENANT

Texts: Jeremiah 32:40-41. When The LORD wants to change the story of someone He calls him or her into a deal. That deal is what is called “a Covenant”. **God cuts a covenant with a person in order to take them to the next level in life.** A covenant with God is what makes anyone a champion in life. The covenant gives you an advantage in the battles of life. **The covenant makes you walk in the realm of Deity; what answers and bows to God begins to answer and bow to you because you are one with Him by covenant.** David shut down Goliath through a covenant with God. The covenant with God through Christ Jesus makes you a bone that the devil cannot crack; it makes you a music that he cannot stop; and it makes you flow or walk in the dimension of Jesus Christ.

#### CATEGORIES OF GOD'S COVENANT

1. Covenant with Noah (a covenant of preservation)
2. Covenant with Abraham (a covenant of longevity and prosperity)
3. Covenant with Moses (a covenant of priesthood and conquest)
4. Covenant with David (a covenant of royalty)
5. Covenant of Christ (a covenant of Grace and Everlasting Covenant)

#### DYNAMICS OF THE COVENANT

1. It is an Everlasting covenant (Unchangeable, unalterable).
2. It is Angular not lineal. God sinks down to bring us up.
3. This covenant is solution packaged.
4. It is a devil paralyzing package. Impenetrable package.
5. **It is what entitles you to God's Goodness.**
6. It is your legal documentation for acquittal and advantage.
7. It is God's commitment to be good to you.
8. **It is God's binding oath to make sure all will be well with you.**
9. It is God's great answer to great problems.
10. It carries the effects of God's sovereignty.

#### THE BENEFITS OF THE COVENANT

- |                                   |                                      |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Peace. (John 14:27)            | 5. Dominion. (Gen 1:26)              |
| 2. <b>Prosperity.</b> (Deut 8:18) | 6. <b>Deliverance.</b> (Isaiah 53:5) |
| 3. Longevity. (Psalm 91:16)       | 7. Grace. (2 Cor 9:8)                |
| 4. Favor. (Psalm 5:12)            | 8. <b>Mercy.</b> (Rom 9:15-17, 23)   |
|                                   | 9. Forgiveness. (Hebrews 8:8-13)     |

#### HOW TO ENJOY THIS COVENANT

- |                    |                               |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Serve Him       | 4. <b>Honor Him</b>           |
| 2. Praise Him      | 5. Win souls for Him          |
| 3. Love His People | 6. <b>Be Heaven Conscious</b> |

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 6, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **KEEP ON CELEBRATING**

Texts: Psalm 22:3, 66:1-2. Our God is a Holy God. When He says He will do something, He meant it. This is your season of harvest. It does not matter the obstacle you are seeing now, you are matching ahead. The same God Who made Hannah to celebrate despite all odds is still on the Throne. I Samuel 2:1- 3 Hannah came back to celebrate and rejoice. We will keep on celebrating. Our time of celebration has come. Buddha didn't come to die for our sin. Eckankar did not come to die for us only Jesus came to this world to die for us. Whenever you are confronted with something stronger than you, first stop that fear and struggling and start celebrating and matching forward by surrendering to praise. **The access code to your breakthrough is Praise.** Paul and Silas understood and engaged this key in Acts 16:25. Through praises also Lazarus was raised from the death (John 11:41); through praises Jesus fed multitudes with a little boy's lunch (Matt 14:19). Praise is an invitation that God can never ignore. **You have cried enough, you have prayed enough, begin to praise The Lord.** He is the One Who has kept you for the first quarter of this year. He not only kept you alive, He went ahead to fight your battles for you. He kept you whole; nothing was taken out of your life except sorrow, failure and sickness. Hasn't God been faithful?

In 2 Chronicles 20:20 Jehoshaphat praised God when there was a conspiracy against him until God moved on his behalf. **God sent ambushment against the enemies.**

**When you are confronted with any higher power stronger than you just lift it all up to God in praises and see what God can do. God always come through no matter what.** The walls of Jericho fell down flat with specific instructions to praise God and walk around it seven times.

Psalm 110:1- 4. I declare by the mercy of God that you will become a testimony in the Name of Jesus. The Lord will make you a testimony in the earth.

In closing, Psalm 150:6 gives hope in the face of any hopeless situation. It says when there is still breathe in you there is still hope for a miracle. When you praise God He will come through for you. You have cried enough, you have prayed enough, you have struggled enough stop all of that and just start praising God and he will come through for you. Praise God in every situation and see what The Lord will do. Surrender to the agenda of heaven for your lives.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 30, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### SEASON OF HARVEST

Text: Mark 4:26-29; Gen 8:22 “While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.” **Every farmer goes to farm expecting a harvest from the seeds planted.** Since the beginning of the year, we have been sowing (in prayers, 100days fasting, etc) and asking God to send us the harvest. **All these spiritual exercises are seeds sown in expectation of a harvest from God.** God has not asked us to seek Him in vain, He has a reward. Everything you put under the ground is a seed which will definitely yield something – positive or negative, depending on what you have sown. If you sow nothing you will reap nothing. If you sow love, you will reap love and vice versa. If we don't focus on the harvest, it may elude us. Ps 90:14. A farmer that does not understand his timing may miss the harvest. You must key to your timing. Harvest is not just a farming principle it is also a law of life. Gal. 6:8.

#### PRINCIPLES OF HARVEST

1. Your harvest is the consequence of what you have sown. 2 Cor 9:6
2. **Harvest is not an event. It is a process.** There are various stages involved. The grain must fall on the ground and die before it can begin to bring forth fruit. The harvest is also gradual. It involves 4 stages – the blade, the ear, the full corn and harvest. Mark 4:26-29
3. **Harvest does not come in the same proportion of the seed sown; it is always more.** Hosea 10:12.
4. The gestation period of seeds vary. For example, corn takes about 3 months; cocoa on the other hand takes about 5 years.
5. **The time of sowing is a difficult period; it is not always a pleasant experience.** Ps 126:6
6. Some people sleep during period of harvest. Christ wept when He saw they didn't understand the time of their visitation. Luke 19:44, Prov 10:5

**In conclusion, God is always working behind the scene each time you plant a seed.** Enlarge the place of your tent, And let them stretch out the curtains of your dwellings; Do not spare; Lengthen your cords, And strengthen your stakes. For you shall expand to the right and to the left, And your descendants will inherit the nations, And make the desolate cities inhabited - Isaiah 54:2

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 23, 2014 – by Pastor Daniel Bernard*

### **SOLVING THE FINANCIAL PROBLEM OF THE CHURCH**

Text: 2 Kings 4:1-7 “So Elisha said to her, "What shall I do for you? Tell me, **what do you have in the house?**” **And she said, "Your maidservant has nothing in the house but a jar of oil."** The prophet that died (in our text) appears to have been a good preacher but a bad financial manager as he left debts for his family. Though Elisha's instruction to the widow to borrow empty vessels did not sound logical, she obeyed. Initially, she thought the jar of oil in her house amounts to nothing until God proved to her that He could do much with what seems insignificant. My question to you this morning is **“What is in your house?”** **By house I do not mean the physical building where you live but your body;** 1 Cor 6:19 makes us to understand that your body is the Temple of God.

The church today needs to understand where her true assets lie; it is not the size of her bank account neither is it the state of the arts infrastructure/building. 2 Cor 4:7 tells us where the true assets of the church lie – **“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.”** The widow from our text had a jar of clay (an earthen vessel) that was meant to be filled with oil (The Holy Spirit). **By nature a treasure is attractive; it draws attention. As a believer in Christ Jesus, your body is the earthen vessel meant to carry the heavenly treasure of The Holy Spirit.** Elegant church building, eloquent speakers, state of the arts equipment, etc – though wonderful as they are, will do little or nothing in saving the lost (winning souls). Only Christ can draw the lost to Himself (Jn 12:32). Christ by The Holy Spirit is the true asset of the church. **This leaves us with the responsibility of developing our spirit so that the heavenly treasure in our earthen vessel can impact our world.** The early church in the book of Acts were so aware of the treasure in their earthen vessel that they went about preaching The Lord Jesus Christ and The Hand of The Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord (Acts 11:20-21).

**God wants to use you; He desires to make your life a means of filling the emptiness of others. His only concern is whether or not you would make yourself available and obedient to His call.** Many are crying for God to fill their lives with His Holy Spirit but there are many leakages in their earthen vessels.

In closing, The Holy Spirit desires to fill your emptiness so that you can in turn fill the empty vessels in your neighborhood. As long as there is an empty vessel you can be rest assured that there is an endless supply in The Holy Ghost. **The oil ceased to flow only when there were no more empty vessels to fill** (2 Kings 4:6).

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 16, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **LOVING, SHARING AND WORKING TOGETHER**

(Part 3)

Text: Romans 12:16 “Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.” **The foundation of the Gospel is *Loving, Sharing and Working Together***. There must be love in the church of God. In the book of the Acts of the Apostles, there was none that lacked anything, they all dwelled together in unity and they shared everything in the church. The power of God reigns anywhere there is love and unity. **The biggest battle the church is fighting today is not external, it's the battle within**. If that is taken care of the power of old will come again in our midst. In the days of Ananias and Sapphira (Acts 5), they agreed to sell their property no one forced them but at the back they were planning something else. The Holy Spirit identifies our heart as He did with Ananias & Sapphira. Often times, we carry a false face to church, we pretend to be of one mind, we wear a mask forgetting that God looks at the heart.

If there must be miracle and if testimony is to increase, power of a God must show up and it can only be attained by the church being of one accord. **Self aggrandizement, strife and vain glory are behaviors that will not allow the Spirit of God to flow in our midst**. We should learn to esteem others higher than ourselves, don't put others down; we are all work in progress.

### **What Are Those Essential Things That We Need To Help Us Walk In Overflow?**

In the army there is rank and file and in the church also there is rank and file. Joel 2:7 - They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks. None shall break their rank; everyone has a duty and a role to play in the Body of Christ. We must all ask God to open our eyes to identify our role and our location in the Body of Christ so we can function in it properly. **If you are not in your rightful location you will be malfunctioning**. In the family, men must function in their role as husbands and fathers. Entreat God to open your eyes to identify your role as a husband and the head of your household. If everybody functions in their rightful roles there will be peace.

### **THE IMPORTANCE OF DWELLING IN UNITY**

1. Unity Is A Strategy To Fight And Overcome The Kingdom Of Hell.
2. **There Will Be Better And Greater Result When We Operate In Unity.**
3. A United Team Is Difficult To Beat. Eccl 4:12
4. **There Is Power In Unity.** Ps 133
5. God cherishes unity, love and standing together.
6. The Trinity Dwell In Unity. God The Father, God The Son And God The Holy Spirit Operate As One. (Gen 1:26a).

In closing, for the Power of God to reign in our lives and the church, let's continue to walk in love, have unity and oneness of heart. It is then that we can achieve much. One can be smart but one cannot be out smart everybody. If you find it difficult to work with others you have a problem.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 9, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### 2014 RCCG LEGACY WEEK

Text: Psalm 33:12. “Blessed is the nation whose God is The LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for His Own inheritance”.

#### OUR HISTORY

The RCCG was founded in 1952 by Nigerian pastor Josiah Akindayomi (1909–1980). Pa Akindayomi had a vision of words that appeared to be written on a blackboard. The words were "The Redeemed Christian Church of God." Amazingly, Pa Akindayomi who could not read or write was supernaturally able to write these words down. In this visitation, God also said to him that this church would go to the ends of the earth and that when the Lord Jesus Christ appeared in glory, He would meet the church. The Lord then established a covenant with Pa Akindayomi, synonymous to the Abrahamic covenant in the Bible. He said that He the Lord would meet all the needs of the church in an awesome way if only members would serve Him faithfully and be obedient to His Word. It is upon this covenant that the Redeemed Christian Church of God was built.

Sometime in the early 70s, God had spoken to Pa Akindayomi about his successor. The Lord told him that this man who was not a member of the church then, would be a young educated man. Thus when a young university lecturer joined the church in 1973, Papa was able to recognize him in the Spirit as the one that the Lord had spoken about in the past. This man, Enoch Adejare Adeboye who was then a lecturer of Mathematics at the University of Lagos soon became involved in the church. He became one of the interpreters translating Pa Akindayomi's sermons from Yoruba to English. He was ordained a pastor of the church in 1975. Papa was preparing to meet his Creator. He sent for Pastor Adeboye and spent several hours sharing with him details of the covenant and the plans of The Lord for the church. Even though a year before this, the Lord had revealed to Pastor Adeboye that he would be Papa's successor, it was still too difficult for him to fully contemplate such an awesome responsibility. Pa Josiah Akindayomi was 71 years old when he died. Amidst controversy, Pastor Adeboye's appointment was formalized by the reading of Pa Akindayomi's sealed pronouncement after his burial.

#### OUR VALUES

1. Holiness
2. Prayer
3. Purity
4. Evangelism

#### OUR MISSION

1. To make Heaven.
2. To take as many people as possible with us.
3. To have a member of RCCG in every family in every nation.

#### VIRTUES OF RCCG

15. We are God's chasers. We pursue God through our prayers, worship and study of His Word. Ps 42:1
16. We value Christ's likeness. We want to be like our Savior, in conduct and in our speech.
17. We value Godly Family life. We value marital fidelity. We bring up our children in a Godly environment.
18. We value purposeful singleness. Our singles devote their time and energy towards the service of God.
19. We value Giving. We encourage our members to first GIVE themselves to The LORD.
20. We provide an environment where our members grow quickly so as to be ready vessels for Our God.
21. We value modesty in our lifestyle. We dress in a Godly manner.

**LEGACY WEEK VIDEO:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m2jw61xdPL0>



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, March 2, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **TRIUMPHANT PRAISE**

Text: Luke 19:32-40. “And He answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out”. Without doubt we have seen the mighty works of God in our lives this year. If you decide to hold your peace and not render Him the Praise due Him, the stones would replace you. The LORD delights to ride on your praise. You are preserved for His praise. From our above text (Luke 19:32-40), the Colt The LORD requested for had never been ridden before, this means The LORD is asking you to give Him a new level of praise to ride on beginning from this month. He needs your praise; He wants to ride on you. **In this new month, loose that Colt (praise) for Him to ride on; don't keep that Colt (your praise) tied down any longer, for The LORD has need of it** (Luke 19:31,34). If you will not function as God wants you to function, He will replace you. No one is above divine replacement.

#### **WHAT CAUSES DIVINE REPLACEMENT?**

1. Displaying acts of ingratitude.
  - ❖ **Because they do not regard the works of the LORD, Nor the operation of His hands, He shall destroy them And not build them up.** Ps 28:5
2. If you refuse to humble yourself by acknowledging all that God is doing in your life.
3. If you keep your Colt (praise) tied down; refusing to give Him praise to ride on.
4. **Complaining and murmuring displeases God.**
  - ❖ Now *when* the people complained, it displeased the LORD; for the LORD heard *it*, and His anger was aroused. So the fire of the LORD burned among them, and consumed *some* in the outskirts of the camp. Num 11:1

#### **WHY MUST YOU PRAISE?**

1. Because The LORD commanded it. Ps 150, Mal.2:1-2
2. You owe Him Praise; you are indebted to Him for still being alive. Matt 6:34, Lk 17:17
3. When you praise Him, He is moved to bless you the more. John 11:35-40
4. **Praises guarantee His protection, increase and overflow in your life.**
5. God sets ambushment (trap) against your enemy as you praise Him. 2 Chron.20:22
6. When you praise Him, He sustains His Blessing upon your life. Mal 2:2
7. **Praising Him is a medium of Honoring Him.**
8. When you praise Him you are opening a floodgate of Blessing into your life. PS 67:4-6

**In conclusion, don't take Christ for granted this year; don't trivialize all the good works He has done in your life. If you have made any progress in these 61 days (of 2014) praise Him for everything. Remember if you fail to praise Him, you will be replaced!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 23, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **LOVING, SHARING AND WORKING TOGETHER**

*(Part 2)*

Text: Romans 12:13. Last week we spoke on “Loving” as one of the ingredients of experiencing Overflow. This week we shall be looking at the vital ingredient of “Sharing”. Rom. 12:13 - distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.

#### **What Does Sharing Means?**

1. It means sharing each other's problems and issues.
2. It means holding each other's hands in fellowship.
3. **It means ministering to the needs of others and ensuring no one is carrying a burden alone.**
4. It means taking your portion in Mount Zion. There is a Word of Grace and Overflow that Heaven has allotted to you as you abide in Mount Zion. But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions. Obadiah 1:17

**God Himself is the First Sharer – He spared not His Own Son, but delivered him up for us all** - Rom 8:32. This Year, God wants us to share ourselves and everything we have. The first century church understood very well the power of sharing as a catalyst for growth and overflow. Acts 2:42-47.

#### **What Did They Share?**

*Acts 2:42-46*

1. They shared in the Apostles' doctrines.
2. They fellowshiped together.
3. **They shared each other's burden.**
4. They had all things in common.
5. They partook in the Breaking of Bread from house to house.
6. They ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart.
7. They prayed together.
8. **They sold their possessions and shared them to the needy in their midst.**

#### **What Results Did Their Sharing Lead To?**

*Acts 2:43,47*

1. Fear came upon every soul; they became a force to reckon with, they ruled their world.
2. **Many signs and wonders were done.**
3. They had favor with all the people.
4. **They experienced overflow as The Lord added to the church daily.**

In conclusion, the Church is the best place to share your burdens and problems. God commanded us to love one another. John 13:34-35. This year, we will distribute to the needs of the saints and we will be more hospitable to one another. **We will give out of our own necessity; we will intercede for those having issues among us; we will help as many that come our way; and we will treat each other's problems as ours.** Let brotherly love continue. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so *doing* some have unwittingly entertained angels. Heb 13:1-2.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 16, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **LOVING, SHARING AND WORKING TOGETHER**

*(Part 1)*

Text: Romans 12:9-20. Today we will continue on the series - Ingredients of Overflow. As we ask God to take us to our Overflow, we need Him to help us overcome all vices. **The foundation of our Christian faith was built on Love.** Christ called His disciples in love (Mark 3:14); He taught them in love; He ate with them in love; He rebuked them in love; and He loved them to the very end (John 13:1). He demonstrated His love by dying for us. He came to express the Love of God to us, and then left us with a commandment to love one another. Jn 13:34-35.

#### **Why The Need To Walk In Love?**

1. The devil knows that love unites us.
2. **Love brings increase and overflow to us.**
3. Love would take us to Heaven.

#### **Hard Facts About Love**

1. Love is not in what you are going to receive but what you are going to give.
2. Love propels you. It makes you do something. In 2014 be ready to spend and be spent for God.
3. **Love is an action word not a feeling.** Any love that does not cost you something is not love.
4. Love takes all your totality, person, heart, attention and concentration.
5. **Love has to be practicalized.** God Himself demonstrated His Love (John 3:16).
6. True love must cost you something. Jesus gave himself as ransom for all. 1 Tim 2:5-6
7. **Love always goes the extra mile. Love suffers long.**
8. Love gives its best to everyone that comes your way. Romans 5:7-8
9. Love makes you bless those that curse you, makes you do good to them that hate you, and makes you pray for them who spitefully use you, and persecute you. Matt 5:44, Rom 12:20

In our world today, brethren treat themselves very shabbily, this contradicts scriptural injunction that in honor we should prefer one another. **We are to help lift each other up; as you help lift a fellow brother or sister up, you also will be rising.**

#### **DIVINE ATTRIBUTES OF LOVE**

1. Love is without dissimulation. It is without hypocrisy. Rom 12:9
2. Love is Kind. It does not oppress. Rom 12:10
3. **Love is tender, gentle, and eager to help.**
4. Love does not envy.
5. Love does not puff itself. 1 Cor 13:4
6. Love does not behave unseemingly. 1 Cor 13:5
7. Love does not rejoice in iniquity but rejoices in the truth. 1 Cor 13:6
8. Love never ends. 1 Cor 13:8

In conclusion, love never fails: but whether *there be* prophecies, they shall fail; whether *there be* tongues, they shall cease; whether *there be* knowledge, it shall vanish away. **Strive to change and be the best this year; let the word of God change you, let it transform you and resonate in your heart.** Ask The Lord for strength to overcome your shortcomings.





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, February 9, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **DEADLY PITFALL ON THE PATH OF OVERFLOW**

Text: Psalm 1:1-6, Prov. 6:16. Though God has declared 2014 as our Year of Overflow, it is important to note that **Overflow is not an accident but a journey that needs a level of development**. Since we have not passed this way before, wisdom demands we follow the One (Christ) Who not only knows the way but is “The Way” to overflow in any area of life.

#### **What Are The Deadly Pitfalls To Overflow?**

From our text (Prov. 6:16-19), there are 7 pitfalls we need to avoid if we must experience the Overflow that God has ordained for us this year.

1. **A Proud Look.** This is having a sense that you are better than others. God personally stands on the way of a proud man. A Proud man or woman is an accident waiting to happen.
2. **A Lying Tongue.** You must eschew all forms of lies – white lies, green lies, yellow lies, etc.
3. **Hands That Shed Innocent Blood.**
4. **A Heart That Devise Wicked Imagination.** This is a heart that forms contrary imagination against another; wishing evil to happen to another human being. The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, and desperately wicked; Who can know it? **I, The LORD, search the heart, I test the mind,** Even to give every man according to his ways, According to the fruit of his doings - Jer 17:9.
5. **Feet That Be Swift In Running To Mischief.** This is the act of meddling into other people's matter in order to cause injury and poison people's mind. 1 Pet 4:15.
6. **A False Witness That Speaks Lies.** You should avoid all forms of hear-says. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. Exo 20:16.
7. **And He That Soweth Discord Among Brethren.** This one is an abomination before The LORD.

In conclusion, this is not the year to keep company with the wrong people. **The company you keep will determine what you will be at the end of the day.** To experience Overflow, you must see very well (Jer 1:12); you must develop the ability to see overflow on your behalf. You must also recognize your inadequacies and ask The LORD to help you. Without Him you are nothing.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Feb. 2, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **MAKE PRAISE HAPPEN**

Text: Judges 1:1-2 “Now after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children of Israel asked The LORD, saying, Who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first, to fight against them? **And The LORD said, Judah shall go up:** behold, I have delivered the land into his hand”. God said for the Israelites to possess their promise land, Judah must go first. What does “Judah” represent? The modern day interpretation of Judah is “Praise”.

#### **What Happened When Judah Went Up?**

1. The LORD delivered the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hand: and they slew of them. Jud 1:4
2. Adonibezek, the tormentor of God's people was found; his thumbs and great toes were cut-off. Jud 1:6-7

There is an inheritance for you this year which is only obtainable by “PRAISE”. **In every condition you find yourself just praise Him because there lays your breakthrough.** David despite been abandoned in the wilderness to tend the sheep, cultivated the habit of praising God – as he did his glorious destiny caught up with him. Little wonder he said in Ps 100:4 - Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, *and* into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, *and* bless His Name.

**Don't murmur this year, God only dwells in a Praise and Thanksgiving atmosphere.** Life itself is a war zone; you had to fight some battles for you to be where you are today. It is impossible to win the battles of life without the help of God and this help comes principally by offering Praise to Him. If you must triumph in life, Praise must be a lifestyle. No Praise warrior ever loses a battle; David a great praise warrior never lost a battle.

When Judah (Praise) showed up, the sea saw *it*, and fled; Jordan was driven back; the mountains skipped like rams, *and* the little hills like lambs - Ps 114:1-3. **Realize that every difficult situation you come across this year is an opportunity of promotion if only you know how to handle it.**

#### **THE OFFSPRING OF PRAISE**

From 1 Chron. 4:1, Judah had 5 Sons; this means as you engage the weaponry of praise the below fruits will be made manifest in your life.

1. **Pharez** means **Breakthrough**
2. **Hezron** means **Surrounded by Wall, Protection, Edge of Fire**
3. **Carmi** means **Growth, Expansion**
4. **Hur** means **Purity, Set-Apart**
5. **Shobal** means **Multiple Blessing.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Jan. 26, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **INGREDIENTS FOR OVERFLOW**

Text: Ezek 36:25-30 – “A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh”. There is an ingredient that can cause overflow in your life. When God talks of overflow, He is not just referring to additions but multiplications in your life. **To experience God's Overflow, you have to expect it, prepare for it, pray for it and believe it can happen against all odds.** God said in our above text (Ezek 36:26) that He will give them a new heart so that when the overflow comes it wouldn't elude them. The heart is the center and seat of our spiritual life. Whatever you will become in life will be determined by the condition of your heart. Your real you is your heart – as a man thinketh so he is – Prov 23:7a.

**Though the seed is The Word of God, it is the condition of the heart that determines the level of germination of the seed.** From the parable of the sower in Matt 13, there are 4 types of heart:

- (1) The Way-Side
- (2) The Stony or Rock
- (3) The Thorny
- (4) The Good Ground

**God is a God of Heart; He looks at the heart in order to bless a man.** Man looks at the external appearance but God is more interested in what is in the heart of a person. 1 Sam 16:7. For you to qualify for God's overflow this year, God will scrutinize and try your heart just as He did with Abraham in Gen 22:1.

### **WHAT KIND OF HEART IS GOD LOOKING FOR?**

1. **A Willing Heart.** God will neither compel nor pamper you to do anything for Him this year.
2. **An Obedient Heart.**
3. **A Pure Heart.** This is a heart free of offence and bitterness. 2 Tim 2:19
4. **A Perfect Heart.** This is a heart free of ulterior motive. 2 Cor 6:9
5. **A Trusting Heart.** Prov. 3:5-6
6. **A Humble Heart.** This is a heart that is not proud. Isa 66:2

In closing, keep your heart with all diligence; for out of it *are* the issues of life - Prov 4:23.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014 – by Pastor (Mrs) Lola Awobajo*

## **IN HIS PRESENCE**

Text: Ps 16:11 - You will show me the path of life; In Your presence *is* fullness of joy; At Your right hand *are* pleasures forevermore. **The Presence of God is our greatest need in life. Nothing beautifies a man or woman like the Presence of God.** His Presence will always make the difference in your life.

### **BENEFITS OF BEING IN HIS PRESENCE**

1. Joy: You will experience the fulness of joy. Ps 16:11
2. **Fruitfulness: God will show you deep and secret things that will make you fruitful in life.** Ps 67:5-7
3. Fulfillment: You will fulfill your destiny beautifully.
4. **Failure and sorrow will disappear from your life.**
5. In His Presence there is Divine Protection – Ps 91:1-3
6. He will be ever present in time of trouble. Ps 46:1
7. **You will experience victory over your enemy in His Presence.** Ex 14:19-26
8. His Presence will give you Grace, Rest, Glory and Mercy. Ex 34:29, Ex 33:13-19

### **CONDITIONS TO EXPERIENCING HIS PRESENCE**

1. You must accept Him as Your LORD and Savior. John 1:12
2. You must be willing and obedient. Is 1:19
3. **You must have a clean hand and a pure heart.** Ps 24:3-5
4. You must forsake and repent of your sins. Hab 1:13
5. **You must stop all fraudulent practices and manipulations.**
6. You must have faith in God. Rom 10:17
7. You must constantly look onto Jesus The Author and Finisher of Your Faith. Heb 12:2

In Closing God is assuring you that as you walk faithfully with Him this Year 2014 - **“My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”** Exo 33:14

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Jan. 12, 2014 – by Pastor Peter Olawale*

### WHAT NEXT?

Text: Ps 23:5 - You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over. The LORD has spoken to us that this Year there shall be Overflow in our lives. **It is pertinent we ask ourselves what we need to do to experience this Overflow.** It pays to walk consistently with God; you will never experience a reduction in life. God always proves Himself to be a God of Appreciation not a God of depreciation. In our text above the Psalmist says He anoints my head with oil and my cup runneth over. One may ask, **what could have happened if David did not have a cup? Would there have been an overflow?** Certainly not! There would have been nothing for God to bless.

**WHAT IS A CUP?** A “CUP” could be defined as your God-Given abilities. For David his cup was praising God, for Joseph his cup was interpreting dreams, for Ruth her cup was serving The Living God; **what is your own cup?**

There are six categories of people in life:

1. **Those who have no cup at all.** Hence nothing for God to bless. 2 Kings 4:2
  - a. Their solution lies in crying to God to help them “locate their cup”
2. **Those whose cups have been broken.** Jer 2:13
  - a. Their solution lies in crying to God to help them repair their broken cups.
3. **Those whose cups have been stolen.** Eze 34:16.
  - a. Their solution lies in crying to God to help them recover their stolen cups – be it marital cups, business cups.
4. **Those whose cups are dirty, not usable.**
  - a. Pray that God will cleanse every dirty in your life, marriage, family, and business.
5. **Those whose cups are empty.**
  - a. Pray for God to fill every emptiness in your life. Ex 3:21
6. **Those who have never recognized their cup.** They are starving in the midst of abundance, groping in darkness in the midst of light.
  - a. Their solution lies in crying to God to open their eyes to the “cup” of their life, for there is no one in life that God has not deposited something in.

In closing, as you go in the course of this year, don't ask God for mundane and ordinary things; ask Him for things beyond your widest imagination for He has promised it is a Year of the Overflow. **If you look around, you will be depressed, if you look to man, you will be oppressed, but if you look to Jesus you will be at REST!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Jan. 5, 2014 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THOU HAST WORTHY, O LORD!**

Text: Rev. 4:10-11 “The four and twenty elders fall down before Him that sat on the throne, and worship Him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying , **Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.** You were created to carry out God's purpose on earth.

#### **WHY YOU MUST PRAISE HIM**

1. He kept you and your family alive all through 2013.
2. He made you survive all the pranks and arrows of the enemy last year.
3. Everything that could have diverted you away from His will He took out of the way.
4. **He drowned the Pharaoh of your life in the Red Sea.**
5. He parted the Red Sea for you. He made a way for you where there was no way.
6. He did not allow the will and thought of the enemy to come to pass in your life.
7. He made sure your David showed up to silence the Goliath of your life. 1 Sam 16:7-8
8. **He destroyed every Herod trying to put an end to the Good News (Gospel) of your life.**
9. The enemy failed over your marriage, business, and career all through the previous year.
10. He has been merciful to you even in your unfaithfulness.

#### **GOD'S EXPECTATIONS FROM YOU THIS NEW YEAR**

God expects you to serve Him, honor Him and praise Him this year like never before.

He wants you to be faithful to His Word this Year – Matt 21:19-20

**God is expecting you to bear forth fruit this Year. Luke 13:7**

He expects you to reconcile to Him fully (not partially) this year.

He expects a positive change from you this year.

In closing, **you are an investment in His Hand and He is expecting a return from your life this year;** you will be a disappointment to The Kingdom of God if your life does not bear forth fruit this year.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



## **GOD'S MESSAGE TO US THIS YEAR - 2014**

### **2014 PROPHECIES BY DADDY G.O (PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE)**

#### **A. GENERAL/ INDIVIDUAL:**

1. God says a divine promise of more than a decade ago will begin to find fulfillment.
2. Someone can expect a prominent divine visitation that will radically alter the course of his or her life
3. Someone will have the first taste of real dominion.
4. There will be quite a few narrow escapes of tragedies

#### **B. NIGERIA**

1. The future of Nigeria will be determined this year and not in 2015
2. The equation at the beginning of the year will be different from equation at the year end. Therefore, don't jump into conclusion.

#### **C. INTERNATIONAL**

1. There will be major breakthroughs in medicine and science.
2. Pray against noisy highly destructive storms.
3. Pray against monumental fire outbreaks.

#### **E) ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY – Pastor Shola Awobajo**

1. This Year there shall be supernatural deliverances that have been held down.
2. Many destinies shall be jump-started.
3. God said He would deal with all forms of barrenness.
4. This Year shall be a season of supernatural breakthroughs.
5. There shall be favor for open doors this Year.



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Dec 29, 2013 – by Pastor Yomi Oyenuga*

### **A NEW GLORY**

Text: Eccl 3:1. To everything *there is* a season, a time for every purpose under heaven. Life is like a book with different chapters, pages and contents. Every season in life has its divine purpose. The will of God for us in Christ Jesus is that we move from one level of Glory to another. The whole world is waiting to see the manifestation of The Glory of God upon your life.

**WHAT IS GLORY?** Simply put, Glory is the opposite of shame. **It is an undeniable miracle that everyone cannot help but see. When Glory comes upon a man or woman, it replaces every shame or disgrace that person has hitherto suffered.** Glory covers a person's reproaches. You may have been rejected, ignored by the experts, God is saying to you now that His Glory will make you the cornerstone of where you have been previously rejected. Luke 20:17

#### **WHY YOU NEED A NEW GLORY**

1. A New Glory divinely separates you from your peers.
2. A New Glory gives you a divine overtaking.
3. A New Glory produces a New Grace which eradicates struggles from your life.
  - ❖ 1 Pet 5:10 - But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle *you*.
4. A New Glory produces a New Favor.

**When you are about to enter a New Glory the devil brings a new battle your way.** He will try to displace you from your place of Glory by steering up hatred, anger and envy from people close to you. I counsel you not to depart from where God has placed you no matter the temptation.

#### **PRE-REQUISITES TO CARRYING A NEW GLORY**

1. **You must walk steadily with God.** God is the only One Who can change your story. Amos 3:8
2. **Trust Him Absolutely.** Absolute trust on Him regardless of the "weather". Ps 125:1
3. **You need Revelation.** You must know and conceive in your heart that there is a New Glory promised you in Christ Jesus. 2 Cor 3:18

In closing, I pray that in 2014 you will not eat what is available but what you want. May the abundance of The LORD be your portion as we go into the New Year. **But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by The Spirit of The Lord.** 2 Cor 3:18

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Dec 22, 2013 – by Pastor Yomi Oyenuga*

### SEASON OF RECOVERY

Text: 1 Samuel 30:1-6 – “And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: but David encouraged himself in the LORD his God.” **Everyone in life has lost something valuable** – the great, the poor, the rich, all have at one time or the other lost something to the enemy. Some have lost their health; some have lost their marriage; and some have lost positions that would have brought them to the top.

#### How To Recover Your Stolen Possession?

1. **Build up your Hope in The LORD.** Whatever situation you find yourself, see hope in that situation.
  - ❖ Job 14:7 - For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease
2. **There is no solution in weeping.** Weeping is not a language of the Kingdom, Rejoicing is.
  - ❖ Phil. 3:1 - Rejoice in The Lord always.
3. **Don't allow the spirit of discouragement to afflict you.**
  - ❖ Prov. 13:12 - Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but *when* the desire cometh, *it is* a tree of life
4. **Make inquires from God.** David inquired from The LORD.
  - ❖ 1 Sam. 30:8a - And David enquired at the LORD.

In closing, the enemy might have done their worst but see hope in that situation, hope in The LORD. If you have time to pray, God will have time to answer.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Dec 15, 2013 – by Pastor Olushola Oludare*

## LIVING IN CHRIST IMAGE

Text: Gen 1:26a – “And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.” There is a popular adage that says that the attitude (habits) we acquire outlasts the attitude (habits) we were born with.

When God created man, His purpose was to make a being that would have His Power, Wisdom, Strength, and Holiness. He created man to be in His Image and to bring Glory to His Name. This is why Jesus Christ came – to redeem us from where we fell to in Genesis 3.

When Our Lord Jesus Christ came to the earth – He was simply portraying the life man was supposed to live had he not fallen. Without our walking in the Image of God we will be nothing; we cannot achieve what we want to achieve. John 15:5

### HOW CAN WE GET INTO THE IMAGE OF CHRIST?

1. Constantly looking unto Jesus Christ. (Heb 12:2)
2. **Staying with Christ in order to imbibe His Spirit, Nature and Culture.** (Jn 15:5)
3. Stop looking at yourself as a failure.
4. **Start seeing yourself as a victor in Christ. A god in a human body.** (Jn 10:34, Ps 82:6)
5. Serving and Worshipping The Prince of Peace. (Isa 9:6)

### WHY MUST I WALK IN THE IMAGE OF CHRIST?

1. Because God Almighty commanded it. Matt 17:5
2. **Because without Him you cannot achieve anything.** Jn 15:5
3. Because Christ is an Achiever.
4. **Because God has given Him a Name that is above every other Name.** Phil 2:9
5. So that sickness will not have any dominion over you. Isa 53:5
6. **Because He is the only way to The Father.** Jn 14:6
7. So that you can have His Spirit of Administration, Planning & Good Governance – Isa 9:6

In closing, “For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: **and the Government shall be upon His Shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.** Of the increase of His Government and Peace *there shall be* no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His Kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of The LORD of Hosts will perform this.” Isaiah 9:1-7

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Dec 8, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **INGREDIENTS OF CROSSING OVER**

Text: Exodus 14: 1-15. As we approach the end of the year, we need to assess ourselves; did I fulfill the agenda of God for my life this year? In addition, we need to begin preparation for the coming year. **Every year has its giants;** giants are supposed to be subdued in order to cross over to our promise land. Every man has a giant to conquer to possess what God has ordained for him or her. **What are Giants?** Giants are things that make you go into hiding. **Giants are things preventing the plans and purpose of God from coming to pass in our lives.** Giants are things claiming to be the champion over our lives; just like Goliath was doing over the Israelites (1 Sam 17:4) until David came to silence him.

#### **To Subdue Your Giant:**

1. **Obtain a Word from The Lord.** They obtained the Word of God to cross the red sea.
2. Be determined to kill your Goliath.
3. Do not be fickle or weak-hearted.
4. **Watch your tongue.** Never say you can't make it; learn from the 10 spies in Num 13:31-33.
5. Be aware of the Greater One in you. Don't look at what is outside; focus on The Holy Ghost in you.
6. **You need knowledge to cross-over.**

As children of God, we need to know that the Word of God is enough to destroy every obstacle on our way with the determination that God is going to see us through no matter how tough the pathway might be.

#### **INGREDIENTS OF CROSSING OVER**

1. **Picture Your Victory.** Have a picture of where you are going; see yourself celebrating. Num 13: 30
2. See Your Destination. Mark 4:35-41, don't look at any obstacle, and be optimistic about your victory.
3. Be Determined Not To Serve Your Enemy Again. Affliction must not arise again.
4. **Pray Your Way Through.** 1 Sam 1:20
5. **Have Faith In What God Has Promised You.** Doubt is a killer.
6. Be Confident That God Will See You Through.
7. Don't waste time as soon as God opens the door. Num 13:30a
8. Follow instructions as per the dictates of the LORD concerning the enemies behind you.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Dec 1, 2013 – by Pastor James Fadele*

### **THE MYSTERIES OF OPENED DOORS**

Texts: Rev 3:8; 4:1. I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it. In the realm of the spirit, doors are more than means of gaining access. **Every destiny has a door, every month or year has a door, every business has a door, and every marriage has a door.** Every adventure in life has a door, if a door is closed, no matter what you are in life, that door cannot be opened without speaking the Word of God into it. A verse in the Word of God can open any closed door in your life. The vehicle that will take you from where you are to where you need to be is The Word of God.

There Are Two Mysteries To Open Doors:

#### 1. **DIVINE HEARING**

Rev 4:1. **The only authentic way out of stagnation is divine hearing.** Until direction comes, discretion doesn't answer to any man. Man is stagnated because he doesn't know what to do. **Until you hear directly from God, every journey ends in frustration.** From Ruth 1 we learnt how Elimelech didn't hear from God before he went to Moab; the result was catastrophe. Boaz didn't hear from God so he didn't go and in the same land where there was famine he enjoyed abundance. In Gen 26:2 Isaac almost made the mistake of departing from his God appointed place because of famine but he hearkened to God's direction not to leave the land. When discretion answers to you, you will hear clearly from God.

#### 2. **DIVINE SIGHT**

Rev 4:1: **This is the ability to see what natural eyes cannot see. There is another set of eyes you must have to move ahead in life.** The law of the spirit says if you cannot see in the spiritual, you can't get it in the physical. If you cannot see it, you cannot get it. In Gen 13:14, after Abram separated from Lot, God asked him to look northward, southward, eastward, and westward. God told him that He will get as far as he can see. In Jeremiah 1:11 Jeremiah saw an almond tree and God said he saw well. In Gen 21:19 God opened the eyes of Hagar to see the well. **May God open your eyes to see the solution to your situation.** Everyday you wake up, God asks you, what do you see my daughter/ my son? If all you see is sorrow, misfortune, etc - you have simply opened the door for sorrow that day; if you say this is the day The LORD has made I will rejoice and be glad with it – you have simply opened the door of joy into your life that day.

**In conclusion, the only thing that can make a difference in your life is the Voice of Jesus.** He told Peter to launch into the deep and the result was astounding – Luke 5:4. Pray for God to open the eyes of your understanding that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints – Eph 1:18.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, Nov. 24, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **BOWELS OF MERCY**

Text: Luke 10:25-37. “And Jesus said unto him, Go and do likewise”. This parable is a story of love, compassion, and tender care. It is a story that displays the salvation of God upon our lives. Daily we come across opportunities to do good but many atimes we pass by the other way and miss such opportunities just like the priest and the Levite did in Lk 10:31-32. **Wherever you are today you are there by chance, God expects you to leave your footprint and make the place better.** The world is generally hostile to some people (like the man who fell among thieves in Luke 10:30). The world has nothing to offer its own; its interest is to take what belongs to them. God has put something inside each of us to use to help others. As a Christian there must be a bower of compassion in you. When you lift someone up you will be proud to see such people rising in life. **Investing in someone is God simply giving you an opportunity to have a hand in someone's success story.** Our concern as Christians should be how to get people out of their pit just like Christ came to rescue us from destruction. We are what we are by the Grace of God. The Lord Jesus Christ gave us The Eternal Guide in the Person of The Holy Spirit. What could we be without Him? Why then do we not show the same reciprocity to others in need?

### **3 ATTITUDES DISPLAYED IN THIS PARABLE**

1. **Attitude of Hostility:** the world is full of hostility (the thieves).
2. **Attitude of Neglect:** those who go the other way; they neglect opportunities to do good that come their way (the priests and the Levite).
3. **Attitude of Takers of Opportunities:** those who see opportunities and make a difference (Samaritan).

### **CATEGORIES OF PEOPLE**

1. Takers of the Mercies of God
2. Talkers of the Mercies of God
3. Givers of the Mercies of God

In closing, whoever sees his neighborhood in need and shuts the bowers of mercies, The Lord will not hear his cry on the day of his own need.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 17, 2013 – by Pastor (Mrs) Folahan Ayeni*

## FRUITFUL VINE

Text: Psalm 128:3 – Thy wife *shall be* as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table. Gen. 49:22 - Joseph *is* a fruitful bough, *even* a fruitful bough by a well; *whose* branches run over the wall. The word fruitful vine is a household blessing. **A blessing is a gift or a statement or a declaration of goodwill, prosperity, peace, fulfilment, goodness, favor and happiness upon a man or woman.** God's original design in creation was for man to experience this Blessing. Gen 1:28. Without the fall of man in the Garden of Eden, man would not have been experiencing curses on the earth. The good news is, through Christ's redemptive work, God introduced you to a destiny of Blessings.

### WHAT IS A VINE?

A Vine is a tree that grows the fruit called the grape. **The Vine grows on the grape.** God's design for a woman is for her to be a fruitful vine in her home. The concept of a fruitful vine is beyond the ordinary blessing.

### THE WIFE AS A FRUITFUL VINE

1. As a fruitful vine she should groom children that will **HONOR** God. – Ps 128:3
2. As a fruitful vine she should be a source of **REFRESHMENT**. Ps 105:15
3. As a fruitful vine she should generate **REVENUE**; should add value to her home. Prov 31
4. As a fruitful vine she should be a source of **INTIMACY** to her husband. Songs of Solomon 7:7-8
5. As a fruitful vine she should be a source of **PEACE & PROSPERITY**. 1 Kings 4:25, Micah 4:4
6. As a fruitful vine she should be an **ASSET** and not a liability in her home. Prov 31.

### JESUS, THE TRUE VINE

You were brought into this world for an assignment and that assignment is unachievable outside of God. The LORD Jesus Christ came so that you can fulfill God's plan for your life. **He said, I am The Vine, you are the branches He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without Me ye can do nothing.** (John 15:5) He came to take us to the spiritual level which is the source of all fruitfulness. Everything you do outside of Christ is a waste before God. Jesus has a plan for you and He is the only one that can show you how to run it. You cannot fulfill your purpose on earth outside of Him. **All your decisions, actions and endeavors must originate from God if you want to succeed in life.** God only blesses what He approves. Jesus is the Gate, the Entrance and the only Passage. He is our Customs and Immigration to God.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 10, 2013 – by Pastor M.O Ojo (Assistant Gen. Overseer – Rtd.)*

### **PRINCE OF PEACE!**

Text: John 14:27 – “Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid”. **True Peace in life comes from The Trinity - The God of Peace; The Prince of Peace; and The Spirit of Peace.** When He was departing from us during His earthly ministry, He said, My peace I leave with you, this is because He does not want us to worry.

#### **What Is The Peace of God Like?**

1. It is peace without trouble.
2. It is peace without worry.
3. It is peace that is not interrupted.
4. It is peace like a river.

#### **Some Miracles Performed By The Prince of Peace**

1. Healing of impotent man at the pool of Bethesda (Jn 5:5-14)
2. The healing of Naaman (2 Kg 5:1-19)
3. Turning of water to wine (Jn 2:1-11)
4. **Rebuking of the wind – Peace be still (Matt 8:23-27)**
5. Healing a man born blind (Jn 9:1-12)
6. Healing of woman with issue of blood (Mk 5:21-34)

#### **What To Do To Experience The Prince Of Peace?**

1. Become a child of God (Jn 3:3)
2. **Obey Him and the instructions in His Word (Deut 28:1)**
3. Rebuke the storm like He did when He said “Peace, Be Still” (Matt 8:26)
4. Do away with fear – the spirit of fear is the spirit of slavery. (2 Tim 1:7)
5. **Never complain or murmur before The Lord.**
6. Don't ascribe God as the source of your problems.
7. Know that as a child of God, God is in control of every situation in your life.

In closing, in every situation you find yourself, keep praising God. Instead of complaining to Him, worship and praise him. Keep your gaze on the Prince of Peace - He is the one who has the key to open doors over every battle, sickness, poverty, etc.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, November 3, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### LET GO OF THE PAST

Text: Isaiah 43:18-19. Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert.

#### Who Is This God That Says You Should Let Go Of Your Past?

1. He is a God that can bring out honey from a rock (Deut 32:13).
2. He is a God that can make things happen for you even in difficult situations.
3. He is the God of Possibilities; the impossible becomes possible with Him. Lk 1:37
4. He is a God that can make you highly recognized in places you have been termed insignificant. Rom 9:25-26
5. He is the God that can make a way in the desert and in the wilderness.
6. He is the God that can bring water out of dry ground. Where there was previously nothing, He can create something.
7. He is The God that path the red sea for His children to pass through.

#### What Must You Do To Experience Him In Your Situation?

1. You have to forget your sorrows, delays and inadequacies.
2. Trust Him that He will do a new thing in your life. Is 43:18-19
3. Praise Him regardless of your situation. If you lost your job, praise Him that you didn't lose your life.
4. Stop thinking of the past. You cannot praise Him enough if you are nesting in the past. Psalm 137:1-4
5. Look into what God has in stock for you in Christ Jesus. Phil 3:13-14
6. Do not murmur nor complain. Watch your language, don't make negative confessions. Num 11:1, 13:33
7. Focus on the glorious days ahead of you. Heb 12:2

In closing, we look at Apostle Paul's testimony in Phil 3:13-14 - Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 27, 2013 – by Pastor (Mrs.) Grace Oyenuga*

### **NO MORE TEARS USING THE MASTER KEY OF THE WORD**

Text: Gen 1:1-3, John 1:1-3. At the beginning of creation God stepped in into a very difficult situation – darkness was on the face of the earth. **How did God rectify the situation? He spoke positive words to the situation and everything He spoke came to be.** And God said, Let there be light: and there was light (Gen 1:3). On the sixth day of creation, God decided to make man in His Image; this means God created man to do what He did during creation (solving problems on the earth). God knew He created man into a world that would be befuddled with problems but He already loaded His man with all that is needed to solve the problems. **In every unpleasant situation that you find yourself, all you have to do is to speak the Word because that is what God did to solve His own problem.** There some situations that do not require prayers; all that may be needed is for you to speak the word of life to that situation. The devil cannot withstand the Word of God; hence he tries to keep us from speaking the Word.

#### **What Happens When You Speak The Word?**

1. You reshape your life to the right direction.
2. The Word will create for you what was not in existence before.
3. Immediately you speak something turns around for you in the spirit realm.
4. **Miracles happen when we speak the Word of God.**
5. There are 2 forces that are in operation when you speak – the negative force and the positive force. Every word you speak is a seed which will surely bear fruit (negative or positive).

Numbers 13:31-33, the 10 spies brought evil reports to the congregation of Israel and they confessed the negative situation they saw. They displeased God by their actions; **what killed them was not the giants in the land, but their mouth!** We should not be moved by what we see (giants or no giants); we should only be moved by the Word of God! We all have Goliaths in our lives and we often fall into the temptation of figuring out how we are going to slay him, but that was not how David slay his own Goliath? 1 Sam 17:45-46 - Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of The LORD of Hosts, The God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. **This day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.**

#### **How Can You Live Supernaturally In The Word**

1. Live daily in the Word. Create enough time to feed and meditate on it. – Lk 4:4
2. Speak the Word with faith to every negative circumstance around you. Mk 11:23
3. Believe in your heart despite the negative suggestions of the devil. Mk 11:23
4. **Keep rejoicing regardless of your situation because the joy of The Lord is your strength.** Neh 8:10c

In conclusion, for you speak the Word, you must be a diligent student of the Word, meditating and memorizing it day and night. **The Word is your spiritual weapon and the devil will do all that it takes to keep you away from it;** in the Word lies your total victory and deliverance.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 20, 2013 – by Pastor John Omewah*

### **BECOMING THE PERSON YOU WANT TO BECOME**

Text: Acts 4:11-13. It is impossible to become the person you want to become without the help of The Lord Jesus Christ (John 15:5). You cannot attain the position of a winning man without having an encounter with God through His Son, The Lord Jesus Christ.

Becoming a winner is the key to your breakthrough. Winning means to succeed. Nobody wants to hang around a loser; losers are never celebrated. I am here this morning to announce to you that you can become the person you want to become; it is never too late to start. In Acts 4:13, **Peter and John were unlearned and ignorant men (by the world's standard) but by clinching to Jesus they turned the world upside down.** God created us with the ability to make choices and whatever choices we make will be binding on us. Things don't happen but are made to happen.

#### **What Must You Do To Become The Person You Want To Become?**

1. First and foremost become a child of God. You must be born-again. John 3:3
2. You should never listen to people that say never. Turn a deaf ear to pessimists.
3. **Stay away from people that don't add value to your life.**
4. You must not eat with all your fingers. Endeavor to have a saving and investment culture.
5. You waste your life watching television all day long. Engage in things that add value to you.
6. **Build yourself in the Holy things (Jude 20). You build yourself by building up your brain. Do you spend more in decorating your hair at the expense of your brain?**
7. Make up your mind that you will be relevant in life.
8. Humble yourself. And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted. Matt 23:12

**In closing, whether you are a youth or adult, you can become the person you want to become.** In life one must endeavor to be relevant because you are touching lives. Don't ever give up on yourself, no matter the level you are.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 13, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### THE GOD OF COVENANT & MERCY

Text: Nehemiah 9:32-38. Our God is a God of covenant and also a God of mercy. As the year is gradually rolling by, we need to do a self-assessment if we have met the target of God for our lives this year. Is our success more than our failures? **Are we where God wants us to be?** At the beginning of this Year – our General Overseer (Pastor E.A Adeboye) gave us the below Prophecies from God for the year 2013.

1. No matter the darkness around you, your star will shine brighter.
2. God will speak peace to your storm.
3. The reasons for stagnation will become known, addressed and eliminated. Therefore progress will follow.
4. This year shall be a year of completeness.

These prophecies are meant to find fulfillment in our lives. We need to remind ourselves what God has said concerning our progress in life, lest we forget and let them slip by. The Children of Israel in Exodus 2 began to cry to God for him to do something about their situation. There had been a prophecy that they will be in bondage for 400 years but when they realized that they had spent 430 years without deliverance they began to cry to God, God hearkened to their cry and delivered them. **Everything in our life might be stagnant but if we cry to God in prayer, we will begin to move forward and progress.**

In the Book of Nehemiah 9, the Israelites went back to God when they remembered what God has said concerning their lives; but before they laid their petition before God they acknowledged their sins and wrong doing before God. The lesson point for us here is that before we begin to petition God for fulfillment of His prophecies in our lives we must first acknowledge our wrong doings before Him and ask for His Mercy and forgiveness. **When we fail to acknowledge the things God has done for us in the past, it delays what God has next in stock for us.** If we are not yet where we are supposed to be, we need to check our lives. Are we fulfilling the righteousness of God? Jericho was in the way of the Israelite, but when they cried to God and confessed their sins, their Jericho came down and God's prophecies in their live was fulfilled. I pray today that the Jericho of your life will be demolished.

In closing, always thank GOD for everything no matter the situation you are, so that the fulfillment of His prophecy will come to past in your life for good.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, October 6, 2013 – by Pastor Benjamin Ajayeoba*

### THE SECRET OF DIVINE BLESSING

Text: Isaiah 1: 18-20. When we are talking about blessing, we can define it in so many ways.

- ❖ **Physical Definition** – Blessing is when a man's needs are met and he has extra added to it whether physical, spiritual, and material.
- ❖ **Spiritual Definition** – a Divine Summon of all forces in Heaven, on earth that comes to the aid of a person to succeed in life.

Everything that is precious has a secret so also divine blessing, like we have on our bank accounts. **The kingdom of God is principle-based. It takes one with divine principle to unlock divine blessing.** Divine blessings are unlocked by divine principle which is called a “KEY”. It is the glory of God to conceal a thing; but the honour of kings is to search out a matter - Proverbs 25: 2.

#### The Keys To Divine Blessing

- |                                       |                                |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Salvation                          | John 1:12,2 Corin 15:17        |
| 2. Total obedience                    | Isa. 1:19,3 John               |
| 3. Diligence                          | Prov 13:4, 22:29               |
| 4. Knowledge                          | Hosea 4:6, 2 Tim 2:15, Jos 1:8 |
| 5. Prevailing Prayers                 | 1 Thess. 5:17                  |
| 6. Giving                             | Luke 6:38, Prov 11:24-25       |
| 7. Faith                              | Heb 11:6                       |
| 8. Character/Your Attitude            | Ps 141:3                       |
| 9. Fasting                            | Mark 9:21                      |
| 10. Anointing                         | Heb1:9                         |
| 11. A Life-style of Praises & Worship | Ps 150                         |

In closing, if we have time to pray God will create time to answer us. Curse is the direct opposite of blessing. If you don't know the WORD, the world will cheat you. No man becomes great until he or she knows how to give. Your attitude will determine your altitude in life. How much you know will determine how far you can go in life.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 29, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER

Text: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23. In those days when Christ was upon the earth many gathered to listen to what He had to say because they needed something from Him, like a solution to their problem. A lot of His teachings were in parables but while the disciples were alone with Him, they asked for the interpretation of the parables.

### BENEFITS OF THE WORD OF GOD

1. There is so much in The Word of God that can prosper our lives and make us what God wants us to be.
2. The Word of God giveth light and understanding (it lightens our life and directs our path). Ps 119:130
3. **There is deliverance in The Word.** Ps 107:20
4. The Word of God contains the mysteries (secrets) of the Kingdom of God. Mk 4:10-12
5. The Word of God gives good success. Josh 1:8

From our texts above (the parable of the Sower) we could deduce that there are four groups of Christians:

1. **The Pathway Christians** (Matt 13:4,19)
  - a. They hear the Word but their mind is somewhere else.
  - b. Their hearts wander when the Word is being spoken.
  - c. **Satan comes and devours the Word from their heart because they were not focused.**
  - d. Their solution lies in keeping their hearts focused as the Word is being spoken.
2. **The Rocky Heart / Unbelieving Heart Christians** (Matt 13:5-6,20-21)
  - a. They receive the Word but harden their hearts (like a rock).
  - b. Their heart is full of unbelief and wrong attitude.
  - c. **Because they have no root or depth, they stumble when tribulation comes.**
  - d. Their solution lies in allowing the Word to break every rockiness in their heart (Jer 23:29).
3. **The Worldly Christians** (Matt 13:7,22)
  - a. Their preoccupation is on worldly fashion, lusts and material things.
  - b. The cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the Word from their heart.
  - c. Note that the world system and the Kingdom of God are two opposing forces.
  - d. **Friendship with the world is enmity with God (James 4:4).**
  - e. You cannot serve 2 masters; you are either serving Christ or serving Satan by default.
  - f. Their solution lies in crucifying their flesh and taking up their cross and following Christ.
4. **The Fertile Heart Christians** (Matt 13:8,23)
  - a. They hear the Word, understand it and invariably bear fruits.
  - b. **They receive the Word and allow the Word to change them.**
  - c. They do not rationalize the Word of God.
  - d. They allow the Word to work in their heart which leads them to repentance and fruitfulness.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 22, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Text: Matt. 16:21-28. Then said Jesus unto His disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. "Take up your cross and follow Me" this was what Jesus Christ said to the disciples in our text. As a disciple of Christ, this is one question you must ask yourself daily – Am I ready to carry my cross and follow Him all the way?

**Being Born-again is beyond joining a church or practicing a religion.** Being Born-Again means you have decided to carry your cross and follow Christ. Beyond being born again, there is something else which is a path that must be followed. It is the way of the Cross. **The cross means crucifixion.** This cross is not something you carry today and abandon tomorrow; on daily basis you must carry it whether you feel like it or not.

#### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO CARRY ONE'S CROSS?

1. It means death to self (just as Christ was dead to His self in Gethsemane) – John 12:24.
2. It means whipping out every vice from your life - just as Jesus whipped out everything buying and selling in the temple – Matt 21:12-14. Vices such as hatred, fornication, etc must be dealt with.
3. It means the world no longer has dominion over your life. Gal 2:20-21
4. **It means crucifixion of your flesh.** Gal 5:24, Rom 6:1-2

#### WHAT DOES THE CROSS REMIND US?

1. The cross reminds us of the place Christ died. It reminds us of the way to Golgotha (a lonely road).
2. The cross will crush and break you but at the end all the Glory belongs to Him. Rom 8:18
3. The cross is a place where we abandon everything that gives us worldly comfort.
4. **The cross is the place of humility.**
5. The cross is a place that demands higher standard.
6. The cross involves pain. Heb 12:2
7. The cross reminds us the place of the victory of Christ cover all situation.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 15, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### **BEING CONSISTENT WITH GOD**

Text: Job 1:8-12. The Bible made us to understand that God never changes. Jesus never changes because He is a constant GOD. Man can change their heart at will, because they are not constant but our God is the same yesterday, today and forever. He is a constant God. James 1:17 - Every good gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of light, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. **Ephesians 4:1; I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called.** Whatever we do must be according to the Gospel of Christ which we are called with. We have to make sure we are not wavering; we must be with one mind and spirit in our walk with God.

#### **WHAT IS CONSISTENCY?**

Consistency means unchanging over time; trustful; reliable; somebody who maintains a particular standard. The fact that you are fervent today does not mean you are consistent. It is only time that can prove your consistency. Our God has no pleasure in someone that is wavering. **Hebrews 10:37-39; for yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith; but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition, but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.**

#### **WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU GIVE UP?**

1. You lose opportunity for God to be glorified over the issues that you are going through.
2. You lose opportunity for God to stand up for you and prove Himself as God in your life.
3. You lose opportunity for God to bring out that testimony you would have given to His glory.
4. You lose opportunity for God to be The Lord of Host in your life. Luke 1:1-8

We should always look at every challenge as a way for God to glorify Himself and work out His best for us. When you are not constant, God sees you as an undependable person and can not commit precious things like anointing, breakthrough into your hands. We can see the reward of consistency in the life of the three Hebrew boys, Daniel, Job, Jesus and this resulted in a pagan king acknowledging God as the only true God.

#### **HOW CAN WE MAINTAIN OUR CONSISTENCY?**

1. Set boundaries/standards. Let people know your stand for righteousness.
2. Be committed to that standard.
3. Ensure you shine the light: do not get into the dark world and blend with them.
4. Pray for strength on a daily basis.
5. Daily, yield to God's Word and subject your flesh to the Word of God.

#### **BENEFITS OF BEING CONSISTENT**

1. Your bond with God becomes stronger.
2. You have a guaranteed place in the heart of God and He will always show up for you.
3. The Eyes of God goes with you ever where you go. Psalm 34:15.
4. Your going to Heaven becomes a reality.

God is calling us to be constant and whatever we are doing for Him, we must continue so that we do not loose our miracles, testimony or increase. Revelation 22:10-11

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 8, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### **A TIME OF REFRESH**

Text: John 4:1-15. This is the year of entering into your rest no matter the number of times you have tried anything and failed, because Jesus that never fails will enter into your life and give you success.

From verse 4 of our text, we can see that Jesus Christ had no business going to Samaria but because of one woman that have made so many mistakes in her life, Jesus went through Samaria to attend to her. This same will happen in our lives this month, Christ will by pass our mistakes to bless us.

**For this woman in the text, this day was her moment of Upliftment because she was before her maker who could turn around all the negative situation in her life.** This same applies to us today, we are before our maker and He has come to lift us up out of our despair.

Even though this woman was giving excuses about the depth of the water but Christ reassured her that no matter how much water she drinks from that well, she will thirst again. **To us Christ is saying if we depend on man to help us, we will need help again.** This continuous help can only come from Christ.

From the passage given to us by the Lord for this month Jeremiah 31: 5, Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and eat them as common things. This indicates that the Lord is promising us that miracles will become a common thing in our lives.

John 4: 13-14, Jesus answered and said unto her, whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again. But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst, but the water I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life. The Lord has the particular solution that particular problem that will cause us never to experience that problem again

Just as the woman asked Jesus to give her that water without the true understanding of the state of her life, in a certain areas of our lives we do not realize the dryness that has taken over our lives, **we might not even understand the gravity of our problem but just like the woman, we must ask Jesus to refresh us again.**

Through her encounter with Christ, she was able to reflect on her life and in turn she developed a better perception of life the Light gave her solution. We should never worry how Jesus will solve that problem but just believe.

Through her encounter, she had a testimony that turned the world to Christ and that can happen in all out lives. That is the plan of Jesus for us this month, that our testimony will turn men to God.

### **WHAT WILL BRING YOU TO THE PLACE OF REFRESHING**

1. You must be born again. Acts 3:9
2. Be intimate with God and be His covenant child. Luke 12:31, 1 John 5:4. Only as a child of God can you overcome the world.
3. Be diligent to the Voice of God. God demands total obedience from us. Deut. 28:1
4. Give yourself to the Word. Joshua 1:8

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, September 1, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### **WHY ARE WE ALIVE TODAY?**

Text: Exo. 15:1 “Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto The LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea. The LORD *is* my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: He *is* my God, and I will prepare Him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt Him”. **We are alive today because we serve a Sovereign God. He is The God that nobody can query.** He is by Himself, On His Own, dependent on no one. He is Almighty in every area. He told Abraham in Gen 15:1 that if he served Him, He will become everything Abraham would ever need in life. You are alive today because God wants you to serve and praise Him; He preserves your life everyday because He needs your worship. God is Supreme in His Power and Rank; that's why we call Him Almighty. He delivered you from the jaws of the enemy so that you can be alive today to praise Him. Exo 15:1

#### **You Are Alive Today Because:**

1. He is The Almighty God.
2. He is The God that reigns in your affairs.
3. **He is Supreme in all His Works.**
4. He controls the whole Universe.
5. He is Alpha and Omega. *He knows the beginning from the end and the end from the beginning!*
6. He answers to Himself Alone.
7. **He does not consult any authority. Unquestionable.**
8. He has no equal, no counterpart, not even an exact opposite.
9. He is Self-Existing.
10. All things are His.
11. He is Greater than the greatest.
12. He makes no mistakes. *Every of His delay is only an indication that His best is yet to come.*
13. **He is The King all other kings prostrate to.**

In conclusion, never think God has forgotten you, if you are alive today it is by Him. If it has not being His Mighty Hand, the enemy would have consumed you; **for they intended evil against thee: they imagined a mischievous device, which they are not able to perform.** Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or *being* His Counselor hath taught Him? With whom took He counsel, and *who* instructed Him, and taught Him in the path of judgment, and taught Him knowledge, and shewed to Him the way of understanding? Isaiah 40:13-14. It is The Finger and mark of God that has made the difference in your life. Would you Praise Him for His Faithfulness and Goodness over your life?

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 25, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### LITTLE FOXES

Text: Song of Solomon 2:15: **Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines; for our vines have tender grapes.** There are little things in our life affecting our relationship with God that must be dealt with now, regardless of how little they are, we should take heed lest they destroy our tender grapes (joy, breakthrough). These things might look insignificant but they are affecting our lives by eating the increase of God for our lives.

#### What Are These Little Foxes?

- 1. Sin of Deception:** When we willfully commit sin because no one can see us with the notion that God is a merciful God and will forgive. **Hebrews 10:26 “For if we sin willfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, remaineth no more sacrifice for sins”.** Sin even though committed in the secret will result in open shame to the one partaking of it. Sin also causes destruction, fear, suffering, toiling, greed, and physical and spiritual death. In the Book of Joshua, Achan caused defeat in the camp of the Israelites as a result of his hidden sin of disobedience against the Word of God.
- 2. Evil Thoughts:** The greatest enemy to our increase is our flesh because this is the means through which the devil uses to defeat us. When we have evil thoughts towards others, it becomes a stumbling block for us. For as a he thinketh in his heart, so is he. **Our thoughts can hinder us from achieving the promises of God for our lives because we see ourselves defeated even before we face the battle.** According to Col. 3, we have been raised with Christ and we must keep our mind on the things above which is our victory.
- 3. Hurt And Anger:** When we allow our feelings & emotions affect us, we in turn give room to the devil to afflict us. Eph 5:26-27, **“Be angry and sin not. Let not the sun go down upon your wrath, neither give place to the devil”.**
- 4. Talkativeness:** We loose our anointing for our work because we spend our time on idle words. Matthew 12:36-37, **“But I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shall be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned”.** Talkativeness can incite the wrath of God in our life.
- 5. Fear:** This can choke all the vitality of God in us but faith elevates us to where we need to be. The Lord has given us the spirit of power, love and sound mind. Fear is from the devil (2 Timothy 1:7).
- 6. Bitterness And Unforgiveness:** Some people are under bondage as a result of unforgiveness just as is noted in Matthew 8:23-45. Christ paid a lot for our sins and we should be willing to do the same for others.
- 7. Ingratitude:** **We focus on what God has not done instead of appreciating Him for what He has done.** Malachi 2:2, **“if ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto My Name, saith The Lord of Hosts, I will even send a curse upon you and I will curse your blessings: yea I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay it to heart.**

In closing, we all must examine ourselves to make sure we are not a hindrance to our blessings. If in any way we have been a hindrance, we must go to the Lord and ask for His forgiveness and mercy.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 18, 2013 – Brother Alex Oderhowho (Annual Youths Week)

### CHRIST OUR FIRST LOVE

Text: Rev 2:2-5 "Nevertheless I have this against you, that you have left your first love. Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place-- unless you repent." (Rev 2:4-5). In these verses, we find Jesus addressing the Christians in Ephesus. **Apparently they had been very devoted in their service for Christ, but their love for the Lord had grown cold.** The fire in their lampstand was faltering, although they were still "going through the motions" of Christianity. **Luke 2 and Timothy 3:5**, they had a "form of godliness", but no power. On the outside, the Ephesians may have looked and acted like the other churches; many of the members were probably preachers and evangelists; their doctrines were pure; but Jesus could see through the outer shell. "He who searches the minds and hearts" could see past the exterior facade (**Rev 2:23**). The Ephesians could fool their fellow Christians, but they couldn't fool God: Christ knew that they had left their first love. **The Lord doesn't want a lukewarm type of affection from His followers; He desires a fervent love that continues to grow as time goes on.**

Let's not make the same mistake as the church in Ephesus: Increasing our work for the Lord doesn't necessarily increase our love for Him or improve our relationship with Jesus. In fact, overworking and taking on too many church offices may result in just the opposite. We can overextend ourselves and get so busy in Christian service that we forget why we're doing it in the first place! If you want to grow delicious apples then you have to prune away some of the branches. This means that you'll end up with less apples, but those apples will be healthier and more desirable because they received more nourishment and sunlight. **In our Christian life, we may need to prune away certain activities so that we can focus more intently on our personal walk with the Savior.** I'm not suggesting that ministering for Christ is bad, but it is important to refine your work so that you have plenty of time to spend with Jesus on a personal level. When our service is motivated by a sincere love for God and a desire to do what is pleasing in His sight, then it will bless the lives of others and strengthen our own connection with Jesus, as we become fully dependent upon the Lord for success and ability.

From Rev 2:5, it appears that the Ephesians had forgotten how God had led them in the past. **One of our greatest dangers is to forget just how much we need Jesus! It's in our human nature to trust in ourselves and do things our own way, which will lead to a prideful separation from God.** We must always keep in mind that we are nothing apart from Jesus. "Remember therefore from where you have fallen!" Go back in time to when you first accepted Jesus as your Savior and friend. Reflect upon how He has transformed you and offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all of the blessings that have flowed into your life because of God's love working for you. Compare your life now with the way it was before you became a Christian. **Then compare your life now with what it was like one year ago. Have you grown closer to the Lord or have you slipped further away from Him?** Have you overcome certain sins or have the sins overcome you? Don't be discouraged, but instead use this as an incentive to climb higher in your relationship with Christ. Just like in marriage, reviving your first love is as easy as going back to the way you used to do things when you first fell in love, like spending quality time together. **In our Christian life, we need to continually go "back to the basics" in order to keep our love for Christ growing. This means that spending time in prayer and in God's Word is vitally essential.** If we are going to have a life changing love for Christ, then we really need to know Him more personally and keep that level of closeness constant. Our God is a very personal God and He wants a very personal relationship with us. So we must take the time to walk with Him and talk with Him throughout our whole day.

**In a way, it's true that either Christ will keep you from sin or sin will keep you from Christ.** God loves you no matter how much you sin, but sinful actions and thoughts will make you less inclined to seek God through prayer and His Word. The deeper you go into sin, the harder it will be to turn back to God because of the enticing nature of evil, but don't despair! Make a YOU-turn in your spiritual life right now. That means that YOU need to turn to God and allow His power to give you victory.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 11, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### **A CALL FOR CHANGE**

2 Kings 7:1- Then Elisha said, hear ye the word of the LORD; thus saith thy Lord, to morrow about this time shall a measure of fine flour be sold for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria. Then a lord on whose hand the king leaned answered the man of God, and said, behold, if the LORD would make windows in heaven, might this be? And he said, behold thou shalt see it with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof. And there were four leprous men at the entering in to the gate: and they said one to another, why sit we here until we die. In chapter 6 of this Book of the Bible, we are made to understand how tight things were for the children of Israel and it took the man of God to make a pronouncement for change to take effect in the land. This shows us that change can come into any situation that we are currently in through the help of the LORD as He did for the children of Israel.

#### **HOW DID GOD BRING THE CHANGE?**

1. **He used four lepers and magnified the sound of their footstep which causes the enemies to flee.** The Lord can cause every contrary voice you are hearing about your destiny to change.
2. **Arise as the lepers did from every state of slumber.** You can do this by renewing your mind daily as Romans 12:1-2 states. You must come to your sense just as the prodigal son in Luke 15:17 and claim your position as a child of God.
3. **Take a step of faith to cause change just as the lepers did and God will go before you as He did for the lepers.** Do not allow fear to keep you on the same spot.

#### **Common Fears That Keep People in Bondage**

1. Fear of the Unknown: being afraid of what is on the other side.
2. Fear of Death: you keep saying to yourself, if I challenge the devil, he will kill me.
3. Fear of Failure: not willing to take risk because of the possibility of failure.
4. Fear of Unfamiliar Ground.

**Realize that if you do not take a step of faith, you will not experience divine intervention.** Jesus is always with you just as He was with Peter when He bid him “come” (to walk on water); despite the storm around him he walked on the water because his focus was on Jesus but when he took his focus shifted, he began to sink but The LORD eventually saved him. We are a product of faith so we must move forward by faith. If you have become like the prodigal son, repent and come back to The Father because He is waiting just as the father was waiting for his son.

In closing, whatever you are going through today, it will not bring you down, you can't die. **Whatever challenge you are facing, God will see you through, focus on God never doubt Him.** As you arise, you will not backslide in Jesus Name.



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, August 4, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### THE WONDERS OF PRAISE

Text: Judges 1:1-4 Joshua died. After that the people of Israel spoke to the Lord. They asked him, “Who will go up first and fight for us against the people of Canaan? And the LORD said, Judah shall go up”. As we enter into the month of August, we must enter with praise (Psalm 100:4). If you have not entered into God's promise, this is the month you must enter with praise. **He wants you to enter into His presence with a joyful noise without exceptions.** He wants you to serve Him with gladness and come into his presence with singing, because He is our Maker. In as much as you still have breath, you owe God praise; no matter what people say about you, look unto God because everything is possible with Him. Never rule out a man with breath. If you are still breathing, miracle can still happen. The Bible says a living dog is better than a dead lion. If you are still breathing anything can happen. God commanded the Israelites to let Judah go before them into the promise land. Judah signifies PRAISE.

#### WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU PRAISE HIM

1. When you praise God you will never lose a battle,
2. When you praise Him, He will be your strength 2 Samuel 22:35-37.
3. When the storms of your life see praise, they retreat; the devil takes to his heel. Ps 114:1-5
4. When you praise God, you have more longevity; you can't die before your time 1 Chron 29:27.
5. When you praise God, the earth shakes for your sake, you will be free from troubles,
6. When you praise Him, He enlarges the path under you so that your feet does not slip.

**Everything God does is by order and if you must get break through you must know the order of God.** In any palace, there is protocol to see the king. You can not just walk up and demand to see the king. Begin to praise him even if He has not answered the prayers. You cannot twist the hand of God to answer your prayer. Complains can not accomplish any answer. Numbers 11 says they complained and when God heard it, He was angry. Complains or murmuring makes God angry. But when we praise and exalt Him, He breaks through for us. God has a lot in store for us; the lands that have resisted us so far will begin to open even as we praise Him.

#### THE SONS OF JUDAH

1 Chronicles 4:1, tells us Judah is not barren, he has sons (Pharez, Hezron, Carmi, Hur, and Shobal). This means when you praise God your life will also bear the following fruits.

6. **Pharez** means **Breakthrough**
7. **Hezron** means **Surrounded by Wall (Protection)**
8. **Carmi** means **Growth**
9. **Hur** means **Purity**
10. **Shobal** means **Multiple Blessing.**

In conclusion, no matter what you are going through, worship The Lord because He is Faithful.



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 28, 2013 – by Pastor Yemi Oyenubi

### WHY ARE YOU SITTED THERE?

**TEXT:** 2 kings 7:1-3 “Then Elisha said, Hear ye the word of the Lord; thus saith the Lord, tomorrow, about this time shall a measure of fine flour be sold for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria”. **What makes people to sit down so many times could be tiredness but sometimes it could be sorrow, frustration, failure or one trouble or the other.** In Psalm 137:1 it says, “by the rivers of Babylon there we sat down, we wept, when we remembered Zion.” What often makes believers to sit down (idle) could be due to spiritual or physical handicap. The four leprous men were sitted in one place for a siege over them; a siege is a parable; it puts one in a spot. It got to a time The Lord spoke to them saying, by this time tomorrow, you will be out of this trouble but not everybody believed but everybody heard. **It is not good to just be a hearer of the word but also the doer of the word of GOD.** Sometimes it might sound stupid but you just do it. People might laugh at you but do it. In the whole of Samaria, it was just the four leprous men that took steps, **unknown to them, what they were afraid of was also afraid of them.** I pray what you are afraid of is going to be afraid of you in Jesus name. The Bible says in John 5, the man sat there for thirty eight years, he couldn't do anything, nobody to help him, no family. You might be in this land seeking for people to help you but there is a Jesus to help you, He is your only friend who you can depend on. Isaiah 50:10

There is always one day in a man's life that things will change for good. Among all, Jesus located the man at the gate and made him to be relocated. **I pray the Lord will locate you and relocate you to the other side of your destiny in Jesus name.** What made you to sit there is of no consequence when Jesus comes in. Mark 10:50, the story of blind Bartimaeus. That was not his name but that was what was used to describe him. May people not use your problem to describe you in Jesus name. When we read the story, we find out that blind Bartimaeus sat on the sidewalk where there was nothing, but one day, he received his sight after crying to God while Jesus was passing through.

#### What Must You Do To Overcome Every Siege in Your Life

1. You need to overcome fear.
2. You need to be faithful.
3. You need to be obedient to The Word of God.
4. You need to seek God's face at all times.



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 21, 2013 – by Samuel Awobajo

### THE GOD OF DOUBLE PORTION

Children's Week 2013 Conference

**WHAT IS DOUBLE PORTION?** A Double Portion can be described as receiving a Blessing from God that is beyond the ordinary. When someone receives a double portion, he gets a gift twice as much as that given to others. Why do you need a Double Portion from God? **You need a Double Portion so that you can excel where people are failing.** You need a Double Portion so that people can be drawn to God through the testimonies in your life.

Examples of Double Portion in the Bible: Elisha receiving a Double Portion Anointing from Elijah – 2 Kings 2:9. Isaiah 61:7 - For your shame you shall have **double**; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their **portion**: therefore in their land they shall possess the **double**: everlasting joy shall be unto them. Examples of People who received Double Portion from God? (i) Joseph – Genesis 48:3-6; (ii) Hannah – 1 Samuel 2:21; (iii) Job – Job 42:10

#### WHO IS THE GOD OF DOUBLE PORTION?

1. **He is The Creator of Heaven and Earth:** In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth – Gen 1:1. Because He created the whole world, He has the ability to great a Double Portion Miracle for you.
2. **He is The God of gods.** O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy *endureth* for ever. – Ps 136:2. Because He is The God of gods, no power can stop Him from giving you a Double Portion Miracle.
3. **He is The God of Impossibility:** Behold, I *am* the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me? – Jer 32:27. Because He is The God of Impossibilities, He can turn every impossibility in your life into a Miracle. If He opened the red sea for the Israelites, He can always make a way for you regardless of the barriers.

**What Did Certain Individuals Do Before God Gave Them Double Portion?** They served God with all their hearts. They were focused and steadfast. They had faith in God. Without Faith, it is impossible to please God.

**Things That Will Hinder You From Receiving A Double Portion From God?** If you are living a lifestyle of Sin; if you are not always studying the Word of God; if you are always complaining and murmuring; if you are stealing, lairing, hateful, cursing and backstabbing; and if you are not prayerful.

**CONCLUSION:** God wants to give you a Double Portion, but the questions are: Is your heart right with God? Are you doing His will everyday? Have you accepted Christ in your life?



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 14, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD

Text: Lamentation 3:21 “This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope”. Faithfulness is one of the major attributes of God. Man is naturally unfaithful in most of his deeds; this is why it is very hard for us to comprehend that God in His infinite mercies can be faithful to those who are not faithful. Man is never faithful, man would say “I am coming” when in actual fact he is departing. Man would say I will be there for you but when the time comes, he would disappoint you. But the Bible says the compassion of God fail not, great is thy faithfulness. No matter how much you try to satisfy man, they can never be faithful.

#### WHAT IS FAITHFULNESS?

- I) **FAITHFULNESS IS BEING STRICT OR THOROUGH IN PERFORMANCE OF DUTY.** In other words, **God is a Faithful Worker, though things might not be going your way, but God is working out things in your favor.** What God says He would do concerning you, He will surely do it.
- II) **TRUE TO ONE:** when somebody is true to one's words, promise or vow. God is always true to His Vows!
- III) **STEADY IN ALLEGIANCE, AFFECTION OR LOYAL:** **God is steadfast in allegiance with you, it might not be visible to you but, He is at work.** He is still loyal with you no matter what you are going through.
- IV) **RELIABLE, TRUSTED:** when God says He will do a thing, He will do it because His promise never fails. You can go to sleep with God's trust in you.

#### HOW DO WE KNOW GOD IS FAITHFUL?

1. Habakkuk 3:17-19 says “Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither *shall* fruit *be* in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and *there shall be* no herd in the stalls: **Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.** The LORD God *is* my strength, and He will make my feet like hinds' *feet*, and He will make me to walk upon mine high places.”
2. 1 Cor. 1:9 says “**God *is* faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.**” You are called to serve a Faithful God. The Faithful God you are serving is not like a man. Our God never fails.
3. 1 Thess 5:24 says “**Faithful *is* He that calleth you, who also will do it.**” He will do whatever He has promised you. It may look late in your assessment but realize that God is never late.
4. Psalms 23 says “Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou *art* with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.” **So why are you afraid child of God? Why do you doubt His Faithfulness to do what He says He would do?**

In closing, whatever you are doing let this attribute of God's Faithfulness comfort you. Put all your trust in God. When those hard times come, celebrate the goodness and faithfulness of God. The Bible says, “because His compassion fail not, great is thy faithfulness.” Lamentation 3:22.





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, July 7, 2013 – by Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun

### RELY ON ME

Text: Jeremiah 17:7- “Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is”. The Word from The Lord to you this morning is to look unto Him alone. Looking to man will do you no good because Jer 17:5 tells us “**Thus saith The LORD, Cursed *be* the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD**”. If you want to be blessed in life, you need to put all your trust in God, He will not disappoint you. He is a shield to those that trust in Him.

Christ came to this world to achieve two things:

- i. **He came to rescue us from the hands of the enemy.** Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son. Col 1:13
- ii. **He came to take us to Heaven.** In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. John 14:2

**Many times we pray for God to deal with our enemies when in actual fact we have made ourselves the enemies of fellow believers,** this means if God were to answer our prayers we will not be spared.

It's a dangerous thing for the church of God not to be in unity. If there is no unity in the church, the people cannot be blessed. Disunity hinders prayers in a church. **Unforgiveness makes people to be stagnant in life.** If God can forgive you of all your misgivings, why then should you not let go of the wrong done to you? God is never in the midst of confusion, I counsel you to be at peace with all men. Hebrews 12:14 tells us to follow peace with all *men*, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord. Always walk in peace because God is love. You need to live at peace with all men so God can continue to reign in your life. God wants you to continue to be in unity, love with one another.

To succeed on this Christian journey, you must continue to rely on God in all your endeavors. You have to eschew fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness. Also do away with all forms of anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, and filthy communication. You have to also put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him. See Col. 3:5-10

**In closing, trust in The LORD with all your heart, lean not on your own understanding;** in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Also in this second half of the year, I counsel you to let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. **You a product of words, God created you by His Word; hence it takes only a Word from Him to recreate you.** God told Joshua (Jos 1:8), this Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 30, 2013 – by Deacon Wole Olubajo

### LIFE AFTER DEATH

**Text:** Hebrews 9:27 - “And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.” Not many people want to talk about the coming judgment or about death. People are prepared to discuss other issues – prosperity, breakthrough, success, promotion, but not DEATH. **Death is one sure event that is going to happen to everyone, though many hate to think about this. You are not going to be on this earth forever; there is a set departure date for you from this earth.** Note that when you shall leave this earth, your works (good or bad) will not only follow you but also determine where you will spend your eternity.

**Why Do People Fear Death?** Death is a leveler, a respecter of nobody! It comes the way of the rich and the poor; the educated and the uneducated; the famous and the unknown; and the anointed and the unanointed. Death does not regard the command not to touch God's anointed? Elisha the anointed died when his time was up - 2 Kings 13:20. Death also does not regard the command, what God has joined together let no man put asunder. Death is a sad separator of a husband and a wife. **If what you love most in life is not God, remember that Death will one day separate you from such a thing.**

**Pertinent Questions To Ask Yourself:** How am I preparing for eternity? Where will my current lifestyle lead me to? Heaven or the lake of fire? Am I pursuing my own goals or pursuing God's Goals for my life? On to whom am I living? Christ or Myself? Is my name still in the Book of Life?

**The Book Of Life:** The Book of Life is a Book that contains all the names of everyone who will spend eternity with God. **Names are written in this Book and names are also blotted out (Exo 32:33).** And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire. See Rev. 20:11-15.

**Why Is Death Referred To As A Reminder?** It reminds us of our origin. It reminds us that we are dust. We were taken out of dust and to dust will our bodies return. Gen 3:17-19. Death reminds us of the coming judgment – Heb 9:27. **Death reminds us that we are not here on earth forever but temporarily, hence we are called pilgrims** (1 Pet 2:11); and it also reminds us that the world is some kind of bridge we are trying to cross.

**Upon Your Death, What Happens?** The day you die you step into an unchangeable eternity! You lose the power to change your destination; your fate is sealed forever. All material possessions and everything you placed above God will be eternally separated from you. **If you have opportunity now to repent, by all means create time for it, because a time is coming when you may have all the time but no opportunity.** Millions are regretting and acknowledging Christ in hell but all that is futile because their fate is forever sealed.

**Conclusion:** The Only Way to prepare for the end-time is to take heed to the way you are living your life now. **Take heed that you are not deceiving yourself!** He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still. And behold, I am coming quickly, and My Reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work. Rev. 22:11-12



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 23, 2013 – by Pastor Olaitan Olubiyi

### THE GOD IN HEAVEN

Text: Daniel 2:27-28. Our text relates to Daniel and the 3 Hebrews boys in a strange land. The king slept and had a dream which scared him but he woke up in the morning never to be able to remember his dream. He then threatened to kill the soothsayers in the land if they could not recall and interpret his dream. Daniel and the 3 Hebrew brethren sought The God in Heaven for the king's dream; God answered them and the king praised The God of Daniel and in turn honored Daniel and his brethren in the land. **There is something that gives one confidence in the midst of any situation; it is "Knowing The God in Heaven"**.

#### WHO IS THE GOD IN HEAVEN?

1. He is The God Who rules in the affairs of men.
2. He is The God Who determines who to lift up and who to pull down.
3. He is The God Who determines whether light shines or darkness comes.
4. **He is The God Who sits in Heaven and sees everything in the open and in the secret.**
5. He is The God Who is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond what you can ask or think.
6. He is The God Who is far lifted above mountains.
7. **He is God Who can use anything to achieve any purpose He desires.**
8. He is not like man; He does not die, neither does He sleep nor slumber.
9. **He is not limited by resources. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of Hosts.** Hag 2:8
10. He is The God Who can do the impossible; He can make anything to happen.
11. He is The God Who can turn the desert into a water spring.
12. **He is The God Who knows every secret; He knows every secret and idea you need to move to the next level. He knows everything happening in everybody's life.**
13. He is The God Who is The Helper of the helpless; Hope of the hopeless; Father to the fatherless; and husband to the widow. Dan 3:17-18.
14. He is The God that is ever willing to help you; ever willing to fight for you.

So many times it appears you are lonely in the midst of your troubles but never forget that He promised He will never leave you nor forsake you (Heb 13:5). **Yes sometimes He may be silent; it is simply a test to see if you will keep focusing on Him.** The more you study Christ the more you realize you are yet to know Him. In Christ lies a lot of mysteries. Eh 3:9-10. In Christ everything is available to you. God has sent Jesus for you. He is far able to do beyond what angels did for the Israelites in the Old Testament. **God told Joshua (Jos 1:8) that I have packaged Myself into this Book, study it and meditate in it in order to make your way prosperous.** Through The Bible God reveals secrets to men.

In closing, for you to move to your next level in life, challenges that appear insurmountable will come as part of life but you must know and believe in the ability of The God in Heaven to deliver you. **Do you know This God in Heaven?**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 16, 2013 – by Pastor Yomi Oyenuga

### WHO IS A FATHER?

It is easy to be a father but it is not easy to be a successful father. Every father has a role to play in the church, society and family. If you are not there as a father to play your role, you become handicap. Many fathers are struggling spiritually. **Relocation must come to you as a father in order for you to be where you ought to be.** Relocations always precede Divine Blessing. Gen 12:1-2. Relocation is needed because every father who is not in the right place will suffer. Relocation involves being divinely repositioned to your right or divine vocation.

#### WHO IS A FATHER?

1. **A Father is a Lover.** He must love his wife compulsorily. Husbands love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it. Eph 5:25
2. **A father is the one who Cares.** He must be caring whether convenient or not convenient, He must be there. 1 Pet 5:7.
3. **A father is a Prayer Warrior.** A Father who cannot pray will become a prey. There are tribulations in this world and it takes prayers to overcome such (John 16:33). He must be able to pray extensively for himself and his family. A father that cannot pray is endangering the lives of the children and his wife.
4. **A father is a "COVER" to the family.** Just like a mother hen protects her children from danger.
5. **A father is a Provider.** It is the duty of the father to provide for the house whether it is convenient or not convenient. If he cannot provide for his own household, the Bible says he is worse than an infidel. 1 Tim 5:8

#### TYPES OF FATHERS

1. God The Father (Source of All)
2. Biological Fathers
3. Spiritual Fathers

It is quiet unfortunate that some fathers are still struggling in the valleys of life. **Many fathers are sick financially and spiritually.** This should not be so. **Sacrifice is the mother of success. If you cannot sacrifice you cannot get there. Sacrifice in worshipping God, praising God, giving and other spiritual sacrifices.** Every father deserves to be praised. That was the secret of David - I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise *shall* continually *be* in my mouth - Ps 34:1. How often do you praise your father in Heaven? If you don't create time to praise Him you can't get anything from Him. **You must continue to praise Him whether it is convenient or not convenient.** God is a God of Principles; Acts 10:34b says "God is no respecter of persons".

In closing, God is The Ultimate Father. He owns the whole world. For every beast of the forest *is* mine, *and* the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field *are* mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world *is* Mine, and the fulness thereof. Psalm 50:10. With God as your father, lack is not your portion. **The trigger to experiencing an uncommon abundance from God is the act of ministering to your fathers in The LORD.** Rom 15:27 – "It hath pleased them verily; and their debtors they are. For if the Gentiles have been made partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister unto them in carnal things". Your spiritual fathers do a lot on your behalf, they are ever interceding and laboring in the Word for you; hence the need to also minister back to them. They do not need your material substance, you are the one who needs what they carry (the Blessing of God) and your sowing is what triggers that blessing. Happy Fathers' Day!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 9, 2013 – by Pastor (Mrs.) Nike Ilori

### FAVOR IS NOW

**Text: 1 Sam 16:6-11.** The word Favor is a powerful word which has the capacity to change the life of any one within a second, from being nobody to somebody. Favor can be defined as dealing kindly or helpful acts beyond what is due. **When we talk about Favor from God (Divine Favor) it means an extraordinary spiritual blessing from God to any of His children that He wants to.** His favor can come in any form; it can come in form of promotion, healing, deliverance, fruitfulness or in any other ways that brings victory to such a person that has been chosen as a candidate for favor. Ps 102:13 - Thou shalt arise, *and* have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come.

#### What God Looks For When He Wants To Favor Someone?

1. He naturally looks for someone who has been abandoned, forgotten or neglected.
2. **God looks for someone whose hidden gift cannot be seen by any other person.**
3. He also seeks for someone whose life would give Him glory at the end. Those who after receiving a miracle would come back to give Him all the glory.

There is nobody that God has made that He has not deposited some resources inside them. **Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.** Acts 15:18. Never you think anyone is useless because you are not the One who made that person. Everything God made is good. Gen 1:31. **If you noticed you've not been favored, it could be that you have taken God's past favors on your life for granted.** Thank Him for the little things of life – your sleeping and waking up alive, your going out and coming in without experiencing accidents, etc.

#### What Did God See In David That Made Him Favor Him?

1. God saw David's inner beauty. Ps 139:14
2. **David had a beautiful spirit that was always willing to help and save others (even animals).** Heb 13:16
3. **David had a passionate spirit that would risk his own life to defend others.**
4. He had a zeal or love to defend his father's land from bondage – Ps 122:6-9

#### What Would Make Divine Favor Operate In Your Life?

1. When you are totally forgotten – Ps 27:10
2. When the enemy thinks he has gotten you permanently. The mad man of Gadarene - Mk 5:3-6,18-20
3. **When God Himself has a specific assignment for your life that it can only be carried out by divine assistance. God has already written the script for your life, nothing about you catches Him by surprise.**
4. When your life is full of mysteries. When you cannot even understand your own situation.
5. When your case has been classified as foundational tragedy. Acts 3:2-8

In closing, it could be noted that **men and women who experienced God's Favor continually had lifestyles of praising God, preaching the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, winning souls and they were always limping and jumping for joy in The LORD.** What do you think is in your life that would not make God favor you?

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, June 2, 2013 – by Prophetess Kehinde Abiodun

### BE THANKFUL TO GOD

**Text:** Psalm 100 - Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before His presence with singing. Know ye that The LORD He *is* God: *it is* He *that* hath made us, and not we ourselves; *we are* His people, and the sheep of His pasture. **Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.** For The LORD *is* good; His mercy *is* everlasting; and His truth *endureth* to all generations. Many are saying they do not have a reason to be thankful to God because He has not done what they asked Him to do. This is quite unfortunate! You have every reason to be thankful to God.

#### REASONS WHY YOU MUST BE THANKFUL

You must be thankful because you have The Person of The Lord Jesus Christ - John 6:44. Even if you do not have any other thing, you must be thankful to God for the Gift of Jesus Christ in your life. **Imagine for a second your life without Christ?** Whatever you are passing through in this life as long as it has not taken you away from Christ, you should continue to thank The Lord. **Realize that no one can come to Christ except The Father draws him,** hence you have to be grateful that God called and drew you to Christ (The Solution to every problem), for by Him are all things.

You have to be thankful that God has opened your eyes so you can see. Isa 44:18 says that He hath shut their eyes, that they cannot see; *and* their hearts, that they cannot understand. **This means some were given eyes but they were not given the ability to see with those eyes; that has not been your portion and yet you say God has done nothing!** Furthermore, you have to be grateful for the gift of salvation. The Salvation package is man's grand escape from the wickedness of the wicked. Keep on praising Him for the salvation of your soul; keep on thanking Him for His Death on the Cross for you. You have to also be grateful to God for giving you His Holy Spirit.

In closing, thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise *man* glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty *man* glory in his might, let not the rich *man* glory in his riches. **But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth Me, that I *am* the LORD** which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these *things* I delight, saith The LORD. Jer 9:23-24.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 27, 2013 – by Bishop Bolanle Odeleke

### YOUR ALMOND SHALL GROW OVERNIGHT

**Text: Numbers 17:1-8.** We are living in the greatest hour that the church has ever known. This season is the season of the church because Jesus would soon come. As Christians we need to rise up and take over everything that matters in this world – Government, corporate organizations, etc. Before we wanted God to do all things but now we speak things into existence by faith. God is waiting for us to speak things for Him to back up. We are in the season where God expects us to stretch our rods towards any “Red Sea” on our way.

Realize that God has deposited in you something that is bigger than the devil. You carry something that the world is waiting for. You may have been waiting for God to speak but God is waiting for you to speak the Word of Life into your situation. **We are in the era where we would speak and God will do what we say, just as He did for Moses in Exo 8:31** (And the LORD did according to the word of Moses). You have to realize that you can speak some things into existence and God will fulfill them. Stop dwelling and speaking about your deficiencies, speak the Word of God in faith and the situations will change to your favor.

You need to improve yourself, add value to yourself, and prepare yourself for opportunities. **When you have what to give, people will recognize you. Moses had a rod; what do you have in your hand to shape your generation?**

Eph 3:20 says God is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us. **Your thinking has something to do for your almond to grow. If your thinking is low, you will be in low level.** Move and learn from people that have made it. When you are in the circle of those who have gone ahead of you, be patient and humble in order to tap into what they carry. Add skills to your skills think high and think right. Pray, think and God will help you. Move out of your comfort zone.

**In closing if your almond will grow overnight, you must be ready to obey The LORD and every word of His instruction from the Bible, such as paying your tithes (Mal 3:10).** Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith The LORD of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that *there shall not be room enough to receive it.* **You cannot be stealing from God and expect your almond to grow.** A person who is not tithing is robbing himself/herself. God asking you to bring your tithes is not a sign that He is hungry; He only wants to help your almond to grow. The money you earn does not belong to you, you are just a manager. If you would listen to God on how to spend what you earn you will be higher than where you are now. God says you should bring your tithes so that there may be food in His House, truly, who are you to be a channel for food in the House of God? You should see it as a privilege and honor from God that He allows you to bring money to His House. God rebukes the devourer from your life as you remain faithful in your tithes and offering. He also opens the window of heaven over your life.

Don't just be a church-goer, a friend of Jesus.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 20, 2013 – by Prophetess Kehinde Abiodun

### YOU CAN'T GO HOME EMPTY-HANDED

**Text: Luke 5:2-6.** “And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: **nevertheless at thy word** I will let down the net”. Peter had toiled all night but caught nothing. Like Peter there is the need for you to check your life if you've been able to come out with something tangible from all your toiling. Many have fallen into this trap of trying to do it all by themselves without waiting on God to provide the needed direction.

Some have said I have been in this particular location and I have nothing to show for it; **may I inform you the solution is not in roaming about but in getting a Word from God.** Peter did not reject the Word of Christ; he said at His Word he would obey Him. Note it was in the same river, the same boat and the same fishing equipment which he caught nothing with that God used to perform His miracle. **Who do you think removed the fishes from the river that made Peter toiled without result? It was God. Who do you also think put the fishes back into the river that made Peter experienced a miracle? It was The Almighty God!** He is the God Who can turn all your labor into favor. You don't worry how He would do it, it is not your business; He is God and is certainly not limited by your thinking.

Realize that without Christ being at the center of all your labor, it will all amount to nothing. If God asked you to stay at a particular location, it is in your best interest to hearken. A case study of this is Naomi who left her place and lost virtually all she had. Ruth 1. **Because Naomi did not get what she wanted as of the time she thought, she wandered out of her God ordained place and the result was disastrous. God is saying to you this morning remain where you are until you hear from Me.** God will surely visit you only if you remain where He has asked you to stay.

Despite the fact that Peter had toiled all-night, he never argued with the Master, he simply hearkened onto Him and he got his miracle. There were 2 boats in the riverside but it was only Peter's boat that caught multitudes of fishes, this is because Peter had allowed the Master to come inside his boat. **Without Jesus coming into your boat you will catch nothing.** For without Me you can do nothing. John 5:15. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Col 3:16. Many have Jesus in their life but they are too busy to do His Word, they are pre-occupied with “Martha business” rather than sitting at the Master's Feet like Mary. Luke 10:39-42.

In closing, you may be living your life as you desire yielding to all the cravings of the flesh but remember on the last day you will give an account of you've done on earth before your Maker. **You came to this world with nothing, on the date of your departure from this earth, all your earthly possessions will do you no good, rather it is all your works and deeds that will go with you before The Judge of the Whole Earth.** There is an invisible recording tape in your heart that records all your deeds on earth. Remember there is nowhere you go that your shadow does not go with you.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 12, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### LEAN ON ME

#### Mother's Day Celebration

**Text:** Eccl 4:9-12 Two *are* better than one; because they have a good reward for their labor. **Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh** - Gen 2:24. Many wives are lonely despite being married. Loneliness is a killer. Many of our women are going through various challenges in their homes. Every man needs encouragement; this is the reason for God's creation of the marriage institution.

#### THE NEEDS OF OUR WOMEN

1. They need our motivation, support, and encouragements. We should learn to celebrate them more often.
2. They need us in their moment of crisis; we should pray for them more often, especially in times of sickness.
3. **They need us to watch, understudy and understand their high and low moments. Just like a car would break down if not properly maintained a woman will naturally break down if she is maltreated.**
4. They need us to support them in the pursuit of their God given visions, ideas and goals.
5. They need us to give all that it takes to make them become all that God wants them to become.
6. They need us to help dig out the treasures God has imbedded in them. We should stand by them (physically, spiritually, morally, financially etc) until they become all that God wants them to become.
7. They need us to stand by them when family members intrude into our home. Most homes have been destroyed because of family members' intrusion.
8. **They need us to stand by them when people fabricate evil reports against them.**
9. They need us to offer help in household work, especially in time of sickness/when they are pregnant.
10. **They need us to express our love more often by spending quality time with them.**
11. They need us to help in actualizing God's vision for the children.
12. **They need us to realize that nobody is born perfect;** whenever we notice any weakness we should help them by praying that The Lord's strength be made perfect in their weakness.
13. **They don't need us rebuking them in the public; rather we should be patient with them.**
14. They need us to offer good leadership, by being the priest of the house.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, May 5, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### OBEDIENCE TO THE CALL

**Text:** Isa 6:8b “Then said I, Here I am, send me.” **There is nobody that is without a call from God.** There is a call and mandate of God over your life that you cannot afford to miss. The earlier you locate and do it, the better for you. There is no one God created without a gift because there is no trash in the Kingdom of God. God is still calling His people. He is still calling and assigning His people to be a solution to this present generation. **God is a Business Man. He has put something inside every one of us;** it does not matter where you are now, God is still calling and beckoning on you.

#### WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU OBEY HIS CALL?

1. Wherever you are, you will reflect His Glory, Power, and Anointing.
2. People will begin to see God in action through you.
3. **You will become a solution to your generation.**
4. You will shine wherever you are.
5. You will be a lively stone in the House of God – 1 Pet 2:5
6. Your prayers will be answered because you are where He wants you to be.
7. **When you find your location your allocation will be waiting for you there.**

The call of God is unchangeable. Every call of God is backed up by His Grace for you to function in what He has called you to become. You cannot be what God does not want you to become. He is the Author and everything of your life. Trying to become what God does not want you to become is a waste of time. **While you are still sitted there or located outside His call, you are wasting time and not fulfilling your destiny.** Jer 1:5, Gal 1:15-16.

#### PROCESS TO FULFILLING HIS CALL

1. Recognize your gift and skill that has been divinely given to you.
2. Seek God's Face for it with sincere prayers. God I want to know why you created me. Matt 6:9-13
3. **Submit to God when this purpose has been revealed.**
4. Commit yourself to pursuing the assignment. Acts 26:19
5. **Never forget it is by the anointing of God, you cannot do it by yourself.** Zech 4:6
6. Make sure that you finish the assignment. 2 Tim 4:7

**In closing, obey the call of God for your life, function where God has asked you to function, stand where God has asked you to stand.** God is calling for your commitment, He is asking you to stand where He has asked you to stand, He is asking you to keep moving where He has asked you to keep moving. The more you run from His calling the more danger you are bringing to yourself.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 28, 2013 – by Pastor Shola Awobajo

### EXERCISING AUTHORITY

**Text:** 1 John 5:4 “For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith.” You are born an overcomer in life. Gen 1:28 “And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.” **God expects you to dominate and rise above every situation around you.** As a believer in Christ Jesus you are mandated to live a life of dominion; dominion over all circumstances, situations and the devil. Christ came so that you can reign on the earth.

#### HOW TO LIVE A LIFE OF DOMINION

1. **Stop looking down on yourself.** Num 13:33
2. See yourself as God sees you. God sees you as a god. Ps 82:6
3. **Realize that what is inside of you (Christ) is bigger than anything confronting you.** Col 1:27
4. Carry the picture of what God says you are.
5. Know your position in The LORD.
6. Deal with your fears!
7. **Be BOLD as a lion in the face of any circumstance.**
8. Arm yourself with the scriptures. Eph 6:16
9. **Always abide in His Presence.**
10. Be Humble. Jam 4:10

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 21, 2013 – by Pastor Tella Quadry (2013 Elders' Week)

### **MANIFESTING THE LIFE OF GOD**

**Text:** Ps 92:12-14 – “They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing”. Manifesting the life of God in your life is an indication that you are flourishing. Man's destiny is to manifest the life of God in this earth. When people see God in your life this means you are manifesting His Life; thus, you are described as a flourishing person.

**Why Elders are highly regarded and respected?** This is due to their wealth of experience in life and the wisdom of God in them. When people have nowhere to go to, they run to the Elders.

#### **Three Notable Lessons From Our Text**

1. **They Shall Bring Forth Fruit In Old Age:** just as Abraham and Sarah brought forth fruit in old age, God expects same from you as you age. Fruits of righteousness, fruits of the spirit, etc.
2. **They Shall Be Fat:** fatness here refers to flourishing with the gifts and potentials God has put in you.
3. **They Shall Be Flourishing:** As you age in life, God expects every dry tree, every dry bone, and every dry virtue to start flourishing by His Life in you. God has positioned Elders in His House so that signs and wonders could flow to His saints.

#### **What Does It Take To Still Be Flourishing In Old Age?**

1. You must be upright.
2. **You must be able to hear from God.**
3. You must be filled with The Spirit of God. Eph 5:18
4. **You must move and do things in the directive of God.**
5. You must delight yourself in The LORD – Ps 37:4
6. You must have hope and confidence in The Almighty God – Isa 40:28-31
7. You must not be governed by your past but set your affection and gaze on Jesus – Heb 12:2
8. **Fear Not!**

#### **Four P's To Flourishing In Life**

1. Purged
2. Purified
3. Polished
4. Proven

In closing, challenges will always come as you age in life, but God will always give you the grace to rise above those challenges through His life in you.



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us on Sunday, April 14, 2013 – By Pastor Shola and Lola Awobajo

### MODEL OF GODLY PARENTING

**Text:** Prov 22:6 - Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. The joy of being a parent is not just about seeing your child born but in nurturing the child to fulfilling God's purpose. Being a parent comes with great responsibilities. **As a parent, you must realize that your children are God's property entrusted to you for Godly upbringing. They are not yours per se, but a heritage from The Lord.** Ps 127:3. You are supposed to take care of them, nurture them in the way of The Lord and also instill the fear of God into them. Undoubtedly, so much is expected of you and I pray you will not fail in your parental ministry in Jesus Name.

### YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A PARENT

1. You need to grow in the knowledge of God. You cannot give them what you don't have. Ps 119:11
2. As early as age 5, you need to introduce them to Christ.
3. You need to instill the Word of God into them. Let the Word of God be your standard for raising them. God's Word is the best immunization.
4. **You need to watch your lifestyle. Children emulate what they see. Your life must be a good role model for them.**
5. You need to give them what money cannot buy – your time, love and God's Word.
6. You need to set boundaries for them. Dress code, who they cannot associate with, places they can't go, etc. He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes. Prov 13:24
7. **You need to be firm with them. Enforce disciplinary actions against any nefarious behavior. Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell (Prov 23:14).**
8. You need to continually pray for them. A child of prayer can never get lost. Isa. 11:2
9. Realize that they are not yours but The Lord's, hence the need to continually hand them over to The Lord. 1 Sam. 1:24
10. Take good care of your spouse so that your children will do same to their spouse when they grow up.
11. Don't allow them meddling with all kinds of video games that negatively influence them.
12. **Don't allow any dating until they are over 20 years AND you can vouch for their spiritual maturity.**

In closing we have a great duty before us as parents, if our children are messing up the blame is more on us than on them; mostly likely we must have dropped the ball somewhere. May we not be found wanting when The Lord shall require us to give an account of our stewardship.



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, April 7, 2013 – By Pastor (Mrs.) Grace Oyenuga

### I CAME TO SET THE CAPTIVES FREE

**Text:** Isaiah 61:1-2. I have Good News for you this morning; Our Lord Jesus Christ is here to set you free. He said “The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; He hath sent Me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to *them that are* bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn.” His primary mission was to set the captives free when He came to the earth.

**What Does It Mean To Be Held Captive?** It means to be kept within bounds; forcibly confined or enslaved.

**Who Are Captives?** Those who are under the bondage of sin, sickness, diseases, poverty, failure, sorrow, tears, barrenness, and stagnation. John 5:5-14.

**Why Are People In Bondage?** Matt 13:25 gives us the answer - “But while men SLEPT, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.” There are 3 types of sleep (1) **To Fall Asleep** (to die) – Acts 7:60; (2) **Physical Sleep** (routine daily sleep); (3) **Spiritual sleep** – this is not permitted for Christians, we are not permitted to sleep in the spirit.

#### What Does It Mean To Sleep In The Spirit?

1. When your prayer life is dwindling.
2. When you no longer seek the face of God.
3. **When you allow needless activities to take the place of God.**
4. When you no longer have time to study the Word.
5. **When you begin to quarrel with others.**

#### How Can I Be Totally Set Free?

1. You must be born-again. Jn 3:16
2. You must locate the source of the problem.
3. You must repent.
4. **You must wake up in the spirit – no more slumberiness.**
5. You must recover back your prayer life. Pray without ceasing. 1 Thess 5:17
6. You must know your rights in The Lord.
7. **You must study the Word and hide it in your heart. Col. 3:16**
8. You must set your love on Jesus.
9. **You must submit yourself to God. James 4:7**
10. You must resist the devil steadfastly. James 4:7
11. You must always quote the Word. Rev 12:11
12. **You must abstain from every form of evil.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, March 31, 2013 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

### OUR RESURRECTED LORD

**Text:** John 11:25-26 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth on me, though he die, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die. Believest thou this?

**If Christ Did Not Die What Could Have Happened?** Our faith would be a dead faith; our preaching would have no value; nothing will work, for shame and reproach would have been our lot. But because He is risen we have a glorious hope. And if Christ hath not been raised, then is our preaching vain, your faith also is vain. 1 Cor 15:14

#### **What are Some of The Benefits of His Resurrection?**

1. Nothing is permitted to die or go down in your life because you now carry the Risen Christ. Col 1:27
2. Every demonic work in your life is now broken and destroyed. 1 Jn 3:8
3. **Your destiny can no longer die; it is now a living destiny.** Isaiah 53:3
4. His resurrection has now paid for your freedom and progress in life.
5. You can no longer be found among the dead. Matt 28:6
6. **He resurrected in order to heal the broken hearted; to set the captives free, to give beauty for ashes, and to give oil of joy for mourning – Isa 61:3.**
7. He was made poor so that you can become rich. 2 Cor 8:9
8. You can no longer be found among the dead, the depressed, and the sick.

He came to seize power from death and the devil. I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death! Rev. 1:18. He commanded the gates to lift up their heads, because He has paid the price of the prosperity of His people.

#### **Because He Lives:**

1. Everything is sure. Your tomorrow will be better than today.
2. You can now live over and above sin, circumstances, and situations.
3. **You now have a Lordship over sickness and Satan.**
4. The gates and obstacles that have been preventing you have now been lifted. Ps 24:7
5. You can now collect your possessions. For all things are now yours in Christ. 1 Cor 3:21
6. You can now come to the Holy of Holies – Heb 10:19
7. **The Blood of Jesus can now run inside of you.**
8. You can demand an end to barrenness in your life.
9. **You can now move forward in life; be above and not beneath**
10. You can now do all that heaven has prepared for your destiny.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, March 24, 2013 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

### RCCG LEGACY WEEK

**Text:** Proverbs 22:28 - Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set.

#### **Our History:**

The RCCG was founded in 1952 by Nigerian pastor Josiah Akindayomi (1909–1980). Pa Akindayomi had a vision of words that appeared to be written on a blackboard. The words were "The Redeemed Christian Church of God." Amazingly, Pa Akindayomi who could not read or write was supernaturally able to write these words down. In this visitation, God also said to him that this church would go to the ends of the earth and that when the Lord Jesus Christ appeared in glory, He would meet the church. The Lord then established a covenant with Pa Akindayomi, synonymous to the Abrahamic covenant in the Bible. He said that He the Lord would meet all the needs of the church in an awesome way if only members would serve Him faithfully and be obedient to His Word. It is upon this covenant that the Redeemed Christian Church of God was built. Sometime in the early 70s, God had spoken to Pa Akindayomi about his successor. The Lord told him that this man who was not a member of the church then, would be a young educated man. Thus when a young university lecturer joined the church in 1973, Papa was able to recognize him in the Spirit as the one that the Lord had spoken about in the past. This man, Enoch Adejare Adeboye who was then a lecturer of Mathematics at the University of Lagos soon became involved in the church. He became one of the interpreters translating Pa Akindayomi's sermons from Yoruba to English. He was ordained a pastor of the church in 1975. Papa was preparing to meet his Creator. He sent for Pastor Adeboye and spent several hours sharing with him details of the covenant and the plans of The Lord for the church. Even though a year before this, the Lord had revealed to Pastor Adeboye that he would be Papa's successor, it was still too difficult for him to fully contemplate such an awesome responsibility. Pa Josiah Akindayomi was 71 years old when he died. Amidst controversy, Pastor Adeboye's appointment was formalized by the reading of Pa Akindayomi's sealed pronouncement after his burial.

#### **OUR VALUES:**

5. Holiness
6. Prayer
7. Purity
8. Evangelism

#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT:**

1. To make it to heaven
2. To take as many people as possible with them
3. To have a member of RCCG in every family in every nation

#### **VIRTUES OF RCCG**

22. We are God's chasers. We thirst after God through our prayers, worship and study of His Word. Ps 42:1
23. We value Christ's likeness. We want to be like our savior, in conduct and in our speech.
24. We value Godly Family life. We do not divorce in RCCG because God reigns in our families. We value marital fidelity. We nurture and bring up our children in a Godly environment.
25. We value purposeful singleness. Our singles devote their time and energy towards the service of God.
26. We value Giving. We encourage our members to first GIVE themselves to The LORD.
27. We provide an environment where our members grow quickly so as to be ready vessels for Our God.
28. We value modesty in our lifestyle. We dress in a Godly manner.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, March 17, 2013 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

### THE GOD OF COVENANT

**Text: Gen 28:10-22**

**WHAT IS A COVENANT?** A Covenant is a very strong agreement between two parties. **It is the highest level of relationship you can have with God.** God is a God of Covenant. Everything God does He does them by Covenant. God established His relationship with Abraham by a Covenant of 7-fold promises (Gen 12:1-3). Every covenant comes with promises.

#### FACTS ABOUT A COVENANT WITH GOD

1. God is bound by His Word in a Covenant relationship. Heb 6:13,18.
2. God will not break His Covenant – Ps 89:35.
3. **God will not bless a man except by Covenant** – Gen 12
4. God does not forget His Covenant – Ex 2:23-25
5. God always renews His Covenant with men – Gen 17
6. **God rolls away every reproach** – Jos 5:9
7. There is redemption in a Covenant with God – Ps 31:5
8. **God takes over your battles, thus, you are always a winner** – 2 Chron 20:15
9. God made you His child thro a Covenant in the Blood of Jesus – Eph 1:7
10. Lack and inadequacies are taken care of – Phil 4:19
11. **God's Covenant displaces every old covenant** – Heb 8:13
12. God takes over everything about you. You are no longer on your own. 1 Cor 6:19

#### WHAT ARE THESE COVENANTS?

1. The Covenant of Peace – Isa 9:6
2. The Covenant of Favor – Dan 1:9
3. The Covenant of Direction – Exo 23:20, Rm 8:14
4. The Covenant of Healing – 3 John 2
5. The Covenant of Deliverance – Exo 3:7-8
6. The Covenant of Prosperity – Deut 8:18

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, March 10, 2013 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

### THE HEART OF WORSHIP

**Text: Psalm 69:30-31** “I will praise the Name of God with a song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving. *This* also shall please the LORD better than an ox *or* bullock that hath horns and hoofs.” **Thanksgiving is when you create time to appreciate the goodness, power and lovingkindness of God over your life.** Others might be murmuring and grinding their teeth, but you chose to appreciate Him. Num 11:1 makes us understand that God became angry when the Israelites were murmuring and complaining against Him.

Before any Church Service realize that God has already prepared what He will do for anyone who comes before Him with a heart of worship. **It is so unfortunate to see many coming before The LORD with complains, murmurings, pride, personal dignity, prestige, self-ego etc. Some even despise those praising and dancing unashamedly before The LORD.** To such, they should remember what happened to Micah who was looking down on David when he was dancing and praising God like a mad man; God shut Micah's womb, thus, she became the only woman who was barren all through scriptures. 2 Sam 6:14-23. There is so much danger in not worshipping God (Deut 28:47-48); but more tragic it is when you wouldn't praise Him and yet you are busy despising those praising Him!

**Are you having a struggle in praising The LORD? Then count your blessing one by one and it will surprise you what The LORD has done!** See Luke 7:47-52. God has done so much in your life. Without Him you may have been killed and destroyed. **What pleases God more than anything else is your heart of worship, gratitude, praise and thanksgiving.** The only thing we will be doing in Heaven is worshipping God, so if you don't like noise (of worship), you might not go to heaven, because there would be varieties of non-stop worship going on simultaneously. In Heaven we shall be praising and honoring Him.

#### Why Should You Praise Him?

The LORD has done so much for you, He has preserved your life; the death you should have died, He averted it from you; the danger or accident that could have got you crippled He made sure it never happened; He made sure the enemy's havocs were deflected from you; He put food on your table; He goes ahead of you every morning and wherever you turn you find His favor. Are these not sufficient enough to praise Him?

**Do not allow any circumstance to hinder you from praising Him.** All God wants is for you to worship Him; and He will lift you up from wherever you are. Worship and praise is like setting up a “Throne” for God to dwell in; for He dwelleth in the praises of His People. When you worship Him He comes to reign in your affairs.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, March 3, 2013 – By Pastor Simeon Afolabi

### THE THEORY OF THE BIG PICTURE

**Text: Mark 11:12 - 24.** And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. **I want you to understand that there is a *Big Picture* behind what God does and behind what He does not do!** Jesus is The Only One Who combines Divinity and Humanity in One Person. Both were in Him; He was both God and man put together in the same vessel. **If He was not God He could not save, and if He was not man He could not die.** For someone to be able to save humanity from both sin and hell, He has to be both God and man at the same time.

#### What is The Theory of The Big Picture?

- ❖ **The Big Picture can be defined as what God is orchestrating secretly in any given situation in order to honor you, to bless you and to lift you.** The Big Pictures are lessons to be learnt in any situation before promotion comes your way. In every situation you are in, whether in prosperity or in adversity, there is always a *Big Picture*, never forget this, else you may respond wrongly to the situation.

#### Biblical Case Studies of The Big Picture Theory

1. Jesus and the woman by the well - John 4:6-22. The Big Picture was not Jesus being hungry but His mission to rescue and reposition the battered destiny of a woman of Samaria.
2. Rebecca and the twins' struggle in her womb – Gen 25:23. On entreating from The Lord on the cause of the struggle in her womb, she was told two nations were in her womb (the Big Picture); she was not just pregnant with ordinary children.
3. David's prosperity for the People's sake – 2 Sam 5:12. **And David perceived that the LORD had established him king over Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdom for his people Israel's sake.** May you not be like the rich fool (Luke 12:16-21) whose soul was required of him for not discerning the *Big Picture* (reason) behind his prosperity.
4. Peter's great catch of fishes in Luke 5. **The Big Picture was Jesus ushering Peter into his destiny** - no longer a fisherman for a fisher of men.

#### What was the Big Picture in Jesus Cursing The Fig Tree?

1. **Firstly, Jesus Cursed The Fig Tree In Order To Denounce Hypocrisy.** Though it was not yet time to bear fruits, Jesus cursed the fig tree because it was showing all the appearances (full of leaves) of a fruitful tree - Mark 11:13. God detests hypocrisy.
2. **Secondly, Jesus Cursed The Fig Tree To Teach The Potency Of Faith.** Just like pharmaceutical companies first experiment new drugs with animals before human usage, Jesus was indirectly saying if a tree would die to teach a human being a lesson, so be it. He wanted to let the world know how powerful faith is.
3. **Thirdly, Jesus Cursed The Fig Tree In Order To Teach Us How Faith Works.** Words are very powerful because they are seeds. Cease from uttering negative words because death and life are in the power of the tongue. The words we speak take effect in the realm of the spirit. Our faith is released through the words we speak.

Behind the issues are big pictures; and until you are able to understand the big picture, you will not be able to understand and walk with God.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, Feb. 24, 2013 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

### DEAL WITH THAT WEAKNESS

**Text:** Judges 16:4-20. Every man has a weakness for there is no perfect man. Every one of us has a weakness in our life, thus we need to recognize what that weakness is before it destroys us. What you fail to deal with now will eventually deal with you. The serpent that was not dealt with in Gen.3 turned into a great dragon in Revelation 12. The weakness you don't deal with today will become mighty tomorrow. **Every weakness in our life is like a living thing, as you continue to feed it, it grows.** Weaknesses often come in subtle forms such as wrong use of your tongue (abusing others), anger, bad appetites, etc.

#### Facts You Should Know About Your Weakness

1. **Your weakness is the entry point for the devil into your life.** John 12:6
2. God will make every effort to reveal your weakness to you before it destroys you. Lk 22:31-32
3. The devil will appoint someone to feed and strengthen your weakness.
4. **Your weakness has an agenda. It has a plan to sabotage the plans and grace of God over your life.** Jm 1:15
5. Your weakness will bind you with wrong people and separate you from right people. **Your weakness will try to pull you out of your place of breakthrough** and take you to a wrong camp.
6. Your weakness does not necessarily require you to confess to any man. Ps 51:4. The Greatest Deliverer is God; go and confess to Him to help you out of that weakness. 2 Cor 12:9
7. **You are a slave to whatever weakness you permit into your life.**

If you deal with that weakness now, it can save you several days of agony. If you keep feeding it, it will eventually afflict you! Samson is a classical example; his weakness (lust of the eyes) was what eventually destroyed him. **It is very easy to form a habit, but once that habit is formed, it eventually forms you, thus becoming a stronghold in your life!** You must deal with every bad habit before they send you to your doom! I pray that you will not develop the appetite that will destroy you!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, Feb. 19, 2013 – By Pastor Tella Quadry

Title: **“THE LOVE RISK”**

**Text: 1 John 4:7-11** - “Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.” The greatest hazard in life is to risk nothing. Our fulfillment in life is to gain Eternal Life and this is impossible without taking the “love-risk”. God Himself took the love-risk by sending His Only Begotten Son to die for us despite knowing that the heart of man is desperately wicked. What would be our lot if He had not loved us by dieing for us? That’s why you and I have to take the love risk for Him and our fellow brethren. **And He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.** 2 Cor 5:15

### TYPES OF LOVE-RISK

1. There is the love risk that makes one to love and not be loved in return.
2. **There is the love risk that makes one to be laughed at, mocked at and ridiculed like a fool.** Gen 18:12-15
3. There is the love risk that makes one to weep. Jesus wept at Lazarus’s tomb. Jn 11:35
4. There is the love risk that makes you to reach out to people who are not interested in you. John 5:19-23
5. There is the love risk that makes you to be rejected.
6. **There is the love risk that brings false accusations against you.**
7. There is the love risk that makes you go thro a “momentary devastating period” before a positive change. Rom 8:37-39

### WHY IS LOVE-RISK A MUST FOR EVERY BELIEVER?

1. Love risk is a must for every believer because God is love. If you don’t love as God loves, you are a liar and not truly a believer. 1 John 4:8,16, 20
2. **The person who risks nothing, does nothing, has nothing will ultimately end up as nothing!** 1 John 4:18
3. Taking love risk may bring temporary suffering or sorrow but it will eventually result in a positive change. Heb 12:2
4. You grow and understand life better by taking love-risks.
5. It is only when you “give” that you can “receive”. **Without giving love you can’t receive love.** Lk 6:38
6. Taking the love-risk helps you not to judge and condemn others. Lk 6:37
7. You cannot be totally free without taking love-risk. **Unforgiveness and bitterness will keep you in bondage and eventually take you to hell if you don’t repent.** Lk 6:37

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, Feb. 10, 2013 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “KEEPING THE BLESSING”**

**Text: Isaiah 58:5-12.** When God speaks, He means what He says and He says what He means. This is because His gifts and callings are without repentance. However, when you get His blessings, you have to keep it else it could slip away. There are three factors involved in this:

1. You can get a blessing and keep it permanently. An example is Hannah in 1 Sam 1:28
2. You can get a blessing and lose it. Examples are the Israelites who died in the wilderness.
3. You can get a blessing and not even know it.

### How Can You Keep Your Blessing?

1. You have to give the more earnest heed to the things you have heard. Be careful and put what you have heard in your focus lest it slips away. Heb.2:1
2. Avoid a loose life-style. You can live a loose life-style by what you say and what you think. In this New Year resolve to walk upright and holy before The LORD.
3. Let your thinking always be positive. Prov 23:7
4. Let your utterances always be positive regardless of the situation. Prov 18:21
5. Watch and read things that edifies. Whatever you are constantly beholding is what you will ultimately become. 2 Corin 3:18
6. Avoid evil associations. Separate yourself from mixed-multitudes and align yourself to the will of God. Pro 13:20. Be not deceived evil communications corrupt good manners.
7. Maintain your confession of faith. Heb 10:23
8. Maintain a constant focus on Jesus. Isa 53. Don't focus on the doctor's report, rather look onto Jesus. Heb 12:2
9. Fulfill your vows. Serve The LORD as you promised on the day you got saved.
10. Be planted in the House of God (Ps 92:13); Seek first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness.
11. Do away with bitterness – Matt 6:12,14
12. Ever give Glory to God. Let His Praise not cease in your mouth. Be thankful for everything. Ps 149

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, Feb. 3, 2013 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO?”**

**Text: 2 Chron. 20: 1-23.** O our God, wilt thou not judge them? For we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes *are* upon thee. The journey of life is not kind to any man; it is so cruel and full of bumps. **The highway of the journey of life is not a smooth one, often we get into bumps, troubles and confronted with situations that we don't have an answer to.** So what are you going to do when you don't know what to do? Jehoshaphat in our text found himself between the rock and the hard place. Three nations conspired against him. Perhaps some have conspired that you will not fulfill destiny. Life is not always a smooth experience; it is never kind to any man. **Even when God has spoken certain things into your life, there are opposing forces working against that testimony; hence, you still have to pray!**

On the day of the “swelling of Jordan”; who do you call first? Who do you rush to? Whom do you approach? When you are confronted with life's challenges – **what would you do? Will you rather complain and murmur against God? Will you be caught running to mortal man?** For Jehoshaphat he ran to God!

### WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO?

1. **Get out of that initial fear as quickly as possible.** The natural thing to do on hearing any evil news is to be afraid; you have to get out of that fear quickly, because “fear” has “torment”. God did not allow that situation for you to be afraid.
2. Immediately begin to seek The Face of The LORD. 2 Chron 20:4-5
3. Remind Him of all He has done as well as His promises to always save you; **also tell Him how powerless you are to confront your enemies without Him.** 2 Chron 20:6-7
4. Set your eyes like a flint on Him. Trust Him to see you through. 2 Chron 20:12c
5. Release the battle to Him and **believe that He will use the situation to promote you to the next level.** 2 Chron 20:15
6. **Rise up to confront that situation.** 2 Chron 20:20
7. Begin to sing His Praises and watch how your enemies will start to destroy themselves. 2 Chron 20:22

In closing, Apostle Paul confessed that he would rather boast in his infirmities that the power of God may be made manifest in him. 2 Cor. 12:9. **When you think God is not with you that is when He is Mightily and Tangibly with you!** Glorify Him in those infirmities; for praise is a weapon of warfare. Ps 149:6-9. Never be afraid in any situation because your God surrounds you as a Mighty Terrible One!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, Jan. 27, 2013 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “EMPOWERING YOUR SEASON”**

**Text: 2 Kings 7:1-7.** Empowering your season means becoming what God wants you to become in a given season. **The only one who can help you in this life is God. Never depend on any man, trust in The LORD with all your might and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways, acknowledge Him and He will direct your path.** God will never fail you! This is the best season of your life because God is involved in this season for you. He has timed you this year to prosper. (Ecc 3:1). This season is arranged to fulfill certain agendas in your life.

Our God changes times and seasons. Dan 2:21 “And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise and knowledge to them that know understanding”

### What Are The Factors That Make Us Believe That God Can Change Situations?

1. God is the Only One Who has the ability to hold time and make it work in your favor.
2. He is the Only One Who can fast forward time to bless you. John 2:4
3. He has the ability to change impossibilities into possibilities. (Sarah in Gen. 18:10)
4. **He has the ability to reopen any closed case. (Lazarus in John 11)**
5. He is the Only One in command of time. Your time is in His Hands.
6. He can redeem any wasted time. He did it for Joseph and Job; He will do it for you too.
7. **God can rewind the time and restore all lost years to you. Joel 2:25. He added 15 more years to Hezekiah**
8. No obstacle can stand before God.

In closing, realize that in any situation you find yourself this year, there is someone beside you, His Name is **JESUS!** Because you carry Him, nothing shall be impossible with you. He will turn things around for you. Just as Jesus turned around the situation in the wedding of Cana, He will fast-forward your time and make your season to manifest. He is saying to you this morning “remember not the former things, behold I will do a new thing” (Isa 43:18-19)

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**





# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, Jan. 20, 2013 – By Pastor Peter Olawale

**Title: “TOO LONG IN A PLACE”**

**Text: Deut. 1:6-7a.** The LORD our God spake unto us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long enough in this mount: Turn you, and take your journey, and go. **Are you where you are supposed to be in life? Can you fully say, that as far as you are concerned you are fulfilling destiny?** The Israelites were complacent in the Horeb when God sent His Word to them that they had dwelled too long on that mountain. There is an anointing for the Grace to move on and relocate into your destiny.

**Important Fact About Life: When you stay too long in any grace, disgrace is inevitable!** Apart from God's presence if you stay too long in any place or grace, disgrace will set in! This is because the anointing of yesterday is not enough to tackle the issues of today!

### THREE FORCES THAT WILL HELP YOU TO SUCCEED IN LIFE

1. **The Power of Resurrection** – That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death - Phil 3:10.
2. **The Abrahamic Covenant** – Gen 15, 16, 17
3. **The Covenant of Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself** – When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, He said, It is finished: and He bowed His Head, and gave up the ghost. John 19:30. **Whatever The Lord has finished cannot finish you!** On the cross of Calvary He finished sickness, poverty, disgrace and hell; hence none of these can finish you again! He nailed all of them on the cross.

In closing, **Jesus has blotted out the handwriting of ordinances that was against you**, which was contrary to you, and He took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross; *And* having spoiled principalities and powers, He made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it. Col. 2:14-15.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us – By Pastor Goke Korede

Title: **“WHY JESUS CAME”**

**Text: Isaiah 9:6.** For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His Shoulder. And His Name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. There was a rift between man and God due to the fall of Adam; hence there was a need for Jesus to come to reconcile man back to God.

### WHY DID JESUS COME?

1. **Jesus came to reconcile man back to God.** The ministry of reconciliation. 1 Pet. 3:18
2. He came so that His presence will change things in your life.
3. He came to stop you from every evil journey and start you on the right journeys in life. Rom 5:11
4. Jesus came so that you can breakthrough boundaries.
5. **Jesus came to give you rest.** Matt 11:28-30
6. He came to stop your toiling and suffering; without Jesus there will be continuous toiling. Luke 5:5
7. Jesus came to restore the church; so that the Church will show power. Mark 11:17
8. **Jesus came so that you can ask for things that are not common.** Ps 2:8
9. He came to heal and to change your testimony. Matt 9:20-22
10. He came so that you can have life and have it more abundantly. John 10:10
11. He came so that in you favor is defined. Rom 5:1-2
12. **He came so that your eternity with God is secured in Heaven.** John 14:2

### WHAT MUST I DO FOR JESUS TO IDENTIFY WITH ME?

1. **You have to come under the Government of God.** John 3:16
2. **You have to come under His Leadership.** My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. John 10:27. Whose leadership are you under?
3. **You have to come under His Management.** Your money is no longer yours but His. No man can stand before you when you are under the management of God.

Beloved, in closing, until you allow Jesus come into your boat, toiling continues! For there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. Without Him you can do nothing!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# RCCG – ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY

## SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, January 6, 2013 – By Pastor Peter Olawale

**Title: “Praising Your Way Into Signs & Wonders”**

**Text: John 11:25-32.** That you serve God does not mean problem will not attack you. Jesus did not promise a “problem-free life”; rather He promised we would have tribulation but we should be of good cheer, because He has overcome the world – John 16:33. In our text we see Mary and Martha who were devoted followers of Jesus Christ, yet a day came when the enemy did the worst in their family – death of Lazarus.

Anytime you are talking about signs & wonders, it means you will always meet with certain situations you cannot handle by yourself. Something will always challenge you if you are a candidate for signs and wonders. So as you proceed in the course of this year 2013, if you are confronted with certain seemingly challenging situation, know and rejoice because a sign & wonder is about to take place. **Challenges, difficulties, and impossible situations are all raw materials for signs & wonders before God!** For example:

1. If there was no red sea we wouldn't know today that God can create a “freeway” right on the red sea.
2. If the 3 Hebrews boys were not thrown into the fire furnace, we wouldn't know today that God can turn a fire furnace into an air-conditioning system.
3. If Daniel had not been thrown into the lion's den, we wouldn't know today that God can shut the mouth of a lion and rescue His own.

### How To Handle Situations In Order To Experience Signs & Wonders?

1. **You must move towards God like never before this year.** Always go to Jesus; Martha went straight to Jesus John 11:20
2. Worship God like never before this year. **Be thankful in every situation.** If you want to have “full” blessings this year, be “thank-full”.
3. **Never be found complaining this year; murmuring will do you no good!** Luke 17:17-18

Thanksgiving is appreciating God for what He has done for you; praise means you are worshipping Him for Who He is! In closing, all through this year, enter into His gates with thanksgiving, *and* into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, *and* bless His Name. Psalm 100:4. **God is the Giver of every good and perfect gift** – James 1:17. When you praise God, something happens in the Spiritual Realm!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

**2013 PROPHECIES BY DADDY G.O (PASTOR E.A ADEBOYE)****A) GENERAL**

This Year Shall Be Better Than Last Year.

**B) INDIVIDUALS**

1. No Matter The Darkness Around You, Your Star Will Shine Brighter.
2. God Will Speak Peace To Your Storm.
3. The Reasons For Stagnation Will Become Known, Addressed And Eliminated. Therefore Progress Will Follow.
4. In Many Senses Of The Word, This Year Shall Be A Year Of Completeness.

**C) NIGERIA**

1. The Prayers For Some Of You Minimized The Deaths Of Prominent Nigerians In The Last Year. Don't Stop Praying.
2. Before The Middle Of The Year, Many Will Say Hope Rising.
3. Learn From The Disasters Of 2012 And Take Precautions Soonest To Advert Bigger Ones.

**D) INTERNATIONAL**

1. Prominent World Leaders Need Lots Of Prayers As Not To Die In Office.
2. Prominent Church Leaders Need Prayers Against Planned Scandals.
3. Weather Conditions May Get Worse, Much Worse, Unless Prayers Intensify.
4. Expect A Major Breakthrough In Medicine.
5. Nations Who Pass Unholy Laws Will Have A Taste Of Divine Fury.

**E) ISAAC GENERATION ASSEMBLY – Pastor Shola Awobajo**

1. This Year Shall Be A Year Of Divine Visitation.
2. Year 2013 Shall Be Better Than 2012.
3. The Lord Says He Will Hand-Over Keys To Our Destiny This Year.
4. The Less Shall Be More In 2013.
5. The Lord Shall Divinely Meet Needs In 2013.
6. The Barren Should Begin To Lengthen Their Cords – For Barrenness Will Be A Thing Of The Past In 2013.
7. This Year, The LORD says He Will Open The Doors Of New Vision; Some Of You Will Have Outstanding Breakthrough In Business. He Will Open The Eyes Of Many To New Territories.
8. This Year Will Be The Greatest Year You Have Ever Known. - For You Will Experience The Greatest Breakthrough.
9. The Lord Said, You Will Find Him In Places You Least Expected.



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, December 23, 2012 – By Pastor Yomi Oyenuga

**Title: “NO ALTERNATIVE TO JESUS”**

**Text: Acts 4:12** “Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” There is no alternative to Jesus. Many have strived many ways in their quest to getting to the top but have failed miserably because without Him you can do nothing. John 15:5. **It doesn't matter how skillful or wealthy you are, without Jesus you will still be roaming in circles.**

## WHY DID JESUS COME?

1. **He came for a purpose**, a purpose to save you from your troubles. Matt 1:21
2. **He came so that you can become a wonder in this world.** When you make Him your friend, He will turn you to a wonder! Isa 9:6 “And His Name shall be called Wonderful”
3. **He came so that He can be your Counselor.** He is the Best Counselor on earth, for He can never mislead you.
4. **He came so that you can make Him your source of supply.** This is because His Government is the Supplier of everything you need in life.
5. **He came to destroy the works of satan in your life.** For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. 1 John 3:8
6. **He came so that the Government can be upon His Shoulder.** Isa 9:6 – For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder.

You don't have any alternative to Him. You may be quarreling with Him but I beseech you to reconcile with Him. **Anyway that looks right but not the way of Jesus is destruction!** The Bible says there is a way that seems right onto a man but the end of it is destruction. Prov 14:12

## HOW CAN I TAP FROM THE BENEFITS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF JESUS CHRIST?

1. **Absolute Trust on Him.** Num 23:19 For God is not a man that He should lie. Trust is the confidence that you have in Him. Everything you need in life is in His Power, the question is would you trust Him, or would you have another alternative to Him?
2. **Seek ye first His Kingdom.** Matt 6:33 Seek ye first His Kingdom and His Righteousness and all other things shall be added unto you.
3. **Believe on Him;** Don't be a doubter. When you believe you are relieved of all tension. Jam 1:8
4. **Rugged Faith and Determination.**

In conclusion, The LORD Jesus has the power to do the impossible, **in actual fact when anyone tells you that you have an impossibility, begin to rejoice because He is The One Who can turn impossibilities around!** Never joke with any Church program as we go into 2013 whether little program or great program, every one of them has a package from Heaven to deliver to you! May you not miss your miracle in Jesus Name! There is no alternative to Jesus! Hymn singing – “When We walk With The LORD, In The Light of His Word, What a glory He sheds on our way! Let us do His good will; He abides with us still, And with all who will trust and obey. Chorus: Trust and obey, For there's no other way; To be happy in Jesus, But to trust and obey.”

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us Last Sunday, December 16, 2012 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “DISCOVER TO RECOVER”**

**Text: Luke 15:11-22** - But when he came to himself, he said, “How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!” Our text relates to the prodigal son's ordeal of separation from his father. A “Discovery” always precedes a “Recovery” of anything in life. To “DISCOVER” means to find out; get knowledge of something, realize or bring to view something that is existing somewhere but you don't know its whereabouts. To “RECOVER” means to get back something lost; to re-gain control of self or something; to be indemnified for a loss suffered. The day you discover yourself you will no longer be what you used to be. It is unfortunate that Satan has darkened and put veils on many eyes so that they are not able to see!

## LESSON POINTS FROM OUR TEXT (Lk 15:11-22)

1. The prodigal son believed he had gotten to a level where his father was no longer needed in his life.
2. The devil lured him away from the presence of his father. Anywhere outside the presence of God is a dangerous ground. Whatever is trying to take you from the presence of God is simply trying to kill, waste and ruin your life!
3. He discovered himself – “But when he came to himself” (Lk 15:17). You need to come of yourself and take stock of your life inventory.
4. He sat down, thought and pondered within himself – “Why am I here? Am I supposed to be here?”
5. You need to renew your mind in order to come to yourself!
6. He said I will arise and go to my father (V.18). You must arise and go back to your Heavenly Father.

## WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DISCOVER?

1. You need to know your position in The LORD.
2. You need to discover the fact that your energy cannot take you anywhere. John 15:5
3. You must discover that you are not born to live an ordinary life.

**What Are You To Recover?** You are to recover every ground the devil has stolen and every lost opportunity. Joel 2

## STEPS TO RECOVER

1. Come back home; if you are not yet born again, you have no choice but to be born again.
2. Discover what you have lost by conducting an inventory of your life.
3. Engage in Prayers and Fasting.
4. Take a step of faith. 1 Sam 30
5. Celebrate your victory.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, December 9, 2012 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “THE KINGDOM PEOPLE”**

**Text: Matt 7:13.-28** – As a disciple of Christ there are certain things expected of you. **When you find Christ, you find a jewel of inestimable value; you find something Eternal; you find something precious; you find something great!** This is the reason why the merchant in Matt 13:45-46 sold everything he had in order to invest in this Kingdom. The Kingdom of God must cost you something.

**Why Are You In Church?** Is it to felicitate, socialize or mingle? If this is the reason, then you are a mixed multitude and have come to disturb the people of God from being blessed. **You should come to church in order:**

1. To touch the Heart of God
2. To be blessed
3. To be lifted
4. To obtain your deliverance and possess your possession – Oba 1:17
5. To obtain power to live Holy and Righteous.

The day you accepted Christ, you became the temple of God; **it is now dangerous for you to be messing up because God will destroy anyone that defies His Temple.** 1 Cor 3:16-17. Rancor, fornication, blemish, lying should not be found in you. Many find their way in the way of perdition because they have never accessed their life. This earth is not our place, we are pilgrims and strangers here – Heb 11:13-15. You have to live circumspectly, let every step you take remind you that you are on your way to heaven. You have a destination, which is heaven. Christians are no longer mindful the way they walk, many call themselves born-again yet they still get drunk, back-bite, fornicate and device evil. Prov 6:16-19. **We are in the latter days, perilous times are here with us and we can't afford to mingle the world with Christianity.**

**Who Can Abide In His Tabernacle And Dwell In His Holy Hills?**

1. He that walketh uprightly. Not crooked, walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise. – Eph 5:15
2. He that worketh righteously. The work of your hands must be righteous. Ps 15:2
3. He that speaks the truth in his heart.
4. He that does not backbite with his tongue nor speak evil to his neighbor
5. **He that fears and honors God** – Ps 15:4
6. He that has no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness – Eph 5:11

In conclusion, the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. **Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,** looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. **Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless.** 2 Peter 3:10-14

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On November 30, 2012 – By Rev. James Solomon

## HOUSTON FESTIVAL OF LIFE

**Title: “DIVINE INTERVENTION IN THE VALLEY OF BEWITCHMENT”**

**Text: 1 Kings 19:1-10.** Our text relates to how Elijah having achieved a great feat (the killing of 850 prophets of Baal) ran when he heard of Jezebel's purported plan to kill him. Bewitchment is one of the secret weapon of the kingdom of darkness that as ruined the church.

**What is Bewitchment?** It means:

1. To place under one's power; to cast a spell or gain control over a person.
2. **To control someone's thoughts and actions from a remote location.**
3. To take away a person's power of resistance.

**Can a Christian be bewitched?** Yes, if he or she opens up himself/herself to the devil. Some believers in Galatia were bewitched - Gal. 3:1

### What Weapons Do Satan Uses In Bewitching People?

1. **WORDS:** Words are very powerful, they carry life, hence, they bewitch easily! Beware of what you hear. Bad advice or counsel thro a friend can distort the Word of God in your mind; hence, you will annihilate yourself from the blessings of God. An example is a believer who believes tithing is a means of pastors enriching themselves.
2. **EYE CONTACTS:** Eye contact is another powerful medium used by Satan to make men lose consciousness of themselves. An example is Satan showing Eve the forbidden fruit in order to bewitch her. **Beware of what you look at.**
3. Food and gifts received unconsciously from unfriendly friends. **Beware of what you receive; pray over them and listen to the Voice of The Holy Spirit!**

**Symptoms of Bewitchment:** Once you become slowed-down and sluggish; no more prayer, no more interest on things of God, there is a bewitchment on you already.

### **Purpose Of Bewitchment:**

1. To weaken your faith and open you up to unbelief and fear.
2. **To puncture your confidence in God.**
3. To cause you forget the victory you had in the past.
4. **To control your mind.**
5. To open you up to suicidal attempt.
6. To cause you to lose focus. To mislead you.
7. **To make you lose consciousness of who you are; your authority as a child of God.**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**





# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, November 25, 2012 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “GOD IS YOUR SOURCE”**

**Text: Judges 7:1-8.** Our text relates to how God through an ordinary man (Gideon) brought deliverance to Israel; the victory strategy was contrary to all human reasoning. God gave Gideon victory over the Midianites not by the might or strength of Israel's army (32,000) but by a very few number (300). **Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith Jehovah of Hosts - Zech 4:6. Many atimes the ways and the workings of our God do not make sense to us.** How God does things many times we cannot reckon with it. God does not work with a natural mind; for the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. (1 Cor 1:25).

**God does His thing at His own time and term, not at yours!** But be glad, for He never comes late! God can get so much done within a twinkle of an eye. Peter had toiled all night catching nothing but when the Master showed up, the catch was extraordinary. It is grace that makes a man not his struggles. For I am what I am by the grace of God (1 Cor 15:10). **Many times God looks at us and just wants to make us a showpiece.** He sees the wise ones but decides not to choose them.

## LESSON POINTS FROM OUR TEXT

1. Recognize that God is your Source. Your help is in the LORD, not in any uncle! Put your trust in God.
2. **God wants to earn His Glory over everything you do** (Jud 7:2). You are where you are now because God wants to earn His glory, you might see it as unpalatable, but God wants to earn His glory through that unpalatable experience.
3. The life of faith is not for the weak-hearted (Jud 7:3). You need to confront your fears by arising; make a move after you have received a Word from God.
4. **By strength shall no man prevail! It is not your labor or struggles; without Him, you are nothing!**
5. You must draw your source of power and strength from The Word. Gideon's total dependence was on what God had told him (Jud 7:7). When you handle the Word you are handling Jesus.
6. **Recognize that before you get there God would have already gone ahead of you.** Don't worry, the enemy might be coming like a flood, realize that God is on your side!

In closing, the miraculous is always wrapped up in the ridiculous! It was ridiculous but miraculously God used 300 soldiers as against 32,000 to give Gideon the victory. **Don't limit God by what you have or don't have, He is God and can decide to work with little or nothing.** Are you in your ground-zero this morning, look-up to Him that is able to do exceeding, abundantly above all that you ask or think, according to the power that works in you! There is a power that brings something out of nothing. May you call for that power today!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, November 18, 2012 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “WHEN A PURPOSE IS UNDER ATTACK”**

**Text: Num 23:19.** I am here this morning to let you know that there is a purpose of God for your life. **God has a reason why you are here. You are not just ordinary; you are a child of purpose! No man flourishes in a land that is not theirs.** You don't prosper in a strange land (a land where The LORD has not planted you).

When the vision and purpose of God is upon your life, there must be an attack. If you are not a threat to the kingdom of the devil, he has nothing to do with you! **It is the tree that bears fruit that gets stoned!** There is something in you that the devil detests and hates to see actualized. So expect to be attacked if you are carrying something that will devastate the kingdom of satan; but rest assured in the fact that they will not succeed because The LORD is with you. Balak despite hiring Balaam could not succeed in cursing the Israelite. God does not lie, no matter what you are going through now, He will carryout His purpose for your life.

## What Must You Do When Your Vision Is Under Attack?

1. Have a clear understanding of the purpose of God over your life.
2. Know that God has good thoughts towards you. Jer 29:11. Tough times don't last but tough people do.
3. **Don't look at what you see now; what you see is temporal. Stay glued to God.**
4. Always remember that you have a word from God. If God has spoken He will make it come to pass.
5. Remain steadfast and unchangeable; put up an optimistic mental attitude.
6. Don't give up in the face of any trial. The trying of your faith works patience. Jam 1:3
7. **Be calm. Don't be discouraged. Discouragement is the greatest weapon of the devil.**

You might count what you are going through now as affliction, trouble, etc but recognize that The Hand of God is carrying out a work of perfection. Jesus knew His purpose and He did not allow anything to deter Him. Heb 2:9-10. **Many lives hang on you. Your success is so important in the sight of God; if you fail you have failed your generation and God.** May you not fail your generation in Jesus Name!

In conclusion, Joseph knew his purpose; God taught him to wait; so you too must know your purpose and remain committed to its actualization. Patience must have its perfect work. May The God of all grace, who hath called you unto His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that you have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, and settle *you*.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, November 11, 2012 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “EVERYTHING ANSWERS TO POWER!”**

**Text:** 2 Kings 1:1-17 “But the angel of the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, *Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that ye go to enquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron?*” Our text relates to how Ahaziah, the king who got sick and rather than consult God he attempted to enquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron. His action displeased the Heaven and a message was sent to him through Elijah that he will surely die of that sickness because he did not enquire of God. On getting the message of his death, he decided to arrest Elijah by dispatching a military troop. **In life everything answers to power!**

## LESSON POINTS FROM OUR TEXT

1. Elijah knew His God, he knew who he was and he was operating in that capacity, hence nothing moved him! **The day the enemy gets to know that you know who you are, they will leave you alone!**
2. Elijah had a relationship with God. He hears the voice of God audibly. He was not acting on impulse; he was well attuned with God. **One of your greatest assets is your ability to know the leading of God!**
3. He was a man of obedience. He learnt how to take instruction and obey. He was not in argument with God.

As you grow in The LORD, you bag your first degree – B.A (Born Again); then as you keep growing you bag your M.SC (Master of Situation & Circumstance). **The people of the world understand the value of power so much so that they pump in huge amounts of money into politics because they seek to be in the helm of affairs.** Man will do anything to get power! Some even go into dangerous forests in order to be empowered by demonic spirits.

## WHY DO YOU NEED POWER?

1. Everything answers to power!
2. In order to rule and reign over situations & circumstances. Rev. 5:10
3. **In order to make your territory a “no-fly-zone” to the enemy!**
4. Jesus told the disciples to wait until they were endued with Power! Acts 1:8. You need power to do the work of God.

## WHO YOU ARE AS A CHILD OF GOD

1. A god over any situation or circumstance – Ps 82:6
2. A light in any dark environment – Matt 5:14
3. The solution the world is waiting for – Rom 8:19
4. The gate-keeper wherever you find yourself. No evil is permitted around you.

**In conclusion, the day you know who you are and who your God is, that day you become a champion!** Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world! You are to manifest wherever you are because the world is groaning and waiting for your manifestation!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, November 4, 2012 – By Evangelist Mike Bamiloye

**Title: “OUR CHILDREN FOR SIGNS AND WONDERS”**

**Text:** Isaiah 8:18 “Here am I and the children whom the LORD has given me! *We are* for signs and wonders in Israel from the LORD of hosts, Who dwells in Mount Zion.” It is the full plan and purpose of God that your children should show His signs and wonders. **God has not yet created a child which He has no purpose for.** Every child has a divine ordination from God before any ordination from man ever takes place.

## How Does The LORD Sees The Children He Has Given You?

1. **As His Arrows.** God sees every baby He sends into this world as “an arrow”. God sees every child He has given you as a weapon, an arrow in His Kingdom. David was an arrow against Goliath, Gideon was an arrow against the Midianites; Moses was an arrow against the Egyptians. Whenever the devil discovers a very sharp arrow he can destroy a whole nation to get that arrow! Moses and Jesus are classical examples.
2. **As His Messenger To This World.**
3. **As His Mouthpiece In This World.**
4. **As His Ark.** The child is like the ark of God being kept in your custody.

Like arrows in the hand of a man of war, are the children of the young. Happy is the man who has a good store of them; he will not be put to shame, but his cause will be supported by them against his haters. Ps 127:4-5. **The moment The Lord sends a child, the enemy rises up to stand up against whatever the LORD wants to do!** This means as a parent, you have a role to play if your child must fulfill God's purpose and show forth His signs and wonders.

## What Are Some Of Your Roles As A Parent?

1. You have to abstain from unholy things and attitudes.
2. **You have to soak up yourself in Prayers!**
3. You have to make divine pronouncements and prophecies over the baby!
4. You have to listen to the voice of The LORD in every step. Absolute obedience.
5. You must be spiritually sensitive to God about the protection of your children.
6. You must ensure that the child is continually on a spiritual altar of prayers.

In conclusion, **do you understand that when a child misses the purpose and counsel of God for his/her life, it affects the parent?** Eli's ministry was terminated because of the waywardness of his children. May you not fail in your calling as a parent in Jesus Name!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday Oct. 28, 2012 – By Pastor Paul Eri

**Title: “THE GIVEN WORD”**

**Text:** 1 Kings 17:8-16. We need to understand that when God speaks, He speaks purposefully; He speaks in a specific manner and with direction. **God speaks to situations and circumstances with Power and authority.** He always tailors His Word to address situations He wants to move into.

## What Happens When The Word of God Comes?

1. It comes to encourage you.
2. It comes to strengthen, embolden and empower you.
3. It comes to render the enemy useless. It paralyzes the enemy's activities.
4. **It comes to address a specific situation in your life.**
5. It comes to remove every barrier so that the will of God can be done.
6. **It comes to bring hope to a hopeless situation.**
7. It comes to promote and lift you high.
8. It comes to compel provision to be made available for any need.

From our text above God spoke to Elijah, “Go to Zarephath”. **Elijah was able to do a lot in Israel because he was always dependent upon the Word of God. Elijah will never do anything without first hearing from God.** The Word of God is so dynamic, creative and powerful that when it moves into a situation, it dominates, controls and aligns the situation to the will of God. See Hebrews 4:12. **When God releases His word in a situation every force in nature created in the natural and the spiritual begin to gather to go forth and perform the Word of God.** It was the Word given to Moses that parted the red sea; and it was the Word given to David that brought Goliath down. Everything in Heaven and Earth must move so that that Word would be fulfilled. Isa 55:10-11.

## What Must You Do When You Receive A Word From God?

1. Celebrate and rejoice because His Word never fails.
2. Keep the Word in your heart, lest satan steals it.
3. Act with courage and faith.

In closing, God has nothing to give outside His Word in any situation! If your greatness must be revealed, The Word of God must be within you! **As a believer you cannot aspire to be great without first being a student and a scholar of the Word, infact you don't become a threat to the enemy until the Word of God is living in you!** If you must be great you must embrace the Word of God.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday Oct. 21, 2012 – By Pastor Tella Quadry

**Title: “SURVIVING THE STORMS OF LIFE”**

**Text:** Isaiah 43:1-3. Every one of us goes through the storms of life. None is exempted. A storm is a violent weather, often in the form of a strong wind. Storms of life come in form of mountains, barriers, hindrances, long standing problems, barrenness, poverty, lack, failures, and heavy challenges. **Yes it's true that storms do come our way unannounced, the good news is, no storm is strong enough to resist God's Presence!** All storms bow to the Presence of God. Ps 90:1-2

## **The 3 Grades of Storms:**

1. **Artificial Storms:** This type is originated by the devil. It is fake, false and stimulated storms. Examples are Pharaoh killing babies in order to destroy the destiny of Moses (Exo. 1:22); Haman and Mordecai (Est. 3:5-6); Paul and Silas and a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination (Acts 16:16-40).
2. **Natural Storms:** These are the expected challenges and problems of life. May be act of nature. They are usually a result of envy and jealous from others. Examples are Joseph being sold out into slavery by his brothers; and King Saul and David.
3. **Supernatural Storms:** these are the unusual happenings and occurrence by God for His Name to be glorified. They are authorized by God so that you can be purified as gold. An example is the case of Job.

**As a believer, cease from looking down on anyone going through a stormy period, if you can't pray or encourage them by your words, keep your mouth shut!**

## **How Do We Survive The Storms Of Life?**

1. Be bold, fear less with faith: He has said “I will never leave you nor forsake you!”
2. Be patient, stand strong and hold on to God. **Don't lose your temper; leave vengeance to God!**
3. Don't get yourself discouraged. Discouragement is the greatest tool of the devil.
4. Get Wisdom. Wisdom is the ability to see God's perceptive and know the best course of action to take.
5. Pray!
6. Be studious, meditate and speak the Word of God.
7. Be thankful and grateful because He is Faithful. **Murmuring & complaining will do you no good!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday Oct. 14, 2012 – By Pastor Paul Akapo

**Title: “YOUR CASE IS DIFFERENT!”**

**Text:** Psalm 139:14-16 “Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it. You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in Your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed.” There are 4 propositions from this text:

1. **You Are A Prophetic Declaration:** Realize that God has packaged you to win where other people are losing. You are not a mistake in history, God thoughtfully packaged you together! You are a prophetic pronouncement because “God said .....(let us make man in our image)”. **Anyone trying to stop you is just a raw material to your success.** When God released you into this earth, He loaded you with everything to perform! You are a prophetic release for a terrestrial wonder!
2. **You Are A Deliberate “Put-Together” By God:** Because you are made in His image you are a package of God's capacity. God “*synmatically DNAed*” you! Just like a monkey will give birth to a monkey and a lion will always give birth to a lion, **God can only give birth to a god! Your revelation is your height!** God said in Numbers 14:28, as you have said, so will I do to you! I pray that The LORD will sharpen your understanding to understand the glory of your originality! You serve a God Who specializes in turning people's “mess” into a “message”, don't bow your head in shame, look unto God your Maker! You are packaged for an enterprise. Since the devil did not package you there is no way he can finish you because the One Who packaged you is The Alpha and The Omega! God designed you before He released you.
3. **You Are Loaded By God's Blessings To Be Equipped For Your Success:** Gen 1:28 – From the beginning God has blessed you so no curse of any man or witch should be able to prevail against you. Your revelation is your height! God is ever major and the devil is ever minor! **Never in your life diminish yourself any more because of what you are going through. What you are going through is a thorough through to your breakthrough! Failure is not falling down; failure is falling down and staying down!** As from today, you will discover, develop and deploy under the foundation of diligence, determination and discipline!
4. **You Are Empowered To Rule And To Enjoy And Not To Be Terminated:** Luke 10:19 “Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.” Col. 1:13-14 “Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of His dear Son: In whom we have redemption through His blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins”. The sin problem has been solved by the Blood release.

## **HOW DO YOU OPERATE IN THESE 4 PROPOSITIONS?**

1. Be aware to display. Revelations aid manifestations; awareness aids confidence; and confidence generates competence.
2. Be sensitive to it.
3. Activate and accelerate. Is 60:1
4. Be resolute. Don't Quit, be rugged. Rom 8:28
5. Be a worshipper.
6. Be Joyful.
7. Be Heaven-Bound. No matter what you become in life if you don't make Heaven you are miserable!

**In closing, your perception and your revelation of the Word of God is what gives you longevity and a glorious destiny! It is you, not the devil; the devil has been defeated! Stop complaining open your eyes!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday Oct. 7, 2012 – By Pastor Benjamin Ajayeoba

**Title: “FROM LODEBAR TO THE PALACE!”**

**Text:** 2 Samuel 9:1-10. It is the mandate of God for us to shine and we have to radiate that light all over the world. Shining and arise are words that are indicative of change. Our text relates to the story of a young man (Mephibosheth) who God moved from a place of obscurity (Lodebar) to a place of shining (Palace).

## What Can Lodebar Be Likened To?

1. Lodebar is a place of hiding and fear; a place of no reputation.
2. It is a place of shame and hunger.
3. It is the waste and barren land; a wilderness place.
4. It's a place of sickness, loneliness and weakness.
5. It's a place of affliction and oppression of the enemy.
6. It's a place of frustration. It's a place of iniquity.
7. **Lodebar is the exact opposite of a Palace. A Palace is a place of honor, enjoyment, comfort and prosperity.**

We all have destinies of greatness in Christ (Jer 29:11) but often times we find ourselves in a type “Lodebar” in certain areas of our life. **When you are in Lodebar you lose your prestige, honor, reputation, value, worth, dream and expectation.**

## What Is The Power To Take You From Lodebar To The Palace?

1. By The King's Prerogative (discretion). Ps 115:3
2. By The King's Kindness. 2 Samuel 9:1
3. By The King's Authority. Ps 62:11, Matt 28:18
4. By The King's Remembrance. Mal 3:16-18
5. **By The King's Instruction. Once the King speaks it becomes an authority.**
6. By The King's Restoration Power.

## How Can You Come Out of Lodebar?

1. By becoming a member of the Kingdom of God. John 1:12
2. You have to be willing and obedient. Isa 1:19
3. **You have to learn how to worship the King.**

In closing, if you are in any type of Lodebar, **God is willing to help you! He could use that problem as a stepping stone to your destiny.** He did it for Mephibosheth, Jabez, Rachael, Mordecai and many others. Rejoice and Praise Him because He is still in the business of relocating His children from Lodebar to the Palace! I pray that this season The Almighty God will remember you and relocate you from Lodebar to the Palace in Jesus Name.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday Sept. 30, 2012 – By Pastor Tella Quadry

**Title: “WORRY, FEAR AND FAITH!”**

**Text:** Phil 4:4-8 - Rejoice in the Lord always: again I will say, Rejoice. Let your forbearance be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. **In nothing be anxious; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.** And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

**Realize that your worry can never change your situation; neither can your fear, anxiety, carefulness, smartness help you out!** Without God you are without hope!

## WHAT ARE THE REPERCUSSIONS OF WORRY & FEAR?

1. Worry and fear will dash your faith, hence leaving you hopeless.
2. Worry and fear will cause your miracle to be delayed. Gen 20:11-12
3. Worry and fear will take your focus off Jesus, and thus promote “paranoia” (state of being suspicious, mistrust).
4. Worry and fear will induce you to think irrationally. You may lose your objectivity. 1 Cor 2:14
5. **Worry and fear will cause you to disbelief God is there for you.** You will begin to doubt God's trust and His ability and willingness to change our situation.

**What Then Is The Cure For Worry And Fear? FAITH!** Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen - Heb 11:1. It is only through faith that your situation can be changed.

## How Do You Break The Cycle Of Worry & Fear

1. You need to choose to believe God by standing and acting upon His promises.
2. You need to pray for the spirit of boldness; timidity must vanish from your life. 2 Tim 1:7
3. You need to know that God is your refuge, strength and ever present help in time of trouble. Ps 46:1
4. You need to speak and prophesy on those dry bones in your life. Ezek. 37
5. You need to seek The LORD. I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. Ps 34:4
6. You need to step out of that boat of problem. Ask The LORD to help you! Matt 14:22-24
7. You need to take risk, act quickly, and take action as commanded by the Holy Spirit!

**In closing, when a situation has gone beyond your control, all you need to do is to carry the burden to Jesus,** for He said – “Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest!”

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday Sept. 23, 2012 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “LOOKING BEYOND YOUR PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCE!”**

Text: Isa 60:1 “Arise [from the depression and prostration in which circumstances have kept you—rise to a new life]! Shine (be radiant with the glory of the Lord), for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!” As we approach the last Quarter of the year, it's critically important that we begin to envision and see with the eye of faith the things God has promised to do in our lives. **It is a rule with God; you must first see it before you get it.** Abraham, Jeremiah, Elisha and all others had to first see with the eyes of faith before God made His promises come to pass in their lives. If you can't see progress coming your way, you cannot attain progress.

## How Does One Develop The Ability To “See” With The Eye Of Faith?

1. **Fear Not!** Fear will put you on the same spot. Job said the thing he feared most had come upon him (Job 3:25). *Fear attracts whatever you are afraid of; Faith also attracts things that you trust God for.* Just like God told Abraham in Gen 15:1 – fear not, I am your abundant compensation; He is telling you the same today.
2. **Look Beyond Your Present Circumstance.** You need to see success and promotion coming your way. For better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof. In Numbers 13, 10 of the 12 spies could not see beyond their circumstance but the other 2 saw beyond the giants in the land, and were thus able to possess the land despite the giants. God never changes, if He promised, He will keep it.

God is a God that changes the times and seasons. He is the Only One Who can change your drought time. And He changeth the times and the seasons: He removeth kings, and setteth up kings: He giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding - Dan 2:21. All through scriptures God brought people who were no body and made them some body. Few examples are David, Esther, and Joseph. This God can also change situations; He changed the situation of Hannah – from barrenness to a mother of nations. But before God can change your times, seasons and situation, you must first “arise”!

## WHAT MUST YOU DO TO RISE AGAIN?

1. **Hearken To The Voice Of God** – Deut. 28:1
2. **Open Your Ears To Discipline** - Job 36:10
3. **Obey And Serve Him.** Service unto the LORD not unto man. Serve Him with your body, your money. If you do this you will spend your days in prosperity. Job 36:11-12
4. **A Daily Dose of The Word of God.** Like multi-vitamins, the Word of God must be your daily dose in life. Jos 1:8. The Word of God guides, leads and protects.
5. **Wait For Him Until Your Change Comes.** You need patience. Many times we jump before our time and the end of such is always disaster; may this not be your portion in Jesus Name! Job 14:14.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sept.16, 2012 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

**Title: “RESTORATION OF DESTINY!”**

## WHAT IS DESTINY?

1. Destiny is what God has packaged you to be.
2. It is your job description upon the face of the earth.
3. Destiny is pre-determined by God (Jer 1:4-5, 29:11).
4. Destiny is what God has imputed inside of you.
5. Destiny could be altered or polluted. Matt 13:28-29
6. Destiny can be aborted, manipulated and exchanged. Gehazi in 2 Kg 5.
7. Destiny can be imparted. Joshua was imparted with the Spirit of Wisdom (Deut.33:9); Elisha was imparted with double portion of Elijah's anointing.
8. Destiny could be restored. The impotent man in Acts 14:8-10

***How Do You Know If You Are Walking In God's Destiny For Your Life?*** Ask yourself, “Am I experiencing joy, increase and fulfillment in whatever I am doing?” If not, then cry to God to restore your destiny.

## How Is Destiny Destroyed or Vandalized?

1. A man could be the very one undoing his destiny. Eli and Saul are few examples.
2. Through the undoing of one's ancestors. Gehazi in 2 Kings 5 made his generation inherit a battered destiny. If your destiny has been altered due to your ancestors undoing, I have good news for you – “The Blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sins”. The Blood has the power to wipe out every leprosy (spiritual or otherwise) from your life.

## How Is A Battered Destiny Restored?

1. **By Hearing The Word Of God.** The impotent man heard Paul speak and his destiny was restored – Acts 14:9. Also Psalm 107:20 says “He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered *them* from their destructions.”
2. **By Faith.** Faith is the currency for you to pick anything up from the table of God. The impotent man had faith and thus picked up his healing (Acts 14:9). For it is impossible to please God without faith; hence, faith is a requirement for your destiny to be restored. Your faith is a seed/raw material which God uses to change your circumstance.
3. **By Prayer /Asking For Mercy.** Prayer is a catalyst. Everything in life remains static until a force is applied, and prayer is that force to change situations. Blind Bartimaeus cried to The LORD and his destiny was restored.

In closing, I pray that every desolate land of your life will be tilled for a new thing (Ezek 36:34) in Jesus Name.

**“BEHOLD, I COME QUICKLY; AND MY REWARD IS WITH ME, TO GIVE TO EVERY MAN ACCORDING AS HIS WORK SHALL BE.”**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sept.9, 2012 – By Pastor Yomi Awobajo

**Title: “FULFILLING DESTINY!”**

We are in this world to fulfill destiny. God said to Jeremiah (Jer 1:4-5) – ever before you were born I had a plan for you, I had already ordained you to go to the nations. Before you were born God had a master plan for your life; and this master plan is with Him. Though God has the master-plan for your life, He has also given you the “power of choice” or “free-will” to either pursue His plan or pursue your-own plan!

What is destiny? Destiny is a journey that leads you to your destination. **Sad to say that not everyone that comes to this world fulfills destiny! Many are here as spectators all through the journey of life!**

The achievers of today took a step towards their destiny yesterday and that step has led them to where they are today! Nothing just happens in life; there is a cause and an effect to everything!

## DESTINY FULFILLMENT DETERMINANTS

1. **The Company You Keep.** Who are those you spend most of your time with? The people that surround your life determine your tomorrow. If you are surrounded by failures, you will ultimately end a failure; but if you are surrounded by achievers, you will end well. See Psalms 1:1. No eagle dwelling among turkeys can soar like other eagles, because the generation of turkeys never fly, God has not designed them to fly. Your circles of friends are either leading you to destiny or to destruction! Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners - 1 Cor 15:33.
2. **Your Attitude Towards Challenges:** If you want to fulfill destiny, challenges must come. To fulfill destiny, you will have to confront battles and if you run away from them you will miss out! Eagles don't run from challenges, rather they get excited at the face of storms because they see it as an opportunity to fly higher with their big wings. As a believer you belong to a generation of eagles (Isa 40:31), you should not be found with the generation of turkeys. When God is taking you somewhere He will show you the beautiful destination of where you are going but He often seldomly shows you the challenges ahead. But the challenges are not for you to confront by your own strength, it is an opportunity for God to show the Awesomeness and Mightiness of His Power. For if God be for you who can be against you? Romans 8:31.
3. **Your Dream:** Your dream is the vehicle that will drive you to your destiny! Joseph is a classical example of someone whose dream took him to his destiny. A dream is an information from Heaven to you of what God wants to do with your life. When God gives you a dream you must be ready for battle. Because every God-given dream must be challenged by the devil else it is not from God. Joseph's dream was challenged by the devil. Any dream from God you don't work upon will be lost. Every dream carries a message. To fulfill your destiny, work on your dream, begin to say it out regardless of the circumstance around you. The enemy wants to cage your dream by caging your mouth but boldly declare it that nothing will stop the realization of your dream!

**In conclusion it is never late to be right! What are you going to say when you stand before The LORD Jesus Christ and He asks you, “Did you follow My Plans for your life, or your own?”**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sept.2, 2012 – By Pastor Yomi Awobajo

**Title: “YOU OWE GOD PRAISE!”**

Praise is a weapon of warfare; it travels faster than prayers & fasting. Acts 16:25 is a classical example of this – Paul & Silas praised God in the midst of a fiery trial and their chains were loosed. Are you in the midst of a challenging situation that it will take only a miracle to bail you out? Realize that only God can bring you out triumphantly, hence you need to offer Him praise. The Church of God is an “Exchange House” where sicknesses are exchanged for healing, and failures are exchanged for successes.

## **WHY DO YOU OWE GOD PRAISE?**

1. **You owe Him praise for what you are passing thro.** James 1:2 says you count all joy when you fall into diverse temptations. It takes a strong believer to rejoice at the face of challenges. Phil 4:4
2. **You owe God praise because praise is His Food.** God wants your praise because He inhabits in the praises of His people. When you give Him His food you are bound to receive your miracles.
3. You owe God praise because He is the One that has preserved your life till date so that you can show forth His praise. Isa 43:21
4. **You owe God praise so that He can begin to work** on your behalf the kind of favor that eyes have not seen.
5. **You owe God praise for what is about to come.** Even if challenges are coming realize that those challenges will work out some glory for your life – 2 Corin 4:17. After every challenge God always opens a new chapter of His Glory.
6. **You owe God praise for the life that is operating in you.** Recognize that the Eternal life of God that is operating in you is on “loan” and praise is the “interest” you use in servicing that loan hence the loan would be recalled! When you pay this interest (thro your praise) you secure His comprehensive cover over your life, family and ministry.
7. **You owe God praise so that longevity will be your portion.** Praise worshippers don't die young because God preserves them so that they can continue to offer Him praise. See Isaiah 38:3-5
8. **You owe Him praise because He has the power to catapult, relocate you from the back to the front.** David is living testimony of this; from a shepherd boy God relocated him to the palace. 1 Sam 16
9. You owe God praise because praise honors God and God in turn will honor you. 1 Sam 2:30

**What happens if you fail to pay this interest of praise to God?** The liquidator (the devil) will be sent to you! May this not be your portion in Jesus Name.

In conclusion, realize that as you offer Him praise, you are paying the interest on the life He has given you. Praise gives birth to Grace, Grace then gives birth to Favor and Favor in turn gives birth to divine announcement. By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of *our* lips giving thanks to his name - Hebrews 13:15

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# **SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS**

**God's Message To Us On Sunday August 26, 2012 – By Pastor Tella Quadry**

**Title: “Glorify Him For The Light!”**

**Texts: Genesis 1:3-4** “And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.” Just as God spoke and the light displaced the darkness, I am here to announce to you that whatever area of your life that is experiencing darkness, the light of God will overpower them in Jesus Name. We serve a God that can do the unusual. He is the God that can raise from grass to grace.

1. We need to glorify Him because it is His light that can make a great difference in any man's life.
2. Glorify Him for His perfection. When the light of God comes upon your life, perfection comes your way!
3. We need to glorify God to be able to fulfill His purpose. Isaiah 48:12
4. We need to glorify God for all that has happened – the pain, discomfort, challenges. Rom 8:20
5. We need to glorify God because we are saved by hope – Romans 8:25
6. We need to glorify God for it is not by power nor by might but by His Spirit that has been helping you!
7. We need to glorify God for showing His mercy on us. Ps 118:23-24

In closing I want you to know it is only God that can show you the light to come out of any dark situation. Abide in Him and He will abide in you! Know for sure that all things are bound to work in your favor and for your good as long as you remain united with Him.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday August 19, 2012 – By Sis. Nicole Ikefuna

## Hephzibah Youths Week

**Title: “OBEDIENCE TO GOD!”**

**Texts:** 1 Samuel 3:1-10 – according to Webster dictionary, Obedience is defined as acts or instinct of obeying. Obedience in secular society is also defined as obedience to constituted authorities (e.g. Federal, state, city and Govt. laws). **What does obedience mean to a child of God? It means obedience to God, His Word and obedience to the church and to your parents in the LORD.** The Bible is filled with men and women who obeyed God – few examples are Samuel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. **As a child of God it is paramount that you obey your parents in the LORD for God would often speak through them to you** – a classical example of this is Samuel and Eli (1 Samuel 3:1-10). Your obedience to God is of great value, it can make people turn from their sins to The LORD. An example of this is the case of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in Daniel 3 – because of their obedience multitudes were saved. The Bible is also filled with people who disobeyed God – Saul is a perfect example of this; God said “It repenteth Me that I have set up Saul *to be* king: for he is turned back from following Me, and hath not performed My commandments. And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the LORD all night (1 Samuel 15:11). Another example of someone who disobeyed God is Eli. Eli was to be blamed because he did not bring up his children in the way of The LORD. Despite God's warning time and time again, Eli did not heed to God's instruction about his children's misbehaviors. And what was the consequence of Eli's action? His whole family was wiped-out in the span of a day! See 1 Sam 4. [An Address to Parents:](#) **As parents it is critically important that we do not put up a care-free attitude when we see our children misbehaving and not following the ways of The LORD, this is because the repercussion could be very devastating!** God blessed you with those children and when judgment day comes, God is going to hold you responsible and accountable for their actions because He expects you to raise them up in the way of The LORD! Don't expect that a child will grow out of his/her misbehaviors without you correcting and reproofing them. The Word of God states that do not spare the rod (He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes) – Prov 13:24

[An Address to Children/Youths:](#) As youths we have to obey our parents because by obeying our parents we are obeying God. If we disobey our parents we are disobeying God. If there is any way you know you have disobeyed your parents, I will advise you to go on your knees before them and apologize for your actions and they will forgive you. Failure to do this will mean a disobedience to God and the repercussion of this could be very grievous. I close with this profound Word from scriptures – **“obedience is better than sacrifice!”**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday, August 12, 2012 – By Pastor Shola Awobajo

## Drama Group Ministration

**Title: “Winning The Christian Race!”**

**Texts:** Hebrews 12:1-3 – “Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us”. We are in a race no doubt; a Christian race or journey to Heaven. Many have ran this race – some ended well, while others had a sorrowful ending. May you end well in Jesus Name! Our LORD Jesus Christ has set for us an example of how we ought to run this Christian race by enduring every type of hardship that came His way even to the point of shedding His own Blood on the Cross of Calvary.

## How Should One Run This Christian Race?

1. This race enjoins you to run with patience.
2. You must look unto Jesus the Author and Finisher of your Faith
3. There is something awaiting you as you run this race – Christ is the Ultimate goal/trophy of this race.
4. Do not get weary along the way.
5. Do not look back.
6. You must be temperate in all things.
7. You must run lawfully. The journey has rules - 2 Tim 2:5
8. You must eschew malice, fraud, fornication, lying, etc
9. There is no resting point in this Christian race – 2 Sam. 11:1, 1 Kings 13:14
10. There must be willingness to receive chastisement – Heb.12:5
11. There is no room for compromise.
12. Depart from iniquity – 2 Tim 2:19

In closing may you at the end of your race be able to say like Paul - “I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.” - 2 Timothy 4:7-8

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday August 5, 2012 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo

## PRAISE HIM!

**Text: Psalm 9:1** I will praise *thee*, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvelous works. It is a good thing to always appreciate God because without Him you wouldn't have been where you are today. You are an evidence that He is a living God. **He is a Father Who cares for His Own and sees them through difficulties.** When we praise Him something glorious always happens for Praise is a mystery we cannot fathom on the face of this earth. Even in Heaven praise is a great mystery – “And the four beasts had each of them six wings about *him*; and *they were* full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come” - Revelation 4:8

God is the only One Who takes the salutation of the kings of this earth. (Song ministration – You deserve the glory and the honor). God is worth to receive all the praise of men; **no matter what you are going through (bad or ugly situations) God can make it work together for you good.** For Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. You are created for His glory, honor and splendor. For Isaiah 43:7 says “*even* every one that is called by My name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.”

He says in His Word that we should give thanks to Him in everything for this is His will for us in Christ Jesus. **Even in the face of trials you just give thanks because that situation is a set-up for your promotion. In life you will always have to face trials to move to the next class** – even in the secular world, no kindergarten gets to the next class without passing the required exams or tests. How much more with the spiritual, you have to go through trials to be elevated to the next level; James 1 makes us to understand that we should count it all joy when we fall into divers temptations; Knowing *this*, that the trying of our faith worketh patience. But let patience have *her* perfect work, that we may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Child of God know that you serve the Incomparable God. Nothing can be compared with Him!

**You cannot continue to complain and expect God to step into your situation. May you not be like the Israelites who complained and murmured against God and God heard it – Numbers 11:1.**

Disappointments and perilous times might come but don't let it cast you down for the Joy (J-factor) of the LORD is your strength! It is often said that in the devil's barn the most popular item is “discouragement”. **How unfortunate that many have fallen for this bait (discouragement) of the devil!**

In conclusion, Heaven is the habitation of praise and it takes only the worshippers to get there! But what does it take to get there? You must have given your heart to the LORD Jesus Christ and The God of Israel must be your God! And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God - Rev. 21:3.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday July 29, 2012 - By Deborah Babalola

Annual Children's Week Celebration

## A NEW GARMENT!

**Text: Revelation 7:9-16.** A garment could be defined as a piece of cloth that people normally wear to cover their nakedness - 2 Corin 5:3, Rev 3:18. An old garment is not necessarily a physical dress; it could be any spiritual problem that could be making people laugh at one and wondering if such is serving a living God! It could be in form of barrenness, failure, stagnancy, poverty and so on.

**What causes people to be aiming to wear a new garment?** When they are tired of wearing the same garment over and over again. When the former garment has been causing shame to them.

There are many people in the Bible that God replaced the old garment in their life and thereafter their lives never remained the same. One of such is **Hannah** (1 Samuel 1) – God removed her garment of barrenness and gave her a garment of fruitfulness. Another example is Jabez (1 Chron. 4:9-10) – **Jabez** means “I borne him with sorrow”; he was a man with a pitiful past and no hope for a future; a man that struggled to find his meaning and significant in life. Despite his old garment, he called unto God and God answered his prayers by granting him a new garment. The same God that answered the prayer of Jabez is here today to remove every garment of pain and sorrow in your life and replace with garment of happiness. **Jacob**'s story is another perfect example of how God could turn around a man's destiny not because of whom he/she is but because of Who God is! God changed his name from Jacob (which means manipulator, deceiver) to Israel – Gen 32:24. If you are sick I pray that God's garment of healing will come upon you now in the Name of Jesus Christ!

From Mark 5:25-34 – we can see how the **woman with the issue of blood** touched the garment of Jesus and she was healed of her infirmity. Also when the Resurrection and the Life got to the tomb of **Lazarus** (John 11:17, 43,44); he that had been dead was resurrected to life as God removed the garment of death from him and gave him the garment of life. I pray that everything that has been dead in your life, career, and family shall be resurrected today in the Name of Jesus Christ! The **man at the beautiful gate** is another example that the Lord gave a new garment of strength and healing – Acts 3. The God that worked miracles in the Old Testament and in the New Testament is still able to do the same thing today. This is because He is the same yesterday, today and forever – Heb 13:8.

**What Must You Do For God To Replace The Old Garment In Your Life?** God wants to intervene in your situation but He wants you to give Him a chance by forsaking all your sins and inviting Him into your life. Rev. 3:20.

To inherit the kingdom of Heaven you must put on the garment of righteousness. But how do you put this garment on? Matt 5:20. It is by yielding our bodies as instrument of righteousness (Rom 6:13) and putting off our old self and putting on the new self (in Christ) – 2 Corinthians 5:17.

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things *are* honest, whatsoever things *are* just, whatsoever things *are* pure, whatsoever things *are* lovely, whatsoever things *are* of good report; if *there be* any virtue, and if *there be* any praise, think on these things.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday July 22, 2012 - By Pastor Tella Quadry

## PRAISE HIM!

**Text: Hebrews 10:1** “For the law having a shadow of good things to come, *and* not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.”

### Why Should We Praise Him?

1. We need to praise Him because He made salvation permanent for us.
2. Praise Him for a better life for your case is not closed. Only God can call a case closed!
3. Praise is the meat and food of God. Ps 50:12-14
4. When everything fails, you just praise Him. When you praise Him you don't need to worry. When you praise God anyhow, He will bless you anyhow.
5. When you praise Him, The Spirit of God moves! Thanking God is praising God. Jesus offered thanks and Lazarus arose from death. Jesus gave thanks and over 5,000 people were fed with a little boy's lunch.
6. When you praise Him, doors open on their own accord. Acts 16:25-26.
7. Praise for Him for His Goodness over your life. Praise Him for His mercy that endures forever.
8. Praise Him for you delight in Him and He will grant you your heart desire.
9. Praise Him because you have been forgiven by the Blood shed on the cross of Calvary.
10. When you praise Him, He will make your enemies to be at peace with you.
11. Praise Him because your help comes from Him not from any man! Psalm 121
12. When you praise Him every failure, trial and wilderness experience turn into testimonies.

There are 3 stages in every of life's situation – The Beginning Time, The Trying Time, Quitting or Continuing Time! Every situation you pass thro in life prepares you for an excellent success ahead of you.

As a child of God you are programmed for all-round success; in closing “Now thanks *be* unto God, Who always causes us to triumph in Christ, and makes manifest the savour of His knowledge by us in every place.” 2 Corin 2:14.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday July 15, 2012 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo

## TRUE WORSHIP!

**Text:** Gen 22:1-13 “And he said, Take now thy son, thine only *son* Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.” God commands worship. God demanded for Isaac (as an act of worship) from Abraham because He was the One that gave Isaac in the first place. Our worship goes to God as a sacrifice of sweet smelling aroma. Our worship refreshes God. God inhabits in the praises of His people. What are the salient points about worship that we can pick from Abraham's act of true worship to God in Gen. 22?

1. God commands our worship. It is mandatory that we worship God; Ps 150 makes us to understand that everything that has breathe must praise The LORD. When we worship and praise Him, we are satisfying His heart and pleasing Him. Determine in your heart that no matter the circumstance or issue, resolve to praise Him. Devil begs and demands for worship; a typical example of this was when he came to tempt The LORD Jesus (Luke 4:7) that He should bow down and worship him. Devil himself knows worship is good; hence he demands it for himself but tries to stop people from doing it to God. God commands it but the devil demands it. People cheaply give-in to the bait of the enemy by being morose over their circumstance. God says worship me and I will change the situation. **Not every opened door is God's door; some are traps and the devil's bait in disguise.**
2. Everything upon the face of the earth bows to the majesty of God. Psalm 19:1-3. God is God and He answers to no man. He is “KAA-BI-YE-OSI” (The Unquestionable One). He kills and no one can make alive! He can make barren and can make fruitful! No authority can arrest Him. Infact He can arrest all the arresters of your life!
3. A true worshipper is a willing worshipper – just like Abraham arose immediately after God asked for Isaac (Gen 22:3). Anytime God asks for something from you, know that it is a set-up to elevate you.
4. A true worshipper cannot carry baggage into the presence of God. Abraham had to tell his servants to stay back while he was going to worship God (Gen. 22:5). Paul and Silas praised God despite the baggage of imprisonment or shackles on them. God doesn't react to the worries or concerns in your heart, what moves Him are your purity and praise to Him. You have to jettison every baggage so as to have your worship accepted.
5. A True worshipper will totally submit. Abraham held back nothing from God, he totally submitted. Gen. 22:10-11. You must totally submit your totality (your heart and everything within you) to Him to prove your submission.
6. Your obedience must be complete before you get to the place of worship. In such a place you can hear God clearly and experience His intervention. Gen 22: 11-12. You can influence God by your service and giving to His course.
7. If you are going thro some tough times, praise Him and you will see things getting clearer for you. When you get there all needs are met, there will divine provisions waiting for you – Gen 11:13.

Our LORD Jesus applied this principle of praising God to experience His manifestation – in feeding the multitudes with 5 loaves of bread and 2 pieces of fish; He offered praise and thanksgiving to God and Heavens catering department went to work for Him. He did same at the tomb of Lazarus. In closing when you praise Him, all your sorrows will be turned into joy, all failures will be turned into successes, instead of poverty riches will come; divine health will replace sickness as you keep praising Him.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday July 8, 2012 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo

## GARMENT OF PRAISE!

**Text:** Isaiah 61:1-3 “The Spirit of the Lord Jehovah is upon me; because Jehovah hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound”. We are in the season of a new garment, a season where God is putting new things in your life, new joy, new hope, and new aspirations. In this new season God wants you to forget the former things and focus on the new thing He is doing. Like Apostle Paul mentioned that he forgets those things which are behind but he looks forward to those things which are before - the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus (Phil 3:13-14). If you look forward to the greater things God has promised to do in your life, praise will naturally spring forth from you. God chose you to decorate you and put His honor and glory upon you!

### What Happens When You Praise Him?

1. When we praise God He comes down. And when He comes down, He comes with all that He has. Whatever bows down to God must bow down to praise!
2. When you praise Him, He replaces your old garment with a new garment.
3. Praise releases captives from the shackles of the enemy. As you praise Him, He gives you beauty for ashes; the oil of joy for mourning; and the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness.
4. When you praise Him, even your enemies will know God has done a great thing in your life.
5. When you praise Him, your Solomon will come. 2 Samuel 12:18-24.
6. When you praise Him every loss you have encountered will be supernaturally restored.
7. When you praise Him your enemies will begin to fight each other. 2 Chronicles 20:23. As you praise and magnify Him, He begins to fight your battles!

In closing, though the fig tree may not blossom, Nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, And the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, And there be no herd in the stalls--Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation - Hab 3:17. There is power in praise!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday July 1, 2012 - By Pastor Tella Quadry

## GOD PLANS FOR GOOD!

**Text: Jeremiah 29:11-14** “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall seek me, and find *me*, when ye shall search for me with all your heart. And I will be found of you, saith the LORD: and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the LORD; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.

Often times believers think that what they are passing through is out of God's Plan, some even go as far as accusing God of neglecting them during their periods of trial! God has not forgotten you! His thoughts towards you are always good and not evil. He promised never to leave you nor forsake you! He wants you to give Him thanks in everything because this is His will for you in Christ Jesus! **Your situation might not warrant any thanksgiving to God but rest assured in the fact that He is a God that can turn things around no matter how hopeless they may seem!**

### Why Give Thanks To Him?

1. There is no match for God's goodness. Joseph is a typical example of His Goodness. Gen. 45
2. He chose you out of the multitudes in order to show forth His glory. 1 Corin 1:26-27
3. He is committed to taking you to that “high-point”. Eph 2:10
4. He has plans of goodness for you even in times of trials, temptations etc.
5. **Thank Him for prayers He has answered; thank Him for the ones He has not answered and is still going to answer; thank Him for the prayers He will not answer!**
6. He is Your present Help in time of trouble. Psalm 46:1
7. He is God of the suddenly! He can change situations around in no time if you would care to give Him thanks!
8. He is the One in control of the universe! Isaiah 45:22
9. He is your comforter! 2 Corinthians 1:4

In closing, trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths! Proverbs 3:5-6

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday June 24, 2012 - By Pastor Sesan Raphael Akinnawo

## MY BEST IS YET TO COME!

**Text: 1 Corinthians 2:9** "But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him." Nobody has seen what God has prepared for you, not even your enemies, friends, relatives have a clue of where God is taking you to. He said in Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope". **In life there is what is called progressive revelation. It is the act of God revealing His agenda for your life in stages;** He seldomly shows you everything about your life at once. Where you are today is not your bus-stop, it's only a route to your destination, so keep pressing towards the mark of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Two typical case studies of people in the Bible who refused to give up until they achieved their best are Caleb (Joshua 14:7) and Paul (Phil 3:10-14). No matter what you have achieved in life, your best is yet to come, don't allow past failures or successes to prevent you from reaching the best God has for you. No matter what you have achieved, know that there is always a greater height to attain. Always target the best in life.

You have no reason to be discouraged regardless of what the enemy has done; God the Creator of all things can turn the situation around for your good. You may be down but chose not to remain down, look to Him the Maker of Heaven and Earth! You best is yet to come! **Challenges of life come to us all; it's how we react to it that matters.** Some have a negative attitude; others chose to be positive by seeing every challenge as a ladder to greater heights. **As someone said, it's your level of insight & perception that determine your altitude in life.** Job went through fiery trials but He held on to His Redeemer and that same God is still alive today to see you through every challenge! Would you look to Him or would you rather focus on how to solve the problem by yourself? Remember by strength shall no man prevail! **The problem you are facing may have defied all human solutions, but I have good news for you, The God Whom we serve is not limited by human means;** He created the Heavens and the earth in 6 days, what on earth can be impossible to such a God? He can by-pass any protocol to give you the victory you desire. He can even re-adjust any computer because of you; He can also make the Government of the land make a new law or policy that would favor you! **HE IS JEHOVAH EL-SHADDAI, THE UNQUESTIONABLE GOD SUPREME OVER ALL CREATION!** Rejoice for your best is yet to come!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday June 17, 2012 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo

## **BUILDERS OF WASTE PLACES!**

**Text: Isaiah 58:12** “And *they that shall be* of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.” As fathers and mothers, God has called to be builders and repairers of waste places. This is God's calling over our lives, to be a light and salt in this world.

The Greek word for father means “SOURCE”. As a father, you are the source and foundation of your family; you are to carry some responsibilities and weights. Your children are raw materials and talents from God in your hands; you are to profit with them. Just like Nehemiah was in a foreign land (Neh.1:1-11) and was called to be a builder of waste places, we all as parents are pilgrims in this world and God has called us to make a difference on this earth.

### **Roles of Fathers**

1. Fathers are “walls” to their families. Walls serve as defense.
2. Fathers are “gates” to their families. Gates prevent things that come in and things that go out. You are to prevent the enemy from coming into your family because the enemy comes to steal, to kill and to destroy.
3. As a father, you are the **Head** of your family. The head is the most important part of the body because without it, the other parts of the body are inactive and dead. Nothing must happen to the head if the body must function properly. If the head is whole, then the entire body is whole.
4. As a father, you **must fear the LORD**. You need to trust and fear His command so that you can be blessed and eat the fruits of your hand – Ps 128:1-2
5. As a father, God is calling you as the **repairer of the waste places** and to set standards for our homes.
6. As a father, you **must not cease in praying** and putting the Word of God into your children.
7. As a father, you **must arise from every slumber/sleep**, so that Christ may give you light. Eph 5:14
8. When fathers are not there all kinds of anomalies (teenage pregnancy, drug addiction, etc) take place. **You have to be there**. As fathers you should never be too busy with your vocation at the expense of spending time with your children. Many have succeeded in their profession/ministry but failed in their calling as fathers. Eli and David are typical examples of men who failed in their roles as fathers. Ensure your secular job does not interfere with your responsibilities or calling as a father.
9. You **must give yourself to your family** just as Christ gave Himself to His church. It is not enough to just provide money but you must build your children in the way of The LORD, else your untrained children will squander all your wealth when you're gone!
10. You **need to create time for your children** and make your obligation to your wife (to love her) a top priority because this is what Christ has sanctioned you to do – Ephesians 5:25.

### **What Did Nehemiah Do To Build The Waste Place?**

1. He was sad and wept about the situation. As fathers, the situation of the waywardness of many children in the society should sadden us. Neh 1:4
2. He prayed to God for a turnaround in the situation. Neh 1:4. Anytime you see things that are not going well with your children, you need to fast and pray about it. **Prayer changes things! As a father you need to fast over your family, take over the spiritual leadership of your family**, just as Nehemiah fasted and prayed and God showed mercy! Prayer helps to build your defense against every attack of the enemy.

In closing, God is calling us to be the repairers of bleach places, the falling down walls and the defense that has been scattered, we are to put it back together and be example onto this nation. Our role as fathers is to make sure we stand there and ensure we do not fail God in His calling as fathers to our home. Stand up and be what God has asked you to be!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday June 10, 2012 - By Pastor Shola

## MAKE YOUR PATH STRAIGHT!

**Text: James 4:13-14** “How foolish it is to say “today or tomorrow we go into this town and there be for a year and do business and get wealth; When you are not certain what will take place tomorrow, **what is your life? Is it not mist, vapor which is seen for a little time and then vanishes?** The problem here was that the people were making plans without the element of God in their plans! Man may have his plans, goals, aspirations but should never forget that his time is not in his hand. Many live their lives as if tomorrow is in their control.

Recognize that you are not in control of your life; regardless of your plans, **you do not have control over tomorrow, why not commit your ways and plans to the One Who not only sees but controls tomorrow!** You cannot afford to keep living your life the way you are living it. If you must advance in life, you must eschew every trace of unforgiveness in you. As God has forgiven you in Christ Jesus, He expects you to forgive everyone that offends you. See Matt 18:28-35. Without you forgiving those who have offended you, you may never be delivered from your tormentors.

How would you end your life? Are you still holding on to the wrong someone has done to you? Holding on to an offence or person may determine where you spend eternity! You need to make amends quickly else if death meets you in that unforgiveness state, hell is inevitable! May this not be your portion in Jesus Name!

**In life, it is not how far you've gone but what matters is “have you completed your agenda/purpose in life?”** From today make sure your life is well pleasing to God, because everyday of our life is gift! When you have a glimpse of what has been prepared for you (in Heaven) there is nothing here that will be so valuable to you!

May The LORD open our eyes, so that we can see the glimpse of what we are, so that we will not use this short time (on earth) to spoil our eternity. Begin to live your life with a purpose! The Kingdom of God is not in meat and drink but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. **Check your life very well, your day of reckoning might be today or any moment from now!** The sin of unforgiveness may make you miss Heaven!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday June 3, 2012 - By Pastor Shola

## **DIVINE ACCESS TO THE THRONE OF GOD!**

**Text: Luke 1:26** “Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth.” Anytime there is a divine visitation whatever looks impossible will become possible. From our text, Mary’s divine visitation by angel Gabriel resulted in an impossible situation turning to a possible situation. For every divine visitation there must be preparation. How then do you prepare for a divine visitation? Praise is the key! This is so because God dwells in the praises of His people. If you are to catch the attention of God this month, then it must be with the attitude of praise. **Acts 16:25 (Paul & Silas) is a classical example how God delivered those who praised Him in the midst of adversity.** Our God has never and will never be hindered by doors! Ps 5:7 “But as for me, I will come into your house in the multitude of your mercy”. Your heart is the most important place where God desires to have your true worship and praise. Develop the attitude of praise from your heart and you will keep experiencing His presence. There is no one who remains ordinary after a divine visitation from God. Ps 100:5 “For the LORD *is* good; His mercy *is* everlasting; and His truth *endureth* to all generations.” Ps 92 declares that *it is a good thing* to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High: To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night!

**Everyday of your life should be a sacrifice unto Him. God is ever faithful to His covenant and has not forgotten you in that condition of yours.** The fact that your 5 senses are working perfectly is enough to give praises to Him. If the devil had had his way, it could have been a different story today.

If you must experience increase and divine visitation this month it must be through the instrumentality of praise. Ps 100:4 says enter into His gates with thanksgiving, *and* into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, *and* bless His Name. Learn to be thankful for what He has done.

Our LORD Jesus Christ taught us to pray by first adoring God ... “Our Father Who art in Heaven, Hallow be thy Name”- Matthew 6:9. Father means – God you are my source, without You I couldn’t have amounted to anything today. **Whenever you hallow Him, all the forces in Heaven come to your aid and assist you to succeed!** Unforgiveness is a terrible thing because it hinders you from receiving whatever God has for you! When you forgive you are like your Father; because He first forgave your sins. Until you forgive you might be jeopardizing your right and divine visitation from your Father. We have to be grateful to God for whatever it is.

Romans 1:21-26 mentions the lots of those who are not grateful to God. An ungrateful heart is capable of imagining & inventing evil things.

**Be thankful to God for what He has given you; don’t deny Him of His praises because He is yet to do everything you desire.** When you are grateful, God rises up on your behalf and does what He needs to do.

### Results of an Ingratitude Heart

1. An ingratitude heart breeds envy, jealous and hatred.
2. An ingratitude heart is also a danger to itself (see Malachi 2:2).
3. It leads to dryness – Matt 25:30

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday May 27, 2012

By Pastor (Mrs.) Nike Ilori

## **THE KEY TO LOCKED DOORS!**

**Text: Isaiah 22:22** “And the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder; so he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.” In the life of every human being there is a destiny to be achieved. In order to achieve a destiny there must be a key which would give access to information on how to go about it. Just like a password is needed to gain access into a computer, if you must achieve your destiny you need revelation! **Revelation is the key that launches you into your destiny.** God has the key that can open every door. He gave Daniel the key to unlock Nebuchadnezzar's dream in Daniel 2:19. Our Father has the key to every revelation that would move you forward in life. It is a sad thing today that many believers are stagnant because they lack the needed revelation to possess the land. **Everything in the Kingdom of God operates by a key; Joshua needed a key (from God) to enter Jericho; David needed the right key to bring down Goliath; Daniel needed the right key to interpret the dream of the king; Paul needed the right key to fulfill his mission, you and I would always need the right key to triumph in life.** With the right key, every wall of Jericho crumbles before you!

**What Does A Locked Door Represent?** It means anything that is negative in your life, like a stagnant situation, limitation, etc.

1. Barrenness or unfruitfulness (spiritually, financially, etc) – Hannah in 1 Samuel 2
2. Non-productivity or failure. Peter in Luke 5
3. Sickness – John 5:2-8
4. Blindness – Mark 10:46

**What Are The Causes Of Locked Doors?**

1. Sin (Disobedience, etc) - Matt 9:2
2. Pride & Arrogance – Prov 16:18, Prov 29:23, Jer. 48
3. Unforgiveness – Matt 6:15
4. All forms of immoralities – Eph 5:3-6
5. Prayerlessness

**How Will The Key Unlock Your Door?**

1. Invite His Presence through Praise and Worship – Acts 16:25
2. Obey Him – Jer 35:1-14
3. Have Faith in His Word – Heb 11:6

In closing, the process is to get the key from God through revelation and then activate it to get into knowledge and knowledge makes you achieve your purpose. Those who know their God they shall be strong and they shall do exploits, if you don't know Him exploits might be around and you may not be able to take advantage of it. **Nothing in the Kingdom of God works by chance; a key would always be needed. The Key is a revelation from God telling you what to do in any circumstance. To achieve your goal and destiny, you will need the right key from God!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday May 20, 2012 - By Pastor Abraham Adeniji

## SINGLED OUT FOR MERCY

**Text: Job 14:7** “For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.” **Hosea 2:21** “And it shall come to pass in that day, I will hear, saith the LORD, I will hear the heavens, and they shall hear the earth; And the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine, and the oil; and they shall hear Jezreel. And I will sow her unto me in the earth; **and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy**; and I will say to *them which were* not my people, Thou *art* my people; and they shall say, *Thou art* my God.”

### A Life Without Mercy Is:

1. A life that is disowned, abandoned, rejected and neglected.
2. A life that has no approval of God; a life that is just hanging there!
3. A life that has been consumed by sickness, curses, affliction, crisis within and crisis without.

The compassionate mercy of God moves to help the helpless and the hopeless. And this move is motivated by His love for you. The mercy of God gives you the assurance of the fact that you will be restored to your original state. **You were born to rule and reign in life!** Rom 5:17. When you have discovered what God has asked you to do you will ultimately reign as a king in this life!

A question you need to regularly ask yourself is “**does what I am doing have God's approval?**” Many destinies have been aborted because of the nonchalant attitude of men to seek God for His blueprint for their lives. Jeremiah 29:12 makes it clear that destinies are not fulfilled by default but by a diligent seeking of the LORD in prayers – “then shall ye call upon Me, and ye shall go and pray unto Me, and I will hearken unto you. And ye shall seek Me, and find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all your heart.” **There is no substitute to your walking in His plan & purpose for your life, for there lies your true joy and prosperity; all other grounds are sinking sand!**

### What Are The Things The Enemy Uses To Cut Off Our Hope?

1. Sickness – like the woman with the issue of blood in Matt 9:20-22
2. Natural circumstances - like the widow of Zarephath in 1 Kings 17
3. Situations and challenges of life – like the sons of the prophet in 2 Kings 4:1-7
4. Hatred and attack of the enemy – like Joseph being sold into slavery in Gen. 37

Afflictions or challenges either drive you God-ward or world-ward! If it drives you God-ward then you are set for triumph. **How do you know if an affliction or challenge is driving you God-Ward?** If you notice your prayer life is growing; if fasting becomes a life-style; if studying the scriptures becomes a delight; if there is an increase in the intensity of spiritual exercises in your life.

It is sad to say but it is the truth - many believers are where they are today because they cannot deny themselves of food (for some time) in order to see and experience a change in their lives. Many are waiting for a change without making qualitative spiritual investment that sprout the desired change. Be not fooled, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man sows that will he also reap – Gal. 6:7. **Since you know that you would not come the second time, you better make the most of this one opportunity and face the right thing first!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday May 13, 2012 (Mothers' Day) - By Pastor Shola & Mummy Pastor

## THE WOMAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

**Text: Acts 13:22** “And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the *son* of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfill all my will.” As a woman, you must be ready to fulfill the will and agenda of God just like David did. What testimony can God speak about you? To be a woman after God's own heart, you must have the following:

1. **A Heart Devoted To God.** Is your heart devoted to God – Luke 10:42. The acid test here is “do you prefer God or the worldly things? What do you devote your time to? Do you spend more time (and money) on your body than your inner man?” 1 Peter 3:3. Many spend more time dressing and decorating their external parts at the expense of their inner –man which is of great price in the sight of God. The external can be corrupted but the inner-man cannot be corrupted. God is expecting you to concentrate more in beautifying your inner-man than your external.
2. **A Heart Abiding In God's Word** – Jer. 17:8. When you abide in the Word of God, no matter the tempest-ness of the storm, you will be standing firm all through. The Word of God will strengthen and give you confidence in the day of the swelling of Jordan. It is a weapon to gain victory. Your delight has to be in the law/Word of God. If your heart is placed on the word of God victory is yours! Meditation is of utmost importance if you must be a woman after God's Own Heart.
3. **A Heart Committed To Prayer** – A Prayerless Christian/mother is a powerless Christian/mother. As a mother you have to pray for your children, your husband and his ministry. You can't do this effectively if you are not a prayerful woman. You can only draw closer to God in the place of prayer. Many have neglected the place of the prayer altar hence they are befuddled with all manners of problems and challenges. It is in the place of prayer that you win your battle. You have to stand in the place of prayer for your family. Pray together as husband and wife and raise a family altar; this reduces argument and rancor in your home. When you pray together, you will remain one and no enemy can defeat you. Eccl 4:9
4. **A Heart That Loves** – Titus 2:4. Since God loves you unconditionally, you too must love your husband unconditionally. You must cherish, appreciate and respect your husband. The way you carry your husband is the way people will carry him. No matter your educational qualification, your husband is still the master of the house and you must give him that honor. Physically love and please your husband in every way – Prov. 5:19.
5. **A Heart Full Of Wisdom** – Let's examine the Proverb 31 woman: she doesn't tell secrets, she can be trusted, she makes wonderful things, she is a bargain shopper, she is an early riser, she is a money maker, she is a woman of strength, she is a night person, she can also weave, she thinks of others, quality is her goal, she is an entrepreneur, she looks to the ways of her household, she is not idle, she watches over her children, and most importantly she fears the LORD!

In summary, the way to the top is (going) down; submit to your husband. Submit means being in subjection. This honors God and your husband. God loves a meek and quiet spirit. O LORD, instill a meek spirit in our mothers and wives so that things will be running properly in our homes. If you submit and have a meek and quiet spirit, then the concomitant fruit will be peace, love, joy and abundance in your home.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday May 6, 2012 (Pastor Shola Awobajo)

## A CALL FOR DILIGENCE

**Text: Proverbs 22:29** "Seest thou a man diligent in his business? He shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean *men*." Diligence calls for excellence.

What is diligence?

1. It is the degree of attention or care expected of a man in a given situation.
2. It is being careful and industrious in one's works.
3. It is a call to go beyond the ordinary limits.

God is calling us all to diligence; we should move from the ordinary to diligence in all we do. From Marks 11:12-21, we learnt that God is expecting us to bear fruits in and out of season. With God there is no up and down seasons, all seasons must be fruitful. **When you are not diligent or productive with what God has given you, He will ultimately take it from you (see Matthew 25:28).** Many are diligent in the place of their secular assignment, but when such come to the House of the LORD they disrespect the orderliness in the House of God. May God forgive such! If people can learn to obey and comply with orders in the secular world, how much more the House of God?

God is calling you and I to bring forth fruits meant for repentance. **God is not interested in how long you've been a Christian but He is interested in how much fruits you have borne since you got saved?** If all the gifting of God inside of you is for you alone, then you are a waste and have failed God! **You are not for yourself; you are a gift to your community and the body of Christ.** You cannot afford to be lazy with the gifting and Grace of God on your life. Lazy people are wasters of destiny, resources and time. It takes diligence to manifest your grace. For the gifts of a man makes room for him and brings him before lofty people (Prov 18:16).

Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands - 2 Timothy 1:6. **There is something inside of you that humanity must feel and benefit from; and it takes only diligence and dedication for this to be realized.** When you impart your gift on your community and generation, the seed will keep on growing even after you have gone. There is reward in being dedicated.

In closing, the secret of making it in life is in your service to God (see Exodus 23:25). There is no one that has ever been dedicated that God has ever short-changed. Where they do not have a voice, God will speak and intervene for such in those areas. God is calling you and I for diligence in all that we do! **Those that seek for gold, they miss God, those that seek for God, they meet gold!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

## REIGNING IN LIFE AS A KING

**Text: Rev.5:10** “And hast made us unto our God kings and priests; and we shall reign on the earth”. In the beginning God created man to rule, reign and exercise dominion on the earth (Gen. 1) but this right was lost when man fell to the liar of the devil in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3). As a result of the fall, man's dominion was lost, sin came in and the reign of death, sickness, poverty and all manners of evil had begun (Romans 5:17). God never created man to be a slave to these evils or misnomers, hence, He sent His Son Jesus Christ to reinstate man to that dominion that was lost in Adam. Every believer in Christ Jesus has a kingly heritage. **We lost our dominion thro Adam; we regained our dominion thro Christ!**

1. **What Does It Mean To Reign?** It means a Royal power to rule over a territory. It also connotes authority to exercise dominion over a domain.
2. **What Makes A King Different From Other People?** Although a king looks just like any other person yet he is not an ordinary person because he is backed-up by a *Supernatural Power* to rule and reign in his domain. His words and utterances are not ordinary, they have a divine backing (Eccl.8:4). **If there is one word that clearly demarcates a king from his subjects, it is the word “Authority” or “Control”.** *Kings are considered the most honorable amongst men because there is a special anointing on their life.*
3. **Privileges / Rights of a King**
  - a. **Vested with Power & Authority to Rule**
  - b. Enjoys Divine Immunity & Exemption
  - c. Exercises Dominion Over enemies
  - d. Favored by God and man – Luke 2:52
  - e. **Surrounded by angels** – Heb 1:14, 2 Kings 6:17
  - f. Unrestricted Audience with God – Eph 3:12
4. **Ingredients to Reigning in Life as a King:**
  - a. Be Born-Again (John 3:3)
  - b. **Be ever-conscious of your kingly heritage in Christ Jesus**
  - c. Be strong in the Grace of God (Rom 5:17)
  - d. Accept God's Gift of Righteousness
  - e. Grow in faith in God's Word (Matt 9:29)
  - f. **Be constantly filled with the Spirit** (Eph 5:18)
  - g. Boldness as a lion (Prov 28:1)
5. **Responsibilities of a King**

- a. **Planting God's Word in their heart** – Ps 119:11
- b. Continuously seeking the LORD in Prayers & Fasting – Esther 4:16
- c. Making pronouncements, commandments and decrees to forbid evil – Eccles 8:4, Matt 18:18
- d. Carrying-Out the Master's will and assignment till He comes – Luke 19:13
- e. **Offering spiritual sacrifices, and ministrations of praise onto God** – 1 Peter 2:5, Hebrews 13:15
- f. Being properly equipped for warfare; kings are constantly engaged in battles – 2 Samuel 11:1a

In closing, the power to reign as a king in life does not depend on your background, education, look, or material possessions, but it is wholly dependent on the finished works of our LORD Jesus Christ!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday 4/22/12 (Elders' Week) – Pastor Shola Awobajo

## ELDERS' PRAYER!

**Texts:** Titus 2:1-2 “But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine that the older men be sober, reverent, temperate, sound in faith, in love, in patience.” The prayers of the elderly are very important in our journey in life, most especially the prayers of our parents. You can get two things from your parents – either a curse or a blessing; and a blessing comes through their prayers. **A Blessing is asking all the elements of the earth and the heavens to come together and assist a man until that man succeeds. This is what the prayers of our parents/elders can do for us.** Many people are where they are today because of the prayers of their parents. On the other hand, a curse is asking all the elements of the heaven and the earth to come together and fight against a man until that person is totally destroyed. This is why we must desire the prayers of our elders.

## A WORD OF ADMONITION FOR THE ELDERS

1. This is the time to sit down and do the necessary things. Eschew the things that will not bring glory to God.
2. This is the time to ask yourself, “**what does The LORD require of me?**” Micah 6:8. It is the time to settle down and say “yes, I am going to face the things of God!”
3. This is the time to be teachers of good things. Titus 1:3-4
4. **God is calling you to stand in the gap (as intercessors); seeking God on behalf of the church and our children.** Your prayers will make the younger ones fall in line. Luke 2:37
5. This is the time to admonish the younger ones to be discreet, chaste, and keepers at home.

## THE NECESSITY OF PRAYER – Luke 18:1-8

1. **Elders' prayers turn things around. Marriages, businesses, things and our lives fall apart when we elders don't pray.** Sickness vanishes away when you pray.
2. When you pray you set ablaze the stove to destroy all manners of “roaches” hibernating around you. There is nothing prayer cannot obtain.
3. **As an elect of God, your prayers hold water before the Throne of God. Things and situations change supernaturally when you pray.**
4. Prayer is your privilege as a child of God; you have the Spirit of God and The Power of God, not everyone in the world has this privilege.
5. Prayer is seeking God. Be a God chaser and not men chaser.
6. Prayer is communicating with God Who is your Maker!
7. Prayer makes you live long. You will enjoy divine protection all around.

## PRAY FOR THESE 7 SPIRITS OF GOD TO FALL AFRESH ON YOU - Isaiah 11:2

- |                                 |  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| (1) The Spirit of The LORD      | (5) The Spirit of Might                |
| (2) The Spirit of Wisdom        | (6) The Spirit of Knowledge            |
| (3) The Spirit of Understanding | (7) The Spirit of the fear of The LORD |
| (4) The Spirit of Counsel       |  |

In closing, if you must fulfill your agenda in life, it has to be in the place of prayer. Our LORD Jesus said “**men ought always to pray, and not to faint**” – Luke 18:1b

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday 4/15/12 – Deacon Wole Olubajo

## THE POWER IN THE WORD OF GOD!

**Texts:** John 1:1 - "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God". There is unlimited power in the Word of God. **The Bible is the Solution Bank of the world.** It is the richest oil field in the world because it is loaded with treasures of inestimable value. **It is the raw material through which God uses to help any man.** The Bible is not another "motivational-talk" book but a Book that imparts life to its reader, for it is the carrier of the Life of God.

**God is not moved by your needs, He is only moved by what you know and what you do with what you know!** The devil himself is not moved by your academic qualifications, neither is he moved by your physique or bank account, he is only moved by what you know and what you do with what you know. Every attribute of God is contactable via His Word. If you want more of His Attributes (His Glory, Favor, Power, Wisdom, Mercy, Grace etc) in your life, then learn to feast on His Word and those attributes will naturally rub-off and reflect on you. See 2 Corin 3:18.

## What Are Some of The Genes In The Word?

1. **The Power Gene:** Where the Word of a king is there is power (Eccles. 8:4a). For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth (Rom 1:16).
2. **The Healing Gene:** He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered *them* from their destructions (Ps 107:20). The Word of God is a carrier of the healing Genes of God. It is a spiritual syrup / drug / injection or multi-vitamin that gives life to all your flesh – Prov 4:22. It builds your spirit man and empowers your immune system.
3. **The Wisdom Gene:** The Word of God is Christ Himself and Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God (1 Corin. 1:24). The Word is loaded with the wisdom of God. If you want more of His Wisdom in your life, family and ministry then go to His Word!

**Battles are won and lost on the bases of the Word.** Victory is gained in any area of life on the bases of your knowledge of His Word. As the Word intake increases in your life, the multiplier effect is felt in your life, family and ministry/vocation. **The Word of God is the medium of exchange between the spirit world and the physical world.** The solution to any problem must first be derived in the spiritual realm before any manifestation can take place in the physical realm.

## How Do I Profit From His Word?

1. **Constant Meditation:** Meditation is a digestive system of extracting the nutrients in His Word into your life. It is a practice of having a reasoning or thinking session with God. God advised Joshua that his success and prosperity in life lies principally of him meditating day and night in His Word. Joshua 1:8.
2. **Praying In The Spirit:** Praying in the spirit makes you gain access into the mysteries of God. 1 Corin 14:2. Thro this exercise, the Holy Spirit helps you to draw from the salvation well of our God.
3. **Believe, Practice and Speak His Word:** Mark 11:23

In conclusion, there is power in the Word of God. It is what controls everything in the spirit and physical realm. His Word is forever settled in heaven and on earth. The LORD sent a Word into Jacob and it has lighted upon Israel – Isaiah 9:8. I pray that from this day may you receive grace to continue to feast tirelessly on His Word so that His light may begin to shine through you!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On 4/10/12 – Pastor Abraham Adeniji

## AND HIS WORD CAME!

**Texts:** Psalm 105:17-20 – “Until the time that his word came to pass, the word of the LORD tested him”. Every one of us needs a word, a specific word for our situation. If God puts you in a prison of experience wait until your Word comes, don't jump the bail! Joseph did not jump the bail, he waited for his Word to come and thus the king sent for him and was thereafter enthroned. Many are impatient; they lack directions and do things their own way rather than God's way.

1. **The Word of God works but only by faith.** As believer do not be moved by circumstances, or situations or impatience. Galatians 3:5. The Word transmits into your spirit the state of a conqueror. Every situation is a process to an end for a man who works by the Word of God. Christ has the tendency to expose you to unlimited possibilities and power.
2. **The Word of God has divine authority.** That the Word of God has not come to pass has not removed the authority of the Word.
3. **The divine authority of the Word is backed up by the divine power.** Col. 1:17. There is no Word of God that is void of power.
4. **The authority of God has been given unto us.** Luke 10:19

## Three Things Determine Our Victory

1. **What The Devil Says!** The devil is always accusing us before the throne of God. We ought not to give heed to what he is saying.
2. **What God Says!** What is God saying concerning that situation you are facing? You must give heed to what God is saying about you and your situation.
3. **What You Say!** Endeavor to speak what God is saying. Jesus is always waiting to hear what you will say, your negative confessions/utterances hinder Him from working on your behalf.

In closing, in the Supreme Court of Heaven, the Judge is God, the prosecutor is satan, the Advocate is Jesus and the defendant is you! It is whatever you tell Jesus that He will present to God! “For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says”. Mark 11:23

## Prayer Points

1. Father every situation that is man-made, or nation-made or that is self-made that is affecting my life negatively, tonight fight for me!
2. Father, tonight I command every problem, known or unknown in my life to give way!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

God's Message To Us Last Sunday (4/8/12) – Pastor Abraham Adeniji

## **SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS**

### **JESUS IS ALIVE SO THE GRAVE IS EMPTY!**

**Texts:** Matt 28:6 “He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay”. When the Lord Jesus Christ was crucified, He was locked up in the grave; just like many destinies have been locked up by environmental graves, national graves and spiritual graves. Many lives would have been better if not for the nation they are living. Many lives would have been better if not for the wife/husband they are married to; many lives would have been better if not for the profession they are doing.

#### ***What does the grave represent?***

1. The Grave is a place of abandonment
2. It is a place of loneliness.
3. It is a fearful place
4. It is a stinking place.

#### ***What lessons can we learn from the Resurrection of Jesus?***

1. After the 3<sup>rd</sup> day Jesus was no longer in the grave, thus from this moment you will never be found in the grave because Jesus Who is your covenant Head is no longer in the grave. The grave is empty because He has risen.
2. The Grave was empty so that the Word of God may be fulfilled. Hosea 6:2, Ps 119:49, Jer 29:11
3. The grave was empty but Jesus former garment was left behind. John 20:6, Zechariah 3:4
4. The grave was empty to take away the fears of His disciples/followers. Matthew 28:5-6
5. The grave was opened for Jesus to be risen.

In closing recognize that your present situation is a springboard to take you to your palace.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday (4/1/12) – Pastor Shola Awobajo

## **GOD CREATED YOU FOR HIMSELF!**

**Texts:** Isaiah 43:21 “This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.” Understand that you are not formed for yourself; God has formed you for Himself. This means that He had something behind His heart before He formed you. Recognize that you are never by yourself on this earth; God is with you to bring His purpose to pass. He formed you to show forth His Praise. This is why you will always have reasons to celebrate. **It is not what you know how to do or what you have as your own agenda that makes you succeed in life but your success lies in is His plan and purpose.** God formed you because of Him, this is why the world will see His purpose for your life and they will rejoice with you. Be bold to declare wherever you go that you are formed for God. Let this permeate your heart that God has formed you for Himself! He has not formed you for sorrow, sickness, death, nor any form of tragedy but He formed you to show forth His praise. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end – Jeremiah 29:11. **Whatever the enemy has laid down or put as strategy against your life will not come to pass because God has not created you for the enemy but for Himself!** You are created for the purpose of God; this should always boost your confidence that you will make it in life! A revelation of this scripture (Isaiah 43:21) sprouts faith in the heart because everything God created or purposes must always come to pass. May His purpose reign in your life from this day in the Name of Jesus! But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light - 1 Peter 2:9.

**If pet owners know how to take good care of their dogs, why would you ever doubt God's commitment to take good care of you?** From today let this be your daily joy that The God Who made the heavens and the earth created you for Himself!

## **PRAYER POINTS**

1. Father, let me fulfill your agenda and purpose for my life from this month forward!
2. Father, let me reign in your ability, joy, glory, power and splendor!
3. Father, cause the Heaven to release every idea and purpose you formed me for!
4. LORD, saturate me with your power, splendor, honor and glory!
5. LORD, lift my hands and let Your purpose be seen in my life from this day!
6. Father, release my destiny helper to me this month in the Name of Jesus!
7. LORD, take me to where you need to take me to this month and let Your Name be praise!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday (3/25/12) – Deacon Jide Babalola

## **TAKE-OFF AND FOLD THE BURIAL CLOTHE!**

**Texts:** John 20:6-7 – From our text we can see how the death of Our LORD Jesus Christ makes us victorious in every battle of life. As a redeemed child of God recognize that you are a new creature old things have passed away behold all things are become new (2 Corinthians 5:17). God does not want you carrying your grave clothes all about but rather He wants you to leave them in the grave because He is set to do a new thing in your life. His final word before He gave up the ghost was “It Is Finished!” Meaning that your problems, sickness and all negativity in your life are now!

### **What Are Some Of The Attributes Of The Grave Clothe?**

1. **Backwardness:** backwardness in life is a function of your thoughts. It shows lack of knowledge. If you don't have the knowledge you need to know it will lead to backwardness in life. Hosea 4:6 **Do you know that God does not respond to your need, He only responds to the knowledge and what you do with that knowledge that He has given unto you!** Many are suffering today because they lack comprehension of who they are in Christ! 1 Peter 2:9
2. **Backbiting:** backbiting is a function of your pronouncement (whatever you say). It can be likened to murmuring. Saying negative things about your situations even when you know The LORD has said “It is finished!” **Whatever you say will come to you. Cease from saying negative things about your life and start declaring positive things over your life.** Numbers 14:27-28.
3. **Backsliding:** Before any man backslides, his thought would have been involved. This is why it is necessary for you to always check your thoughts as it eventually turns into actions and habits. You can avoid backsliding in your life by meditating on His Word day and night – Ps 1:1-2.

**How Do You Fold The Burial Clothe?** {1} You have APPLY the Word of God; {2} You have to APPLY the Blood of the Lamb; {3} You have to APPLY the Word of Faith.. **What does the acronym “A-P-P-L-Y” stands for?**

1. **“A” – Advance in adversity.** It is your reaction to any adversity that determines your advancement in life. How you react to any failure will determine whether you will succeed or not. How do you react to the condition that you find yourself will determine whether you will move forward or you will still remain stagnant. Your approach will determine the outcome you have. **Do you know that anytime the enemy works into your life; it is an opportunity to move forward!** From scriptures we discover out that every person that reaches his or her God-ordained goal were pursued by their enemies. For example, Joseph was sold by his brothers; Hannah and Peninnah; Mordecai and Haman. **An enemy will give you in a day what your friend cannot give you in a life time!** 1 Samuel 1:6-7, Esther 4:10-16. Your enemy will always provoke you to achieve what God has destined for you. There are hurdles we need to clear on our way to success in life.
2. **“P” – Profess to possess.** There is power in positive confessions. 1 John 5:14-15.
3. **“P” – Persist to progress.** Persistence is a necessary ingredient if you must make progress in life.
4. **“L” – Lead to lift.** In whatever capacity you find yourself, you are a leader. Gen. 40
5. **“Y” – Yield yourself totally to The LORD.** The more you yield yourself, the more you discover that you are nearer and closer to where God wants you to be. Ps 24:4-10

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday (3/18/12) – Deacon Wole Olubajo

## Christ, God's Best Gift To Man!

**Texts:** 1 Corinthians 1:9 “God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord.” Man cannot stand right before God except by a substitute; if he must live then somebody must die for him to live. After man fell in Genesis 3, the communion between God and man was distorted, hence the need for a redeemer who would restore man back to his original state. God sent His Only Begotten Son (Jesus Christ) to save us and also take away the curse that we may be blessed in Him (Galatians 3:13-14).

Recognize that as a believer you are not alone in this world, God has united you with Christ Jesus! Why try to solve the problems of life by yourself? Why try to force and make things happen by in your own abilities? Ain't you aware that there is a covenant covering over your life? Ain't you aware that the God Who made the heavens and the earth dwells in you? He is in you to guide you through every circumstance of life; but would you look to Him for help or would you rather keep looking at the problems? **The LORD is saying to you this morning, “Look unto Me and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth for I am God and there is none beside Me; I kill and I make alive, I wound and I heal; all things are subject to Me; the hearts of kings are in My Hands; hell and destruction are before Me how much more the hearts of the children of men?”**

From our text (1 Corin. 1:9) God has called you into partnership with His Son Jesus Christ. But why has God called you into this partnership?

1. God knows that without Him you can do nothing! John 15:5
2. God knows that except thro Him you can neither pray nor receive anything from Him. John 14:14
3. God knows that there are many places/heights you can never ascend to except thro union with Christ. Eph 2:6
4. So that He could present you holy and unblameable, and irreproachable in His sight – Col. 1:22

What are the principal ways Christ manifests Himself to a believer? 1 John 5:6a “This is He who came by water and blood--Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood.” **The water (the Word of God) and the Blood are two principal mediums thro which a believer is empowered by Christ.**

As a child of God, your partnership with Christ puts you in the highest realm of beings in spirit world. Here are the 4 categories of beings / hierarchy of the spirit world:

1. **God-Beings:** This is the highest level of beings in spirit world. It comprises of God and His children. Christ came to redeem man and make us sit together with Him in heavenly places far above all principalities and powers and rulers of this dark world. Ps 82:6, John 10:34, Rom 8:17, Eph 2:6
2. **Angelic-Beings:** These are God's holy angels who are sent forth to minister for the heirs of salvation. Hebrews 1:14, 1 Corin.6:3
3. **Demonic-Beings:** These are the fallen angelic beings (satan and his demons) who rebelled against God and were cast out of heaven. They have been made subject to every redeemed child of God. Luke 10:18-19
4. **Unregenerate Human-Beings:** This is the fallen state of man without Christ. Eph 2:2

God told Moses “See, I have made you a god to pharaoh” – Exo.7:1a. God knew that for Moses to be triumphant over pharaoh, He needed to change his mentality of how he sees himself! In closing, be strong in the LORD, and in the power of His Might, put on the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil! Let your hope be in Christ, be of good cheer and rejoice in the God of your salvation! Why bow your head in sorrow when God has put all things under the authority of Christ and has made Him head over all things for the benefit of the church (Eph. 1:22 – NLT).

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



## SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (3/11/12) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### COVENANT WITH GOD!

**Texts:** Genesis 17:1-2 – “And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I *am* the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.” This scripture “walk before me and be thou perfect” is the foundation of Christianity. Abraham was the grandfather of Christianity because God called him out of darkness into His marvelous light. God went further to say, “And I will make my covenant between Me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly”.

**What is a covenant?** A Covenant is a very strong agreement. It is the highest level of relationship a man could have with Almighty God.

#### Types of Covenant

1. Covenant of Peace – Isaiah 9:6
2. Covenant of Favor – Dan 1:9, Exo 3:21
3. Covenant of Direction – Exo 23:20, Rom 8:14
4. Covenant of Healing – 3 John 2, Isa 53:4-5
5. Covenant of Deliverance – Exod 3:7-8
6. Covenant of Protection – Rev 3:10
7. Covenant of Prosperity – Deut 8:18

#### **Why Make a Covenant With God?**

1. God cannot alter His covenant. God is not a man that would lie, He does not lie concerning His oath and promise – they are very crucial in the Hand of God. Whatever He has said concerning your life, He will carry it out. Numbers 23:19, Heb 6:18
2. **When God makes a covenant all the machineries in heaven are set to make sure it is carried out.**
3. God cannot break His Covenant. Jer 33:20 - Thus saith the LORD; If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, and that there should not be day and night in their season.
4. Everything God wants to move someone out of bondage and do special things in their life, He often asks for a covenant.
5. **God always acts by covenant.** When He was about to bring the Israelites out of bondage He asked for a covenant (Exodus 12:3). God does not bless anyone outside the covenant.
6. **In the covenant of God with man, devil is always a loser;** hence if you are in covenant with Him, He will always cause you to triumph – 2 Corin 2:14, John 10:10.
7. Under covenant of God there is redemption and safety, it is a comprehensive coverage that makes you fully covered. **He takes over everything for you - your fight, battles, etc.**
8. Under covenant with God everywhere you step into you will become the solution bearer.
9. Under covenant with God, He will bless your bread and water, and He will take sickness away from the midst of you. You will not cast your young, nor be barren, in your land: the number of your days He will fulfill.
10. **By entering a covenant with God, every evil covenant that has been operating in your life hitherto becomes old; they are cancelled, blotted away and thus vanishes.** Hebrews 8:13, Exodus 23:25-26

## *Holy Communion Message (March 4, 2012) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

### **THE LAST ADAM – A QUICKENING SPIRIT!**

Texts: 1 Corin. 15:45 - And so it is written, the first man Adam was made a living soul; the Last Adam was made a Quickening Spirit. **Death came to humanity thro the first Adam but Life has come to us now through the Last Adam.** Christ being the Last Adam has been made a quickening spirit to us. A principal way through which we partake of His quickening spirit and Life is thro the Holy Communion.

### **Benefits Of Partaking In The Holy Communion Meal**

1. **By partaking in the LORD's Meal, His Life comes to stay with you.** His Life will be made manifest in your body. His Life forbids every form of stagnation, barrenness and sickness.
2. **It is a means through which the Power of God comes into a man.** When the life of Christ enters a man, he or she can never remain the same. The Meal quickens your blood and spirit.
3. **This Meal reverses every curse in a man's life into a Blessing.** For Christ has been made a curse for us that the Blessing of Abraham might come to us. Gal. 3:13-14. Also every judgment of death against you will be blotted out - Col. 2:14-15
4. When the Last Adam got to Lazarus's grave He raised him from death; **so by partaking of this Uncommon Meal, every dead thing that is suppose to be alive in you will be resurrected.** John 5:25
5. His Blood has made us the sons and daughters of Glory; and His glory forbids every form of shame and reproach. Rev.1:5
6. **The Communion makes you live by Christ Jesus. You will be carrying the image of Christ wherever you go.** Just as He was in the Father and the Father was in Him, you too will be living in Christ and Christ will be living in you. You will start operating in Christ's Own capacity. John 6:56-57
7. **The Communion is our Eternal Insurance against every "hawk" of this world.** You will be eternally protected and covered. No weapon formed against you will prosper because Christ is in you.
8. **This Meal is a means of being strengthened by Christ.** Every form of weakness will be flushed out of your system. For My strength is made perfect in weakness - 2 Corin. 12:9
9. In conclusion, by partaking of this Holy Communion, there will be no more contamination in your life because John 6:58b says **"He that eateth of this bread shall live for ever"**.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (2/26/12) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## CHANGE MY LOCATION, O GOD!

Texts: Luke 13:10 -13

It is not God's pleasure for you to be under any kind of oppression, He sent His Son Jesus Christ to deliver you from every oppression of the devil. The problem with many Christians today is that many have accepted the way they are. There comes a time in a man's life when he ought to cry out to God to change his situation. **The woman with the issue of blood (Matt 9:20-22) refused to accept the status quo hence received her miracle; Jabez as well cried out to God and the God of Israel hearkened to his voice in prayers – 1 Chronicles 4:9-10.**

For you to remain under any kind of oppression or bondage is not God's will for your life. God has made a way out of any oppression you may be going through. Your help is in the sanctuary of God, for the word of God says "but upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions"- Obadiah 1:17. Your faith is a necessary ingredient needed for you to come out of any oppression. It is your faith that makes you whole. The LORD Jesus Christ said in Matt. 9:29 "be it unto you according to your faith". **Jesus Christ never leaves anyone the way he met them.** He always turns situations around for the better.

### **How Can One Tell If A Person Is Living Under Oppression?**

1. He or she will be miserable
2. He or she will be living a defeated and frustrated Christian life.

**What Are Those Things That Cause Affliction Or Oppression?** Afflictions don't just arise for there is no causeless curse – Prov. 26:2.

1. Sin is the main cause of affliction – Hebrews 10:26 makes us to understand that "For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins". Sin is a major opening unto affliction; it opens one to the attack of the devil.
2. Ignorance and breaking of the law of God – Hosea 4:6

**In conclusion, God has all the answers to all the miseries in your life. If you must have good success, then be ready to meditate day and night in His Word - Joshua 1:8.** How are you currently handling the Word of God? Until you change and start processing the word of God aright, there may be no change in your location or situation! May The LORD divinely change your situation for the better this year!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (2/19/12) (Choir Week) – Dr. Wendy Mitchell*

## THE GLORY OF GOD

Texts: Exodus 24:9-10,16, 2 Chronicles 5:13-14

Without the Glory But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.

What is the Glory of God? It is the manifest presence of God. **Without the Glory there can be no manifestation of the power of God. Without the Glory there can be no healing, miracles and deliverance taking place in our midst.** Something always happens when the Glory hits (Exodus 24:16). The Glory of God brings one into a place of humility that you recognize that *"I am undone"* (Isaiah 6:5). But for the Blood of Jesus we could not stand-up and declare that we are the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus.

### What Must Be Done To Bring Down His Glory?

We must all be in one accord for the Glory to come in – 2 Chron. 5:13. Today are we in one accord and making one sound to the LORD? Are we putting our needs before our worship? Are we really giving God what is due unto Him? **God doesn't have a problem giving us is favor that is our heritage and right as children of God; but God requires something in return - God requires our worship.** We must worship God in spirit and in truth – John 4:24. Many times we hinder our praise not recognizing that we're hindering our blessings.

**In closing, what did you enter in with this morning? Did you come in with a request OR with a praise?** Did you come in into His presence this morning recognizing that He is a Holy God and that He can never fail? Did you come in arguing and lamenting that He has not yet answered your prayer? Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise - Psalm 100:4a. **There is victory in your praise! Every time you open your mouth (to praise Him) you send out an attack into the enemy's camp!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (2/12/12) – Evang. Mike Bamilo*

## MAINTAINING THE GOOD WINE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Text: John 2: 1-10 – At the beginning every man (either wise or foolish) always set out with the good wine. The story of the wedding at the Cana of Galilee is a parable or symbolic representation of many marriages today. Many marriages started with the good wine but along the line the good wine ran out and frustrations set in. Marriage as God's first institution was designed to add color to every man and woman's destiny.

In every marriage there is always a tendency for the good wine to run-out but as a believer you must pray and work at it that your marriage maintains the good wine. **You cannot afford to be passive about this because the devil hates marriages, hence, does all he can to cause broken marriages. This is why you must constantly watch and fight to defend and stand by your marriage.** Today, many may not have legally divorced their spouses, but in their heart they have separated from them. Tragically, some are even wishing for the death of their spouses. If the good wine has finished in your marriage the solution is not to wish for your spouse's death; **YOU NEED TO RUN TO JESUS!**

### Why Must You Maintain The Good Wine In Your Marriage?

1. If the good wine runs out, guests may begin to leave, thus, shame & reproach will set in.
2. Good wine in any marriage produces Godly Children.
3. Good wine always attracts the Goodness and Favor of God.

### How Then Do You Maintain The Good Wine In Your Marriage?

1. FILL The 6 Waterpots With Water. *What does this Water represent?*

- a. **Water of FORGIVENESS** – Matt 6:14
- b. **Water of LOVE** – Eph. 5:25
- c. **Water of SUBMISSION** – Eph. 5:22
- d. **Water of ONENESS** – Gen. 2:24
- e. **Water of OBEDIENCE** – Isa. 1:19
- f. **Water of OPENNESS** – Gen.2:25, Matt. 18:19

2. Then SERVE It To Your Spouse Regularly. It is when you serve it that miracle can then follow.

In closing, Love is a medicine; it is God's prescription for curing all kinds of marriage diseases. Love heals stubbornness, arrogance, pride and ego. There is no other medicine to make your marriage work than Love! **Do you desire a continuous flow of the good wine in your marriage? Then do what Jesus commands, "fill the pots with water and then serve it!"**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday (2/5/12) – Pastor Shola Awobajo

## Title: The Habitation of Praise

Text: Isaiah 38.18-19 “For the grave cannot praise thee, death can *not* celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth. The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I *do* this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth.”

God has cut you out for a moment like this, a day to praise Him. But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9).

### Why Must You Praise God?

1. Praise worshippers don't die early. John 4:23 make us to understand that **God is seeking for worshippers who will worship Him in spirit and in truth.** David was a perfect example of a praise worshipper who died at a very good old age. “Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel. And the time that he reigned over Israel was forty years; seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem. And he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honor: and Solomon his son reigned in his stead” - 1 Chronicles 29:28.
2. **God shows His wonders in praise.** Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea - Exodus 15:1.
3. **You are not where you are by your power; you owe your living to Him!** Many have died since the year began, but here you are alive and well because the LORD has triumphed gloriously over your life. Your being able to stand today is due to His strength backing you up; or do you think it's the multi-vitamins you take that is keeping you strong?

In closing, I will admonish you to prepare God an habitation of praise this year and you too will see His wonders and testify like the Israelites in Exodus 15:2 - “The LORD is my strength and song, and He is become my salvation: He is my God, and I will prepare Him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt Him”.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (1/29/12) – Deacon Tunji Akinrinde*

## **Title: Entering Into Your Wealthy Place!**

Texts: Psalm 23:1-6 and Psalm 66:12 – “Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy *place*.” **The wealthy place is a place God has set for you.**

### **What Does It Mean To Be In Our Wealthy Place?**

1. When we enter into our wealthy place, **we shall not want** (Ps 23:1). God becomes our source and inheritance.
2. When we enter into our wealthy place, **we will have entered into the rest of God** (Heb 4:9-10). Toiling ceases, it's no longer our labor but His Favor.
3. When we enter into our wealthy place, **God will be the One directing us** (Luke 5:3). Hitting and missing comes to an end as we will be following the plan and purpose of God.
4. When we enter into our wealth place, **we will renew our strength** (Isaiah 40:31). He restores our souls; weariness becomes a thing of the past.
5. When we enter into our wealthy place, **we stand still and see the salvation of the LORD** (Exo 14:13).
6. When we enter into our wealthy place, **God will begin to fight our battles** (2 Chron.20:15).

### **What Is Expected Of You To Enter Into And Dwell In Your Wealthy Place?**

1. You have to **create more time to praise God** – 2 Chron. 20:19
2. You have to **stop grumbling and complaining**. – Num. 14:36
3. You have to **pray like never before** – 1 Kings 18:41-45
4. You have to **believe God and His Word** – Luke 1:37, 18:27
5. You have to **sacrifice** to enter into your wealthy place. Romans 12:1-2.
6. You have to **sow** – not just money but much more your soul. Genesis 26:1-2,12

In closing, if you do not know Jesus, you cannot enter into your worthy place. Let God be your Number 1 and Top-Most Priority this year!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (1/22/12) – Pastor Peter Olawale*

## **Title: Lazarus Come Forth!**

Text: John 11:43-44 “And when he had thus spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.. He that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with grave-clothes; and his face was bound about with a napkin. **Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.**”

### **There Are 3 Ways Of Having Problems Solved:**

1. **The Ones You Can Solve:** a case study is the woman with the issue of blood (Matt 9:20-22)
2. **The Ones Someone (or Some People) Must Solve For You:** a case study of this is the sick man that was carried and let down the roof by 4 of his friends – Mark 2:3-6
3. **The Ones Only God Can Solve For You** – these are situations that neither you nor anyone can handle; they are beyond human solutions. Like the case of Lazarus – John 11:43-44.

There are certain problems in life that **MUST** be solved. If such problems are not solved, God will not be glorified; and the people around you may not know God.

### **Why Did Jesus Raise Lazarus From Death?**

- a. The death of Lazarus will create a perpetual and life-long sorrow in the life of Mary and Martha.
- b. His death could eradicate the family of Mary and Martha in Bethany. Numbers 27:3-6
- c. The death of Lazarus would not attract others to Christ.

Certain miracles or “Lazarus” must be raised in your life for others to believe and be drawn to Christ. Who or what is your Lazarus? What is that thing that the LORD must do in order to establish your life in every aspect? Could it be a reversal of a particular negative pronouncement or spell? Or could your Lazarus be the appearance (or revelation) of a truth that would negate a lie? Or could your Lazarus be the coming forth of a success after a repeated fruitless effort?

In closing is Jesus all in all in your life? If Jesus is all in all in your life, then you’ve made it!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (1/15/12) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: You Are Coming Out Of Your Past!**

Text: Psalm 145:18-21 “**The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.**” The past cannot hold you captive any longer. For you to come out of your past, you must call on Him this year. The LORD has already assured us that He will answer desperate prayers this year. No matter the circumstance in your life, I admonish you to hope in God, for therein lies your deliverance. Just as God raised help for Jeremiah (through Ebedmelech) by getting him out of the dungeon (Jer. 38:4-6), He will also raise help for you in Jesus Name. God is the ever-present help in time of need. Just as David said in Psalm 121: 1-2 “I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence **cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.**” You may ask how will God get me out of this dungeon? God is infinitely bigger than our conception, if He used insignificant means such as old cast clouts and old rotten rags to rescue Jeremiah (Jer. 38:11), He can surely use any means (no matter how insignificant it may look to you) to rescue you from every dungeon. Don't worry how He will do it; if He didn't allow Joseph to die in the pit, if He didn't allow David to end up in the horrible pit, surely He will come to your rescue. **The Word of God is God's principal weapon and medium of rescue from every pit or dungeon; this is why you cannot afford to trifle with His Word this year.** Seek Him this year and you will see His Mighty Hand moving on your behalf. This year He will bring you out of every horrible pit, out of every miry clay, and set your feet upon a rock, *and* establish your goings and also give you a new song (from Psalm 40:2-3).

In closing, the journey ahead of you is still far this year, pray that God will continue to build strength inside of you. Keep your hope alive by looking onto Jesus the Author and Finisher of your faith! Jesus went into the grave and defeated the grave and death so that your deliverance will be incontestable!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (12/11/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: The Purposeful Life!**

Text: Jeremiah 29:11 “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.” You are not just here by accident. You are fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14). God made you unique, and there is none like you! There is a purpose for your existence at this time and in this land. There is no accident with our God; He brought you to this land for a purpose. He knows what He has put in you. **There is something God put inside of you that this world is waiting for;** a solution to this world lies inside of you (Romans 8:19). There is greatness inside of you that will make a meaning and difference in this world. You need to discover that purpose even if you have to fast and pray to see it realized. When you discover your purpose, your life does not count anymore for that purpose now becomes uppermost in your heart.

## **Facts You Need To Know That You Are Somebody** (Case Study of Esther 4)

1. You must know that there is a purpose for your life.
2. You must find out your purpose.
3. **You must be focused on that purpose.**
4. The purpose could be futuristic; God may just be preparing and imparting you right now.

## **What Will Happen If You Do Not Find & Fulfill Your Purpose?**

1. The LORD will find help elsewhere. God can replace you (1 Samuel 16:1).
2. There will be an enlargement and promotion for the people of God.
3. **God will take away from you that grace or thing which He has deposited in you to deliver to His people.**
4. You will be inviting problem into your life.

In closing, any position you occupy, know that there is a reason God put you there and if you will not fulfill that purpose, the LORD will replace you. There is a purpose for you being the wife or husband to that man or woman; there is a purpose for you being in that office; there is purpose for you being in this church; may you not fail to fulfill these purposes of God for your life in Jesus Name! AMEN.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (12/25/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **The King is Born**

### **Title: SEEKING JESUS!**

Text: Matthew 2:1-2 “Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, Wise-men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we saw his star in the east, and are come to worship him.” Whom have you come to seek this morning? Many are seeking Him today in the wrong places; many are looking for solution, counsel, peace in the wrong places – Jesus is the True Solution; He is the Mighty Counselor; The Prince of Peace, The Everlasting God, and of His Kingdom & peace there shall be no end! Isaiah 9:7. A man's life does not consist of the abundance of things that he has, your life is not based on what you have; many people's money has become their greatest undoing! If you have Jesus you have everything. No matter what you have without Him, you have nothing! But how do you seek Jesus? You need to be diligent (as the 3 wise men in Matthew 2:16) in your quest to seeking and searching for Him! It's important we know the God we have come to serve. He is not an ordinary God; He is the One that carries the whole universe in His Hands! He can measure the waters of the earth in the hollow of His Hands! Isaiah 40:12. Like the 3 wise men who initially followed the star, but later got derailed, it is important that we always allow God to guide us continually. Don't use your imagination to run your life but allow God to be God! **Your solution is in the Hands of God!** You need to abandon the wrong path like the 3 wise men did (Matthew 2:1-23).

**There are certain things you need to eat or build in yourself so as to be able to stand in the day of the swelling of Jordan!** There are certain things that make a man thick and if he doesn't carry such, he is easily swept away. In the year 2012, there would be rain, the wind will blow, but your ability to withstand these challenges or tempest condition will be largely dependant upon your ability to process the Word of God that is coming your way. In the year 2012, I counsel you to build your life on the Rock of Ages, so that you will be standing like the one Jesus spoke of that built his house upon a rock and thus withstood all the tempest condition that came his way.

**Many lives are hanging on your destiny! Your failing God is your failing many destinies. Your life is not ordinary, if you fail, many destinies would be heading for disaster!** Jesus knew that if Peter falls and is not recovered, many destinies would perish, hence He told him - “after you have been converted strengthen thy brethren” (Luke 22:32). When you meet with Him, nothing else becomes important in your life, for all your pride will go down! Remember, by strength shall no man prevail!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (12/11/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: The Purposeful Life!**

Text: Jeremiah 29:11 “For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.” You are not just here by accident. You are fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14). God made you unique, and there is none like you! There is a purpose for your existence at this time and in this land. There is no accident with our God; He brought you to this land for a purpose. He knows what He has put in you. **There is something God put inside of you that this world is waiting for;** a solution to this world lies inside of you (Romans 8:19). There is greatness inside of you that will make a meaning and difference in this world. You need to discover that purpose even if you have to fast and pray to see it realized. When you discover your purpose, your life does not count anymore for that purpose now becomes uppermost in your heart.

## **Facts You Need To Know That You Are Somebody** (Case Study of Esther 4)

5. You must know that there is a purpose for your life.
6. You must find out your purpose.
7. **You must be focused on that purpose.**
8. The purpose could be futuristic; God may just be preparing and imparting you right now.

## **What Will Happen If You Do Not Find & Fulfill Your Purpose?**

5. The LORD will find help elsewhere. God can replace you (1 Samuel 16:1).
6. There will be an enlargement and promotion for the people of God.
7. **God will take away from you that grace or thing which He has deposited in you to deliver to His people.**
8. You will be inviting problem into your life.

In closing, any position you occupy, know that there is a reason God put you there and if you will not fulfill that purpose, the LORD will replace you. There is a purpose for you being the wife or husband to that man or woman; there is a purpose for you being in that office; there is purpose for you being in this church; may you not fail to fulfill these purposes of God for your life in Jesus Name! AMEN.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (12/4/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: The Making Of A New Song!**

Text: Psalm 149:1 “Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, *and his praise in the congregation of saints.*” The process to a new song might be long. Musicians spend considerable amount of time and energy in making a new song, largely due to the process involved. May I let you know that you are in a process in the Hands of God. There is a new song you are destined to sing. Just as Hannah, Joseph and other heroes of faith sang their own new song, you too will sing yours in Jesus Name. It might look like your new song would never come, but be rest assured that it shall come to pass in Jesus Name. **God takes pleasure in His people; He is not happy when you are sad.** He said He will beautify the meek with salvation. Just as Abraham took delivery of his own new song (Isaac); you too will take delivery of your own new song this year in Jesus Name! There were contradictions around him (Abraham) but Romans 4:18 makes us to understand that “Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, so shall thy seed be” - Romans 4:18.

### **What do you need to do to sing a new song?**

1. **Change your garment of heaviness and sorrow to the garment of praise and righteousness.** Isaiah 61:3
2. **You must hold on to the Word of God despite any contradictions around you!** Continue to look onto Jesus the author and finisher of your faith, Who for the joy that was set before Him He endured the cross, despising the shame and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God – Hebrews 12:2.
3. **You must wait patiently for Him.** – Psalm 40:1-2

God wants to beautify your life! Your happiness is God's happiness! It is when you are happy that God is happy so that you can show forth the praises of Him Who has brought you out of darkness into His marvelous light. How God will do it is none of your business! All the circumstances around you might point to the fact that it can't happen, but know for sure that God can get so many things done within 24 hours!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (11/27/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: God's Visitation!**

Text: Psalm 65:9 – “You visit the earth and water it, You greatly enrich it; The river of God is full of water; You provide their grain, For so You have prepared it.” **Every visitation is for a purpose. When He visited the earth it was for a purpose which was to water it for a great harvest. When God visits you, there is always going to be a change.**

There is a land that belongs to you and when you get to that land, you will prosper and flourish there! God will take you there just as He visited and delivered Israel from Egypt and also brought them to their promise land. Exodus 3:19-21. **When God visits you no Jupiter or devil can hold you down anymore!** And after His visitation everything becomes new. Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new (2 Corinthians 5:17).

**The earth is the LORD and they that dwell in it. The entire world belongs to Him.** He will adorn you as a bride for her husband (according to Revelations 21:1-2). He will also adorn you with wealth so that you can serve Him. He gives beauty for ashes according to Isaiah 61:3 “To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

**What a great thing for God to be dwelling in your house?** God can begin to dwell in the marriage, family and children of a man. For if God is for us who can be against us? Because God is now living with you, everywhere you have hitherto been hated or rejected you will now be loved and accepted. Revelations 21:3 says “and I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God Himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.” Christ in you the hope of Glory. Wherever you are the glory and power of God must just manifest. And because He is with you He will move away every mountain. When the ark of God entered into the camp of Israel, the enemy knew their end had come and they said woe unto us! (1 Samuel 4:5-7).

**For you to get to the next level in life there is a need for preparation. There is a need for your life to be prepared for the task ahead of you.** If God would not withhold Christ from you why would He not freely give you all things?

In closing, God is saying to you “do not remember the former things, nor consider the things of old; Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness *and* rivers in the desert.”

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (11/20/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: THE HELPER OF DESTINY!**

Text: Exodus 35:30-35. God has a vision for your life. God has no project without provision. Every project of God has a complimentary provision. All God will do is to bring helpers of destiny; men like Bezaleel who was filled with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship.

The worst thing that can happen to a man is for you to know where you belong or ought to be but you are not there. Many know the vision God has purposed for their lives but don't know how to fulfill it. Until God intervenes and send helpers of destiny such persons will remain stranded in life. All what you are going through is for the LORD to take you where you ought to be. God orchestrated helpers of destiny for David. Naaman (2 Kings 5) was also helped by a little maid servant from Israel. Elisha was also helped by the Shunamite woman. Even Our LORD Jesus Christ was helped – John the Baptist announced and proclaimed Him (John 1:36-37) before the people, infact he told the people to follow Jesus! Whatever you are going through is just building you up. David went through 13 years of such before becoming king. Also Joseph went through such experience and the end was glorious.

Even when all you see is contrary to His promises know that all things will work together for your good. God is building character inside of you. What you have now may not be sufficient to carry or maintain you where you ought to be but know that God is building character and resilience inside of you. God has a place He is taking you to. It could be rough but God will take you there. There are certain things inside of you that will liberate this world but you haven't gotten the help you need to announce you to your generation, but from now I pray, the Heavens will begin to send helpers of destiny your way in Jesus Name.

I'll close with the great prayer of the psalmist – “The LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee. Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion; remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt sacrifice; Selah. Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfill all thy counsel” Psalm 20:1-4.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (11/13/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: TAKE UP YOUR CROSS!**

Text: Matthew 16: 24 – “Then said Jesus unto his disciples, **If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me**”. From this scripture, it can be noted that denial comes with Christianity; denial could connote denying oneself of pleasurable things that are available in order to achieve a greater end; for example, a denial of food in order to wait on the LORD in a fast. You need grace to daily mortify the flesh because pleasing Christ and aligning to His will are daily things. But denying oneself is only the first step; you also have to take up your cross, and then follow Him. Christianity is not all about miracles, signs etc but it is much more about dieing to self. From Matthew 21:12-14, it can be noted that Jesus Christ had to first drive/cast out those buying and selling from the temple before He healed the blind and the lame in the same temple. What lesson can we learn from this? **You and I have to first get rid of everything buying and selling in our hearts (God's Temple) before any true healing from the LORD can take place in our lives.**

Taking up the cross is not an easy endeavor. It takes determination to walk through the journey of the Christian race. You may be asking, what is the cross? **Firstly, the cross reminds us of the place where Christ died.** So when He asks you to take up your cross that means He is recommending death; for Romans 6:1-2 says What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? You must be dead to sin. Jesus Christ despite the pains, shame, mocking, anguish that came on His way to the cross; He was dead to the happenings around Him because He had a target and mission to fulfill. You also need to be dead to the noise and distractions around you if you must achieve your goal in life. The only way to be dead to those distractions is to keep looking unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of your faith.

**Secondly, the cross is painful, it will crush and break you but the end is always glorious. Your cross might be a difficult situation or challenge that you are presently going through. The key is how are you managing your cross?** Are you taking dishonest short-cuts to manage your cross? Ask for Grace to carry your cross. For He said “**My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in your weakness**” (2 Corinthians 12:9).

**Thirdly, the cross is the place of Humility. The Cross will humble you!** It humbled Apostle Paul in 2 Cor. 12:7-10. The cross humbled Christ; men spat, and did all sorts of evil to Him yet He opened not His mouth nor reviled (Isaiah 53). The cross also destroys all the boastings of the flesh. Without pain sometimes there is no gain. If you must be His disciples, sufferings, temptation will come along with it, but you must stand! Humility is a great virtue. The question of humility has robbed many of their miracles and victories. Despite being the King of Kings, He humbled Himself (Philippians 2:5-10). From Luke 22:24 – 27, Our LORD taught about humility, service and greatness. **If you must be great in life, you must be ready to serve, for in the Kingdom of God your level of service determines your level of greatness – if you can serve then you can be great!** Pray for Grace to serve and to be humble!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (11/6/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: SING PRAISES WITH UNDERSTANDING!**

Text: Psalm 47:5-7 “God has gone up with a shout, The LORD with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! For God *is* the King of all the earth; **Sing praises with understanding.** Anytime you come to Him, you must have specific reasons why you are praising and adoring Him. The psalmist was praising Him because He is the King of the earth and that He dominates everything, for the earth is the LORD’s and the fullness thereof. God is the King of the earth, no other king reigns where our God is. The earthly gods are subject to Him. You are alive because He kept you, He didn’t allow the wicked forces of this earth to destroy. Sing praises to Him with understanding. **Praise Him because you are where you are; you know if not for His grace and Mercy you will not be where you are today!** For God refused to choose use the wise, knowledgeable ones of this earth but chose us the weak things of the earth in order to confound the things that are mighty (1 Corinthians 1:27). By Grace are ye saved! You are not saved by the work of the flesh but by grace. That you are saved at all, it is by Him. **It is His factor in your life that sustained and made you what you are today!**

From Luke 17:11-19, we can see how ten lepers were cleansed after asking Jesus for Mercy; unfortunately only one came back to give thanks. Before we were saved, we could be seen like those lepers, far away and enemies to God. Lepers were treated as dogs, cast-outs in Israel; we were once like that being strangers to the commonwealth of Israel (Ephesians 2:12). **But thank God for Grace, today we are no longer dogs or cast-outs but sons and daughters of the Most High!** Every testimony you have today is by grace. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8).

You have to key into the word of God before you can succeed, just like the ten lepers keyed into Jesus’ word that they should go show themselves to the priests; they obeyed and as they went they were cleansed. God is expecting your total obedience. **Always obey God because the LORD Who gave you a word has gone before you to perform what He needs to perform.** Just like the one leper (who knew that as a Samaritan, he was not entitled to be cleansed) came back to give thanks to God, would you too go back to give God thanks when you see manifestations of the testimonies you have been waiting for? **God removed and by-passed all the natural and lineage laws in order to set you where you are today. Just like Jesus asked “were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine?” God expects you to come back and give Him thanks!** It always pays to come back to give God thanks, the one leper who came back to give God thanks got spiritual healing, he was made whole (a more permanent healing) as against the other ungrateful nine who were merely cleansed. From today, would you consider singing praises with understanding to Him?

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

**God's Message To Us On Sunday (10/30/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo**

**Title: ALIGN YOURSELF TO THE SON!**

Text: Malachi 4:2 – “But unto you that fear My Name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.” When God visits a man, He comes with everything that He has and healing is one of them. There are certain sicknesses that retard a child's growth, one of which is malnutrition. But when such is removed, growth is inevitable. So onto you that fear His Name, He will arise with healing in His wings and you shall go forth, but the condition for this to happen is to fear God!

The fear of The LORD is the beginning of Wisdom. Fearing The LORD makes you to grow up as calves of the stall. Not fearing The LORD makes a man to be stagnant in life. When the entirety of a man's life is guided by the fear of The LORD, that man must experience growth! Before God blesses a man, He looks for certain things – Isaiah 66:2b states that **“For thus saith The LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word”**. God is looking for those ones that are not putting their emotions above His will; the ones that say, without you O LORD, we cannot do anything! They are ones that tremble at His Word. Acquaint now thyself with Him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee - Job 22:21. Let the Word of God moderate your life.

**The moon does not have a light of its own; all it does is to simply align itself to the sun. The sun generates the heat and the moon cheaply radiates the glory.** If you align yourself to Jesus, God will do all the works, and you will be radiating the glory. The reason the moon can radiate the glory of the sun is because nothing is blocking its alignment from the sun. The day you remove iniquity from your life, testimonies will ultimately follow. The branches of a tree bear the fruit simply because they align themselves to the vine which then supplies all the nutrients needed by the branches. If you are not properly aligned to Him, you will soon dry up! But as you daily align yourself to Him, the blood that flows in Him will also begin to flow in you, thus bringing an end to sickness in your life!

From 2 Chronicles 26:4-5, we can see another classical case study of someone (Uzziah) who feared the LORD and was prospered by God! **If you seek The LORD and do what is right in His sight you too will prosper. Your success is not a function of your struggle.** Paul said 1 Corinthians 15:10 “But by the grace of God I am what I am and his grace which *was bestowed* upon me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.” You want God to radiate His glory through you, simply attach and cling yourself to Him.

**In closing, let the Word of God be your pilot, embrace it every day for there lies in your success!** The disciples stayed glued to Jesus (as they had eaten and drank Him – John 6:53) and by Acts 2, the people saw that they had been with Jesus Christ. When you align yourself to Jesus, you just grow and become a blessing to others!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (10/23/11) – Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun*

**Title: YOU NEED A POWER IN YOUR LIFE THAT WILL SWALLOW OTHER POWERS!**

Text: Matthew 28:18 – “And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.” You need a power in your life that will swallow-up other powers. For you to move higher in life, you must carry the power that can swallow-up other powers. If you lack this kind of power, your anointing, prayer and other spiritual exercises will be in futility. During the ministry of Moses, God knew that pharaoh will want to exercise his power against him; hence He initiated His Power into the life and rod of Moses. In Christ Jesus, you are now with the Very One Who has all power, the one thing needful for you is to give Him room so that He can impart His power into you. As disciples of Jesus Christ (The All Powerful One), how is it that some are still victims of demonic powers? The reason is not far fetched; it is because they are not truly carrying the power of God! Before Moses encountered God, he ran from pharaoh but immediately God empowered him, he ran, confronted and dared pharaoh to his face without protocol! Almost similar incident happened with Peter, before he was empowered, he denied Jesus Christ, but after he was empowered with the Holy Ghost, signs and wonders became the new order of the day in his ministry!

You may be living in America and another power from another continent is working against you – but how could this be so? It's because there is no distance in the spirit world! **JESUS CHRIST HAS ALL POWER!** If you've been praying and you are yet to receive answers, it's because the power inside you is insufficient to conquer the other powers. The One that swallowed death in victory is the One that is backing you up; and He lives forevermore, how then could you be afraid of any witch making noise against your life? You need this power of God so that your enemies will come, bow down and prostrate to you! If as a child of God, demons are still feeding and having sex with you in your dreams, your power is grossly insufficient as satan is gradually destroying your life! You need a power that works in you continually so that when you are asleep that power will be working without interruption on your behalf! You need 2 things in your life so that you too can be an overcomer like Jesus Christ! What are these 2 things? The Power and The Word of God!

The power of the devil ties people down but the power of God lifts people up! You need this power my brother; you can't do without this power my sister! If you have this power working in your life, no weapon fashioned against you can prosper!

There is no place more terrible than hell, no trouble or ordeal in life can be compared with the anguish in hell! Jesus Christ came so you might be saved and not go to hell!

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places* (Ephesians 6:10-12).

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (10/16/11) – Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun*

**Title: JESUS CHRIST, THE HOPE OF THE HOPELESS!**

Text: Matthew 28:1-8. This morning the LORD wants you to know that there is still hope for you because Jesus Christ is called the Hope of the hopeless. **There are three stages in a man's life – there is Friday, Saturday and Sunday.** Friday is the time Jesus was seized; the apostles were initially in doubt whether it was true or not if they could kill him. Their hope or expectation was that it was impossible for their LORD to be killed. But when Saturday came, their hope was dashed as it was now certain that Jesus Christ has been killed. This incident is similar to what many Christians are going through; some are on their “Friday” and some are on their “Saturday”. Friday meaning, could this challenge or situation I am going through be true or is there still hope? Saturday meaning, the challenge or situation is now hopeless. This was the ordeal of the apostles as their Lord that was raising people from the grave was now in the grave on Saturday, their hope was gone! Saturday also is a time the enemy starts rejoicing as it appears that they have gotten the victory. Are you in your own “Friday” or “Saturday”. **It was on Sunday that the expectation/hope of the apostle came alive again.** There is still hope for you as long as Jesus Christ is still reigning! The LORD wants you to know with all confidence, let your mind be at rest, wherever you have lost hope, because He is still God, He will turn it around in your favor! **Who is that one boasting that you will not be successful in this country? Rest in the assurance that if God is for you who can be against you?** Do not lose hope, my brother, my sister! In Luke 7:11-15, Jesus proved that He is the Hope of the hopeless. When Jesus Christ who is the Hope of the hopeless enters into any man, hope will begin to come alive again.

From 1 Kings 17:8-16 we can see how the LORD became the hope of the widow of Zarephath by sending His prophet (Elijah) to her. There is a great lesson from this story, in whatever position or situation you are at, **always remember that there is still hope in that little you have, your concern should be “what does the Lord want me to do with this little in my hand?”** Its one thing or step the LORD will use to bring your hope alive – it could be a seed to be sown like the widow of Zarephath. **The hope of heaven is in Jesus Christ; do not allow anything on this earth to deprive you of the hope of heaven. Nothing in this earth is comparable to what awaits you in heaven.**

From 1 Samuel 30:8-20, we can observe David going through a trial of faith in his life. David could have failed if he had not been kind and compassionate with the young Egyptian (1 Samuel 30:13). **The LORD will never do without putting you through a moment of trial in your life. Many Christians have failed their test of promotion. You have to be able to endure some things in order to take hold of what The LORD has promised you! The thing that will make your life better is in you!** The thing that will bring your hope alive is in you; just like the LORD asked Moses, what is in your hand? He said a rod; and The LORD said with this rod you shall perform signs and wonders! The thing that will make your hope come alive is in your hand; I pray that The LORD will open your eyes to see it!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (10/9/11) – Prophetess Elizabeth Abiodun*

**Grand Finale of Women's Week**

**Title: WHAT ARE YOU TEACHING YOUR CHILDREN?**

Text: Matthew 14:8 “And she, being put forward by her mother, saith, Give me here on a platter the head of John the Baptist.” My sermon today is largely targeted to the women - **What are you teaching your children? What kind of lessons are your children learning from your life-style?** Daughter of God, if you want your family to be complete in Jesus, you better train up your children in the way of the LORD. **Children are easier to train because they grow-up with lessons they've been taught.** They tend to manifest the traits and behaviors of their parents because that is what they often see while growing up. **May I ask you, are your children picking up good or bad habits from your life-style?**

From scriptures there are examples of women who failed in their roles as mothers and wives. Matthew 14:8 tells of the unfortunate incident of a woman (Herodias) who advised her daughter to ask for the head of a fellow human being. Acts 5:1-11 also talks about a wife (Sapphira) who advised or colluded with her husband to lie to the Holy Spirit! **May I ask you once again, what kind of a woman are you?** Your marriage will only be complete to the degree of the lessons and habits that your children and husband are learning from you! If you want your life to be complete, examine yourself, think deep of what kind of message your life-style is portraying! To the men, I will advise you to love your wives, treat them with respect; neither treat them as slaves nor be bitter towards them.

Daughter of God, except you change your marriage will not be complete. Fear the Lord, for the judgment day is coming, depart from evil, death has no respect for anyone; may you not be a worker iniquity in Jesus Name! **Continue to ask yourself, will I be able to make heaven with this life style of mine?**

**Below are few advises on how to bring up your children in the way of the Lord:**

1. Don't allow your children to follow the paths of the world.
2. Be watchful of the kind of company they keep.
3. **You need to PRAY for them continuously. Also teach them how to pray by being a praying woman yourself!**
4. Exhibit Godly behaviors and character.
5. Teach them the essentials of house-works/domestic activities – such as cooking, house cleaning etc.
6. Teach them to be humble in life.
7. **Teach them the way of the LORD! Feed them with the Word of God.**
8. Caution them from disrespecting and dishonoring their father.

In closing, I beseech you to leave a good virtue and legacy for your children. If it is to be, then know that it is up to you! The LORD will help you in Jesus Name! AMEN!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (10/2/11) – Daddy M.O. Ojo (A.G.O)*

## **Title: FAILING TO GLORIFY GOD!**

Text: Romans 1:21 - Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

Failing to glorify God is a sin. If you refuse to give glory to God it means you ascribe that glory to yourself. **But why must you give glory to God? He made you what you are today; He empowered and sustained you till this day. He is your sustainer, buckler, and shield.** He intervened on your behalf to deliver you, not because of your strength, might, or eloquence but because of His sheer grace and power. Do not take God for granted, He will not be pleased. To appreciate God is not a difficult task; just look around and count your blessings one by one, you will definitely see that God has been good to you. God deserves to be praised, He ought to be glorified. **He has not allowed any weapon fashioned against you to prosper because you are kept by His power** – 1 Peter 1:5. They overcame him by the blood of the lamb and by the word of their testimony (Rev. 12:11a); they overcame him not by their own strength but by the blood of the lamb. You can't overcome the devil by your own strength but with Jesus, His Blood and in His Name, you will always overcome him.

## **What are the results of not praising God?**

1. Vain imagination: It is because people push God last that makes them to imagine wrongly. **God has given you the power to cast down every vain imagination and bring them low under the feet of Jesus Christ.** The Israelites became fools having experienced the awesome power of God but chose not to appreciate Him. They imagined evil, thinking it was right. They were a special people loved by God; God would not allow Balaam to cast a spell/curse on them, but rather than appreciate God, they chose to murmur and were, thus, destroyed by the destroyer. As a believer in Christ, you are an ambassador of Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20), people should see you and see the glory of God. You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world (Matthew 5:13-15). **When you begin to glorify God, God will shield you with His glory, and put His glory upon your life.**
2. The Builders of the Tower of Babel: from Genesis 11:3-9, we can see how the people wanted to make a name for themselves (rather than glorifying the Name of God); they refused to appreciate God, hence ended up with wrong imagination. They wanted to make a name for themselves, sort of feeling important, and thus, God confounded their languages. When God's Name is glorified you will be lifted. **When you lift up God, God will lift you up.** Don't be like the foolish 9 lepers that were healed but refused to return to give glory to God. Jesus commended and made whole the only leper that came back to give glory to God; when you appreciate God, He blesses you materially, physically and spiritually. He also multiplies His Grace upon your life.

## **What are the Results or Benefits of Praising God?**

1. **Miracles Will Happen:** a case study of this is at the tomb of Lazarus. They thought He was late, but **God is never late, He is always on time.** As a believer in Christ, you are never without hope for your hope is in Christ; you need to remove the stone of discouragement and unbelief from your life so that He can perform His miracle. Jesus raised Lazarus from death, by entering to His gates with thanksgiving... He said "Father I thank you for you

have heard me.” (John 11:41). When you enter His gate with thanksgiving the door must be opened. Paul and Silas despite the ordeal they were in (Acts 16:25-26), they chose to give thanks and praise God and the result was an earthquake from the Lord and their deliverance came. Every prison door opens when you give thanks and praise God.

2. **He Dwells With You:** By praising God, you are indirectly building a place for God to dwell in (Psalm 22:3). In His Presence there is fullness of joy and pleasures forever more. God dwells in the midst of His People. **When you praise God, you bring God nearer to you.**

In conclusion, when you make praising God a life-style, every door that is locked against you (or your blessing) will begin to open supernaturally. Just like the man at the beautiful gate (Acts 3:8) who after he was healed began leaping and praising God, I pray that you too will start leaping and praising God all the days of your life in Jesus Name! AMEN!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (9/25/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: IT'S A SET-UP!**

Text: John 4:4-15. There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink. Whenever God asks us His Children to do something, it is a set-up for a miracle. From our texts, we observe that Jesus was setting up the Samaritan woman for a miracle by asking her for a drink. What was this miracle? It was “the Living Water”! The Living Water is the solution to every problem a man could ever come across in life.

**Lesson points from our text (John 4:4-15)**

1. The Samaritan woman never knew she would come in contact with Jesus that day but when she realized it, she grabbed the opportunity by not letting her miracle slip by! **Never come to the presence of God casually; always have an expectation to receive from Him.**
2. She never knew that there was a greater thirst that needs to be satisfied in her life. God knows what you don't know about yourself. He knows what will satisfy every thirst of your life. There are many things God has in plan for you that you are not even aware of. Don't disconnect yourself from Him.
3. She never knew she was dry and had come in contact with the Living Water (Jesus Christ Himself) who would give her a new beginning in life.
4. She came to draw ordinary water but she met with the Living Water. God will exchange all your sorrows for joy this season. **Burdens are lifted up in Calvary!**
5. Jesus touched that part of her life that no man could ever touch. There are some parts of your life that no one would ever be able to touch or heal except Christ Himself! Open yourself unto Him to receive a touch from Him. Cast all your burdens upon Him for He cares for you.
6. She came lonely but she went back with multitudes. Loneliness is largely from within.

**God knows your situation; He has a perfect understanding of your problems and how and where you've missed it in life.** He is now presenting Himself to you as the Living Water who can correct and solve all your problems. The Lord is saying to you this moment “remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing”- Isaiah 43:18. But how would God do it, you may ask? That is none of your business; He is a God Who has more than a million ways to carryout His plans and purposes! There is an agenda of God for your life and you will need the help of Heaven to fulfill it. Release your destiny into His Hands and believe Him that He that begun the good work in you is able to perform it until the day of Jesus Christ. **Never look unto man for anything, but keep your gaze unto God alone for everything! Man will fail you, but God will never fail you, He is infinitely reliable!** No man can mess with your destiny because he or she will be messing with God by that means.

In conclusion, I charge you to encounter Christ today so that He can begin a new thing in your life! God loves you!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (9/18/11) – PA ILORI (A.G.O.)*

**Title: DIVINE REMEMBRANCE!**

Text: Nehemiah 13:31b **“Remember me, O my God, for good!”** Whenever people are going through challenging times they believe God does not remember them; they look around and everywhere looks gloomy, doubt sets in and they conclude ... God has forgotten me! I have good news for you this morning **“God has not forgotten you!”** No true child of God can be totally hopeless. The situation may appear hopeless but he or she can never be hopeless because Christ Who is the hope of glory is in him or her. A word of assurance comes from the LORD in Isaiah 49:15-16 –“Can a woman forget her nursing child, and not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, Yet I will not forget you. See, I have inscribed you on the palms *of My hands*; **Your walls are continually before Me.”** From this scripture God is saying He will never never forget you! As permanent as the lines on your palms are as secured as your presence before God! No one can ever remove you from the presence of God except yourself!

**No matter what you are passing through, it may appear there is no solution, but rest in the fact that you have a God who knows no impossibility!** He will remember you for good. Psalm 126 makes us to understand that when the LORD brought back the captivity of Zion, We were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, And our tongue with singing. Then they said among the nations, “The LORD has done great things for them.” The LORD has done great things for us *And* we are glad.

**God never forgets His own children. He remembered Joseph in a foreign land, He remembered Daniel in a strange land, He remembered Mordecai in a foreign land, how then can He forget you a seed of Abraham?** No matter how hopeless or gloomy your situation might look, know for sure that God will work it out; He knows how He will work it out, you part is to believe Him. He knows how to gather everyone He will use to cause that situation to work in your favor. He used the chief butler and the chief baker as enroute path of Joseph to the palace of Pharaoh; He is still God today and has not changed! He will surely gather all your divine helpers. He has a timetable for you and will not forget you! May I let you know that your set time of favor has come! Behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* your day of salvation. This is your season of remembrance, God will fight for you, He will promote and honor you even in this foreign land!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

RCCG Isaac Generation – Men of Valor 2011 Week (Grand Finale)

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (9/11/11) – Evangelist Banji Adesanmi*

**Title: Requirements for Going Forth!**

Text: Romans 15:1-2. There are things we need to do to make progress; 3 basic things for you before you can move forward in life:

1. **You must be Healthy!** You cannot do any other thing except you are healthy. Some are spiritually sick, terribly sick! **You renew your mind by loading up on the Word! The Word makes a difference! The situation might not have changed but something inside you has changed! You have to be healthy; it is time to do something about your healthy.** If you are not healthy you can't go anywhere! Why do doctors give sick leave? Because they want you to sleep and rest so that your body will recover; they'll give you a drug, antibiotic etc. If you are not healthy, you cannot be relevant. Part of being healthy is learning what to say "no" to and saying it on time! If you do not deal with your ignorance problem you will never be healthy! **Some of the wars we fight are because we are ignorant!** The beauty of life is everybody respects his calling; part of being healthy is that you stay where you should stay! Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates? 2 Corinthians 13:5. You cannot go anywhere until you deal with secret sins; even if you go, you will not go far! **It's not about being nice (or looking nice); it's about being tactically, technically and spiritually sound!** Examine yourself just like the prodigal son did in Luke 15:17-20.
2. **You must have a Destination!** After being healthy, you need to set your goals – short-term, medium term and long-term! **A man without a destination will end up in the wilderness.** When you don't know where you are going, people will take you to where they are going! We are a product of habit; we tend to conform to what is around us. **The truth of the matter is that if you want to go far you need to break limits; you need to take risks, you need to ask questions!** What have I achieved since I came here? What have I become since I came here? Take risks, it may be calculated but you have to take risks. The higher the risk the higher the reward. It is not what you learnt in school that ultimately makes a way for you in life; it is the gifts and talents of a man that ultimately does. If you want to matter, you must have a destination. This is a quick word for singles – 3 tests of an ultimate relationship – (a) You must love each other; (b) You must be proud of one another; and (c) You must trust one another. Everybody has someone who is qualified for him or her. **When a man knows his destination, he carries confidence! When God gives a man a destination no body can stop him!** What is your destination? And what kind of GPS are you using? The outdated one? Or the one your grandmother gave you that she's been using since 1954 on how to treat men? From the parable of the prodigal son, there are certain things/mistakes we can observe in the life of people without a destination: (a) People without destination head to no-where. Your destination must have a name; it must be something you can write. (b) People who have no destination are subject to wastage (Luke 15:13). When people do not have a destination, they waste, they also go hungry; purposelessness generates hunger!
3. **You Must Dress Up!** When I see your dress I can predict where you are going to. The bible talks about the attire of an harlot (Proverb 7:10). **People see you before they hear you. Some of the reasons why you are struggling is because you are not properly dressed for your destination.**

Are you properly dressed for where God has ordained you to go? If we want to matter we need to dress-up for where God wants us to be!

***Prayer Points during Ministration (for more prayer bullets – visit [www.evangelistbee.com](http://www.evangelistbee.com))***

1. Father, give me a new cruse, a new beginning (2 Kings 2: 20)
2. Father, add value to my life; let my life make a difference; make me relevant in this generation!
3. LORD, “Set me up” for a divine miracle!
4. Father, everywhere I have missed it, LORD repair it supernaturally; fix it O Lord; let there be a divine restoration, a replenishment, a renovation in the Name of Jesus Christ!
5. LORD I pray for a “Divine Interruption” in every area of my life I have gone astray!
6. In the Name of Jesus Christ, I command every spirit of rejection to depart from my life! From now on I begin to walk into Favor & Acceptance - Favor with God, favor with man!
7. In the Name of Jesus Christ, I uproot every seed or stronghold of barrenness from my life!
8. My Father, give me a lasting legacy, a testimony that is bigger than me; put a stamp on my life; deliver me; and set me free in the Name of Jesus Christ!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (9/4/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: PRAISE!**

Text: Zechariah 14:17 - And it shall be *that* whichever of the families of the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, on them there will be no rain. For continuous rain from heaven, **God expects His children to always come back and thank Him**. He inhabits in the praises of His people. **Prison doors open at the sight of praises**; fetters of iron break-off at the instance of genuine thanksgiving to God! From Luke 17:17, we have a classical case study of what thanksgiving can do to any one; a leper (out of the ten healed) was made whole just because he returned to give thanks to God! Anytime you come back to give thanks to God, you are honoring Him. And it is mandatory for God to honor anyone who honors Him. **Our Daddy in the Lord (Pastor E.A Adeboye) once mentioned that he spends 95% of his prayer time just praising, thanking and appreciating God for all He has done; the remaining 5% is spent asking for His Mercies!** But why does God want us to always come back to thank Him? The reason is not far fetched – if you are not in the jail house, it's because He kept you from there (may I let you know that it is not everyone in jail that is guilty of the offence convicted!); if you are not out of job, He is the One sustaining that company/job; if you are not in the hospital, He is the reason why none of satan's arrows has hit you; and He is the reason why all the machineries in your body are functioning properly! Or can you imagine what will happen if the heart malfunctions for just a few seconds? Blessed *be* the Lord, *Who* daily loads us *with benefits*, The God of our salvation! Praises also intensifies His benefits and blessings. **Praise is your highway and high speed connection to His blessings; praise turns the downloading speed of your miracles from a "dial-up" to a "high-speed" connection!** From Psalm 103, we are also enjoined to praise Him because He forgives all our iniquities; He heals all our diseases; He redeems our lives from destruction; and then He crowns us with His lovingkindness and tender mercies, what a Good God we serve!

**THE HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE – 9/4/11 @ 6pm (Pastor Shola Awobajo)** Text: 2 Kings 2:19-22. The Communion table is a platform used by God to repair the foundation of every man. You are water that should flow into other people's lives. Water is life and it refreshes. Your life is supposed to change everyone that comes in contact with you. But what happens if water turns into bitterness like we see in 2 Kings 2:19-22? From this scripture The Lord used salt to heal the bitter water by visiting the source, and thus causing an instant change. **Without the Word of God, we cannot go anywhere neither can we do anything! God has given us a "Problem Solver"; His Name is Jesus Christ!** He is the solution to every problem. On this communion table tonight is the real solution – the Lord Jesus Christ Himself! The Blood of Jesus Christ purifies. It blots out of the way every handwriting and ordinance of evil! Death turns to life at the communion table.

You are a salt to this world. What does salt do?

1. **Salt Preserves:** Through this uncommon meal, God will continuously preserve your life!
2. **Salt Seasons:** As you partake of this Holy meal, the Lord will season your life with His glory, honor and power.
3. **Salt Gives Taste:** By this communion tonight, the Lord will use His Blood to cause great changes in every area of your life! Barrenness will turn to fruitfulness, failures will turn to successes, and curses will turn to blessings in Jesus Name!

For every promise/blessing of God, your possession of it lies in you seeing it; if you can see it, you can have it! Genesis 13:14-15, Jeremiah 1:12. Pray that The Lord will cast salt into the source of your water so as to heal and repair every faulty foundation of your life!  
**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (8/28/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: Expansion By Mercy!**

Text: Psalm 119:129-135. **Your testimonies are wonderful**; therefore my soul keeps them. **The entrance of Your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.** I opened my mouth and panted, for I longed for Your commandments. Look upon me and be merciful to me, as Your custom *is* toward those who love Your name. **Direct my steps by Your word**, And let no iniquity have dominion over me. Redeem me from the oppression of man, that I may keep Your precepts. Make Your face shine upon Your servant, And teach me Your statutes.

The testimonies of God are wonderful. Testimonies in this context could represent the Word of the Living God. **The Psalmist was a man hungry for God; he wanted and panted for more of God. When you drink more of Him, you will have an encounter and things are bound to change positively in your life.** When a man pants after God, God will always look down! There is something God looks for in a man and when God finds that thing, He will visit that individual. If God must look unto you, it has to be by mercy. If God must give an expansion, it must be by His Mercy! That's why we pray that God be merciful onto us (Ps 119:132). **But what does God look for in any man? But on this *one* will I look: On *him who is* poor and of a contrite spirit, and who trembles at My word – Isaiah 66:2.**

**Every divine encounter has a purpose; there is no encounter with the Almighty God that does not have a purpose!** When the woman with the issue of blood encountered Him, an end came to her problem (Luke 4:43-48). If you encounter Him today, the source of your sorrow will cease. The day Jacob encountered Him, he became blessed, his name was changed, and he no longer was called Jacob but Israel. The day you encounter God, your name and identity will change, if you have been known as a borrower, as you encounter Him today, you will henceforth be known as a lender. Failure turns to success when you encounter Him.

Psalm 89:25 - Also I will set his hand over the sea, and his right hand over the rivers. This scripture is God's next agenda and will do for you; He will expand your coast in the Name of Jesus Christ. God has no problem doing this; He has enough resources to carry it out. Would you dare to believe Him for this?

And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem -Isaiah 2:3. **The solution to the world lies in the House of the Lord.**

Peter encountered Christ in Luke 5:1-9, and his life never remained the same. When you encounter Christ, sorrow becomes joy, disappointment becomes appointment, and failure becomes success!

## **Prayer Points:**

1. LORD I need an encounter with you; meet me O God in the Name of Jesus!
2. Master I have toiled all these years, but nevertheless I submit to your will; take over this toiling in my life; remove toiling out of my life. By Your power, O LORD, let toiling end in my life today in the Name of Jesus! (from Luke 5:5)
3. Father, whatever will not let me have an encounter must go today in the Name of Jesus Christ.
4. Father stretch forth Your Hand and smite every Egyptian, every Pharaoh in my life in the Name of Jesus! Exodus 3:19-20.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (8/21/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Ushers' Week – Grand Finale**

**Title: The Door Keeper!**

Text: Psalm 84:1-10. **How glorious and how lovely is the tabernacle of our God! Every need is met at this tabernacle.** Everyone that comes into His tabernacle finds solace – a dwelling place. When you come into this tabernacle, you have come to mount Zion; and upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions. The best moment of any man's life is in the House of the Lord – why is this so? This is because the deliverance and the Glory in the House of The Lord cause lives and destinies to be changed forever. Little wonder why the Psalmist said **"I rather be a door keeper in the House of the Lord"**.

**Who is a Door Keeper? A Door-Keeper is one who opens the doors of the House of the Lord for people to come in and have their burdens lifted by the Lord.** The job of an usher can be likened to a Door-Keeper in the House of The Lord. Ushers set things in order in the House of The Lord. They regulate and ensure the smooth flow of the service. They are like salts and lights in the House of The Lord. Being an usher in the House of the Lord is a great service; you are saddled with the responsibilities of a Door-Keeper. What are some of these responsibilities?

1. You help usher people into their destinies by opening the door of salvation to them.
2. You lead people to find pasture in the House of the Lord.
3. You guide people to where they can find help and obtain their deliverance.
4. You open the door so that people can gain access to the power of God.
5. You welcome people hospitably by treating them as kings and priests of God.

Christ is the Great Door-Keeper for He said **"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me."** Ushers are mimicking what our Great Master is doing. Jesus Christ is the Day Star and the Day Spring. **Christ as the Great Door-Keeper opens the door of power to whosoever will come to Him.** Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you – Luke 10:19. What are the demands of being an Usher?

1. **Know that you have been given a ministry of reconciliation (2 Corinthians 5:18). Ignore unkind remarks/attitude made by anyone; keep your focus on your Master.** Make sure you carry on even when you are being taken for granted.
2. Do your work with excellence. Do it with all your heart.
3. Ensure your services are acceptable unto the Lord as you will give an account one day.
4. Conform with the standards as set in Acts 6:1-8;
  - a. **Be a man or woman of honest report**
  - b. **Be full of the Holy Ghost**
  - c. **Be full of Wisdom**
  - d. **Be a man or woman of faith and power**
  - e. **Be fair to all (James 2:2-3)**

In closing, we all have a duty as believers; we all are Door-Keepers in the House of The Lord. We need to make the church a safe haven for people to come in. Let's go out and call in all people from the highway for the harvest is ready and the King is waiting!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (8/14/11) – Brother Lamide Kotun*

**Hephzibah Youths' Week – Grand Finale**

**Title: One In Christ!**

Text: John 17:20-23. **What does it mean to be one in Christ? It simply means being of one mind; being together; and being in agreement. One in Christ could be understood as Christians living in unity; followers of Christ living as one.** From our text in John 17 Our Lord Jesus Christ was praying that we believers should be one just as He and the Father are One! That they all may be one, as You, Father, *are* in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us that the world may believe that You sent Me – John 17:21. Our unity and Oneness as believers is so paramount that it formed the core of Jesus' prayer to God the Father. As believers we are enjoined to strive to be united because we are one in Christ. It's a beautiful thing when we as believers live in unity (no strife, no rancor, no faction etc), Psalm 133:1-3 likens this to the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, *even* Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; it also likens it to the dew of Hermon, *and as the dew* that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, *even* life for evermore. It's often said that the whole is greater than the sum of its part. **There is a law of multiplication that goes into effect when two people are working together with one mind; there collective result will always be more than their individualistic efforts.** Two *are* better than one; because they have a good reward for their labor; and if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken – Eccl 4:9,12. The individual parts of a car cannot commute anyone to the desired destination, except they are fitly joined together and of one accord.

**How do we as believers live in unity or as One in Christ?** Let love be without dissimulation (or hypocrisy). Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. **Be kindly affectionate one to another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another;** Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you: **bles, and curse not.** Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. **Be of the same mind one toward another.** Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. **Recompense to no man evil for evil.** Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, **live peaceably with all men.** Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. **Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good** – Romans 12:9-21. Romans 13:9-10 makes us to understand that we should love our neighbors as ourselves for love is the fulfillment of the law.

In conclusion, God is love and He expressed this love by sending Jesus Christ to earth to die for us all. After all that is said and done if we live in love then everything else will be covered; and I pray that by God's Grace we will be able to do this in Jesus Name! AMEN!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (8/7/11) – Pastor Adeola Adenuga*

**Title: Thanksgiving With Understanding!**

Text: Psalm 92:1-6

Our lack of understanding of the virtues of Thanksgiving makes us under-appreciate God. Only the wise can truly give thanks with understanding to God. **Many times we are caught focusing on what God hasn't done while forgetting to thank Him for the numberless things He has done.** I beseech you brethren not to take thanksgiving for granted, else you end up grounded in life! In the parable of the talents (Matthew 25:14-30) we can see a classical illustration of how the Lord rewards those who are thankful for what they have received from Him. What made the difference in the three servants was the heart of gratitude of each. The one that was given one talent had what was given him withdrawn because he failed to trade with and appreciate God for what was given him.

**Your thanksgiving is directly proportionally to your level of thinking. If you know how to think very well, you will know how to appreciate God!**

From Psalm 92:1-6, there are four main reasons for David's thanksgiving to God.

1. God had been good to him.
2. God had made him glad.
3. God's works are great.
4. God's thoughts are very deep.

**God has not forgotten you. He loves you! He wouldn't have created you if He didn't love you.** If it were not for the God factor on your life, how would your life have been today? You must learn to appreciate God with understanding. Every good thing you've ever received is from Him. Why not thank Him rather than complaining about what is yet to be done! Will you chose to thank the Bishop of your soul? Or do you think it's because you are so fervent in fasting and prayers that you are been shielded from demonic arrows? **God has been good to you! There is nothing good you have today that wasn't given to you by God!** John 4:23-24 "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." God has created everything for His pleasure. You may say there is nothing God has done to warrant your thanksgiving; may I let you know that you are only alive today because God kept you!

**What will thanksgiving with understanding produce for you?**

1. **You will have the "Right Opinion" in every issue.** Nothing just happens by chance, they are programmed. Pray that the light of God will continue to overshadow every form of darkness around you (see John 1:5).
2. **You will have the "Right Attitude" in every circumstance.** Don't be caught murmuring against God. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer – 1 Corinthians 10:9-10.
3. **You will be having "Deep & Spiritual Worship".**

**Thank God that the Blood of Jesus cleanses you everyday.** By His Grace and Mercy, He brings us to the foot of the Cross. When you have good understanding of what it takes to appreciate God you will begin to bring Him memorable offering. Think very deeply and then you will be able to thank Him with understanding.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (7/31/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: LOOK UP!**

Text: Psalm 34:4-5 “**They looked unto Him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.**” From our text we are enjoined by God to always look up and not look down for those who look down will only see problems, challenges of life but those who set their gaze up will always see the light. Looking down is a prelude to seeing fears. Heb. 12:2 says “Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.” The Good News Bible puts Psalm 34:5 as “The oppressed look to Him and are glad; they will never be disappointed.” But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord – 2 Corin. 3:18. **When you look at God you cannot but be changed and perfected;** His Glory will pervade your life so much more that it will be said that the Glory of The LORD is on your life. From the previous week’s message (The Truth or The Fact?), we saw how the Israelites (Numbers 13) looked at the circumstances around and saw themselves as grasshoppers before their enemies whereas God was seeing them as conquerors. **The spirit of a giant is inside of you, stop seeing yourself as a dwarf, for God created you in His image and likeness** and He is certainly not a dwarf! Borrow the lens of God and look straight at those challenges and what you will see will be divinely inspired solutions – help will certainly come from heaven for as many that look unto Him! Recognize that you are going somewhere, and as long as you are on a mission there are bound to be obstacles; some might see the obstacles and see nothing but problems, afflictions but you look straight unto Him and you will see the light needed to move forward. But you may ask where is this light coming from? John 1:4-5 gives us the answer “**In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.**” Anyone who is still in darkness will continuously be seeing problems, challenges, issues all because they are still looking down. But when you brace up and rise to the challenge by doing what King David did in Psalm 121 (I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help? My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth), you too will receive help from the LORD who made heaven and earth. **There is never any struggle or contest between light and darkness, darkness forever bows to the authority of light!** I enjoin you this morning borrow the lens and the light of God so as to lighten your path, increase your speed (a defective headlight reduces speed) and you will soon see darkness vanish before you.

God went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night – Exodus 13:21. If God did this for the Israelites, He will do same for you too - a Redeemed of The LORD! In life we don’t always know where we are going to, we are often blind to the circumstances and dangers around us but God in is infinitely mercy has offered to give us light if we will only but trust Him! **Recognize that beyond every mountain is your miracle, don’t give up keep looking at and trusting in Him!** As Apostle Paul said “for our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory” – 2 Corin. 4:17. From Joshua 5:13-15, we can see how Joshua looked up and saw the help sent from God. **Divine assistance and deliverance came as soon as he lifted up his eyes and looked up; same will happen to you too if you do what he did!**

In closing the Lord is bidding you to come just as He bid Peter to come in Matthew 14:30, but I charge you not to look at any boisterous wind before you else you begin to sink like Peter until He cried to the Lord and the Lord saved him. **Look unto the One who has called you and you will begin to walk majestically over the waters of life just as Christ did!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (7/24/11) – Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: The Truth or The Fact?**

Text: Luke 2:10 –“And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.” Today we shall be looking at the importance of seeing situations and circumstances the way God sees them. Truths and facts are not the same thing. **A fact tells you of what you have seen physically (sickness, barrenness, etc), but a truth reveals God's position or Word on that fact. Facts can and do change, but truths are unchangeable.** Forever O LORD thy Word is settled in heaven. Our LORD Jesus Christ said in John 8:32 **“And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free.” For every fact of your life, there is a corresponding truth of the Word of God for it.** But the big question is – would you hang onto that fact or lay hold of the truth? Yes the fact is before your eyes, but God is saying “can you SEE the truth of My Word concerning that situation?” With God, what you see is what you get; He is no respecter of persons! He told Abraham to look at the stars and asked him, “What do you see?” He later told him, “as far as your eyes can see, to you will I give it to”. So we can safely infer that Abraham's level of receiving from God was largely dependant on his level of seeing or perception with God. He did same for Jeremiah by asking him - “Jeremiah, what do you see?” (Jer. 1:11-12). This morning, The LORD of Hosts is asking you “What do you see?” Yes the wall of Jericho is there (fact) but the truth of God is that Jericho has fallen before the foundation of the world. God told the Israelites to do nothing but make a joyful shout and watch the angels crumble Jericho before their eyes. He is still the same God and hasn't changed. **Look at this season with the “lens” of God. Borrow the “lens” of the Almighty so that you can see every situation from His perspective.** He said I have gone before you and made the crooked paths straight. Emulate the two spies (Joshua and Caleb) who saw victory and possibility where the other 10 spies saw contradiction and impossibility – Numbers 13:25-33. The 10 spies saw themselves as grasshoppers whereas God saw them as victors and conquerors; tragically they ended up the way they saw themselves! On the other hand, Joshua and Caleb saw themselves as more than able to possess the land, they saw greatness and not surprisingly they ended up the way they saw themselves! I ask you this morning “How do you see yourself?” In life what you see is what you get, for God's word said “as a man thinks in his heart, so is he!” – Prov. 23:7.

The fact will always bow to the truth because it is changeable but the truth is forever unchangeable!

**God is always at work in you to bring every of His purpose to pass.** When God is in charge anything can happen. All He needed was a piece of stone to bring down the head of goliath! In Exodus 12, all He needed was the simple application of the blood to bring deliverances to the Israelites. **Beloved, God is always at work in you to bring His purposes to pass!** If He was at work for the Israelites at Jericho why would He not be at work for you in that situation you are facing? Yes the mountains may still be there but SEE with the eye of faith that God is at work to bring down the mountains for you. It was after God told Jeremiah that he has seen very well, that He then said “I will hasten My word to perform it”. **Until Jeremiah saw what God was seeing, God did not say “I will hasten My Word to perform it!”** I pray in the Name of Jesus Christ that God will take away every veil blocking your eyes from seeing what God wants you to see!

In closing, I ask once again, in that situation you are facing, what do you see? The truth or the fact?

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

**God's Message To Us On Sunday (7/17/11) – By Precious Igbelina**

**Title: The Unshakeable Kingdom (Annual Children's Week)**

**Text: Hebrews 12:28-29** “Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God *is* a consuming fire”. There are two types of Kingdom – the Unshakeable Kingdom and shakeable kingdom; the Kingdom of Light and the kingdom of darkness; the Kingdom of the God and the Kingdom of the World. The Unshakeable Kingdom is that Kingdom that cannot change, nothing can change it – the weather cannot change it, nor water, not even man can change it. This Unshakeable Kingdom, the Maker and Foundation Layer was not man but God. For this reason the King of this Kingdom is Everlasting, He has all wisdom, He has all power, He is the Great I am, He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords! Examples of shakeable kingdoms are the religion, the tradition, nazism, racism, capitalism, comunism, socialism, the Persian kingdom, the Roman Kingdom – all this kingdom are history today because they were all created by man. From our text (Hebrews 12:28-29), there are 3 important things to note:

## 1. A man must receive this kingdom

How do we receive this Kingdom? We receive this kingdom by accepting Jesus Christ into our lives as our LORD and personal Savior and this is by faith and not by the work of man. God has no grandchildren; you must have the LORD by yourself. You must give your own heart to God, your parents cannot give their own hearts to God for you; you must give your own heart to Him directly through Christ Jesus!

## 2. We must have grace in order to receive this kingdom

What is Grace? Grace is unmerited favor which only comes by our faith in Jesus Christ not by works – Titus 2:11-13 “For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ.” Grace brings us salvation; the purpose of this Grace from this scripture is to teach us to deny ungodliness and worldly lust. Ungodliness means denying or disobeying God.

## 3. We need to fear God in order to enter this kingdom

1 John 2:15-16 “Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that *is* in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.” What is worldly lust? This relates to people who prefer worldly things to God; we need to prefer God to running after worldly things. We should live soberly, we should be careful and watch-over our lives, because we do not know when our lives will end, nobody knows so we should live every second of our lives like it is the last day.

His Only Son died for us so that we should serve the LORD all the days of our lives. We should live righteously and Godly in this present world. If you don't know how to live righteously, recognize that God has already given you the power; He said in Psalms 23:3 that He leads us in the paths of righteousness. 1 Timothy 3:16-17 “And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, Justified in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Preached among the Gentiles, Believed on in the world, Received up in glory.” Whoever enters this kingdom must look for blessed hope which is the return of Jesus Christ. We all need to be ready for Jesus Christ to come.

What will the Unshakeable kingdom do for us? The people in this Unshakeable Kingdom will live a kingdom life and enjoy the kingdom life. For there is no pain, no sorrow, no weeping and no trouble in the unshakeable kingdom. But on earth everyone has experienced pain, sorrow, weeping and trouble – because the kingdom of this earth is shakeable. All the problems the world is passing through (sickness, barrenness, death etc) are not in this unshakeable kingdom. I pray that the King of this Kingdom will shake all shakeables away from our lives in Jesus Name. In this Kingdom, nothing can over-take us because The LORD has put His strength in us and He will use us for signs and wonders. We should endeavor to read the Bible every day because it is the mirror of God, for the Bible is without error and totally trustworthy. Since other kingdoms are shaking, let us not trust in them, because everything on this earth shall collapse one day. Therefore let us not trust in the things of this Kingdom but hold our faith in Christ and obey His Word so that when the trumpet shall sound, we shall be with Him for no sinner shall enter His Kingdom. Let us all live a righteous life – Hebrews 12:14 “Pursue peace with all *people*, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord”. As Children of God, we should obey the Word of God because obedience is better than sacrifice, for Jesus Christ has already sacrificed Himself for us! Nothing can overtake us because God is always there with us. Its all because of Jesus Christ, He is the One that has helped us for without Him we wouldn't be alive here; He has given up His life for us. Nobody asked Him to, but He did it because He loves us and we love Him too. That is why we need to become a member of this Unshakeable Kingdom by giving Him our lives. How do we become a member of this Kingdom, we need to pray and accept Him into our lives for He is standing at the door knocking so that He can come in and dine with us and we with Him. All we have to do is to open up the door and He will come in Jesus Name!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (7/10/11) – By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Text: Amos 3:4** “Will a lion roar in the forest, when he has no prey? Will a young lion cry out of his den, if he has caught nothing?” Lions don't just roar for fun, they roar when they see a prey. The roaring of a lion often melts or invokes fear into its prey. This is not a common month for you; My God will bring certain things your way that will give you an uncommon shout in the Name of Jesus Christ! Whatever you may be going through is not a function of what you will become. Be encouraged because something lies ahead of you this month. Many miss it in life because they cannot persist. Don't give up now, press ahead, move on for your breakthrough is closer than you imagine. Be alert like blind Bartimaeus who knew his time and began to cry to the only One who could save him (Mark 10:47-49). Be as vigilant as the children of Issachar who had understanding of the times – 1 Chronicles 12:32. What the LORD has promised you, He will bring it to pass for His promises are “Ye and Amen”. Understand that there are forces trying to stop you from reaching where God wants to take you to; but the good news is that, God will take care of and destroy every force of hell trying to stop you from reaching your God-ordained purpose.

In life there are times the LORD needs to fire some people from their position in order for you to reach your destiny. From the book of Esther we can see that Vashti had to be fired for Esther to be enthroned; also Haman had to be displaced for Mordecai to be promoted. Pray that God will unsit and fire everything sitting upon your increase!

Brethren you have a mandate to cross-over for The LORD hath commanded it. You are to crossover from Egypt into your Canaan; Egypt is a place of disrespect but Canaan is a place of honor, respect and glory. This is your season! This is the period you need to move! **There is a price to pay for everything, you cannot just sit and say things will come happen to you.** Esther paid the price despite the danger (Esther 4 & 5) in order to launch into her next level of greatness.

In closing, God has already gone ahead of you this month and this year, and nothing absolutely can resist you! You are able to take-over what belongs to you from the enemy. Emulate the two spies who said “we are well able to take the land” – Numbers 13:30! There is a city prepared for you, pray that every illegal occupant be evacuated by the fire of the Holy Ghost!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (7/3/11) – By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Text: Psalm 67:3-7** “Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.”

Thanksgiving expands man's capacity to receive from the LORD; it also makes a man to become great. The only thing that made David great was because he was a worshipper. Praise-worship brought him from the background to the forefront. Thanksgiving makes man to experience the fullness of God. God expands Himself, opens up Himself to you when you give thanks to Him. The LORD said in Exodus 33:19 that He will make His goodness pass before you. Thanksgiving brings His fullness onto you. God is not just gracious to anybody, He wants to be gracious to those that know what His Grace looks like and appreciate His goodness.

An examination of the power of praise could be seen from Joshua 6 - The LORD delivered Jericho into the hands of the Israelites through the instrument of praise. Praise Him for His Goodness, praise Him for what He has done; the business might not be striving but yet still praise Him; things might be tough but yet go ahead and praise Him. Ain't you glad that you are not in the Psychiatric Hospital? Whatever challenges you might be facing, I will encourage you to praise Him because that challenge is to promote you!

## **Holy Communion Service (Pastor Shola) – Experiencing The Power of Resurrection**

We have come to the Holy Communion table this evening to renew our covenant with God. What do we find on the Communion Table? There is healing on this table; abundance is on this table. It is a table to depict the altar of the Blood sacrifice by Christ. Hebrews 13:12 makes us to understand that He was taken outside the camp in order to sanctify us by His Blood. We are useless without the Power of God. The Blood of Jesus Christ has Power; Power to save, Power to deliver, Power to set free, Power to destroy the enemy! Without the Power of God we will be helpless victims of the devil.

When you carry the Power of Resurrection, no evil can succeed against you. The Power of Resurrection is that Power that liberates a man. It is that Power that gives a man increase.

A case study of the Power of Blood could be seen in Exodus 12; God did everything that He could against the Egyptians but it was the last straw of the Blood that destroyed Pharaoh. When the Blood rose up, the enemy gave up and the people of God were liberated. Jesus Christ went into the grave so as to obtain this Power for you. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you - Luke 10:19.

You can live above the power of the enemy. What we couldn't obtain for ourselves, the Power of Resurrection and the Life has obtained them for us. Revelations 1:6 also says that He has made us kings and priests by His Blood.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

## SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

**Title: Will You Also Go Away? - By Pastor Adeola Adenuga**

Text: John 6v66-69. By nature every man and every woman loves to be independent; they love to be on their own. Everyone loves to be self-sufficient. However, in John 15v1-7, the Bible says, "I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. Acts 17v28 says, "For in Him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own prophet have said. For, we are also His offspring.

**Jesus knows your needs because He is the Shepherd and the Bishop of your soul. He is the One Who is able to do all things!** What is that need in your soul? Is it freedom from affliction, trials, death? He is the Alpha and the Omega who said, I have need of you. God often uses certain experiences we go through to draw us closer to Him. God once told our Daddy G.O that He allowed certain things to happen to him so as to use such experiences to draw him closer to Himself. No matter the challenge or circumstance you are going through, God can use it to draw you closer to Him, but will you let Him? Matt 16v26 says, "For what is a man profited, if He shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? From this scripture we can see that there is a need in the soul of every man and God is the only One who can satisfy that need. **There is more to life than what we see here on earth; everything does not end here, there is an eternity my brother, Heaven and hell are real my sister – are you prepared for the second-coming of The LORD?**

Realize that the church is an assembly of believers who are still work- in- progress. You are still a work-in-progress in the Hands of God so don't rebuff His chastisement because it is for your good. May I let you know that God does not operate a "drive-through" system with His Children. He has given us an open invitation, but not a drive through. You have only one life to live, do not waste it for you shall surely give an account to your Maker! Matt 11v28 says, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Mark 9v23 also says, "Jesus said unto him, if thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. You need to carry your cross daily, although, it is painful and not pleasant. Remember the case of Jonah, God sent Him to Nineveh but he headed to Tarshish in disobedience. God is your Lord and Savior. As your Lord, He is the One Who is in charge of your life, not you! He knows the end from the beginning.

Still from our main text (John 6), Jesus knew from the beginning that some people will go away from Him. **He knew some will go away instantaneously like Demas** in 2 Tim 4v10, he loved the world and ended up turning back. We are enjoined in 1 John 2v15-17 that we should not love the world, neither the things of the world. If any man loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world is the lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh and the pride of life. No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the

other. You cannot serve God and mammon (Matt6v24). Demas turned away instantly. Anyone that does that lacks understanding.

**The LORD also knew some others will turn away gradually like Peter** in Matt 26v69-75. Are you refusing to identify with God? He is asking you, “Are you too going away?” He is inviting you to come with your heartaches, disappointments, afflictions etc. There are different kinds of people in the church today. (1) Those that only come to worship, they are not interested in prayers or in the Word. (2) Those who want to identify problems and only talk about it. (3) Those that cause problems for others. (4) Those who really want to work for God, like Caleb, who asked Joshua to give him the mountain at the age of eighty years old.

Do you know why you are here? **In a large house, there are many vessels, some unto honor and some unto dishonor. Which one do you strive to be?** Then purge yourself in order to flow with God’s purpose for your life. By so doing, God will save your soul and keep you in His church until the coming of our Lord in Jesus’ name. Amen. Will you also go away?

Father, help my decision and let nothing snatch me out of you in Jesus’ name. Father, help me to abide to the end in Jesus’ name. Father, by your mercies, let me make it to the end in Jesus’ name. Amen. GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST.



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (June 19, 2011) – By Pastor Paul Akapo*

**Title: “JESUS CONNECTION!”**

Texts: Psalm 118:24 – “**This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.**” From this scripture we can see that it is on ordinary days that extraordinary events take place. You must never underestimate any day. Take each day as one designed for your breakthrough; believe that God brings each day just because of you. The day is not in the hands of any devil but in the Hands of the Almighty God. Realize that everything that is working around you is working to take you from the pit to the palace. Because God is your Father it is your rights to daily expect extra-ordinary events happening to you.

“**Jesus Connection**” is a supernatural connection. It is a connection to your Maker. You are connected to the One Who is “*Omnipotently Present Proficiently*”. When you are connected to Jesus you can never suffer shortage; for He is the inexhaustible fountain of resource. You cannot be connected to Jesus and not shut-down the enemy. Your connection to Jesus is a transformation of the profile of excellence. When Jesus is in you, you carry His profile.

What are the benefits of being connected to Jesus?

1. **If you have Jesus Connection, you have Life.** In him was life; and the life was the light of men. When the life of God enters you, it illuminates and gives you insights, concepts and ideas that will take you to the next level in life. The Life of God (Zoe) puts eternity in you; it also shuts-down darkness in and around you!
2. **It connects you to Shepherding.** He becomes your Shepherd. The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want – Psalm 23:1.
3. **He is your paths of life.** Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fullness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore – Psalm 16:11. God is calling you to higher level of intimacy with Him. Proximity maintains intimacy. Whatever you stay close to is what you become in life; for God is no respecter of persons!
4. **He will be your lifter.** But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head – Psalm 3:3. Every set-back for a child of God is actually a set-up for a come-back. Dare to believe this! If He brought Peter back (John 21:15-17), He will assuredly bring you back too!
5. **He becomes your Propitiation.** He was delivered for your offences, and was raised again for your justification. **What is justification? Justification is the legal document for your redemption. It is the paperwork of your salvation.** The Justice of God cannot be jeopardized because of His Mercy. His law states that “the soul that sinneth shall die” but God because of His mercy does not desire the death of a sinner; hence a substitutionary sacrifice (Christ is our ransom) was needed in order that God could be merciful to a sinner without contravening His justice or law. Christ died for the ungodly; the Just dieing for the unjust that He might bring us to God. **The shed Blood of Jesus has satisfied God and silenced the devil;** there is therefore now no more condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus. The Blood of Christ carries every plasma to take away your sins (past, present and future).
6. **He becomes your Alpha & Omega.** As you remain connected to Jesus, He will start and finish you. Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete *it* until the day of Jesus Christ – Phil 1:6. **Because you are connected to Him, He will take you out of every ditch.**
7. **He is the Remover of burdens.** **Cast your burden on the LORD, and He shall sustain you;** He shall never permit the righteous to be moved. He *was* wounded for your transgressions, *He was* bruised for your iniquities; the chastisement for your peace *was* upon Him,

and by His stripes you are healed. As you stay connected to Him, He will take away every fear from your life.

8. **Victory fruits will be germinating in you life.** For these fruits to germinate in your life the following conditions must be satisfied:
  - a. You must trust Him.
  - b. You must take Him at His Word.
  - c. You must surrender to His Power.
  - d. You must give Him your life.
  - e. You must fellowship with Him.
  - f. You must delight in Him always.
  - g. You must make Heaven your focus.

**In closing, to be without Jesus is hell on earth.** If Jesus is with you, no enemy can harm you. Whoever finds Jesus finds treasure. Jesus connection is Confident connection and Power connection! **The devil is not your problem; your understanding is your problem.** For as a man thinketh in his heart, so he is! Think Jesus and you will become a living proof of Jesus among men.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (June 12, 2011) – By Pastor Niyi Ibrahim*

**Title: TO PLACE A DEMAND FROM THE THRONE OF HEAVEN!**

It's only a fool that doubts proofs. It's not about the auditorium but it's about your life for God has said "I will build my church and the gate of hell shall not prevail against it." You are a church on the go! **Life will not naturally give to you what you deserve; life will give unto you what you demand.** The kingdom of God suffereth violence and the violence taketh it by force. Good health belongs to you, abundant life belongs to you, right-standing with God belongs to you, cancer does not belong to you, evil does not belong to you, for by redemption the price has been fully paid and you have been translated from the kingdom of darkness unto the Kingdom of God's dear Son. I pray that what was not so from the beginning (when God created man), God will separate you from them today in Jesus Name. **As part of your new birth heritage, God has given you a mouth and wisdom that no enemy, no adversary, no sickness can withstand or resist.**

The LORD said in John 15:1 "I am the True Vine and My Father is the Husband Man". **As long as you will remain connected to Him, you will keep collecting from Him.** Brethren, you are who you are because you are tied to Him. For as many as received Him to them He gave power to be called the Sons of God. He is transforming you from glory to glory because you are tied to Him. Stay connected to Him in order to keep collecting from Him. The day you think you are bigger than what you think you are, you dry up! Let this humble you that you are who you are by His Grace. **When you miss His Grace you meet disgrace. Man is nothing minus His Grace.** Remain in His Presence for in His Presence is fullness of joy. **With the Word and the Prayers there is nothing that can stop you. So when you dip into the Word you are talking to Him and He is talking to you.** Line up your will with His will and every line will fall for you in pleasant places. Each time you are coming to church, have a good sense of the value for the virtue that is in the House (don't just come casually) because this is what will add value to your life. Church service are not ceremonies, they are grounds where God makes lives and destinies. God will make you in the Name of Jesus!

2 Thessalonians 1:6 says, "Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulations to them that trouble you." Your God will trouble any one that troubles you because you bear in your body the mark of Christ. Whatever troubles you is a concern to God because you are the apple of His Eyes. Nothing (no evil) is permitted to touch you, for He has said, "touch not my anointed and do my prophets no harm." Just as The LORD made a hedge around Job that the devil could not touch him, there is also a hedge made by God around you so that no devil can touch you.

Until you have rest roundabout, there will be no increase. You cannot be bitter and be better; these two don't come from the same source. And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck and the yoke shall be destroyed because of anointing – Isaiah 10:27. Today, any burden of bitterness, sickness, and affliction will be taken away from your shoulders. Any yoke in your finances, health, marriage, career, shall be taken off your neck in Jesus' name. A yoke on any man is literally saying where you go I will go with you. This is because yokes sit on people's necks, but today every yoke on you shall be destroyed in Jesus' name. Nothing shall waste your resources any more in Jesus' name. Today the Lord is separating you from every yoke. You will no longer labor in vain because the yoke shall be destroyed. You are designed to enjoy the things God has blessed you with.

In closing the LORD is saying to you **"look it is My Word, it is My World, it is My Work, I will make it work!"**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

God's Message To Us On Sunday (June 12th, 2011) – By Pastor Ibrahim Adeniyi

Title: TO PLACE A DEMAND FROM THE THRONE OF HEAVEN.

Text: Matt 11:12 “And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of Heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.” The LORD will build His church and the gate of hell shall not prevail against it. **You are the Church on the go.** You need to place a demand from the Throne of Heaven. It is what you demand that will be given to you because there is something that belongs to you. Lord, I am here to demand for what belongs to me, good life, right standing with God, etc. That is the reason why I am here. Cancer, sickness, sorrow do not belong to me. Whatever is not for you, God will not give it to you in Jesus' name. Lord, cause me to collect from you in Jesus' name. What am I here to collect? It is the abundance which is in the fullness of God. John 15:1 says, “I am the true vine, and my Father is the husband man.” Every branch in me must bear fruits because I am tied to Him. As long as you receive Him, you will move from glory to glory in Jesus' name. Therefore, keep connecting to Him. But let it humble you that you are what you are by His grace. The Bible says, “In the presence of God there is fullness of joy.” God will take you to His fullness in Jesus' name. **Lord, I connect to grace, power, joy, glory, honor, lifting up in Jesus' name.** Let your word and prayer line up with His will. Lines will fall for you in pleasant places. The woman with the issue of blood collected something by touching. She said if I can touch the hem of His garment, it is done. You will not labor in vain in Jesus' name. When you are in church, you are in touch. The Church of Christ is a place where to lives and destinies are supernaturally turned around.

2 Thessalonians 1:6 says, “Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulations to them that trouble you.” Whatever troubles you is a concern to God, for He said “touch not my anointed and do my prophet on harm.” The Word of the Lord will make you better in Jesus' name. There is hope for you. You cannot get better and be bitter. Jesus will address your situation and arrest it in Jesus' name. The Lord is on our side roundabout. Isa 10v27 says, “And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck and the yoke shall be destroyed because of anointing.” Burdens of bitterness, sickness, affliction etc are taken away off your shoulders. Yokes of finances, health, marriage, career, shall be taken off your neck in Jesus' name. The yoke says where you go I will go with you. Yokes sit on people's necks, but today the yokes shall be destroyed in Jesus' name. Nothing shall waste your resources any more in Jesus' name. To be on your neck means I am on you, today the Lord is separating you from it. You will no longer labor in vain because the yoke shall be destroyed. There shall be total separation between light and darkness, joy and sorrow in Jesus' name. Obad.17 says, “But upon Mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.” There shall be deliverance in Jesus' name. Hab.1v5 says, “.....for I will work a work in your days, which ye will not believe, though it will be told you.” God says I will make it work. Every yoke on my family, Lord destroy in the name of Jesus. Mtt.11v25 says, “.....because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.” This is the mystery of vengeance that will deliver the oil of gladness and deliverance unto his people. Dt29v29 says, “ The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.” Lord, let the revelation remain forever in Jesus' name. God of vengeance show yourself strong in our families, marriages, businesses, the work of our hands and ministries in Jesus' name. What has gone there will be no return, the yoke and the yoker (the devil) we shall see them no more.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**  
**HELL IS REAL, TURN TO THE LORD AND BE YE SAVED!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (June 5, 2011) – By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: WAYS TO DEVELOP ATTITUDE OF THANKSGIVING!**

Text: 1 Thessalonians 5:18 “In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.” God does not want His children to be sad; His will for us in Christ Jesus is to rejoice evermore. Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. In the Eden, there was no room for sadness, as Eden means “The Presence of God”; and in the presence of God there is fullness of joy and pleasure for evermore. The purpose of man’s creation is to enjoy the presence of God.

God loves praise. And they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, LORD God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. And when those beasts give glory and honor and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever. The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, **Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created – Rev.4:8-11.** He is worthy to receive all the glory in any circumstance you are going through.

## **How Then Do I Develop An Attitude Of Thanksgiving?**

- (1) **Recognize that you are what you are by the Grace of God.** Whatever you are today, it is all by His Grace. “For who maketh thee to differ from another? And what hast thou that thou didst not receive? Now if thou didst receive it, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received it?” 1 Corinthians 4:7. God is the One Who gives you the power to get wealth. He deserves all the praise. Some don’t see any reason to acknowledge God for anything in their lives; I wish they could ask Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 4:30-34) if it’s worth acknowledging God? **Not until you praise Him, you will remain grounded in life.** Acknowledge Him as The LORD of lords and The King of kings. Isaiah 55:10 makes us to understand that if there is food upon our table, it is because God brought the rain at the right time so as to ensure there is food for us. He is not only our provider, He is also our Physician (Jeremiah 8:22). **Bless Him for that condition you are in right now and watch how His mighty Hand will deliver you.** Every beast of the forest belongs to Him; the silver and gold are His. The earth is the LORD's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. Each time you praise Him, no problem can stand before you. If you will rather praise Him than complain, you will see mountains skipping like rams and seas fleeing before you (Psalm 114). Recognize the fact that you are not your own, we are the sheep of His pasture. The LORD is your Shepherd. He makes you to lie down in green pastures; He leads you beside the still waters.
- (2) **Stop Complaining** – I complained, and my spirit was overwhelmed - Psalm 77:3b. Complaining is never the solution to any problem, rather it aggravates situations. Complaining is focusing on those things not working; Praising is focusing on what God is doing. You have a choice of which to focus on! **The symptoms of complain: (a) Grumbling** – don’t be like the children of Israel who kept complaining (Numbers 11) despite all the LORD was doing for them. Its not a time to complain but a time to focus on what God has done. **(b) When you are not content with what God has given you.** Never overlook those things God has done; don’t focus on what He is yet to do but rather look at the things He has done and give Him praise for it!

In closing, the Psalmist said “Let the saints be joyful in glory; Let them sing aloud on their beds. Let the high praises of God *be* in their mouth, And a two-edged sword in their hand, To execute vengeance on the nations, And punishments on the peoples; To bind their kings with chains, And their nobles with fetters of iron; To execute on them the written judgment— This honor have all His saints.” – Psalm 149:5-7. Praise Thy LORD!

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (May 29, 2011) – By Pastor Tella Quadry*

**Title: I HAVE HOPE IN GOD!**

Text: Lamentation 3:19-21 “Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall. My soul hath them still in remembrance, and is humbled in me. **This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.**” Realize that you always have hope whether you are in a comfortable situation or in a terrible situation. As a child of God you need to always remember that God is a Good God; He is for you and never against you. From our text above, we can see that when Jeremiah was downcast, his soul was cast down but rather than allow the situation to drag him down, he focused his energy on God and thus said **“I have hope in God”**. There is hope for you my brother; there is hope for you my sister, Christ is the platform for your hope in God. **Christ is the hope of the hopeless.** Putting your hope in man or on any other thing aside God, is just calamity waiting to happen! He is The LORD Our God; there is no help elsewhere. Great is His faithfulness to you and me everyday. For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the LORD.

Brethren, the Almighty can do all things. He is the One that can create something out of nothing. How He will do it is not your business, all He needs is your faith! He said situation will change in Samaria in 24 hours (2 Kings 7); those that doubted never lived to witness the miracle. **How God will change your situation is not for you to figure out, He is God and there is none like Him!** He used the 4 lepers to rescue Samaria in 2 Kings 7; He used the hem of His garment to heal the woman with the issue of Blood (Matt. 9:20-22); He used the spoken Word to heal a lot of sick people; He used ravens to feed His servant Elijah (1 Kings 17); He used money in the mouth of a fish to pay taxes (Matthew 17:27); what then is your situation to Him? God can use anything to carry out His work in your life; don't limit Him by what you see happening around you. He might not use the same method to carryout the same miracle. The reason God does things differently is because we are not on the same frequency wave length with Him; He is Omnipotent, He can use any means to do what He wants to do. Most of the time, He could decide to use a means totally unknown to you. **Only your perception limits God!** Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward (Hebrews 10:35).

God can use anything to help you. I pray that wherever your divine helpers are, because of the power of God, God will begin to stir them to locate you and bless you. Doubting the integrity and ability of God causes Him pain. When He says He will do something, count it done. Do you know God would have settled how He would do a thing before He begins? **Nothing catches Him by surprise, for all things are naked before Him!**

In closing, I charge you to believe Him, for He will surely make a way where there seems to be no way. **Look unto Me and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth, for I am God and there is none else!** Stop figuring how God will do it; if He needs help, you are most unqualified to help Him!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU! HELL IS REAL, TURN TO THE LORD AND BE YE SAVED!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (May 22, 2011) – By Pastor (Mrs.) Ilori*

## **Title: COME & DRINK!**

Text: John 7:37 “On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink”. From our text, the phrase “Come and drink” could be seen as an invitation by the Most High to whosoever. An invitation is an act of calling a group of people to join you for a purpose. The LORD made this invitation on the last day of the great feast, but why would He make such invitation of “Come & Drink” after a feast? The LORD knows that despite the feast, there could be some people who are still thirsty and thus want more. Jesus cried and shouted, sort of exclaiming; “Are you okay with this earthly food? Do you still need something more than the food at the feast?” If any man thirsts, let such come to Me! It’s a very personal invitation. How would you treat this invitation? You can either honor it or dishonor it. To honor is to be a believer, to dishonor is to remain a sinner. “Come to Me and Drink” is an invitation with two stages. Firstly, the “COME” stage refers to those who will “come” but will not participate (on-lookers in the church). Secondly, the “DRINK” stage refers to those who will come with a mission to “drink” and be filled so as not to be thirsty. Today many are still living in a spiritual and physical dry land. No wonder The LORD is now sending an invitation to “Come & Drink”. You don’t need to buy it, just come and believe on Him; would you dare to honor this invitation? Still from our text (John 7:37-38), The LORD saw that this people need more than food and raiment. They need Eternal Life; they need the Power of The Holy Ghost. If you are not filled with the Power of The Holy Ghost, you are gone! In these perilous times you and I need the power of the Holy Ghost so as to cut-off the head of the monster. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water. Rivers cannot flow until you have settled the issue of unbelief. You must believe in your heart that something great, something spectacular is about to happen after you’ve drank this water. Your position in Christ makes you higher than any president. Because you are a child of God, you have the power to lay hands on the sick and they will be delivered. Don’t waste the resources of Jesus inside you. What happens when you’ve accepted this invitation and drank? Firstly, you will become very powerful and influential just because you believed. Secondly, The Holy Spirit will come and flow in your heart - Ephesians 1:13, Acts 1:8, Acts 2:4. What will be the effects of The Holy Spirit in your life?

- a. You will do what others cannot do.
- b. Joy will just fill your heart.
- c. You will be ever rejoicing that something great is about to happen.
- d. You will be empowered.
- e. You will be speaking in new Tongues. What makes Tongues unique? It is unique because the devil had been sent packing from Heaven before God created Tongues (Halleluyah)! Devil is always dumbfounded when you speak in Tongues.
- f. You will be bold in the face of stiff opposition – Acts 4:1-13.
- g. You begin to do great exploits for God. You will no longer be a weakling; you will be strong in the Spirit and be empowered to do great and mighty exploits for God.
- h. You will be a witness for The LORD – Acts 2:47

In conclusion, in this invitation to “Come & Drink”, which of these 4 categories of guest do you belong to?

1. Those who heard but did not come?
2. Those who heard, came and did nothing (didn’t drink)? – Matthew 13:19
3. Those who heard, came, and just drank? – Matthew 13:20-21
4. Those who heard, came, drank and believed? May I let you know that this last category is the people Jesus is waiting for – Matthew 13:23. Jesus is looking for believers, not doubters!

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (May 15, 2011) – By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**TITLE: This Is Your Day!**

And Jesus said unto him, this day is salvation come to this house, forasmuch as he also is a son of Abraham - Luke 19:9. You are a container of God; A vessel of The Most High. Whenever the LORD begins a work, He never abandons it; He ensures He carries it through to completion. When God starts a project with you He will never leave you. How do I know this? Because at creation He did not abandon His project; He saw it through to completion.

**You have a choice as a human being to determine what your day will look like.** Blind Bartimaeus woke up one day not knowing what the day holds for him, but when he heard that Jesus Christ will be passing-by, he resolved that this must be his day of deliverance. He could have shrugged aside the information of Jesus passing-by but he determined to do something about it. **Despite the mockery of the people, he kept his focus on getting the attention of Jesus, he cried to the LORD, “Jesus, thou Son of David have mercy on me” (Mark 10:47),** as the people’s mockery increased he intensified his cry to the LORD; The LORD stood still and told him to be of good cheer. He was eventually healed. People may have been mocking you that your situation is hopeless, that there is no help for you, I have good news for you today, **never mind what they say for as long as God is still on the Throne, He will help you.** He never abandons His project. In actual fact, when people say it is all-over for you, that’s when God rises up for you. For the Psalmist said “Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favor her, yea, the set time, is come” - Psalm 102:13.

From Mark 3:1-5 – we can see the story of the man with the withered hand. The LORD healed him by telling him to stretch forth his hand; sort of making a public display of his withered hand in order that He may bring out His glory from a seeming ugly situation. When the Glory of God comes upon your life, you will be transformed and will never remain the same again. The LORD is asking you this morning, what do you want me to do for you? Or are you without a need? Reveal your weakness to Him, reveal everything that you know is “withered” or a “withered situation” in your life to Him, He is here to meet your needs.

**What can cause a withered situation in someone’s life?**

1. **SIN:** sin can disable any man’s life, marriage, business etc. Sin can disconnect or disable you from your source. Sin leads to sicknesses, defeat etc. From John 5:1-14, we can see how the LORD healed an impotent man and warned him not to sin again else a worse thing comes upon him.
2. **DISOBEDIENCE TO THE WORD OF GOD:** disobedience to the Word of The Living God can also make someone experience a withered hand or situation. For example, if you do not want to experience a withered purse/finance, the Word of God enjoins you to pay your tithe (Malachi 3:10), you may disdain it and face the impending consequence of a withered financial life. And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God – Deut. 28:1-2.

In conclusion, God is not tired of Blessing you, but our problem is making a resolution to serving Him. **This is you day!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (May 8, 2011) – By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY!**

It is with great pleasure and joy that we celebrate this year's Mothers' Day. I will like to use this opportunity to tell our mothers how special they are to us – **“You are the best God has ever made”**. For 5 Days, God created everything and said it was good, but He still saw that it was not good for man to be alone, hence He created a woman. He created the woman to be a help-mate for the man. A help-mate meaning someone to walk side by side with him; she was created neither to be a doormat nor a punching bag for the man. God created a woman to beautify and add color to a man's life. Without a woman a man is not complete, and outside her, the man will be rubbish.

You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden (Matthew 5:13-14). In the sight of God, men and women are the same. Just as He can use a man, He can also use a woman; both are equally important to Him. God created a woman to fulfill a portion in His creation. According to the sage Pa Awolowo in describing his wife (Hannah Idowu Awolowo) **“You are a Precious Jewel of Inestimable Value”**. **Women, let this sink into you, “You are Jewels of Inestimable Value”**. You are so precious that there is nothing comparable to you. No one can place a price on a virtuous woman; her value is much more than rubies. God help us (as men) to better appreciate our women.

God's original plan and purpose is to make women our companion. He knew there will be a point in a man's life where he might be weak and discouraged; hence He created a woman to be a help-mate. We need to greatly esteem our women; as men we should cherish and nourish them as enjoined by us in Ephesians 5:28-29 **“So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church.”**

### **What does it take to be a Godly Woman?**

1. **RAISE GOD-FEARING CHILDREN.** As a woman you must raise your children in the fear of The LORD. It is your duty to ensure that the fear of The LORD is brought back into the system. Teach your children to fear The LORD because this leads to life and prolongs their days (see Proverbs 19:23 and Proverbs 10:27).
2. **PRAY:** one of your core tasks as a woman is to “PRAY”. Emulate virtuous women like Hannah who prayed and the prophet of God thought she was drunk. She prayed pouring her heart out to God. Also follow the praying footsteps of Our LORD Jesus Christ. It takes prayer to sustain the Blessing of our children. Your prayers watch-over them wherever they go! **You must be a praying woman; this is neither optional nor debatable!**

Once again, I say Happy Mothers' Day to all our women, may the LORD continue to bless and increase you in Jesus Name!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (May 1, 2011) – By Pastor Benjamin Ajayeoba*

**Title: “BACK TO BETHEL”**

Text: Genesis 35:1-7. An altar is a consecrated place of worship to God. An altar is also a place of seeking the Face of God. From scriptures it can be noted that erecting an altar was a common practice by the patriarchs – Abraham built an altar in Genesis 22:9, Isaac built an altar in Genesis 26:25, Jacob built an altar in Genesis 35:7, Moses also built an altar in Exodus 17:15. The altar built by Jacob in Gen. 35 was called **El-Bethel - meaning “where God appeared to me when I was in trouble”**. El-Bethel is also referred to as an altar of Thanksgiving. We have Holy altars and unholy altars.

There are different types of unholy altars:

- a) The altar of evil gathering – Isaiah 54:15
- b) The altar of sacrifice – a place where the occultists offer the blood of animals and humans in order to perpetuate evil.
- c) The altar of evil summons – a place where the spirits of people are summoned for evil.
- d) The altar of images - an evil platform where pictures or photographs or images to represent people are erected in order to perform evil acts.
- e) The altar of curses – a place where the wicked utter curses over the destiny of a person or people. Balak hired Balaam in Numbers 23 to pronounce curses on the Israelites but God turned his utterance into a blessing for the Israelites.
- f) The altar of strange fire – Leviticus 10:1-2.

The altar of God supersedes any evil altar. A case study of this is the humiliation of the 450 worshippers of Baal in 1 Kings 18. **Our LORD Jesus Christ shed and offered His Blood on the altar of the Cross of Calvary so that no evil altar will be able to succeed against you.** As children of God our own Holy altar is the place of worship unto the Living God. Where is this place you may ask? It is your “Heart”! **Your heart is the altar of the Living God;** here is where God wants to commune with you. Never allow any bitterness or anger or any other vice to be found in your heart, for the altar of The LORD must be kept Holy. I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, **but be transformed by the renewing of your mind**, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God - Romans 12:1-2.

What are the requisites for the Holy Altar of God?

1. The altar of God must be kept Holy in order to counter any evil altar.
2. The altar of God must be repaired from time to time. This involves repentance and restitution.
3. The altar of God must be used to pull down the enemy's altar. “Casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ” – 2 Corinthians 10:5.
4. The altar of God must be used to worship God alone – a consecrated place of worship (Psalm 22:3).
5. The altar of God must be kept burning / always on fire. **A prayerless Christian is sitting on spiritual gunpowder waiting to be shattered very soon!**
6. The altar of God must never be empty. It must carry something of value.

In closing I pray that the Grace of God will make you to stand where others are falling; I pray that Grace will make you to be outstanding where others are standing; I also pray in the Name of Jesus Christ that that Grace of God will make you to stand-out where others are outstanding!

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (April 24, 2011) – By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: “HE IS RISEN”**

Text: Matthew 28:5-6 But the angel answered and said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.” Jesus could not be kept among the dead. There are some positions you cannot be because Jesus can not be there. **He is not there, He is Risen ... that is the message of the resurrection for the living, without that singular announcement we cannot be alive.** If the devil and his cohorts had known they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But thank God this mystery was hidden from them as by His crucifixion and resurrection the grave has now been defeated; death has now been swallowed up and disgraced. *So Death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory?* His death is actually for you as Ephesians 4:8 puts it “*when He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men*”. He had to die before He went up and everything that the grave put behind the door He went into the grave and fought every hindrance in order to obtain gifts for you. He not only gave gifts to us but He also transferred all the powers back to us. He restored back your marriage through His Cross. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. **Supposing He did not rise, our faith would have been in vain.** Today we preach the Risen/Resurrected Christ; **Christ is the center and reference point of our message. He only is our message and theme.**

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a Name which is above every name: That at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Diseases fizzle out at the mention of the Name of Jesus. Today Christ is our Living faith and Living hope. We have a better hope than any other religion. Mohammed, Buddha, Echankar, Sango are no god, they are all dead religions.

Were it not for Him we would still have been in our sin; were it not for His sacrifice we would still have been in our reprobate mind. Today we give praise to God that we know Him and have the Eternal Life of God through Him. We also glory that we can do all things through Christ that strengthens us. Because He lives, you & I can face tomorrow, because He lives all fear is gone from us.

**Brethren Christ is risen, He has brought back Life to your life;** Life to your marriage, Life to your health for Romans 8:11 makes us to understand that if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

In conclusion, I pray that The LORD will introduce Himself to you as the One that lives forevermore. **He now has the keys of hell and of death** (this should be your confidence for “no anyhow death” can kill you). He’s got the keys in His Hand! We are serving a Living God. He is no longer in the grave, He is risen just for your sake to defeat and put the devil under your feet. You are now more than a conqueror through Him that loves you. Nothing can hold you down any longer except ignorance!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (April 17, 2011) - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: "MAKING YOUR EXISTENCE COUNT"**

Text: 1 Peter 5:2 "Care for the flock that God has entrusted to you. Watch over it willingly, not grudgingly—not for what you will get out of it, but because you are eager to serve God" (NLT version). There is a place for you in the House of God. God has handed over certain things to you; watch-over it not grudgingly. You must know why you are here. **When you know your purpose, you will be able to set your priorities and also follow those priorities through.** A Man's life consists of 3 parts – the past, the present and the future:

#1 Your Past: You cannot do anything about it except to apply the Blood of Jesus to cleanse all your past mistakes. God is a redeemer of time. No matter your past mistakes, God can restore all the years the locust has eaten.

#2 Your Present: You can certainly do something about today. Some started very well but along the line they deviated, while others started poorly but ended very well. Ephesians 5:16 tells us to redeem the time, because the days are evil.

#3 Your Future: The choices you make today will ultimately set a tone for your tomorrow. Your future is in the Hands of God and not in the hands of any man. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope – Jeremiah 29:11.

Psalm 92:12-13 - The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those who are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God. **The Word of God compares you to a palm tree.** There is no useless area in a palm tree (it can be used for making brooms, palm oil etc). God has planted you here to grow, to multiply, and to flourish. You are to fulfill the agenda of God here. It's a good thing to be planted in the House of God for growth/flourishing is guaranteed. Age is never a barrier to flourishing in the House of God; Caleb, Joshua and Moses are few examples of men who did not allow age to hinder them from fulfilling God's agenda.

As today is our Elder's Day, I pray Elders will never cease in our land. There is a need of Elders in the Church of God. In Acts 14: 21-23, we see Paul handing over the Church to the Elders. Also in 1 Peter 5:1-4, God enjoined the Elders to feed the flock. Elders I beseech you not to stop to teach, the church needs you to spend time in prayers and fasting, just like Anna was doing in Luke 2:36-37. The church is in dire need of Elders who can share the Word and teach sound doctrines. For the younger ones, I will admonish you from 1 Peter 5:5a - Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to *your* elders. **I pray you grow daily in your innerman – your innerman needs to be renewed daily with the Word of God.**

I will conclude with Apostle Paul's statement in Philippians 3:12-14 – "Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (April 10, 2011) - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

Text: Amos 3:3 "Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" Before you can walk before God, there must be an agreement between the two of you. God is the Holy and True God. He is the God Who has the key of David, He opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens. He has the key to your success in His Hands.

The first character of God is that He is Holy. For you to walk in agreement with Him you too must be Holy. But you may ask is it possible for any man to walk before God blameless? Enoch walked before God and was blameless; Hezekiah despite the death sentence prayed to God that he had walked before Him in truth and with a perfect heart; Zacharias and Elizabeth were attested to have walked before God and were blameless as well. By His Grace you too will begin to walk before God blameless. God wants to walk with you on any issue you are going through because He knows it is too burdensome for you. The load of life is too heavy to carry by yourself, that is why Christ says **come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest** - Matthew 11:28. Christ is saying to you this morning, I want you to walk with me, and learn of me for I am meek and lowly in heart, be My partner and you will find rest for your soul. When you partner with God everything that was hard becomes easy. When the supernatural comes upon the natural, that person can never remain the same. When you partner with God, you are no longer alone. As you walk with The LORD this year, no lion of this world can challenge you; in actual fact the lions of this life will automatically become meat for you! Could your suffering be as a result of leaving God outside? When you are in agreement with God the issues of life are never issues for you. When the Hand of God came upon Elijah, he outran the chariot of Ahab (1 Kings 18). When God is with you, you can outrun any chariot of life because you will no longer be operating on your own power and strength. **When the supernatural comes upon the natural they perform the impossible. For with God nothing shall be impossible. With the power of God on your side, nothing becomes difficult or impossible for you. All you need is to partner with God, and at your beckon, everything comes to you.** It is not your labor or struggle that guarantees the blessing, it is your coming to Him Who has promised to give you rest. It is the Blessing of the LORD that maketh rich and added no sorrow. As long as you partner with Him, blessing is guaranteed. Would you accept the call of God this morning? Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

In closing I will encourage you to go into the board meeting with God, be in partnership with Him for He cannot forget you. He will never leave you in that sorrow or poverty, because you are His Child of Covenant.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (April 3, 2011) - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: "PRAISE AS WEAPON OF WARFARE!"**

Text: Psalm 47: 6-7 - "Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding. For Our God is the King of the earth, He deserves to be praised. Sing ye praises with understanding. You must know what you are doing for praises to work, it is not just doing it but doing it with understanding. Some see praise & worship as a "warming-up" exercise for the congregation (God will forgive them!), some others see it as something to just do in order to wait for late comers – what a tragedy that eyes are yet to be fully opened to the mystery of praise & worship! Praise is a powerful tool in your hand when you do with understanding. It is a strong weapon in your hand to put the enemy at bay. In Joshua 6:20, we can see how God told the Israelites to just praise Him and then watch the wall of Jericho crumble before their eyes. The Israelites shouted and the walls of Jericho fell flat – flat meaning no more obstacles before them. What is the lesson point here? As you engage the weaponry of praise this month, you too will see all the walls of Jericho in your life falling flat and crumbling before your very eyes. Psalm 114 also gives us the assurance that as we praise Him, mountains will begin to skip like rams before us. There is a city for you to conquer; a city for you to enter, but you need to engage the weaponry of praise to make those walls of Jericho fall flat before you. God inhabits in the praises of His people. Whatever bows to God must bow to praise. Don't forget that it was the weaponry of praise that secured victory for Judah against their enemies (2 Chronicles 20). You might not have the strength to deal with any situation, but O child of God, run to the Almighty, run to the One that is stronger than your problem. For He said, "Look Unto Me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth, for I am God and there is none else" (Isaiah 45:22). Exult in your Maker like the Israelites did in the time of old, when they said to Him - "Are thou not the God that made a way for your ransomed ones in the red sea? Are thou not the God that fed our ancestors in the wilderness for 40 years?" They continued to exalt God and He took over their battle. Look at your problem and begin to elevate your God. You will never be strong enough in your own abilities to handle the battles of life, if you are wise enough you will turn your battle unto God through praise. Turn your battle to the one that has all power; turn your battle to the Man of war; turn your battle to JEHOVAH EL-SHADDAI! If you will not praise Him for anything, praise Him for the fact that He holds the invisible pillars that hold the heavens, praise Him for the work of His Fingers. Ain't you glad that He is ever mindful of you? Or what have you done by yourself to merit being in the heart of God? Every moment He thinks of you, wherever you go He is next to you! He is there when you are eating; He is there when you are driving, He is there with you everywhere! For He said, Lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world. AMEN!

*Holy Communion Service - By Pastor Shola Awobajo (April 3, 2011)*

The food you are about to eat tonight is an energizing food. When God gave them Holy Communion they had strength to go through the wilderness. Therefore, believe that your miracles are as closer as you can imagine. As you go this month, the sea shall see you and flee; every Jordan shall be driven back, and the mountains shall skip like rams before you – all because you carry His Presence. What is in this Meal? It is a Meal that opens the doors of breakthrough. It is a Meal that will cause your eyes to be opened to see opportunities around you. Your eyes shall open as from now on and God will settle you financially, materially, spiritually and physically. As you partake of this meal, God will begin to give you direction as what to do in the name of Jesus Christ. By your eating this Meal doors to divine connection will begin to open to you. It is also a Meal of securing the favor of God - in Exodus 3:21, the Bible says, "And I will give these people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, and it shall come to

pass that when ye go, ye shall not go empty". It is also a Meal that will make God to reveal and deliver your destiny into your hands. As you partake of this Meal, chains of the enemy will be broken and you will be moving out into your victory in Jesus Name. Also the unseen Hands of God shall move you forward in Jesus' name.

All the gifting of man will make a way for him. In Luke 24:13-16, two of the disciples of Jesus were going to the village of Emmaus when Jesus came in their midst and they couldn't recognize Him until after they had the Holy Communion Meal with the Master. From Luke 24: 32 – we can see how they perceived in their heart but their visions were blocked. Tonight, whatever is blocking your vision; God will remove it in Jesus' name.

I will close with Apostle Paul's prayer in Ephesians 1:17-18 – "That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of His calling, and what the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints". I also pray that you will carry God's presence all the days of your life in Jesus' name. AMEN!

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (March 27, 2011) - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: "DOOR TO TOTAL RECOVERY!"**

Text: Revelations 3:7 - "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, 'These things says He who is Holy, He Who is True, "*He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens*". Genesis 17:1 – The One that says walk before me, He is One that has the key to your Breakthrough. He has the key to your marriage, your breakthrough, your fruitfulness, and your children. **Don't do it by yourself! I repeat, don't fix it by yourself; He has the key in His Hand.** He wants you to have a relationship with Him. He wants to dine and sup with you. From Revelations 3:7, we can see that The One that says walk before me is the Holy God. That's One of His attributes; He wants you also to be Holy as He is. He is a Perfect God. He is a Sinless One. He is of purer eyes than to behold evil, and cannot look on wickedness (Habakkuk 1:13). As you stay in His presence you will be straightened. He is a reliable God with integrity, indeed He is a True God! If you keep all His laws (Deuteronomy 28:1-2) you will become a blessing. From Numbers 23:19, we can also see that He is not a man, that He should lie, nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good? He has the key of David in His Hand. He is the One that opens and no one can shut. He has the key to your Kingdom Blessing. But why would He do that? Revelations 3:8 gives us the answer, He said "for I know thy works". He knows you. God helped Abraham because He was feeble; God knew he needed help because he is a human being. God knows you! He knows you have little strength, that's why He doesn't want you to do it by yourself. For by strength shall no man prevail! From Revelations 3:8, we can also see three reasons why He has offered to come to your aid.

**#1 – Your Little Strength:** He knows you have little strength and thus needs His help. He knows you cannot make it by your strength else you will fall and crumble. God carries you literally. Your strength will not carry you to the door of your breakthrough. It's a position of total dependency before God.

**#2 – You kept My Word:** When you keep His Word, He will establish your goals, He will enlarge your steps. Also He will ensure your little effort will begin to amount to giant steps. The LORD will set you on high above all nations of the earth if you continue to hearken and keep His Word. I admonish you to continue to depend on His Word, not wavering from it regardless of the circumstance.

**#3 – You have not denied My Name:** Because you know and have not denied His Name He will keep you. As Apostle Paul said in 2 Timothy 1:12 "For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day". Do you know and understand the One that says walk before Me?

In the journey of life, if you don't know who you believe in, you will be running helter-skelter. Know that as you commit your future into the Mighty Hands of God, you will definitely make it. He will also make *those* of the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews and are not, but lie—indeed He will make them come and worship before your feet, and to know that He has loved you (Revelations 3:9). If God is your portion, no enemy can see your back and you will be able to say like David said "For who *is* God, except the LORD? And who *is* a rock, except our God? God *is* my strength *and* power, And He makes my way perfect. He makes my feet like the *feet* of deer, and sets me on my high places. He teaches my hands to make war, so that my arms can bend a bow of bronze. You have also given me the shield of Your salvation; Your gentleness has made me great (2 Samuel 22: 32-36). Yes, His



gentleness has made you great; not that you are perfect but His gentleness has made you great. It may take others 10 years but you will get there in a day because He has enlarged your steps. **The journey of life is slippery but because He is with you, He will keep your feet from slipping.**

In conclusion, I pray the LORD will humble all your enemies; I pray He will also keep you from the hour of temptation. I also pray He will make sure His sun rise upon your life. Always remember that a covenant child cannot be forsaken! God remembered Hannah, He also remembered Noah; He will not forget you in your situation. You are going to make it to the end in Jesus Name.

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (March 20, 2011) - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: "WALK BEFORE ME!"**

Text: Genesis 17:1 - When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, **"I am Almighty God; walk before Me and be blameless.** Many times we all need God to reintroduce Himself to us, this is largely due to the many circumstances we go through in life. ALMIGHTY means All-Sufficient God. There is nothing you need in a God that He doesn't have! It does not take God long for Him to take you where He wants to take you. Whatever challenge you are going through in your Canaan-land, know that God is with you. From Genesis 12, we can see how during a famine in Canaan-land, Abraham made some mistakes in his walk with God; mistake #1 - he decided to go down to Egypt; mistake #2 - he took a maid in Egypt; and mistake #3 - he took Lot along with him. After all his mistakes, God in Genesis 17 re-appeared and re-introduced Himself to Abraham as **"The Almighty GOD!"** He then told him to walk before Him and be thou blameless. Who is this God saying **"walk before me?"** He is the Alpha and the Omega! He is the Beginning and the End! Besides Him there is no other God! He is in every situation of your life. In as much as you let Him walk with you, the journey of life will be smooth. The journey of life is full of pot-holes, but as long as God is with you (through Christ Jesus), victory is assured. He said in Revelations 3:20 **"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me."** He Himself desires to get into your life, but would you let Him? Why does Christ want to be involved in your life? It is because He Himself has already overcome the world and now desires to make you an overcomer like Him. If you can only secure His presence like Moses did in Exodus 33:14, you will be more than a conqueror in all situations of life. There are two things you need to know before you can be successful in the journey of life.

**#1 – You need to know where you are going.** Do you have a vision from God? Are you going to your Canaan-land or going down to the land of destruction?

**#2 - You need to know the One that is leading you.** You may not know all the routes involved getting to the destination but endeavor to put your faith in the **"True GPS of Life"** (Christ Jesus). Know that you have a glorious destiny in Christ, let Him lead you, He is the only One that knows the way for He is the Way (John 14:6a)! Put your faith into the Hands of Jesus Christ and you will be able to say (like Apostle Paul) **"I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day"** – 2 Timothy 1:12. He knows your tomorrow; your tomorrow is in His Hand (not in the hands of any man). If you don't stay where God's eye will see you, you will run dry. Be like Elijah (1 Kings 17:1-4) who kept going and following every of God's (seemingly foolish) directions and instructions. First he was directed to the Brook Cherith where ravens were commanded to bring **"burger"** (bread & meat) to him for breakfast and dinner; later he was commanded to go to the widow of Zarephath for his next level of divine provision and finally he was instructed to appear before King Ahab. What lesson can we learn from this? Your rain will fall in as much as you stay in His presence. As long as you keep following His leadings and directions you will get to where you are going. He is more than any GPS in this world and has purposed to guide you continually.

In conclusion, I will encourage you to hearken unto His Voice (according to Deut. 28:1-2) so that His Blessings will overtake you. **Where you are going is not far, you just continue to stay with Him, hear His Voice and walk before Him!** The LORD will help you in Jesus Name! AMEN!

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (March 13, 2011) - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: "A NEW & BETTER COVENANT!"**

Text: Lamentation 3:25 - The LORD *is* good to those who wait for Him, to the soul *who* seeks Him. God has a waiting list, it is a list of things He has promised to do in your life. The list contains the expectations of God for your life and absolutely nothing can remove it from your life. As God remembered Noah in Genesis 8:1, He will also remember you for good. Under covenant you are always remembered. There is no way you can be forgotten in a covenant; your memorial is always before Him – He has you graven upon the Palms of His Hands. Why would God remember you in a covenant? Revelations 5:9 gives us the answer “And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: **for thou were slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy Blood** out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation”. Under Covenant, you are always remembered **because Christ died for you**. He paid an infinite price for your redemption. If you are under a covenant with God (through Christ Jesus) barrenness should not be your portion; sickness should be far away from you; you are immuned to every atrocity of the devil and whatever looks impossible becomes possible. As a covenant child of God through Christ Jesus, you can tread over any ground, or circumstance and the Blood of Jesus Christ overcomes for you. In the Kingdom of God you bagged your first degree when you got saved – B.A (Born Again), but don't just stop there, proceed to bag your M.SC (Master of Situations & Circumstances); at this level you are equipped to take charge of situations around you, nothing scares you because you are under a covenant. What then is a Covenant? A Covenant is a very strong agreement a man can have with The Almighty God. It's a statement between two parties. The Christian covenant started between two parties (God and Abraham) – Genesis 17: 1-4. Sometimes it is backed up with an oath and secured with a token. When God makes a covenant with you He can never renege, man can fail but God cannot. In Hebrews 6:13, we can see how God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself. **Nothing is greater than our God. God cannot lie** by His Word, He is not a man that should lie, and neither is He a son of man that should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good? Whatever He has spoken about you, He will cause it to come to pass. When God speaks, He causes all machinery in Heaven and earth to bring it to pass. His Blood is there to fight against anything that does not want His covenant to come to pass in your life. As long as nobody can hold the sun, be rest assured that nobody and no devil can hold or alter your destiny – all because you have a covenant with The Living God! Christ came to restore everything lost in your life. The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: **I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly** – John 10:10. The devil came to subtract from you but halleluyah Christ came to add to you! He not only came to add to you, He also came to cause a multiplication of His Grace in your life. A man under covenant is bound to be envied. Isaac was in a foreign land and he became an envy to the nation (Genesis 26). Under a covenant you are daily loaded by God with benefits (Psalm 68:19). Also The LORD causes you to increase more and more if you are in a covenant with Him. In Christ all your inadequacies, shortages are taken care of. **Be focused on Jesus, when you have Him you have everything**. Your acceptance of Christ makes you a new being, a being in which no covenant of sorrow can no longer operate in his/her life. With the Blood of the Lamb you are set free, you have the power to become anything because you have accepted the new covenant. You also have the power to move forward, you are divinely supported and backed up in all your endeavors. The Blood also speaks better things to your life than the blood of Abel. Abel's blood cries for vengeance, Christ's Blood pleads mercy. Under a covenant you get a new Mercy from God every morning. In conclusion, from Galatians 3:13 and Isaiah 53, we can also see how **Christ was made a substitute and ransom for us**; He purchased and redeemed us from the curse of the law. Present your receipt of the Blood of Jesus whenever the devil tries to lay a charge on you. If He has paid the

price for your redemption, why then should you have to pay it again? I pray that ignorance will not rob you of your inheritance in Jesus Name!

*Holy Communion Service - By Pastor Shola Awobajo (March 6, 2011)*

**Title: EL-SHADDAI: “The All-Sufficient God”**

The Almighty God means the All sufficient God. It means the God that can protect, the God that can provide, the God that can heal and the God that can be anything you ever desire in a God. He said in Exodus 3:14 – I AM THAT I AM! I can be whatever you want me to be at anytime. If you need healing I am the Healer, if you need provisions, I am the Provider – I can be whatever you need Me to be, I am the All Sufficient God, besides Me there is no other. Everything you can ever expect or hope for in a God, you can find in Me, look no where anymore, for salvation is in no other but Me. God is beyond comparisons; even the devil acknowledges the Almightyness of this God, from Matthew 4:1-10 we can see how Satan failed in his attempt to lure God the Son to turn stone into bread.

This same God has all it takes to turn the sorrow in your life into joy. From Psalm 91, He reveals Himself as the Great Protector. He is a Defender and also the Omnipresent God. He can defend your course in any place your matter is been discussed or wherever your name is being mentioned. In 2 Chronicles 20: 22 we can see how the Omnipresent God sent ambushment against the enemies of Judah. He is a God that can kill and make alive (1 Samuel 2:6). Every covenant comes with a blessing. As a redeemed or ransomed of The LORD, you enjoy the protection and the Almightyness of God fighting for you everyday of your life. For The Lord has said “His ransomed ones shall return, they shall come to Zion with singing, with everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness; Sorrow and sighing shall flee away” – Isaiah 51:11. Ain’t you glad you serve such a God? A God who can defend you 24-7! A God that can also heal you without charge!

Tonight we are here to partake of His Flesh and His Blood, a renewal of our covenant with this Great God. If by touching the hem of His garment, many were healed, is it not certain that He will heal you tonight as you eat His flesh and drink His Blood? For He said in John 6:56 - He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him. So whatever cannot survive in Him cannot survive in you because He is living in you, hence every trace of darkness (be it sickness, disease, stagnancy etc) will vanish as you eat Him tonight. He will not only heal you but He will also provide all you need. If He had no problem catering for over two million people in the wilderness, what then is your case with Him?

Tonight this God can satisfy you with anything you want. He is a God that can make something out of nothing. He can reverse the irreversible in your life. He is also a God that change and redeem the time to your favor; if in doubt, ask the 90-year old woman (Sarah) how the Almighty God redeemed the time in her favor. Beloved, your time is in the Hands of God, weeping may endure for the night but joy cometh in the morning. Your joy has come in Jesus Name!

The EL-SHADDAI God can also raise anything that is dead in your life. In Ezekiel 37 He caused the dry bones to come alive again. This is no such thing as a “hopeless” situation with this God; He is a Specialist in turning hopeless situations to glorious testimonies. David was considered as nobody and a child without hope, but the EL-SHADDAI God fetched him out and used him mightily to His Glory. If He can make something out of nothing for David, wouldn’t He do same for you, a redeemed of The LORD?

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (Feb.27, 2011) - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: "RETAINING THE BLESSING!"**

Text: Isaiah 58:6,8 Is not this the fast that I have chosen? To loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy reward.

Whenever God chooses a fast, He always has something in it for you. You can expect the breaking forth of lights as you partake in a fast. Every fast opens up a fresh Grace to you. Grace that would make you surpass the strong, Grace that will make you outshine the wise of this world. Be mindful and conscious of your reward from God whenever you fast. If God rewarded Hannah because she sought Him, then you too can expect your own visitation/reward from Him. In the time of old, He daily supplied manna (means "what is this?") to the Israelites; He is still in the business of dropping manna (divine pleasant surprises/great miracles) for His Children today.

After every fast, it is advisable to *give the more earnest heed to the things you have heard, lest you drift away*. Be conscious and guide it with all jealousy. Blessing can slip if you are careless. Don't allow the enemy to snatch those fasting rewards from you.

### **How Do I Keep My Blessing After a Fast**

**#1 Avoid A Lose Lifestyle:** Don't give the enemy an opportunity to point an accusing finger at you. You can't afford to live your life carelessly. To avoid a lose lifestyle you must watch your association. Chose your friends – He who walks with wise *men* will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed (Proverbs 13:20). Move with the wise. Be not deceived, evil companionships corrupt good morals (1 Corinthians 15:33). Also you must be careful what you read, what you watch, what you say and what you hear. Your eyes and ears are gateways to your inner being. Be careful the kind of TV Program you watch, and the kind of music you listen to.

**#2 Maintain Your Confession Of Faith:** Maintain a positive confession and prophecy it. It will show up as you profess it. Remember what God told the Israelites in Numbers 14:28 "just as you have spoken in My hearing, so I will do to you". Begin to praise God in advance for your miracle.

**#3 Maintain A Constant Focus On Jesus:** Keep your gaze on The LORD (Hebrews 12:2). It is not what the doctors say or what your parents say about you that matters, it is what He says that ultimately matters. Where God is taking you to is beyond what anyone can imagine. What you be in the Kingdom only God can know. Continue to keep your focus on Him just as He commanded them to look on the brazen serpent in Numbers 21:8-9.

**#4 Fulfill Your Vow:** A broken vow is an open door of accusation before the enemy. You must do everything that has come out of your mouth. Remember how Jephthah made a vow and the result was disastrous (Judges 11:21-40). When you make a vow to the LORD your God, you shall not delay to pay it; for the LORD your God will surely require it of you, and it would be sin to you. But if you abstain from vowing, it shall not be sin to you. That which has gone from your lips you

shall keep and perform, for you voluntarily vowed to the LORD your God what you have promised with your mouth. - Deut 23:21-23.

**#5 Do Away With Bitterness & Unforgiveness:** In Our LORD's prayer (Matthew 6: 8-15), we can see that our only part is to forgive those who have sinned against us, all other things are done by the LORD. Don't be like that foolish servant in Matthew 18:22-35 who was forgiven of his debt but he in turn did not reciprocate the same gesture to his fellow-servant that owned him money. Some of us hold onto our neighbor for silly things. What if God decides to judge you by the same measure you met on others? A lot of people are in the camp of the tormentors because of unforgiveness. Your unforgiveness delivers you to your enemy. When you forgive, you are behaving like your Father in Heaven. Unforgiveness ties down your blessing, it's a trap of the enemy, don't be caught in it, avoid it like a plague!

**#6 Continue To Give Praise & Glory To God.** Let your daily life be full of praises. A worshipper carries the presence of The Most High. When you carry the presence of God, every red sea will give way to you. As you wake up everyday of this year begin to sing and dance to God and you watch how those mountains will be disappearing before you!

***UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!***

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (Feb.20, 2011) - By Pastor John Omewah*

**Title: "GOD HAS THE FINAL SAY!"**

Text: Lamentations 3:37: Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not? GOD always has the final say! When we talk about finality on anything, there is only one Person Who has the final say ...Who is this? He is no other than **THE JEHOVAH EL-SHADDAI!** No mortal man can be attributed to the finality on any issue. God always has the final say! Engrave this into your spirit; the only one that has the final say is the Almighty God. Don't allow it to escape your mind, let this always be your focus, and never lose sight of this great truth. There are things that may come your way to discourage you, but when you have it settled in your mind that God always has the final say, you are more than a conqueror any day! The devil is out to re-write your story and to mess up your destiny, but because God always has the final say, He will turn your test into a "test-i-mony" – turn your mess into a blessing. Always remember that Jesus is your "Pally-Man" – He will never leave you nor forsake you, He died for you! There is no human being created that has the final say in your life. It is folly for anyone to say, without them you cannot succeed in life. Who are they in the first place? Where were they when God formed you in your mother's womb? Or haven't they heard that He that began the good work in you is faithful to complete it until the day of Our LORD Jesus Christ (Phil. 1:6)! See what you are going through as only a stepping stone to the next level, this is the mindset of champions! Weeping may endure for a night but joy cometh in the morning. Beloved, let this sink in your heart, God has the final say! From Exodus 14, we can see how God ensured victory for the Israelites against the Egyptians. Note that every challenge you are faced with, is God's challenge! Every pain you are faced with is God's pain. You are God's property and because He has the final say, He will fight for you! The One that has the final say is not pharaoh, it is not the mountain, He that has the final say told Moses (Exodus 14:16) to lift up his rod, and stretch out his hand over the sea, and the red sea parted! What a God you serve! I may not know what you are going through, but I sure know that if He made a way for the Israelites under the old covenant, He is bound to make a way for you, the seed of Jacob living under the New Covenant (with better promises)! Would you dare to believe Him for this?

From Mark 10: 46-52, we can see how blind Bartimaeus shouted and called on The LORD to have mercy on him, and The LORD truly did come to His aid and healed him. You have a God who is easily touched by the feelings of your infirmities. There are times you & I need to go through certain experiences so that neither we nor our children would have to go through such experience again! Like it's said of our LORD that He bore our sicknesses so that we don't have to go through such in life; the chastisement of our peace was laid on Him, and by His stripes we are healed. The One that has the final say on any issue says to you that His thoughts towards you are thoughts of good and not of evil, to give you a future and bring you to an expected end (Jeremiah 29:11)! As a redeemed child of God, your God is the Only Person that matters in every issue of life - all others are noise makers! The only challenge God has is that His wrist watch is not working at the same level/frequency with yours. But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased (Psalm 115:3). Remember that expectation is the pregnancy for the manifestation.

In conclusion, God has a plan for you, wait for Him! For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry - Habakkuk 2:3. I remind you again, God has the final say, if you move before Him, you will move into a ditch! Wait for Him! He knows what He is doing! If He needs any help, you are most unqualified to help Him! **UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday (Feb. 13, 2011) - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: "THE MUSIC OF LOVE"**

Texts: Song of Solomon, 1 John 4:9: In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. The love of God is beyond description. Words will fail us to even try to define it. God loves you unconditionally, and he proved His Love by Christ's death for you and I (Romans 5:8). We need to celebrate the love of Christ every day of our live. If you are alive today, it's because He loves you!

Every relationship flourishes based on the level of intimacy of both parties. What then is the route to intimacy? Communication! **Intimacy actually means "into-me-you-see"** - It is knowing and accessing the innermost part of a person and it starts from the tongue or lips. Death and life are in the power of the tongue. The LORD is saying to you this morning, "come unto me all ye that labor and I will give you rest!" This is an invitation from The Most High! You and I know that the intimacy of every marriage is consummated by love. Marriage is no longer marriage until it is consummated by love. God wants to explore you and for you to explore Him. God gave man communication for a purpose. If you want your marriage to be more joyful, be watchful on the use of your words. Your communication has got to be right. A man has joy by the answer of his mouth, and a word spoken in due season, how good it is - Proverbs 15:23.

From the book of Song of Solomon, we can see how King Solomon & the Shulamite woman expressed their love to each other - here are some salient points noted that would help any relationship grow:

**#1 They Spoke A Lot.** All through the Song of Solomon you observe a lot of communication and love expressions between the two of them. Men may I advice that you cannot afford to be too busy for your wife. A recent research survey indicated that an average woman has about 30,000 words to expend daily, as compared to an average man's 25,000 words. There has to be understanding between both parties in order to avoid unnecessary conflicts. Women are security oriented; they want to know everyday that they are still in the driver's seat.

**#2 They Had Some Personal Words That They Used For Themselves.** They said very intimate things to themselves. They used expressions such as "you are fairest among women/ I am come into my garden/ my dove" etc. We must learn to cultivate the use of sweet words with our spouse. It's a wonderful thing to tell your woman, how unique she is; how nothing else is comparable to her! The music of love is sweet when we play it right!

**#3 They Were Positive With Their Words.** Solomon called the Shunamite woman "undefiled" (Songs 5:2), despite the fact that she is not a perfect being. Undefiled here means flawless, you are most perfect. One lesson point here is, do not dwell on the weak areas of your spouse but to rather focus on the positive areas.

**#4 They Used Passionate Words.** Be passionate in your words. Passionate words will grow and preserve your love! Remember the lyrics of Grover Washington – "Just the two of us".

We all have weaknesses or developmental areas but God is continuously working in us both to will and to do for His good pleasure. Even when your spouse makes mistakes, don't act as if the world will fall apart, haven't you made worse mistakes yourself? Let's endeavor to learn to accommodate each other's flaws and always reconsider that they can still be better – we all are "work-in-progress" in the Hands of God. Imagine if God spends all His time focusing and talking about your weak areas and flaws, what would be your lot? Paul in Colossians 4:6 admonished that "let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer each one". When grace comes upon your word, a transformation takes place. Even Our LORD Jesus Christ uses His word to cleanse and nourish His church (Ephesians 5:25-32). Some may say "I cannot use any positive word for my



spouse because there is nothing good about him or her"; I wonder if such know that Christ died for them when they were no good - Romans 5: 6-8). Did God saved you & I because we were perfect? My brother, my sister it's by the mercies of God that we all are not consumed. Christ died for you & I so that God's mercy and grace can flow to us. If God should give us what we deserve, who would be alive? The key to intimacy is acceptance; let's accept ourselves for who we are while trusting in God to change and daily conform us to the image of His Son Jesus Christ. Realize that you cannot change anybody. Would you let God do it?

**God Cares For You!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday – 2/6/11 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: “PRAISE – ACCESS TO THE THRONE”**

Texts: Psalm 100, Matthew 6:9-13: The secret code of the throne of God is PRAISE. The key to your long-awaited breakthrough is “Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name”. Do you want breakthrough this year? Then cease complaining and be thankful to Him! Do you think it’s by your strength you’ve made it this far? Let your attitude be right with God this year, regardless of your situation, He is still God and will never change! I pray that all through this year, you will have a grateful attitude to God in all situations. If you’ve lost anything in life, God is the reason you haven’t lost everything! Is it not written that “He makes all things work together for our good?”

Our LORD Jesus Christ in teaching His disciples how to pray (Matt 6:9-13) gave a perfect model for prayer by: **firstly exulting God as “Our Father”**. What does it mean to know, have and pray to God as our Father? When you say “Our Father” – you telling God, ‘You are My Source and without You I wouldn’t have amounted to anything in life.’ A river that forgets its source will soon run dry! **Secondly, “Hallow Be Your Name”** – when you say hallowed be Your Name – you telling God, Your Name O LORD is to “REVERED”! It’s a sense of Reverence and Awe to The Controller of the Universe! **Thirdly, “Give us this day our daily bread”** – this is a form of praising God as the greatest supplier in the world; for He is the owner of the cattle upon a thousand hills. **Fourthly, “And forgive us our debt”** – why would God be justified to forgive us our debt? It’s because He shed His Son’s Blood so that you and I can have unlimited access to His Presence! Is this not cheerful news worthy of your praise? **Fifthly, “do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one”** – you are saying to Him, I put my life in your care this day, deliver me from every evil O LORD My God, for you know the beginning from the end and all power belongs unto You for without you nothing could be created! Is there any other such guide in the world that can keep you from evil aside our God? He is The Almighty and nothing compares to Him!

I like you to know that God inhabits the praises of His people. He longs to have you praise and appreciate Him.

In life, you either have a grateful heart or a heart of ingratitude to God. What will a heart of ingratitude do? From Romans 1:21, an ingratitude heart will always invent evil imagination thereby making the person envious, covetous and engaging in all manners of sin. An ingratitude heart is a danger to you! It will run you dry in no time. You remember the parable of the talents (Matthew 25) where the fellow who had one talent, did nothing meaningful with it, and showed his ingratitude by complaining that his master was a hard man! He had one talent and was busy complaining, what should people who weren’t given any talent then do? What a foolish man this man was! You are living in the area of dryness, when you don’t have a heart of gratitude to God. I pray that the little in your hand (that you are still complaining of) will not be taken from you and given to another! You forestall your progress in life when you are not thankful? Ask the children of Israel (in Numbers 14:27-28,30,37) whether it pays to murmur to God?

Will you be thankful to Him all through this year?

**God Cares For You!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD LOVES YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday – 1/30/11 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: “A NEW HEART FOR A NEW HEIGHT” – Part 2**

Texts: Psalm 1:1-5, John 15:5 & Proverb 6:16. If you must succeed this year, it must be by Him for all His promises are ye and amen. God is faithful to His Word and will not renege on His promises. He has said I will hasten to perform the word that has gone out of my mouth. Why is it that some people will benefit this year from the Word spoken by God and others will not? The answer would be the way each position his/her heart before The LORD. From Matthew 13:3-8 (parable of the sower), we saw that the difference in results from the seeds sown was principally due to their level of understanding. Those who understood more got greater results. Your level of understanding is very key this year if you must attain what God has for you. In this New Year, endeavor to sow more of God's Word into your heart and watch how the Word will work effectively in you that believe (1 Thessalonians 2:13). Being a casual Christian will do you no good! Remember what the psalmist said in Psalm 1, “Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.” God told Joshua the same thing in Joshua 1:8. If you must make it this year, studying and meditating on the Word of God must be a must in your life!

In the course of this New Year, I will admonish you to watch pitfalls along the way – things that the devil will try and use to impede your prayers. What are some of these things? From Proverbs 6:16, there are 7 things you must avoid –

**(1) A Proud Look:** the way you carry yourself is very important to God. This year, don't let the talents and gifts God has given you get the better of you – for what is it that you have that you haven't been given? Why look down on others? Recognize that whatever you have was given to you only by the sheer Grace of God! Remember the Publican went away justified by God as against the Pharisee who was chest-thumping (boosting) before God (Luke 18:10-14). Avoid pride like a plague this year; humble yourself before God and He will exalt you!

**(2) A Lying Tongue:** this is a tongue that deliberately misrepresents facts with the intent to deceive. It gives a false impression about something, practices hypocrisy and back-stabbing. Let your speech this year be seasoned with salt that you might impart Grace to your hearers.

**(3) Hands that Shed Innocent Blood:** this is someone who betrays the trust of another. It's a sad thing to be betrayed by anybody but much more terrible & painful is it if the betrayal is from a trusted one! Remember how Judas committed suicide because he couldn't live with the fact that he had betrayed the trust of a Friend (Jesus Christ)!

**(4) A Heart that Devises Wicked Imagination:** God knows your heart more than you do. If you must enjoy the blessedness of answered prayers this year, you must jettison all the wicked junks in your heart. This year, guard your heart with all diligence, yes evil thoughts are bound to come but give no room in your heart for nesting on such thoughts.

**(5) The Feet That Be Swift In Running To Mischief:** these are those that meddle in the affairs or businesses of others with the intention of causing mischief and injury (to other people's life, ministry and home). It includes gossipers and tale-bearers. Don't be a party to such this year.

**(6) A False Witness:** Includes inventors of rumors, those who exaggerate on their speech, falsification of facts – you need no such this year.

**(7) He That Sows Discord Among Brethren:** This is that person that sets brethren against brethren. This is an abomination to The LORD. You ought to be an agent of change even when confronted or find yourself in a difficult situation, be the agent of change that would promote the peace of God.

In conclusion, to avoid any of the above-mentioned traps of the enemy make it a priority this year to **follow peace with all men** in all that you do and you will see the Lord move mightily on your behalf in all your endeavors!

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday – 1/23/11 - By Pastor Peter Olawale*

**Title: “ARISE, TAKE UP YOUR BED & WALK”**

Text: John 5:1-6. From our text, we saw how Our LORD healed an impotent man of a 38-year old infirmity. Note the LORD's command to the impotent man – “**Arise, take up your bed and walk!**” What does it mean to arise? To arise means to come up, to get up, to leave the level you are before and go to another level. One may ask why some people sit down in life. Firstly, they may be physically challenged. Secondly, they may be psychologically challenged (i.e. refusing to let go of their past). You don't have to allow your past mistakes affect your future, is there any who hasn't made a mistake in life? Look unto Jesus and believe His Word ... if The Son set you free you are free indeed; for there is therefore no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus. Thirdly, a man could be sitted, if he is forced to sit down (under demonic oppression/spell or curse). Fourthly, a man could be sitted if he is waiting for the arrival or dawning of a new day, i.e. passing through the night season. God often takes His Children through a wilderness experience to get to the Promised Land. Joseph went through the “wilderness university”; David graduated from that school, Paul also was not exempted! Is there any great person ever used by God without such an experience? **Wake-up, rise to the challenge, fight the good fight of faith**, crying and lamentation will do you no good, simply look-up to God in prayer. Remember Our LORD Jesus Christ who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, and despised the shame and is now sitted at the right Hand of the throne of God (Heb. 12:2).

*An Address to Workers – Pastor Olawale*

As workers, it is important we have an understanding of our role in the advancement of the Kingdom of God. Throughout the ministry of Our Lord Jesus Christ, His priority was looking out and caring for the people. The church is the hospital of the universe. The world is desperately sick and the only true solution to her problem is the Hospital of Christ (the church)! You and I are only privileged to be working for God, because He can do whatever He wants to do without the help of a man. Remember for every Eli, there will always be a Samuel! God never lacks a replacement for any man or position. In the Kingdom of God there is no vacuum. From today, begin to count yourself privileged to be a worker in the House of God. Remember to always commit your ministrations/assignments unto Him. Yesterday's anointing will do no good today. Nothing good ever happens to any congregation without passing through the workers in that church. When God knows people will not be blessed in a church (probably due to lackadaisical attitude by the workers), He will not direct them there. What happens if the people to be used are not ready, God has a way of changing them! God can even lay embargo on the numerical growth of such a church. Working with God requires hard work. As a worker you want to impact lives? Then be ready to pay the price. Nothing goes for nothing in life. Pray for Grace to move forward. God told me sometime ago, “Olawale, if you have nothing to give to your generation, be ready for your exit and your ceremonial burial!”

**God Loves You!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday – 1/16/11 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: “A NEW HEART FOR A NEW HEIGHT”**

Text: Psalms 139:23 “Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts”. If you must attain a new height this year you must desire a new heart from The LORD. If you must live in abundance, you need a new heart from The LORD! Before you can get to any new height in life, may I let you know that your heart will be examined? God is more interested in what is going on in your heart before He blesses you. He is more interested in your motive more than anything else. He has no problem blessing you but His concern is what will you do with the Blessing or anointing? Will you use the blessing or anointing to impact lives or will you use it to satisfy your fleshly desires? He is looking for people He can trust! Can He trust you?

The ways of God are unlike the ways of man – man looks at the exterior while God looks at the inner-man of the heart. Remember in 1 Samuel 16:6-7, when Samuel thought Eliab was the one to be anointed as King but God told him “Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for The LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance but God looketh on the heart”. God must see something in you before He can drop His anointing in you. He is not interested in your eloquence neither is He interested in your charisma, if your heart is right, He'll answer you quickly. Everyday take the posture of the Psalmist who said, search my heart and know my thoughts, O LORD My God!

In establishing a relationship with God, your heart must be right. Before God can cut a covenant with any man, He searches his heart. We learnt in Genesis 12 how God having searched Abraham's heart bestowed a 7-fold blessing on him. He went further to test him again by asking him to sacrifice Isaac. Are you ready for the LORD to work in your heart this year? God is saying to you this morning, my son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways. Would you give Him your heart? Why does God want my heart, you may ask? He knows that if He has your heart, He can control and manipulate you like dough and thus shape you to His perfect Will and purpose. Give your heart to God, My brother, give your heart to God, my sister, for He is God and knows what is best for you. Follow Him and He will make you want He wants you to be.

Are there certain qualities God must see in you to take you where He wants you to be? Yes, you must be poor (in spirit) and have a contrite heart. Who is that man that is poor in spirit? This is that man who knows his emptiness and acknowledges before God that he is nothing without Him. What kinds of heart is The LORD looking for today?

1. **A Willing Heart:** this is a heart that does not need to be compelled to do anything for God. It needs no coercing to give to The LORD. Today some boast and think God is after their money, fame and intellect, what a tragedy? Far be it that The Almighty God will depend on man to carryout His purpose! Where were you when The Omnipotent, The Self-Existent God created the heavens and the earth? What is it you have that hasn't been given you? Humble yourself before The Great God of Creation! God wants to use you more, but is your heart willing. Serve The LORD this year with a perfect heart and willing mind and He will make a star of you.
2. **An Obedient Heart:** A heart that is set to obey The LORD. A heart that trembles at His Word.
3. **A Pure Heart:** This is a heart that is free of bitterness and free of offence. Your heart must be pure. A heart that is tempered with the nature of God.
4. **A Perfect Heart:** This is a heart that is not filled with any ulterior motive. God wants perfection in everything. 2 Chronicles 16:9 says for the Eyes of The LORD run to and fro the whole earth, to show Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him.
5. **A Trusting Heart:** a heart that will believe Him absolutely. A heart that will neither stagger nor waver at the promises of God but is firm and resolute in its trust in God.
6. **A Humble Heart:** A heart that is meek and not prideful, for pride goes before destruction/fall.

In closing, may I let you know that your heart is a treasure; God wants you to keep it, for out of it proceeds the issues of life. Don't let any garbage come in, guide it with all diligence. For as a man thinketh in his heart so he is. I repeat once again, God is more interested in your heart this year than anything else. He wants to guide and possess it, He wants to work in you both to will and to do for His good purpose but will you let Him?

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday 1/9/11 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: "TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS YOUR SEASON"**

Text: Ecclesiastes 3: 1-3, 8 "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace. May I announce to you that this is your time of peace you have been waiting for! This is the time everything will work together for your good in the Name of Jesus. In Daniel 2:21, we saw how God removes bad times and sets good times. He is the God that removes the time of joblessness and sets-up gainful employment; He is a Specialist in removing times of barrenness and setting up times of fruitfulness.

Our God also specializes in giving strength to the weak. From 2 Kings 7:1-7, we saw how God in 24 hours changed the time of famine into a time of plenty and abundance for Israel. If He did this for Israel under the old covenant, what would He dare not do for you the seed of Abraham living under the New Covenant with better promises? But would you believe Him for this? Yes, I know your situation seem hopeless and impossible, but is your God a limited one? He is a God that can bring something out of nothing! He has the hearts of kings in His Hand and can certainly turn them to your favor. If He changed the situation of a barren woman (Hannah) in 1 Samuel 2, what is your situation? Or haven't you heard - that "POWER Belongeth Unto GOD" and there is none beside Him!

O Man of God, how do I know this God can change my situation? Good question – here are 4 facts that tell me He can change your situation:

1. He is a God that **can hold the time** in favor of His beloved until he/she succeeds. Remember in Joshua 10:12, how God held the weather (Sun) because Joshua was succeeding.
2. He is a God that **can fast forward the time** in order to bless His beloved. In John 2:4-11, though it wasn't time yet for performing miracles, He went ahead and fast forwarded the miracle time by turning water into wine at the marriage in Cana of Galilee.
3. He is a God that **can rewind the time**. In Genesis 18:10, He rewound the time and visited Sarah according to His Word. He does not only rewind the time in favor of His beloved ones, He also restores double for every shame they went through; O what a Great God we serve! He also said I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the canker-worm, and the caterpillar, and the palmer-worm, my great army which I sent among you. And you shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and shall praise the name of Jehovah your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you; and my people shall never be put to shame (Joel 2:25-26). He is not a man that would lie. He is a God that has no limit (The UnLimitable One!). He proved it to Hezekiah by causing the time to fall backward - 2 Kings 20: 8-9. Would you still doubt Him?
4. He is a God that **can walk right on time**. He never comes late. In John 11:21, we saw how Martha thought the Master had come too late for her situation but little did she know that The LORD was setting her up for a miracle that would bring glory to His Name. May I ask you if that God has ceased from the business of doing miracles? Our time is in His Hand. God never comes late! He is a God that is always right on time; He knows the set-time for every of His purpose in your life! May I tell you, your time has come! God is saying to you "I will arise, and have mercy upon Zion (you); for it is time to have pity upon her, Yea, the set time is come!" Dare to believe this for it is your time, take advantage of it!

**God Loves You!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday Dec. 26, 2010 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: My Sun Shall Rise Again (What You See Is What You Get!)**

Text: Isaiah 60:4 *Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side.* No man can cover the glory of the Sun. Can you imagine a man attempting to stop the sunrise? In 2011, no man will be able to stop The Glory of The LORD from rising in your life! In life what you see is what you get. Your perception on any issue determines your reception. From our text, God is saying to you, “look around and see what is happening, your people are gathering to come home; your lost blessings are now happening, your lost glories are coming into manifestations; can you see this?” Your perception of 2011 will determine what the year will produce for you. What you see is what you get! Can you see the goodness of God coming your way in 2011? Can you see greatness coming your way? Before God could take Abraham to the next level of His Glory (Genesis 15), He expanded his vision by bringing him outside and saying to him “**Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them.**” **And He said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” And he believed in the LORD, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.** As you go into the New Year, I will encourage you to let The LORD expand your vision so that you can begin to see the unseeable, believe the unbelievable and do the improbable, all by The Finger of God! You may say “can this truly be my lot in 2011?” My situation appears hopeless and I can’t see a way through. May I let you know that Your God is The Great God of Creation; He is The GOD that changes the times and the seasons; He removes one king and sets up another (Daniel 2:21). **He can do the impossible, for impossibility is nothing with Our GOD!** Can you trust Him for this?

Your God also gives wisdom to the wise. In 2011, He will give you wisdom in all areas of life in Jesus Name!

Man of God, what must I do for my sun to rise again?

Firstly, hearken to His Word. You must obey Him and serve Him. You must open your ears to discipline and depart from all iniquities.

Secondly, align yourself to The Word. In this New Year, give yourself utterly to The Word of The Living God. Quote the word. Use the word. Confess it over your life. For as a man thinketh in his heart, so he is. Remember the Shunamite woman (2 Kings 4) confessing all is well even when all appears hopeless. Every sent word has a mission and work to do in your life. The Word of God is a performer; don’t struggle with it in 2011. Honor the Word by placing a high priority on it and watch how it will perform its work and cause a great transformation in your life. God is ready to do His part, but will your ears be open? Will your heart be receptive? The choice is yours!

Thirdly, for your sun to rise again; you must wait for Him to carryout the change in your life. Whatever the circumstance, wait for Him! Don’t act for Him; if He needs help, you are too small to provide it! God must not be too slow for your liking! Remember how Saul couldn’t wait for Samuel (1 Samuel 13) and thus lost his kingdom because of impatience. I pray that will not be your lot in Jesus Name! Will you wait for Him? Or will you work it out yourself? Once again, the choice is yours! What You See Is What You Get!

**God Loves You!**

**UNTIL NEXT WEEK (IF JESUS TARRIES) GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Message To Us On Sunday 12/19/10 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

## **Title: Setting Your Priority Right – part 2**

Text: 2 Corinthians 5:17: Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. As a new creature your lifestyle should reflect or mirror the brand new life you now have in Christ Jesus. As we approach the year 2011, endeavor to make positive changes in your lifestyle. You cannot continue to do the same thing and expect a different result. And be not conformed to this world: but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. For the LORD to bless you, certain things must change in you. You cannot pattern your lifestyle after the world's and expect changes to come. You have to change your thinking and align your thoughts to the things of God. Your mind must be renewed continuously with the things of God. No man can stop the influx of thoughts into his mind but he certainly can prevent the thoughts from getting the better of him. *Casting down* imaginations, and *every* high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ (2 Corinthians 10:5). The battle of life is mainly in the mind, change your thinking and you will change your life. Satan's first target to destroy any man is to go for after his mind, I pray this will not be your lot in Jesus Name. In the coming year, let your heart be transformed by the Word of God.

A case study of the prodigal son was examined - Luke 15. After he (prodigal son) squandered all his inheritances in a foreign land, he got to a moment where he had to come to himself and made a decision to go back to his Father. Don't let the shame of what will happen keep you from making a "U" turn and going back to your Father. Remember that the prodigal son did not allow any shame keep him from going back to his Father. But before this can happen, there is the need for Godly repentance (not worldly repentance) from every vice before you can be helped. Allow the Word of God to do its work in you, for it is by the hearing of the Word that repentance and Faith will come. There is no such thing as "Aluta Continua" (the struggle continues) in the Kingdom of God. You are not here to struggle; God has created you to enjoy the works of His Hand; Arise and go back home (to your Father)!

In setting your priority right, you must also have your heart circumcised by the Word of God. May I tell you that circumcision is not a pain-free exercise! Remember how God commanded Joshua to take a "sharp knife" and circumcise the Israelites again before entering the promise land (Joshua 5). Changing your heart may be a painful experience but the pay-off is certainly greater than the pains. I will encourage you not to allow any bad habits to form in you; else it may be very hard to be delivered from it. I will admonish you to remove all that is beclouding your heart so that the will of God can be clearly seen/made known to you. And the LORD your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants, to love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul that you may live (Deut. 30:6). It is Only The LORD Who can circumcise your heart, I pray that The LORD will help you. When your heart is now aligned to God, He takes over your battles, hence struggling ceases. Many think it is their struggles that can make them to prosper; my brother, my sister, haven't you heard? That the race *is* not to the swift, Nor the battle to the strong, Nor bread to the wise, Nor riches to men of understanding, Nor favor to men of skill; But time and chance happen to them all. It is only by His Grace My brother, it is not your struggles my Sister.

In closing, as you march on to year 2011, I will advise you to seek The LORD while He may be found. God is here now, waiting for you. Christ is in the house to mend your life so that you can have a brand new beginning. Never allow the mistakes of the past keep you from going back to Your Father, for He is waiting and expecting your return so that He can make you live the rest of your life in His abundance and riches!  
God Loves You!

Until next week (if Jesus tarries) God Bless You!



## **SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us On Sunday 12/12/10 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Title: Setting Your Priority Right**

Text: Luke 14: 28-32 - “For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he has sufficient to finish it?” Planning is very essential in our daily life. No man enters a city without preparing and planning. God Himself is a Planner. Before creating man, He had already planned and created everything man would need (Genesis 1). There was an executive planning session meeting in Heaven before anything was created. If God had to plan before creating anything, you and I have no reason not to plan, most especially as we approach the year 2011. We cannot afford to go into the New Year casually. The people of the world may consult their dead gods (physics, crystal ball etc) in order to know what the future holds, but we will consult The Only Living God, Who is Our Father, and Who delights to tell us what the future holds for us. For we know it shall be well with us in the year 2011. In the year 2011, darkness may cover the earth and gross darkness over the people of the world: but the LORD shall arise upon you, and His Glory shall be seen upon you.

There is need for you to prepare for the coming year. I encourage you to have a Family planning session in your home; this will help you to set up a good foundation for your entire household. If you don't set-up a plan for your life/family, may I tell you that the devil will help you set one up! As someone said, if you fail to plan, you will fall into someone else's plan! Your God is a God of Plan (even Redemption had a plan); He is a God of purpose and He has orchestrated your life to operate in His plan.

What does it take to plan? You must write down your plans. As God answers each plan/goal, thank Him for it and He will carry out the others. Remember how God gave Joshua the instructions on the modalities to prepare the Israelites before entering the promise land (Joshua 5). Planning is not an option; your opinion about it is irrelevant, you must do it if you must make a mark in the year 2011!

In the coming year, I will encourage you to buy knowledge, seek knowledge and pray for knowledge. For by knowledge shall my righteous one be delivered says The LORD (Proverbs 11:9b). Also He said “Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered” – 1 Peter 3:7. Husbands, I will advise you to respect your wife knowing that two of you are Children of God and thus have the same Father. This is for your profiting so that your prayers will not be hindered.

In conclusion, I ask you this question, are you prepared if Christ comes today? For the coming of Our LORD shall be suddenly, like a thief in the night. For The Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. Are you ready for the coming of The LORD?

**Until next week (if Jesus tarries), GOD BLESS YOU!**

## **SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us On Sunday – 12/5/10 - By Pastor Shola Awobajo*

**Text: Psalm 92:1-2** - IT IS A GOOD THING TO GIVE THANKS UNTO THE LORD, AND TO SING PRAISES UNTO THY NAME, O MOST HIGH: To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night. Thanksgiving is a thing we must do because God commanded it. It is the faithfulness and lovingkindness of God that has kept us thus far. I will encourage you to thank Him for His Faithfulness and Lovingkindness before going to bed every day. It is not everyone that started the year that is alive today – hasn't God been faithful? His lovingkindness see you through all the day. He said in Exodus 33:19a, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the Name of the LORD before thee. I want to let you know that you serve a God Who goes before you everyday. He has been your help, He has been your fortress, He has been your refuge, and He has been your strength .... can't you see reasons to give Him thanks?

When God is your rock, He is your coverage; He will protect and shield you from every attack of the devil. Because you're so precious in His sight, He hides you in His Presence for He said, touch not my anointed.

You are alive because He is God! He hides you under His Everlasting Hand. If God doesn't hide you, you are in the open, you are open to attack, and you are open to the weathers of life. Because you dwell in the secret place of The Most High, He hides you in His secret place, where no power of the evil, witches or man can touch you. He hides you in the shadow of His rock. The LORD says to you; rejoice before me that you've been saved from the deluge to come.

The pressures of life could have finished you not for the protection of God. A lot have died in such circumstance. It has been God in your life. It has been God in your family. He allows you to breath and yet it is free of no charge. Don't you know there are people who buy oxygen to breath? Just in case you don't know, a tank of oxygen is not cheap! It is also a burden on any man, ain't you glad for He is The LORD that healeth thee.

When The LORD delivers from anything, you are not going to suffer any other consequence, for you have escaped. He shall cover you with His feathers (Psalm 124:6-7). Why should you be afraid to go to sleep, for your God giveth sleep to His belovedth? The LORD delivered you from the terror of the night. Every moment of the day, He shields you from evil. The LORD has kept you for 338 days as of today from all pestilence this year; He has delivered you for this long. God is a Good God! Will you give Him thanks? **GOD Loves You!**

**Until next week (if Jesus tarries), GOD BLESS YOU!**

## **SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us On Sunday – 11/28/10 - By Reverend Joshua Omoraiyewa*

*Title: “Compelling Reasons For Thanksgiving”*

It is important for you to understand why you are giving thanks to God. There are compelling reasons why you and I must give God thanks. If you can't thank God because He didn't give you what you're looking for, I beseech you to give God thanks that what is looking for you did not get you! Regardless of your feeling or circumstance, you are under obligation to give God thanks. God says, “Let everything that has breath praise The LORD!” Do you have breath? Then you are indebted to praise The LORD. O, you say, I have just suffered a loss, but God says, what you lost is an exchange for something better, if you will give Me thanks! For He can make everything work together for your good! He is God and there is none like Him!

*MAN OF GOD, WHY MUST I THANK GOD?*

First of all, thank God that you are a child of God. Ain't you glad that you have the hope of eternity? Or do you think everyone is chosen for salvation? What did you do to merit the Salvation of God? O what a blessed privilege that we are called the Sons and Daughters of The Most High!

Secondly, give God thanks for the gift of life. I beseech you to give thanks to God for the gift of life whenever you wake up. What have you done to merit being alive? It is by the mercies of God that you've not been consumed. Or do you think it is everyone that wakes up from their sleep? Some believe life is much better in America; my brother, my sister, there is wickedness everywhere. It is not where you live that determines your faith; you are only alive by the mercies of God and if you are smart enough, you'll give Him thanks. Or don't you know many wish you were dead by now? As the Psalmist said, for thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling (Psalm 116:8). It's one of the tragedies of life that people you think are your friends are indeed you enemies. Or do you think you have the antidote for an enemy with a friendly face? Your enemies know you but you don't know them. But what a joy that you have a Father Who neither slumbers nor sleeps because of you! For He said, “Without Me, You can do nothing!”

Thirdly, give God thanks that He did not allow the counsel and judgment of your enemies to come to pass. As David said in Psalm 21:6 “For they intended evil against me, they imagined a mischievous device, which they are not able to perform.” Don't you know that you are alive today because God did not allow the enterprise of somebody somewhere to perform over you? Only God knows the heart of men, for the heart of men is desperately wicked! If only you know the evil that God has kept you from, you will jump up and be giving thanks to God unashamedly.

In conclusion, I encourage you to make thanksgiving a lifestyle. Thanksgiving is the true secret of champions. From the gospels we saw that Jesus always gives thanks to God. You may have lost your job; give God thanks that it is not your life you lost. You may not have a house of your own yet; give God thanks that you are not living in the hospital. You may desire a husband/wife of your own; give God thanks that you are eligible for marriage. In closing, I beseech you; belovedth of God, in everything manufacture reasons to give thanks to God for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you and He will surely exalt you!

**GOD Loves You!**

**Until next week (if Jesus tarries), GOD BLESS YOU!**

## **SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us On Sunday – 11/21/10 - By Prophetess E.K Abiodun*

Text: 2 Chronicles 18:1-7. The LORD in a vision showed me that many Christians are living a life that has no meaning. Many that know the will of God have deviated from His will. The will of God is the Word of God. God gave Moses His will so that the Israelites would do His will but Israel chose on several occasions to disdain His will hence suffered the consequences (Numbers 25). The Word of God should always be your standard. Emulate the Word of The Living God. Every other book in this world needs an update but this is not so with The Word of The Living God. The Word of God will never lose its value for there is no lifeless statement in His Word. The Word of God is a carrier of the Life of God. He sent His Word and His Word healed them and delivered them from their destructions. No matter how important or influential a person may be, if you can't see the Word of God in him/her, please do not emulate him/her; else you will be heading for calamity. In 2 Chronicles 18: 1-7, we learnt how Ahab the King of Israel inquired about the will of God over an issue. Ahab knew Micaiah was the right prophet to inquire from regarding the will of God over the issue but because he didn't want to do the will of God, he chose to rather gather 400 others prophets who would lie to him. The Church today is having lots of challenges because many children of God who know the truth are not living by the truth. They want to be pampered. Anyone that does not want to hear the Word from Heaven will not make it to Heaven. I admonish you to make Heaven your goal in all that you do. Don't emulate people who don't live by the Truth of The Word of The Living God, many who once used to do the will of God have gone back into the world like Demas in the Bible, I pray that this will not be your lot in Jesus Name. As Apostle Paul says in Philippians 3, "Brethren be followers together of me and mark them which walk so as you have us for an ensample. For many walk, of whom I have told you often and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things. For our conversion is in heaven: from whence also we look for the savior, The LORD Jesus Christ". Emulate the life of our Daddy and Mummy G.O who are emulating the word of God in all that they do.

In conclusion, I will encourage you to be spiritual in all that you do, never be caught sleeping in the spirit. Be a man/woman of the Spirit. The spirit world determines all that happens in this physical world. Remember God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.

**God Loves You!**

**Until next week (if Jesus tarries), GOD BLESS YOU!**

## **SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS**

*God's Message To Us On Sunday – 11/14/10*  
*“The TRUTH” - By Prophetess E.K Abiodun*

God is looking for the truthful ones. God wants a wife who is truthful to her husband; God wants a husband who is truthful to his wife. Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin *is* a reproach to *any* people (Proverb 14:34). Whatever a man possesses in this world, if there is no truth in it, it is nothing. Are you truthful to your wife? Are you truthful to your husband? Are you truthful to those around you? From Genesis 39, we saw how Joseph was truthful towards God and thus was greatly honored. Today, Righteousness appears to be a lost virtue in the church; unrighteousness seems to be the order of the day in the Church of Christ. The LORD is demanding for righteousness from us today. Joseph knew righteousness before he left his father's (Jacob) house and he never let go of righteousness even while in a foreign land (Egypt); in return God exalted him. Some of us have let go of the righteousness we learnt from our fathers; it appears the unrighteousness in the land has consumed us. In a vision, God took me (Prophetess E.K Abiodun) to a potter's house and commanded me to break the pots and remold them; this was because the broken pot could not hold anything again for The LORD, hence it needed to be remolded.

God is saying to you today, “Look for the truth and I will make you great in this nation”. Daniel never defiled himself with the delicacies in the King's palace but he purposed in himself not to defile himself because he knew he had to live a sacrificial life of righteousness in order to make any mark for God.

I admonish you today to emulate the footsteps of your Father (Daddy G.O – Pastor E.A Adeboye), who despite his walk and work with others, still holds onto Heaven as his Goal. Bro. Paul also in 1 Corinthians 11 charged us to imitate him as he imitates Christ. How can you be great if you are not standing in His righteousness? God brought you to this nation as an ambassador for Him; but are you following the footsteps of Daniel, Joseph etc – who didn't imitate the unrighteous habits/culture in the foreign land.

The Kingdom of God is a narrow path; you can't do whatever you like without facing the consequences. As powerful as America is, they have the technological power to know when a hurricane is coming, they can even determine its speed, but as great as they are, they don't have the power to stop it! I charge you with this statement, there is no power to stop any sinner from the penalty of sin. As I close I appeal to you in the Name of The God that I serve, in this nation where you are, please be truthful, please be truthful and watch how God will exalt you in this nation like He did for Joseph and Daniel in a foreign land. God Loves You!

**Until next week (if Jesus tarries), GOD BLESS YOU!**

## **SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS**

### ***God's Message To Us On Sunday – 11/7/10***

Texts from 2 Chronicles 20:22 – 23 As they began to sing and praise, the LORD set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated. The Ammonites and Moabites rose up against the men from Mount Seir to destroy and annihilate them. After they finished slaughtering the men from Seir, they helped to destroy one another. Certain issues in life often inhibit us from praising God. I pray that God will deal with those issues inhibiting you from praising God. The LORD wants you to praise Him this month of November and you will see your testimony becoming higher this month. We were admonished to be attuned to God this month. We should also give heed to the sent Word from God. He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. The sent Word from God has no respect for nobody; it simply goes out and carries out its mission.

We were admonished that regardless of how foolish the sent Word may sound, we should give heed to it. Peter had toiled all night and caught nothing, however at the Word of Jesus he launched out into the deep and caught net-breaking multitudes of fishes.

Behold I will do a new thing in you life this month, says The LORD. The new thing will make you forget all past failures, and all your sorrows. The Word of God is powerful; a Word from God can search for the unsearchable in your life and bring them to pass.

You will have testimony this month in the Name of Jesus!

**Until next week (if Jesus tarries), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

## *God's Message To Us On Sunday – 10/31/10*

Texts from Psalms 99: 1-2: The LORD reigns; Let the peoples tremble! He dwells *between* the cherubim; Let the earth be moved! The LORD *is* great in Zion, And He *is* high above all the peoples. The LORD Reigneth. Our God is Great and high above everything. He is higher than the highest, He is Mightier than the mightiest, He is Greater than the greatest. Why worry when God reigneth, He is He Who has the world in His Hand. He is the One that sitteth in Heaven and does whatever He pleases. He uses foolish things to confound the wise of the world. He reigneth and answers by fire. Other gods are died gods, remember Elijah's contest with the false prophets of Baal – Elijah knew the God he serves and boasted about Him and God indeed answered him by fire and consumed the altar by fire (1 Kings 18: 19-40).

Our LORD that reigneth is the One that must be feared. Do you not fear Me?' says the LORD. Will you not tremble at My Presence, Who have placed the sand as the bound of the sea, By a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass beyond it? And though its waves toss to and fro, Yet they cannot prevail; Though they roar, yet they cannot pass over it (Jeremiah 5:22).

God has assignments for you. Moses was given excuses when God called Him. God can do anything, we must fear Him. He is the One that directs the footsteps of the righteous. All things are all in the Hands of God – For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south.

But God is the judge: He putteth down one, and setteth up another. God can put one down and set-up another. God reigneth in your life and He will perfect that which concerns you. He will hasten His Word in your life to perform it. All things belong to Him. How He will do it? That is not your own business! You trust Him and be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. Our LORD reigneth in our life and in everything we do. He can promote anybody at anytime.

When light comes darkness cannot but disappear. It is only The God that reigneth that can reveal deep and secret things to you. He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with Him (Daniel 2:22).

God created all for His own pleasure. God has created you in His own image. Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it. When you walk in the consciousness that God reigns above all, He will catapult you to a dimension you've never been before.

God controls everything. HE IS THE MOST GLORIOUS OF ALL THINGS.

Because God reigneth in your life, He takes you through a school of training. Remember Joseph's case, despite all challenges of the enemy, God used them as steps to his breakthrough. You need to pass through those stages (challenges) for you to get to the top. Are you ready for The LORD that reigneth in your life to toughen you?

God values you more than any other thing (Matthew 10:29). You are beautifully and gorgeously made. You are valuable in His Hand. God is your Father. God calls Himself your Father. The very hairs on your head are numbered. HE KNOWS YOU BY NAME. You are valuable to God. Moreover whom He did predestinate, them He also called: and whom He called, them He also justified: and whom He justified, them He also glorified. What shall we then say to these things? If God be for me, who can be against me?

**Until next week (if Jesus tarries), GOD BLESS YOU!**

# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

## *God's Message To Us On Sunday – 10/24/10*

Texts from Lamentation 3:25. From the text, we learnt that The LORD is good unto them that wait for Him, to the soul that seeketh Him. Regardless of your circumstance always wait for the LORD, be patient and never be hasty for His timing. A case study of King Saul was examined – he hurriedly offered a sacrifice to God instead of waiting for Samuel and consequentially he lost his Kingdom from that day. Never try to fix anything by yourself (for without Him you can do nothing); a little patient would have made Saul King over Israel forever. Your miracle is closer, don't be in haste. Many ladies have missed it in life because they couldn't wait for the timing of God. You can never lose waiting on God for God is not slow (2 Peter 3:9)!

We were admonished to pray for God to give us Wisdom according to Ephesians 1:17-18 – “That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him: The eyes of your understanding being enlightened ...”. Wisdom is a power that helps you to judge what is right and what is wrong. It was wisdom that helped King Solomon in 1 Kings 3:16-28 to rightly determine the true Mother of a baby. Pray that God gives you the power to know what to do at every time. And also pray to have the revelation of Him and that the eyes of your understanding be enlightened.

Nothing comes cheap in life. You have to work for it. In Joshua 6, we saw how Jericho stood before the Israelites. What was in Jericho? The goodies and benefits of the Israelites but Jericho was locked up against them. And as long as Jericho stood, they couldn't get their Blessings; but God came to their rescue and commanded that they march around Jericho wall once for six days and on the seventh day encompass the city 7 times and shout to God. Until Jericho comes down the people could not move. But God sent His angel from above and crumbled the wall of Jericho. As long as Jericho is still standing, people cannot fulfill their potential, the barren will still be fruitless, and many dreams will remain unfilled. It is time to shout so that the Jericho will come down. Remember to everything there is a season – now is your time, this is your moment. The LORD will take you to a land where you are going to flourish and lack nothing in Jesus Name! AMEN!

*And blessed is she that believed; for there shall be performance of those things which have been spoken to her from the Lord – Luke 1:45*

**Until next week (if Jesus tarries), GOD BLESS YOU!**



# SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS

*God's Word To Us On Sunday - October 24, 2010 – Pastor Shola*

[Texts from I Kings 18:41, I kings 20:1-11](#)

From the texts, we learnt how there was famine in the land just because a Man of God said there shall be no rain. Every word of faith from a Man of God is no longer his word as the Heavens back it up! It takes faith to receive anything from God. We need to use our mouth to command many things into our life. Every word of faith you pronounce are no longer your word, the Heavens back it up.

The Word of God is a “PERFORMER” (Isaiah 55:11), you might doubt it, but it still goes to perform whatever it is sent to. In 2 Kings 7, we saw that despite the man who doubted the word of a Man of God, the Word still came to pass. Doubt is a destroyer. It robs us of whatever God has for us.

In 1 Kings 20:1-11, we learnt how Benhadad besieged Samaria and threatened to dispossess all that the King of Israel had. On hearing his threat, the King of Israel foolishly surrendered all he had without putting forth a fight or any sort of resistance. He later sought the counsel of a Man of God and God gave Israel victory over the enemy. We were enjoined to get to a point where we resist the devil and forbid him from going any further – the Host of Heaven will back us up! We also learnt that for us to put an end to failure in our life, we must have a violent Faith. A case study of the Syrophenician woman (Matthew 15:22-28) was examined - she did not take “no” for an answer and thus obtained her miracle from God by violent faith. We must continue to speak the word of faith and watch how the Heavens will bring it to pass. Also we were admonished to pray until something happen. Just like Elijah did in 1 Kings 18:42-43, he had to pray for rain, groaning 7 times before the servant brought the good news of the rain!

Pray that God will make a way for you where there seem to be no way!

## ***Prophetic Utterances during the Message:***

There shall be abundance of rain (in your life) before the end of this year!

Even this year your testimony will come in the Name of Jesus!

I see rain on your way. The LORD by His Mercy will take you through in the Name of Jesus!

Your season of harvest has come!

Everything stopping the rain of God over your life, The LORD will deal with them in the Name of Jesus!

There is going to be a window of opportunity that God is going to use to multiply in your life in Jesus Name!

Whatever is robbing you of your desire, The LORD God Almighty will deliver you in the Name of Jesus!

*And blessed is she that believed; for there shall be performance of those things which have been spoken to her from the Lord – Luke 1:45*

**Until next week (if Jesus tarries), GOD BLESS YOU!**

## **SUNDAY SERMON EXCERPTS**

### **Snatching Victory From The Jaws Of Defeat - Pastor Quadry**

Text from 1 John 5:4, 12. Victory is sure when you are in Christ! For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world; this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

For us to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat, we need the following:

- (1) **Boldness**;
- (2) **Faith** – Hebrews 11:1-3, 6;
- (3) **Prayer** – Praying without ceasing, case study of Esther;
- (4) **Praising God** – case study of the Wall of Jericho;
- (5) **Obedience** – as you completely obey God, Jesus will touch your situation and abundance will come;
- (6) **Thanksgiving** – 1 Thessalonians 5:18, Romans 8:28; and
- (7) **A Relationship with God** – Hebrews 11:10.

For you to be victorious in life, you must have the conquering power of God.