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NEXT LEVEL

PRAYERS AND DEVOTIONAL

Day 01

DEALING WITH DISCOURAGEMENT

"And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, even my God, will be with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD."

1 Chronicles 28:20 (KJV)

In John 16:33, Jesus tells us, "...In the world, ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." This is a call to the fact that we'll always go through trials and temptations, it's the nature of this world. But we are assured that we'll overcome and not need to be discouraged because Jesus has overcome.

Many times, we find ourselves stuck and not able to move forward because we've had encounters that left us overwhelmed or didn't meet our expectations. From not getting the job to making a loss in business or not getting the funding, life throws different darts at us.

It's normal to feel down when things don't go well, but can you take a different perspective when you're in that place?

Ask yourselves these 2 key questions:

1. What am I learning: If you can learn something, what you're going through that's causing discouragement turns from being a pain to a lesson. For example, if you made a loss in your business or had a heartbreak, what did you learn from the experience? Lessons make the pain bearable.

Some people learn the most valuable life lessons from a place of pain. Like David in the bible, most of the most powerful revelations he had came from his downtimes. At downtimes, your spirit is more sensitive to hearing from God.

2. Am I judging too soon? Sometimes, you get discouraged about something that eventually changed for your good or did not even matter in the end. You might be discouraged about being single because your friends are married, but you just might be judging too soon. Or your friends got jobs before you, and you get discouraged and tag yourself a failure because you're yet to get a job. You might be judging too soon.

In Genesis 1, there was darkness before God called forth light - it gets worse before it gets better. You started your business 3 months ago and you're already discouraged because the growth doesn't meet what you've set. That's judging too soon, as every business needs time to grow and will also definitely not grow at the same pace.
You might have challenges in your marriage, finances, business or career and you find yourself judging the future based on what does not exist, you're judging too soon. Judging too soon might cause you to make decisions that you'll regret in future.

For example, your friends might be getting married and you're beginning to feel discouraged because you think you're running out of time, then you find yourself jumping into the wrong relationship or marriage which will eventually come crashing down the road.

Make a decision to trust God, learn the lesson and keep your head up during downtimes. Though it tarries; wait for it, it will surely come to pass.

Prayer

James 41:10 - Dear Lord, strengthen me, help me and uphold me with thy righteous right hand when I feel discouraged.

Confessions

John 16:33 - Because Jesus has overcome the world, I have overcome. I will not be discouraged.

1 Chronicles 28:20 - I am strong and of good courage, I will not fear or be dismayed because God is with me and he will not fail me.

Daily Bible Reading | John 17

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CAN GOD HAVE HIS WAY?

Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come."

John 2:2-4

God said, in his time, he makes all things beautiful, meaning if it's not God's timing, things can get ugly. Sometimes we call ourselves delayed when the marriage hasn't happened or when the job hasn't come. But it's just a timing thing - Ecclesiastes 3:1 says there's a time for everything.

How many times have you found yourself jumping ahead of God's timing?

Before you take a leap in any phase or area of your life - whether it's business, career or finances, ask yourself, 'Is this the right timing'? Going ahead of your time and of God's plans can lead to frustration. You might have the best of ideas and things will just not work out because the time is not right.

In Hebrew 8:5, we see how God gave Moses directions when he was about to build a Tabernacle. That's how life should be lived - according to God's direction. Before you make that decision about the next phase of your life, let God have his way. Take regular moments to go into fellowship with God to ask and listen before you leap. He knows the easiest way to your promotion, financial or marital breakthrough, and you can't force him to do today what he wants to do tomorrow.

Luke 6:12-13 says, "In those days Jesus went out to the mountain to pray, and He spent the night in prayer to God. When daylight came, He called His disciples to Him and chose twelve of them, whom He also designated as apostles".

In that verse, we see that even Jesus could not make such a big decision of choosing his apostles without going to God in prayer to get clear directions. How much more we who are mere mortals living according to the flesh and prone to making decisions based on our emotions?

Take time to pray and ask God if it's the right timing for your next step.

Prayer

Dear Lord, help me seek your face for each step in my Lord

Dear Father, I acknowledge you through every phase of my life. Direct my path and lead me in the way I should go **(Proverb 3:5-6)**

Confessions

I choose to wait on God and not jump ahead of his timing for my life.

My ears are open to hear when God is speaking and my eyes are open to see what he's showing me about the direction of my life. **(Proverbs 3:5-6)**

Daily Bible Reading | John 18

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THE POWER OF SERVICE

"And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them,
If any man desires to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all."

(Mark 9:35)

God measures greatness by the ability to serve. Every time God wants us to serve, he's not really thinking about himself because if he wants to get the job done, he can easily use angels. But when he calls a man to serve, he's thinking about the man.

God uses service to expand us. Every time God wants to expand a man, he calls him to serve. God wanted to expand Moses, so he sent him to Pharaoh. Perhaps a demand to lead or evangelize has been placed upon you - you must see it as God's call to expand you.

Service expands your capacity.
In Matthew 4:19, Jesus said, "Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of men." This verse opens our eyes to see that there's something about serving and following that expands us from fishing for fish to becoming fishers of men - your capacity changes.

We all have potential, but what turns our potential into reality is service. There are things you'll never learn on your own and potentials you'll never know you have till you start serving. We see how Joshua continually waited on Moses as an assistant/servant until his capacity was expanded and he took over leading the people of Israel from Moses.

Another reason why God calls us to serve is because service turns your pain into power. Whether you're born again or not, pain is a constant in life because we live in a fallen world. God doesn't promise that we'll never have paid, instead, he says he'll give us comfort in our pain and turn our pain into a message. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4.

How does God do this?
He depends on your service. If you can serve him faithfully and use the pain you have gone through to serve/help others, he'll turn your mess into a message, your misery into ministry.

Service can fuel your success. It's a seed that carries words for the future. Hebrew 6:10 says, For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

When it comes to service, it's possible not to be consistent because we can get weary. God understands, which is why he tells us in 1 Corinthians 15:58 to be steadfast because our labour will not be in vain.

Prayer

Dear Lord, help me not to be weary of well-doing. Help me stay steadfast in service. **(1 Corinthians 15:58)**

Dear Lord, take away every spirit of pride from me. I stay humble and serve in God's kingdom without wavering.

Confessions

The things of God are attractive to me. I choose to serve wholeheartedly, with a cheerful heart.

Daily Bible Reading | John 19

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Day 04

OVERCOMING DEPRESSION

"Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, while he himself went on a day's journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die."

(1 Kings 19:3-4)

Life will always happen. Things that will drain our last hope and faith in God can pop up without prior notice. But what do you do during those times? Do you choose to trust God and let him take full control or stay down?

Depression is a state, a place you find yourself predominantly. There's a sense of helplessness, and it tends to limit your potential, just like Elijah who was a powerful prophet that called down fire, isolated himself and called for death because of a threat from Jezebel.

When you're depressed, it's difficult to believe things can get better because it has a way of magnifying what's wrong and leaving what's right. It changes you, you become irritable and a shadow of yourself.
Some of the signs that you might be in a depressed state are fear, anxiety, helplessness and low self-esteem. You find it difficult to try again. Taking steps to raise funds for business becomes difficult because you've experienced too many rejections. Some others do not want to apply for jobs any longer because all they've experienced is failure. Some run from love and isolate because of a few heartbreaks. That's what depression can do. (Job 19:2).

If you're in that state, the first step is to admit it because whatever you cannot admit, you can't change. The same way your body can be sick, depression is a sickness of the soul and it should be treated likewise. The same way you get help when you're sick in the body, you should get help to get healing when you're depressed and not try concealing it.

Find a community of people who you can talk to, join a small group and share whatever it is you're going through. Do not isolate. Isolation is one of the biggest causes of depression. You cannot be connected to relationships and feel depressed, because the relationships will help pull you up when you're down.

In those low moments, stay grounded. As long as your roots are in the ground, you will bud again. When things happen, they knock you out completely because you don't have roots. To stay grounded, put roots in the word of God. There's something about God's word that soothes the weary and depressed soul. Let the water of God's word fill every dry aspect of your life.

"Even a tree has more hope! If it is cut down, it will sprout again and grow new branches. Though its roots have grown old in the earth and its stump decays, at the scent of water it will bud and sprout again like a new seedling." Job 14:7-9.

Prayer

O Lord, bring me out of every depression and let your light shine in every darkness in my life

Dear Lord, take away every weariness from me and help me stay grounded in your word

Confessions

Depression has no hold over my life

The joy of the Lord is my strength

Daily Bible Reading | John 20

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THE GRACE FACTOR

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

2 Corinthians 9:8 (KJV)

More than the success and wealth principles, Grace distinguishes people. When everything you know comes to an end, Grace takes over.

Grace is defined as the influence in the life of a man which is reflected in his everyday life giving him the supernatural ability to do exploits. It is the outworking of an inward influence. We have heard it said that grace is an unmerited favour. Is that really the full picture?

Grace is in dimensions. That is why our scripture for today, amongst others, talks about 'all grace'. There's a grace for accomplishments. The grace that qualifies you where and when you are not qualified. Doing the unusual as though it were usual. It is the ability of God in a man that causes him to achieve significant results.

There is a dimension of grace which is indeed unmerited favour. The grace for salvation is totally unmerited. It is freely given. It is solely based on the finished work of Jesus. Not requiring your contribution, only by the gift of faith through grace. God did not even allow the disciples to help Jesus bear the burden of the suffering for salvation by joining Him in prayers. They slept off each time they tried. It is solely God's doing from beginning to the end. No human effort in it.

Another dimension of grace is the grace for living a victorious Christian life every day (Eph 1:7). It is also a grace that is freely given. This enables us to develop the fruits of the Spirit to live a godly lifestyle on earth. The Grace that teaches us to say 'No' to sin (Titus 1:12). The way to appropriate the grace for forgiveness is to get the appropriate scriptures and meditate on it.

For example, the bible says we forgive as God in Christ has forgiven us (Ephesians 4:32). The requirement to manifest this grace for forgiveness is to believe and speak it out of your mouth. As the faith of the new covenant is released by speaking (Rom 10:6).

Grace delivers excellence. The Holy Spirit is the spirit of excellence. When the Spirit of God was only upon King Solomon, he delivered so much excellence and wealth. Wealth is for kingdom influence. Tomorrow we will look at the other dimensions of grace.

Prayer

Let every day be an opportunity for me to realize how much I need You and how much of Your grace I need.

Give me the ability to examine myself and live right. Help me Lord to reconcile Your truth with my walk of faith **(1 Peter 4:10).**

Confessions

Isaiah 41:10 – My God strengthens me and helps me through the force of His Grace.

Daily Bible Reading | John 21

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Day 06

THE GRACE FACTOR (PART 2)

But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

1 Peter 5:10, KJV

God is more interested in who you become more than what you want. More than the success and wealth principles, Grace distinguishes people.

Yesterday, we began to talk about the dimensions of grace. We looked at the grace for salvation which is totally freely given. We also saw the grace for living the Christian life which requires our confession.

Today, we look at yet another dimension of grace that requires your participation to come into full manifestation. Acts 4:33 calls this dimension Great Grace. It was made available to them to fulfill their purpose. The Apostles went forward, and they were backed with great power for great accomplishments. If the Apostles did not teach, there'll be nothing for signs and wonders to confirm (Acts 14:3). It is at this dimension of grace they began to manifest what Jesus says, 'Greater works will you do' (John 14:12). This required their full participation to accomplish. It is this grace that can be appropriated to fulfil this great prophecy of Jesus.

It is this dimension of Grace that delivers you into the fullness of your calling. This is what the Apostle Paul in 1 Cor 15:10 talks about labouring more abundantly on the grace that was bestowed upon him. In fact, he labours like no one else and has grace like no one else. He talks about grace upon grace which really means grace replacing the used grace. To increase in this grace, you must use up the previous grace. In 2 Pet 3:18, the Amplified version translates grace as spiritual strength. Strength is only strength when it is used. There is a participation. Every grace given is to bring you to the fullness of your inheritance in Christ.

Various levels of grace are made available to us to bring us into the fullness of the likeness of God. Every time we use the available grace, we increase in grace. A new dimension is opened to us. There is a financial grace. It is best maximized through kingdom influence. Grace produces strength in not just the area that we worked on but in areas of our weaknesses.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, forgive us for the times when we take advantage of your unfailing love. Being complacent, too comfortable with our mediocrity. We fail to strive for the good plans you've laid out for our lives.
Please forgive us for cheapening your grace. Renew our gratitude for the sacrifice you made for us **(2 Cor 8:9).**

Confessions

The empowering grace of God abounds in every area of my life. I do not waste the grace of God on my life. I maximize God's grace in my life. I do not frustrate the grace of God **(Galatians 2:21).**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 1

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Day 07

PRACTICAL STEPS ON CLOSING THE FINANCIAL GAP

(WEB) For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: "If anyone will not work, don't let him eat."

2 Thessalonians 3:10

When Christians have financial troubles, they tend to take the anger out on God because they have not learnt to take responsibility. Today, devotional we show you from the bible practical ways to take responsibility for your finances.

Money is the reward for value. According to our text today, the Bible teaches that an entitlement mindset that looks for money without work is a sinful lifestyle. Christians tend to go on one leg in their finances. Finance has the spiritual leg and the natural leg. The spiritual leg consists of your prayers, confessions, tithing and giving. This is however not the full picture. Remember in the bible, God promises to give power (ability) to get wealth not to give wealth (Duet 8:18). This power comes in the form of ideas, concepts, wisdom, and relationships. The second leg is the natural leg. It involves putting this enablement of God into action. God is glorified when we apply our gifts and talents to the marketplace.

From 2 Kings 4, we can diagnose the reason Christians struggle in their finances. In the first verse, we see that she envisaged that by the virtue of her husband being a man of God, they should not be poor. She was entitled.

In verse 2, we see that she had no clarity about what she wanted. She did not give an answer to the prophet's question asking what she wanted. Lack of financial goals or plans put Christians into lack. She lacked vision (Prov 29:18). Visions not made plain is only a wish (Hab 2:2). The second thing we see from verse 2 is that she had a scarcity mentality. Scarcity mentality focuses on what is not available, how the environment is not conducive, or how people are unwilling to help. As they focus on scarcity, they attract scarcity. This focus transforms into confession and they begin to manifest. This scarcity mentality also limited her from seeing the value of the relationships (neighbours) around her. It took the prophet to point it out to her.

To increase income, you need to recognise problems and solve them. Widen your scope, add tentacles of solutions in the industry you are currently serving. Don't just flip properties, furnish them.

Explore the relationships you have within the body of Christ. Yes, you have heard it being said that Christians are the hardest people to do business with. You can change the narrative by changing the focus and confession.

Join a small group where you can develop professional relationships, be open, expect to get ideas and inspirations. Your prophet is pointing out here a vital relationship in your life to take advantage of for financial increase.

Prayer

My finances overflow with increase and abundance in Jesus name. I am favored by men. My labor is financially fruitful. This week, I received amazing financial rewards for my labor in Jesus' name. Money is attracted to me and comes to me from all sides.

The Favor of God is on me, men are bringing blessings to me. I decree that financial doors of increase and abundance open to me in Jesus' name **(Isa 45:1).**

Confessions

I receive ideas and inspirations for riches in the name of Jesus. I receive the power to make wealth. I receive insights needed for wealth creation. **(Deut. 8:18).**

I have financial intelligence to manage my finances well in Jesus' name.

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 2

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PRIESTHOOD MENTALITY

BBE And have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they are ruling on the earth.

Revelation 5:10

Every believer is a priest regardless of his or her full-time occupation. God ordained the children of Israel as a nation of priests as early as immediately they left Egypt (Ex 19:6). In our text today, John the Beloved in Revelation confidently declared we conquered as priests. Let us look at how to keep our mentality in the reality of our Priesthood.

Priests are always in God's presence. Priests enjoy continued fellowship with God. Looking at the type of Old Testament priests, they were the ones who had encounters with God. They had access to the most holy place, but Praise God Jesus by His shed blood has torn the veil from top to bottom. We freely come to Him, and fellowship without condemnation.

Priests are set apart. They were God's special chosen people to show forth His Glory. Remember the three disciples, Peter, James and John, they were the closest to Jesus while He was on earth. They were and still are the only humans on earth who ever saw Jesus in His full glory.

How then do we acquire this priesthood mindset? Like the donkey that Jesus rode on into Jerusalem in Luke 19:30. Jesus required a donkey on which no burden has been laid. The first thing is not to be encumbered by the cares of this world. God must be your main agenda. The Bible says, seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness (Matt 6:33).

Secondly, lose him. Are you already entangled by so much burden and care? Get loose. If it is not loose, it cannot be used by God. God will not struggle with man (Gen 6:3). The altar is the place where desires die. Priesthood is about the dictates of God (1 Pet 2:9). Priests are made for God. Our will is nothing compared to His will.

Thirdly, submit it to Jesus. You do not pray out the flesh, you submit it (Gal 5:17). Do not make provisions to accommodate the desires of the flesh. Leave it all to Jesus.

The priesthood mindset will enable you to kill the appetite of the flesh.
The Lord, Himself, is the inheritance of the priest. When everything else fails, the inheritance of the priest never fails. In the highs and in the lows, your inheritance is assured.

Prayer

Lord, cause me to stay in consciousness of my priesthood, honoring you daily in my walk. Taking advantage of You, my Inheritance **(Eph 5:15).**

Confessions

I am of a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, and a peculiar people. I am a whole new creation. I came from the King! **(1 Peter 2:9).**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 3

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Day 09

THE GIFT OF GRACE

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variableness or shadow of turning.

James 1:17 (KJV)

Every good thing we have is given to us by God. According to the bible, "can any man have anything, except it was given to him?" (John 3:27) Or did anyone come into this world with the things they have?
Grace is the enablement by God to function in a higher capacity than our human nature would allow. I Cor 15:10. It is enjoying favor and ease infused into our effort. It was grace that made Jacob standout instead of Esau, long before they were born.

When you operate in grace, you see and think differently, because it's a gift that enables you to function with added advantage. Those around you may not understand it but the grace of God in you continues to enable you to do what you do with ease.

What can limit the impact of Grace in our lives?

Inaction: It's possible for grace to be in vain if it's not put to use. Grace is meant to be activated and that is done when we act on God's instruction.

Fear: Fear is a major weapon the devil deploys to limit the work of grace in the life of a believer. Fear prevents its victim from taking action and inaction prevents grace from manifesting in its fullness in the life of the believer.

Comfort Zone: Most Christians often confuse the comfort zone with being contented, but they are not the same. Contentment Means being grateful for every phase without greed and selfishness. While the comfort zone is living beneath capacity because of laxity and slothfulness. Our life is meant to be a continuum of greatness with each day. Prov 4:18

Ignorance of God's will: Our ability and potential becomes limited when we don't understand our authority as believers. Josh 1:3

Wrong Perception of ourselves: Many Christians havethe wrong perception because they do not believe who the Word says they are.. They often allow their individual faults to shape their perception of themselves .

God's name is glorified when those that are seen to be less deserving become instruments of great accomplishments in the society. (1 Cor 1:27) God does not call perfect people; he perfects those he calls .

Prayer

Father, I receive Your help in not abusing your grace upon my life and to let your spirit stir me out of my comfort zone. **Joshua 1:9**

Father, I receive wisdom to follow your guidance on every decision I take. **Psalm 32:8**

Confessions

I receive the wisdom to act in the grace of God in my life to accomplish greatness in my community, industry and ministry. **Ecclesiastes 7:19**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 4

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Day 10

HOW TO CHANGE YOUR OUTCOME

21 Peter remembered and said to Jesus, “Rabbi, look! The fig tree you cursed has withered!”
22 “Have faith in God,” Jesus answered.

Mark 11:21-22. NIV.

Most of the children of Israel didn’t make it to the promised land because they doubted God and they began to exhibit behaviors that were rebellious against God.

Unbelief has a way of preventing Christians from being able to enjoy the fullness of God’s grace. Those that operate in unbelief will find it very difficult to experience the manifestation of Grace. Unbelief affects our behavior; our behavior affects our performance which in turn dictates our outcome

We see a fascinating story in Mark 11:21-22; The father of the sick child probably came to Jesus to see if his child can be healed probably because he’s heard stories, not necessarily because he had faith; hence his approach which showed when he said “if you will...” That statement projected his fear and doubt, but Jesus, being compassionate, flipped the narrative “If you believe”. Sometimes when people go through a problem for a prolonged period, they become more problem-focused than solution focused. You don’t believe what you see, you see what you believe. It’s easier to declare affirmative words, but our heart ultimately expresses our real belief. It drives our action.

How do you believe in something? Through consistent exposure to it. So to change your belief, you will need to change what you are exposed to. When Mary was informed about her immaculate conception, she was sent to Elizabeth, her cousin, in order to help build and sustain her faith in the word of the Angel. Luke 1:39-45

Through encounters. Encounters are intended to open our minds to be able to appreciate the bigger things that have been promised. Just like God used signs and wonders to introduce Moses before Pharaoh. The purpose was to help Moses build confidence in the word.

Through Testimonies. Testimonies are used to help to form a reality based on past experience. Testimonies help to build our faith, especially if these past events are very similar to our current situation.

Our belief system leads us to take actions that reflect what we believe about ourselves. Just like we respond to our names based on the fact that over time, we have become associated with the names we were given at birth or called by our parents or those around us.

Prayer

The Lord grants me encounters that change the capacity of my inner mind in the name of Jesus.
Ephesians 4:22-23

I receive grace to overcome every obstacle and lifting of any gates that seem to have been shut against me. I receive grace to access help from unusual sources.
Psalm 24:9

Confessions

This season, I walk into strategic relationships. Relationships that will amplify my dreams.
Proverbs 13:20.

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 5

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OVERCOMING THE FEAR OF FAILURE

"But as it is written, 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."

1 Corinthians 2:9 (KJV)

Our inheritance is fully prepared, paid for by the finished work and delivered to us. (2 Peter 1:3) One of God's greatest blessings is putting these prepared things in our hearts by the Holy Spirit. God puts these inheritances (ideas) as flash thoughts.

Fear casts shadow over our lives and prevents us from living the full abundant life God intends for us. It limits potential (Judges 6:13); incapacitates and causes bondage (Romans 8:15); fear involves torment (1 John 4:18).
Some of the causes of fear are not believing God is as good as He says He is, not relying on God's wisdom, and trying to understand these God-given ideas before we step out.

How to Overcome Fear
The good news is that God knows about our nature to fear and He, in His grace and mercy, made a way for us.

Seek God (Psalm 34:4) – set your mind and heart on God and His nature. Realize God is with you. He never leaves you nor forsakes you.

Feed faith (Rom 10:17) – Feeding faith starves fear. Faith is fed by hearing the word according to the context of this scripture (Rom 10:14-17). Listen to the proclamation of the word of God to build faith.

Fear the Lord (Proverbs 1:7) – Wisdom is gained through the reverence of the Lord and provides a channel into the mind of Christ. We see God's perspective and can obey quickly.

God's love (1 John 4:18) – The perfect love is the love of God and it casts out ALL fears. Be filled with the love of God. The love of God is shed in our hearts by the Holy Spirit (Rom 5:5).

To overcome fear, we must develop an intimate relationship with the Holy Spirit. We are the sheep of His pasture and His sheep knows His voice, the voice of the stranger it will not heed (John 10:5). Believe this and exercise the righteousness of faith which speaks.

Prayer

My father, my father, I thank you for your continuous presence in my life. **Isaiah 41:10**

My father, My Father, every spirit of fear is rendered powerless in my life today and forever. I receive boldness to act on your word. **2 Timothy 1:7**

Confessions

The Lord is my Shepherd. I shall not fear for He will defend me. Because the Lord is my shield and exceeding great reward, the spirit of fear is far from me. **Gen 15:1**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 6

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Day 12

EFFECTIVE PRAYERS

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.
9: Fear the Lord, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing.
10: The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Psalm 34:8-10 (NIV)

There is a lot to learn about this topic and a lot to unlearn, and one of the basic assumptions is that all prayers get results.
Many people prayed throughout the Bible, yet many of them did not have their prayers answered. The reasons could be wide because there are principles that guide prayers.

What is Prayer?

Prayer is word-based, you read the word to establish that God has done it. There are also moments when intense doubt prevents your prayers from being answered.

Why doesn't prayer work?

Thought pattern: Most people have mastered the religious acts of prayer i.e., praying to feel good or expressing your pain and it's not an active release of power. The heart is disconnected from the prayer. (Mathew 15: 8)

You need to know what the will of God is: Every time you approach God and you are not sure or certain if He'll do it or not, you'll not receive. The problem with your prayer is that, you are not convinced God will do it for you. (Hebrews 11:6)

How to know God is willing:
Go to His word and allow His word speak to you on a personal level Break up the fallow ground – your heart i.e., the thoughts, the mentality that is dry. (Hosea 10:12)
See also: Psalm 51:17; Job 11:13

How to make your prayer powerful:
You need to put in the work before you pray. Before you pray, you need to know what the will of God is. That God is willing to do this for me. (Psalm 34:8-10)
Go to the word and find these scriptures. Put your heart in God's word by confessing it, and thinking about it, i.e., see yourself in your testimony.

One of the major hindrances to prayer is praying from a place of no confidence. (1st John 5:14). The posture of answered prayer is the posture of confidence in God's word.

Prayer

Father, help me to pray from a place of confidence knowing that You're willing and able to do that which you have promised. **Hebrews 11:6**

My Father, My Father, I am so grateful that you hear me and you delight in granting me speedy response to my prayers according to your word. **Isaiah 65:24**

Confessions

Father, I thank you because you are willing. You are able to do exceedingly, and abundantly and have made provisions for my goals. **Ephesians 3:20**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 7

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Day 13

INCREASING THE FINANCIAL FLOW

Beloved,I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health even as thy soul prospereth.

3 John:2 (KJV)

Financial change starts with a change of mindset as seen in our above text.Everything in life revolves around a belief system and so if your finances are going to change,then your mindset has to change.Your thinking about what you do,how you do it and the way you see money generally is very important.

Do you see yourself as blessed or as a hustler? Your financial mindset will determine your behavior, your behavior will determine your action and your action will determine your result. One major way God changes our belief system is through revelation and it is also important to note that your association determines your language. When your life wants to change,God brings you relationships that raise your standard.

Relationships that stretch us are good for our growth and development rather than the ones that just accommodate us.When God wants to change us,He brings us to places and people that challenge our thinking and language. He also begins to throw financial weight at us by suggesting to us financial projects and assignments.When God throws weight at you,He wants to build your financial muscle and you don't build financial muscle by talking but by carrying weight.

You must also be careful not to do what God is calling you to do in the flesh,that is using man's effort to carry God's weight which will in turn produce an Ishmael.Ishmael is a typology of man's initiative to produce what The Spirit wants to do.Isaac is when The Spirit works through you to produce what God wants to do.That is why God allows people to disappoint you so that you can walk through The Spirit to develop muscles.The weight God puts on you might be initially inconvenient till you've mastered it and then He adds another weight to stretch you because you are the light of the world and if you are the light of the world, you will have global problems that you will need the spiritual muscles you've built over time to bring the global solutions.

The question is what mindset is God challenging you to change that you're holding onto?Where is God calling you to grow the capacity that fear is holding you back from?We must never forget the place of Grace in this and Grace comes as a weight or demand because it determines the engine that drives everything.

Prayer

My Father, bring to me relationships that raise my standard In Jesus Name. **2 Chronicles 20:20**

In the name of Jesus, I receive the grace to grow outside my comfort zones this year. **1 Corinthians 15:10**

Confessions

I am the light of the world,so I bring global solutions to problems of humanity **John 8:12**

I conquer every fear that has held me back from being who God says I am.**Romans 8:15**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 8

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THE POWER OF CONSISTENCY

Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness and receive with meekness the engrafted word which is able to save your souls.
James 1:21(KJV)

If we want to receive the word of God,we have to receive it with meekness.The un meek are not qualified to receive the word of God and so as Christians,we must get to the point where the word of God is the supreme over our mental judgements and agreements.One of the things we should do is to submit to the finality of the Word of God.The word of God is the supreme authority over the conduct and lifestyle of a child of God.

There are a lot of things that help us that we don't like as humans,so is the word of God.Sometimes not everything that's bitter is really bitter, it's simply bitter to make you better.You should get attached and fixed to the word no matter how inconvenient it initially is for you.The bible describes God's word as the perfect law of liberty which is a like a mirror.When you take God's mirror, you don't see your physical self,it shows you exactly who you are as The Glory of God.

As we look into the mirror,the change process is from one level of glory to another and it does not stop and after some time, you'll have been completely detached from your past.Whatever you're not consistent at, you can't make progress at it.The last habit of spiritual growth is consistency and so every habit of spiritual growth,that is prayer,bible etc.must continue non-stop.It is important to note that spiritual growth is a function of habit and not program.Anything that works is worked at.

Sometimes,the difference between failure and success is very small.Just a little consistency at what works could erase a failure and bring it into success.You must know that ' almost' is still failure.There are students who studied for an exam for an hour and the only chapter of book they didn't read is where exam questions came from.It's the result that makes your work justifiable.When you work and the result is still failure,then you played but when the result is success,then you actually worked.If you're going to grow, you have to be consistent,so no resting until you see result.

Prayer

In the name of Jesus I receive the grace to pray with unbelievable results to show forth this year. **Ephesians 6:18**

I decree that my life becomes a palace for signs and wonders as I hold onto God's word for my daily living in Jesus name.**Mark 16:17**

Confessions

I wear the Glory of God like a garment because I am His dwelling house **Psalms 26:8**

I am completely detached from my past as I continue to feast on the mirror of God's word.**2 Corinthians 3:18**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 9

HOW DOES GOD GUIDE AND LEAD

For as many as are led by the spirit of God,they are the sons of God.

Romans 8:14(KJV)

As we grow as believers,we need to recognize the leading of God in our lives.Everybody hears voices but the question is who are you following?It is important to note that you cannot respond to God if you don't know how He leads you and also until you respond to God, you will not hear everything that God wants to tell you.

It is important for us as believers to understand God's lead so we don't confuse it with our feelings. Recognition of God's leadings will make us separate His voice from the many voices around us.

There are four key ways through which God leads us and they are as follows;

Visual Methods:
These come by sight either physical or spiritual.Examples are visions and dreams as relayed in Job 33:14,15(KJV)For God speaketh once,yea twice,yet man perceiveth it not.In a dream in a vision of the night,when deep sleep falleth upon men,in slumberings upon the bed.

Supernatural Encounters:
As seen in Exodus 3:2(KJV)And the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush and he looked and behold the bush burned with fire and the bush was not consumed.

Audible Voices:
These are clear voices that sound as normal voices but they carry spiritual instructions as clearly stated in Isaiah 30:21(KJV)And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee saying this is the way,walk ye in it when ye turn to the right hand and when ye turn to the left.

Another method of God's leading is categorized under

Impressions:
The Holy Spirit's inner witness makes us know what we should know about ourselves and things around us because The Holy Spirit is our perfect indicator.

The final category is what we call 4)Circumstances.Circumstances help confirm what God is saying and not necessarily inform.Things happen to us and around us that God uses to point us towards certain directions and we can identify with our channel of spiritual guidance through;

I) Knowledge of how God speaks
II) How he has been speaking to you over the

Prayer

I declare that I am alive to God's leadings in Jesus name. **Matthew 13:13**

I receive the grace to recognize and follow the voice of God in Jesus name. **John 10:27**

Confessions

I am led by the spirit of God, so I excel in all my endeavors. **Romans 8:16**

I hear and follow my Master's voice and lead to profit. **Isaiah 30:21**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 10

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Day 16

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH; DIVINE PROMISES

For the promise that he should be the heir of the world was not to Abraham or to his seed through the law but through the righteousness of faith.

Romans 4:13(KJV)

The faith hearing is different from our natural hearing.If God never utters anything,then we will never hear the revelation positions captioned in the spirit about a matter.
Faith is very personal and self-centered. God is a good God who comes into your space and tells you things that your ability is not capable of accomplishing and it is His responsibility to now give you the ability to accomplish that which He has created you to accomplish.

Faith has a foundation and it reveals that God is not capable of lying and if what He says tarries,wait for it because it will come to pass.One thing you must realize is that if you received a promise, you have also received a responsibility of believing and staying in the place of prayer till you handle in the physical what you were promised.

Abraham took some actions based on his convictions for what he heard God promised him which shows that there is a conviction and action aspect of faith.What Abraham had on his heart was bigger and real than his circumstances.In faith,you're going to exalt the picture that was furnished for you by The Holy Spirit more than the symptoms you see in the environment.Believe what you see on the inside more than what you see on the outside.

When God is raising a star,the devil will put so many hindrances on his way but his considering not and staggering not at the promises of God against the physical circumstances can be enough to help him stand till he sees in the physical what was prepared for him in the spirit.
The proof of the strength of your faith is your praise life.The chimney of your faith that is oozing out of your heart is an evidence to all that this matter in your heart is settled and not subject to editing as far as God is concerned.

Prayer

My Father,help me to see and hear above the noise around me for your will in my life In Jesus Name. **Isaiah 52:8**

I receive the grace to bear to fruition all that was promised to me by the Spirit in Jesus Name. **Genesis 49:25**

Confessions

I receive the end of my faith because my God is good and kind to me. **1 Peter 1:9**

I rejoice because I have received the manifestation of all that was promised to me. **Genesis 49:25**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 11

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Day 17

EXPERIENCING PHENOMENAL GROWTH THROUGH SPIRIT-INSPIRED GOALS

John 15:16

In order to make this year better and experience phenomenal growth, it is essential to have clearly defined goals. Without defined goals, life tends to run on default, following a script that may not align with our true desires. We must understand that life and destiny are personal journeys, and what works for someone else may not work for us. The lack of clear goals often leads to feeling stuck and unfulfilled. Despite any past failures or setbacks, we should not be deterred from setting new goals. Life is a marathon, and each of us has our own pace. When we have a goal, it becomes vital to consider the "why" behind it. To make our goals stick, we also need a map—a plan on how to navigate from where we are to where we want to be.

Intentional growth is impossible without goals, especially in our spiritual lives. We must set goals for our spiritual development and growth. The Spirit of God leads us to set goals for several reasons. Firstly, goals are a reflection of our faith, “According to our faith, it shall be done unto us”. Like the woman who touched the hem of Jesus' garment, her goal led to action and manifested her faith. Secondly, goals are evidence of our faith. Hebrews 11:1 states that faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

God uses our goals to stretch our faith. If our faith is to grow, it must respond to challenges and problems. We should not shy away from the goals God sets before us; they are meant to expand us. Testimonies are born out of taking steps of faith. Ephesians 3:20-21 reminds us that God can do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think. He works in us silently, by His Spirit, directing us inwardly.

Setting deadlines for our goals is essential as it distinguishes them from mere wishes. When we have faith, we assign a specific date to our goals. It prompts us to reflect on whether our goals reflect the greatness of God or are influenced by our past limitations. Our goals should inspire us to depend on God and motivate us to pray. God uses goals to develop and strengthen us, even if they make us uncomfortable since growth rarely happens within our comfort zones. As we pursue our goals, we can experience growth in our prayer life, and increase in our spiritual sensitivity. Additionally, goals serve as a means for God to refine our character and instill discipline in our lives.

The Spirit of God can guide us in achieving our goals, even when our minds have not yet seen the full manifestation. Fasting and prayer provide an opportunity for our minds to subdue the flesh, allowing us to pick up on God's signals that will ultimately transform our lives.

•Inviting the Holy Spirit into your marriage/relationship is to embrace perfect wisdom and counsel.
•Submitting to Jesus in your marriage is to invite the PRINCE OF PEACE into your storm.
•Above all, subjecting your marriage/relationship to Godly principles is to reengineer your marriage by building it on the Rock.

Prayer

Lord, anoint me to see and hear like a prophet. Open my spiritual eyes and ears to perceive the Spirit's guidance and inspiration. Help me set clear and Spirit-inspired goals that align with Your purpose for my life. **Jeremiah 29:11**

Strengthen my faith, Lord, so that I may trust in Your provision and step out in boldness to achieve what You have called me to do. Let my pursuit of goals be an avenue for spiritual growth, deepening my relationship with You and transforming my character. **2 Timothy 1:7**

Confessions

My goals are rooted in faith, and I believe they will lead to remarkable growth in my life.

2.As I pursue Spirit-inspired goals, I am being transformed and strengthened by God's power within me.

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 12

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THE BEDROCK OF SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

Romans 8:14-15

In our journey of faith, it is essential to establish a solid foundation for spiritual guidance. The starting point and practical way to begin is by recognising that God's leading is the birthright of every believer. We should have the same assurance about His leading as we have about our salvation.

Romans 8:14 assures us that those who are led by the Spirit of God are His children. Through the Holy Spirit, we have received the spirit of sonship, and we can confidently approach the throne of grace, knowing that we have the right to access the spiritual principles of God.

Often, the challenge lies in overcoming our own desires and the influence of the flesh. As humans, we naturally oppose God, and our feelings tend to lead us astray. When things go wrong, we are often swayed by our emotions. However, Galatians 5:16-19 reminds us that we are indeed led by the Spirit of God, even if we fail to recognise it. These leadings may manifest as simple nudges to attend church or read the Bible. Unlike the tablets of the law given in the past to Moses, God has now written His will in our hearts. When we ignore these nudges, the prompting weakens, and we silence the Spirit within us.

Romans 6:13-16 instructs us to yield ourselves to God, emphasizing that sin no longer has dominion over us. Whatever we yield ourselves to becomes our master. The practical way to grow is to make daily choices that align with God's will. Although we may face battles as long as we reside in our earthly bodies, our responsibility is to resist yielding to sinful desires. If we find ourselves struggling, we must examine what we have been yielding to.

To follow the lead of the Lord, the first prerequisite is self-denial. Jesus Himself taught that those who desire to follow him must deny themselves and carry their cross daily. Self-denial is the pathway to surrendering to God's will and embracing His guidance in our lives.

Colossians 3:1 encourages us to set our affections on things above, focusing on God. As we drop worldly attachments for the sake of God, we can trust that He will provide something greater in return. Abraham serves as an example of obedience, following God's instructions even when they seemed difficult, such as being willing to sacrifice his son. Trusting in God's love, we can be assured that He will never send us anywhere that would destroy us, and He will not put us to shame. It brings Him delight to bless us, His children, and for us to represent His name wherever we go.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, I come before you today with a heart full of gratitude and a renewed dedication to seek the things that are above. I pray that in every moment, whether in your immediate presence or when I feel distant, my lives would be pleasing to you. May my thoughts, words, and actions align with your will as I surrender to the leading of your Spirit.
Romans 12:2

Dear Lord, I seek forgiveness for times when you have ignored the Holy Spirit's nudges and quenched His leading. Pray for the grace to set your affections on things above and prioritise God in all areas of my life.
Colossians 3:1-2

Confessions

I confess that as a child of God, I have the right and privilege to access His spiritual principles and be led by His Spirit.

Today, I choose to surrender my will to God and carry my cross daily, trusting in His guidance. I declare that my affections are set on things above, and I willingly let go of worldly attachments for the sake of pursuing God's will.

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 13

HOW TO STAY ON THE CUTTING EDGE

I am a sprouting vine, and the farmer who tends the vine is my father. He cares for the branches connected to me by lifting and propping up the fruitless branches and pruning every fruitful branch to yield a greater harvest. (TPT)

John 15:1 - 2

Phil Knight, the founder of the Sports Apparel and Athletic Footwear Company, Nike, wrote a memoir titled Shoe Dog. In his book, he wrote about the unjust treatment he faced from his initial shoe factory partner that resulted in a legal case that Nike won. The journey to the win was tumultuous. Phil was close to depressed trying to juggle his business, being a good father and husband. This was tough yet he didn't relent. He kept growing, seeking new avenues to grow the business, and reading bedtime stories to his son; holding everything together as much as possible. Eventually, the case got dismissed, Nike began adjusting to the new normal and subsequently sales improved.

If you read this memoir, you would realize that Phil had enough reasons and the ability to quit Nike yet still live a fairly decent life but he didn't because he had a grounding reason for building the brand. A reason that extended beyond himself; a desire to create impact. The Bible passage above admonishes us to strive for excellence and be resilient. To have spirits that are not easily broken but are patient and fruitful. The fruit here does not imply ginormous feats or record-breaking achievements; it doesn't have to be amazing on the first try. It only needs to be visible, consistent, healthy and growing.

To stay on the cutting edge, you need to understand that growth requires pain and moments of temporal stagnation. At some point, everyone would feel 'stuck', why? Because the human mind desires to progress and increase, therefore the absence of imagined progress results in feelings of delay, stagnation and sometimes, resignation on a path we were initially enthusiastic about. While these feelings are valid, it's a recipe for mediocrity. God has given everyone, including you, the ability to be cutting-edge, and utilizing this ability requires capacity. This capacity is built through resilience; a process that involves building depth and patiently navigating slow and stagnant periods by learning and recognising them as opportunities for positive growth. God wants you to grow and growth happens in consistent small changes rather than big mighty ones, these small changes can be painful yet they produce tremendous results.

Do reflect champ, how is that pain you are experiencing building your capacity to handle greater outcomes?

Prayer

Lord Jesus, help me to learn to trust you wholeheartedly and understand the lessons you are teaching me at every stage in my life. **Jer. 29:11**

Lord Jesus, give me the willpower to go through the process of expanding my capacity for the amazing things you have in store for me. **Isa 55:8 -9**

Confessions

I walk in accordance with God's design in my conversations, relationships and life

I am constantly improving and striving for excellence in every season of my life.

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 14

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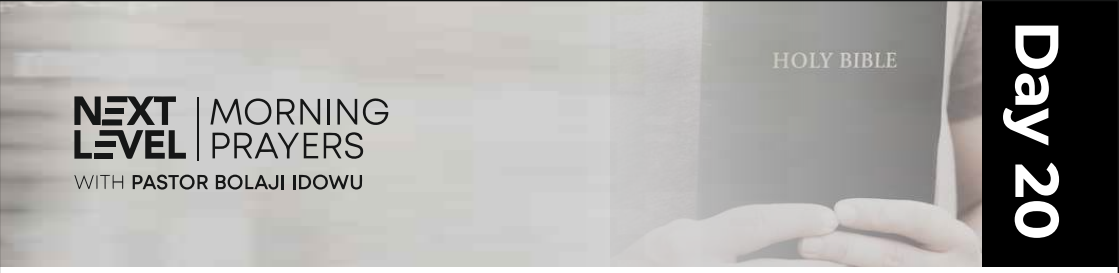

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Day 20

HOW THE SPIRIT LEADS AND GUIDES

So Jesus said, "I speak to you eternal truth. The Son is unable to do anything from himself or through his own initiative. I only do the works that I see the Father doing, for the Son does the same works as his Father(TPT)

John 5:19

In the late 60s, Two men, Manuel and Fred, visited Paris for the first time, to see a prestigious art exhibition. Manuel had a map of the city and Fred had the description of the exhibition's location on a piece of paper. The day before the exhibition, it rained and Fred got caught in the rain, the heavy downpour resulted in Fred losing valuable items including this piece of paper. On the day of the exhibition, Manuel easily navigated the city with his map in hand, stopping only a few times to ask for directions; arriving at the exhibition with some minutes to spare. Fred, determined to still see the exhibition, stepped out and asked passers-by and commuters for directions to the exhibition event. Their descriptions led him through lots of wrong turns and he arrived at the exhibition exhausted and late. When he got there, the exhibition was over and almost everyone had left, Fred was sad and wished he never lost that piece of paper.

The map in this story symbolizes God's guidance to us, his people. Sometimes we go through life utilizing only our knowledge, not praying to God nor asking him for directions. We believe we have knowledge sufficient to take us through the hurdles we face in life but we get disappointed, stressed, make wrong turns and arrive at our goals late or not at all. The Bible text above shows us how Jesus, despite being sinless and perfect, asked God for guidance before making decisions. He ensured that he fellowshipped with God before and after his teachings, journeys etc.

Today, God guides us through his word, prayer and fellowship. A friend once told me, if you are struggling to pray then it means you've not yet understood that God is your father and your friend, he always wants to listen to you and he always does what's best for you. Personally, I think God is pretty cool and though the traditional mode of prayer might involve being in a specific state of mind, God is calling us to a fellowship where we can talk to him whenever and wherever, and we can ask for his opinion and his guidance to live a fulfilled and enjoyable life.

Where do you require God's guidance today? Tell him about it, he is eager to listen and speak with you.

Prayer

I am a friend of God, loved by him and called according to his purpose

I have a better relationship with God, he guides me and I listen to his guidance every minute of each day

The love of God is spread abroad in my heart.

Confessions

Lord Jesus help me to understand what it means for us to be great friends; **Exo. 33:11a**

Help me Lord Jesus to think of you first and put you first in all that I do; **Matt 6: 31 -33**

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 15

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Day 21

WHAT TO DO WHEN VISION SEEMS DEAD

Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. Just make me a little bread from it first and bring it out to me, and afterwards, you may make one for yourself and for your son. For this is what the Lord God of Israel says: 'The bowl of flour shall not be exhausted nor shall the jar of oil be empty until the day that the Lord sends rain [again] on the face of the earth."(AMP)

1 King 17: 13 - 14

The verses preceding the bible passage above told the story of a widow and her son who lived in a period of famine in their country. She had decided, before Elijah's visit, to prepare the last flour she had, eat it with her son and die. When Elijah arrived, she told him of her plans however Elijah encouraged her, speaking life into her with his words. This passage reminds me of 2020, the year of the Covid-19 virus. At the start of the lockdown in Nigeria, I lost my job and I had to move back home to break the news to my family. We had to adjust our finances to the new situation because I contributed significantly to the household finances. When the lockdown started, online businesses became popular and people spent a lot of time on the internet, including me. I realised I could sell SME Data since lots of people were online and would need cheaper data, I spoke to my friend who already sold wholesale about reselling for his brand, and he agreed. I sold SME data online for some time till I eventually got another job a month and a few weeks into the lockdown.

Sometimes we have a juiced-up plan of how we want life to go, I wanted to return from Service year because I had a decent-paying job yet I got laid off two months after returning. Sometimes, certain situations make us question God's love and care for us, regardless of the knowledge that bad things and good things in life are yin-yangs. The inevitability of life is why our sole trust should not only be in our physical and mental capabilities in academia, business or family but in trusting that God is always with us every time including periods when we are riddled with existential questions or when our Vision seems dead.

What should you do when your Vision seems dead? Talk to God genuinely, ask him to show you what he needs you to understand in that period, and how you should move forward. When we approach God honestly, he begins to speak to us through the things around us and draw our attention to the things we might have previously missed. Remember it's very okay to start small or start again, it is best to view the obstacles as an opportunity to wait for something that would bring you closer to your vision and ask God to lead you and prepare, then take action.

What was the greatest obstacle you faced? How did you overcome it?

Prayer

Lord Jesus, renew my mind and help me to see difficulties as opportunities. **Rom 12:2**

Help me to develop an honest relationship with you and create in me an obedient heart. **Ezekiel 36:26**

Confessions

I declare that in all seasons the spirit of the lord dwells in me teaching me in the way to go and guiding me

I declare that my mind is renewed daily and everything I do brings me one step closer to my vision.

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 16

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Day 22

HOW GOD UNLOCKS BREAKTHROUGHS THROUGH RELATIONSHIPS

Jesus also told them this parable: "God's kingdom realm is like someone spreading seed on the ground.(TPT)

Mark 4:26

How often do you meet new people? Recently I felt out of order and decided to take a personality test to determine if something changed. My personality test results have stayed the same for some time, however, my current stage of life saps more mental strength than usual, and I have had to consciously remain positive and cheerful. One of the questions the test engine asked me was How often do you meet new people? The question made me aware of the number of new people I had met this year; quite a number. I also realized that I met them all in the same situation causing me to reflect on the areas where I needed growth, my blindspots, did I know people who were successful in these areas, and did I have relationships with them.

The Bible passage above tells of Jesus's parable of the sower, it could easily be interpreted as a metaphor for business investments or evangelism today. However, It also speaks to the relationships and friendships we build with people - people we admire, people in our environment and people that admire us. Relationships help us examine situations holistically, it provides balanced judgment and grows us.

God brings us in contact with people and speaks to us through them subsequently changing us, growing us or affirming our beliefs. On a scale of general to intimate, most relationships are categorized into three forms - Acquaintances, Close Friends and Core Friends. We are encouraged to know many people, but it is important to categorize them. Cultivating friendly relations with many people does not translate to having many core friends, this is not because we are bad people, but because relationships exist across a spectrum that connects us, but friendships are more intimate. For instance, Jesus had three core friends among his twelve disciples. During his transfiguration, he was not with the twelve, he was with three, why? He considers the three his core friends; they met his criteria for Core friendships.

Finally, to build healthy friendships, we need to: i. Have Relationship goals, ii. Be intentional, iii. Be sensitive, iv. Invest in it and v. Review the Friendships. When you show up this way, it is easy to see people that don't show up in the same way and naturally gravitate towards people who share the same values as us. When building friendships, we should treat ourselves with grace and respect, we cannot be core friends to all, and everyone cannot be our core friends, which is okay.

Prayer

Lord Jesus helped me to cultivate the right relationships that would advance me. **Eph 4:29**

Help me lord to be a better friend, to be there for my friends, the way they are for me. **1Pet. 4:8**

Confessions

I declare that I gravitate towards friendships and relationships that exude the glory of God in my life

I declare that I plant seeds of profitable relationships that are beneficial to me and those around me now and in future.

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 17

HOW TO GROW AND HAVE TANGIBLE RESULTS

You didn't choose me, but I've chosen and commissioned you to go into the world to bear fruit. And your fruit will last because whatever you ask of my Father, for my sake, he will give it to you!(TPT)

John 15:16

When I think of results, I think of High School Graduation Ceremonies. 6 years of growth, hard work, learning, reading and tough final exams and yup, it's Graduation day. The smiles of victory, the joy of our parents, and the happiness we feel that our friends are graduating too is immeasurable. If we are lucky, everyone we started the journey with would be graduating with us. That feeling is unmatched! Yet, graduations don't just happen everywhere, there are schools where students didn't finish the race for various reasons, and there are students that finished but would not be graduating because they have no tangible results. That is the burden of growth with no result.

When you think about it, everyone grows because it's a constant, we are supposed to age, yet growing does not equate to producing impactful or tangible results. Producing tangible results requires intentionality, grit, resilience and desire towards a defined goal. When we have good results, we forget all the hard work that created the result, we get lost momentarily in the euphoric feeling of achievement that increases our confidence levels. A by-product of achieving such positive results is the belief in our ability to achieve great success at will.

How does God grow us to achieve tangible results? Tangible results are not by-products of wishful thinking, they require time, energy, dedication and a significant amount of hard work plus an unwavering belief in the process. God helps us achieve tangible results by putting a hunger in us towards specific objectives. This hunger makes us uncomfortable and leads us towards the necessary action required to achieve success in our chosen endeavors. He gives us revelation and assurance through the scriptures while we are in our growth phases, so we are comforted, driven and fueled to reach the finish line. Finally, God grants us encounters, these encounters impact our perspectives on what we believe is possible in God. Isa. 55:9-10.

What area of your life do you need to work with God for growth and tangible results this season?

Prayer

Thank you Lord because you love me and you care about my success in life. **Jer 29:11**

Give me the strength, willpower and ability to bear fruits in every area of my life. **John 15:8**

Confessions

I declare that I bear good fruits in all areas of my life

I declare that I am helped by God and I achieve tangible results in all that I set my mind to.

I declare today that I radiate the glory of God, exuding the spirit of excellence in all that I do.

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Day 24

HOW TO WORK IN THE PROPHETIC WORD

So Timothy, my son, I am entrusting you with this responsibility, in keeping with the very first prophecies that were spoken over your life, and are now in the process of fulfilment in this great work of ministry, in keeping with the prophecies spoken over you. With this encouragement use your prophecies as weapons as you wage spiritual warfare by faith and with a clean conscience(TPT)

1 Tim 1:18

I grew up with highly traditional Christian values where the concept of prophecies was sacred and creepy. If the pastor saw a vision, or prophesy over your life you were expected to cower and maintain a 'humble' attitude. You had to suspend any form of sin you had planned for at least a week, when the week was over, you may resume your life like the prophecies were never mentioned. Most times these predictions were about the future, and that was confusing for my young mind; I was only concerned about what we are having for lunch. My parents would deeply reflect on these prophecies and would go on to pray for their fulfillment without intentional or unintentional hassles. I am grateful for their prayers today.

I am older now and I see prophecies differently, I have realized that you do not always need someone else to tell you vague interpretations of God's written promises for you in the scriptures. His prophecies about the future - to prosper us, to restore lost riches, to heal our hearts, to grant us long fulfilling lives and many other beautiful things have been written. They already exist and our part is to pray and walk in the consciousness of these promises by Faith and works, not Faith alone or Works alone. James 2: 26.

In the book of 1 Tim 1:18, Apostle Paul was speaking to Timothy on the prophecies spoken over him. This is a major difference between us, who are saved by Christ and have direct access to God and the scriptures, and those that came before the Bible was formed. They relied on prophecies, guidance and judgment of the prophets. One of the prophets in the early church was Apostle Paul. Paul told Timothy to use the prophecies over his life as weapons of Spiritual warfare through faith and a clean heart.

A Prophecy, like tangible results, would not happen if we do not work towards activating it. In the process of activating it, we can come under spiritual heat and warfare, however, if we use these prophetic words as anchors, and strengthen our faith with them, we are able to withstand the enemy. Remember God's word is his bond, and any prophecy that cannot be traced to the bible should be questioned.

What prophecy has God spoken over you today?

Prayer

Dear Lord Jesus, help me to work with you to achieve all the promises you have laid out for me. **Col 3:23**

Guide my heart to be rooted in your word, so I am not swayed by the machinations of the enemy. **Ps.91:4**

Confessions

I declare that I work in the prophetic word of God

I declare that my faith is strengthened and I receive the capacity to fulfil all of God's plans for me

Daily Bible Reading | Acts 19

Day 25

HOW TO HELP HURTING PEOPLE

"14 And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick."

Matthew 14:14

Have you ever asked the question "why do bad things happen in the world?" It would surprise you to know that it is not always the work of Satan on hunting you directly. In most cases, it could be a continued effect of the fall e.g as we grow older, we age. Another reason is the poor choices that we make. A third reason is circumstances beyond our control, like where we were born. To be a part of the solution, we must learn to develop compassion.

In Luke 10: 30-37, A Levite, a Priest, and a Samaritan pass by a badly wounded man, and each acted differently. There is a difference between compassion, pity and empathy: compassion sees an hopeless event and takes action, empathy and pity see and discuss or mop over it. As spiritual people, we may be aware of a bad situation and feel bad or sorry about it, but this does not guarantee that we will do anything about it.

According to the scripture, Jesus saw and was moved to do something. Compassion is important because it triggers the power of God. We have to cultivate the heart of compassion. It is difficult for God to use a man that is not compassionate, because the needs of the people can't get his attention. Where your compassion is is where God can use you.

How many times do we see the homeless, the naked, or even addicts and quickly forget that there just might be something that could come from us, that would be an answer to their prayers for the day. We even have excess clothes but rather than give somebody wearing the same outfit everyday we'll rather keep stacking up. The Priest in the earlier scripture came by that way and looked away. Where is your heart of compassion?

For God to do something God has to look for people, especially those with compassion in that area. Ask Moses. If it is in your heart, God will put it in your hands. God trusts compassionate people. God might bring you around a family in danger of divorce, hoping that you will pray and do what you can according to His wisdom. Do you even know the statistics of jobless people? When the compassion of God grips the soul of an individual, God can get His attention quickly in even matters that concern nations. Start from somewhere.

A self-centered life is empty in the middle.

How do I become compassionate?
Pay attention to others (you might care to know why a coworker does not smell too good).
Develop a solution mentality; tell yourself: "I am God's force for good in the economy".
Be involved ; be a part of the solution (move to see a change. Join outreaches. In a world that is determined to phase Christ out of the school systems no more Bible knowledge, LGBT in Disney cartoons, and their divorced parents don't go to church — it would be a joy to bring Christ to the children.
Take action (as simple as giving out clothes you don't use, not bad ones; or praying for and with disturbed people. Preaching Christ to them. Some people sleep around to gain acceptance; some load on drugs just to get high and forget their sorrows.
Remember, that the more you help others, the more help comes to you to help others. Matthew 5:7

Prayer

Father, please put compassion for people in my heart. **Matt 5:7**

Help me not to be unconcerned. Make me Your hands to bring deliverance in ways you would have me. **Jude 1:22**

Confessions

I refuse to look away from problems I see. I am God's answer to a dying world. **Matt 5:7**

In a world where people die daily without knowing Christ, I choose to be a Christian, sharing God's salvation by my lifestyle and through my words. **Matt 5:15**

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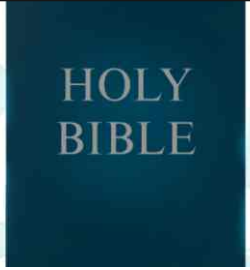

THE GREATEST GIFT OF ALL

"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

A lot of us are generous. We give gifts to people we love. The size of the gifts we give and the gift itself is dependent on how weighty the recipient is. Gifts can be a measure of the value we place on a person. As an instance, if we are to give gifts to the president of any organization we may belong to, we would certainly not hand him a small denomination note in the local currency.

Christmas is symbolically for gift-giving. It started because someone chose to give a gift: the gift of Jesus for the salvation, redemption, and reinstatement of man to where he was meant to be originally. It has led to this culture of gifts-giving. Think about this: think about the things you value most as dear to your heart (son, daughter, car, houses, phone), consider parting with them as a measure of your love to someone else, and the person needn't do anything to earn it. And that's what God said. God took what He considered most precious, and gave it as a gift; and that gift remains the single most important gift anyone could give or receive.

The gift of Jesus is an endless gift. It guarantees access to endless blessings. You access salvation through Jesus. Salvation is like a premium subscription that allows you to access all features of a software. Unhindered access as such means everything you could ever need in this world has been taken care of: children, finance, healing, prosperity in your soul, a life partner, etc.

In salvation, you experience freedom from sin (Rom 8:1). A lot of Christians lack conviction about the gift of Jesus that they have received, and it's a pointer that their gift is still unwrapped. We can't accept a gift and abandon it, never truly knowing what is inside. You have to enter a relationship with Jesus that would allow you to know Him, not just about Him! Knowing Jesus is about paying attention to Him (which makes us spend time with Him),and experiencing Him. Do you know Jesus? If you know Jesus only as a carpenter, all you'll get would be furniture! Wrong teachings is another reason that people don't know Jesus.

How do we access God's gift? 1. By being born again(believe what Jesus did for you. Receive Jesus). 2.Knowledge (aim to know Him personally, and what He did for you on the cross). 3.Faith (God says the Just shall live by faith in this world. For instance, only the people that believe God answers prayers see God answer prayers). Unwrap your gift!

Prayer

Father, help me to unwrap the gift of Jesus. **Phil 3:20**

Help me to walk in the newness of life that I have received. **2Cor 5:17**

Confessions

I have the gift of God. I enjoy everything that salvation made possible. Everything that does not align with the newness of life is broken. **John 3:16**

Christ in me. I begin to see new possibilities in my earthly walk. **Jeremiah 29:11**

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Day 27

TURNING VISIONS INTO REALITY

"And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and... your young men shall see visions"

Joel 2:28

When the Holy Spirit comes on people, He begins to give them visions. One critical thing that God uses to grow and expand us is vision. The Holy Spirit sows the seed of vision in your heart, and in that season everything that does not align with that vision will begin to irritate you. If you don't understand what is going on, you will sink into depression, but if you do, you will pause and learn the contractions required to birth what the Holy Spirit is conceiving in your heart.

What you are grumbling about Is an indication of what you are called to save. Like Gideon (Judges 6: 11-15), who complained about the state of his country, most times, when vision pops in the heart of people, they are not aware. You could be upset at how houses with poor quality are built at exorbitant prices. Deep within, it might be the Lord crafting a vision of quality houses at affordable prices in your heart.

The vision of your future is always in the present. God has a deposit of grace and raw material on the inside of everyone. If you cannot capture a moment of vision, you might lose it. When God's grace lights on your vision, you'll perform seemingly impossible feats. What challenges people to growth is their version. When you stop growing, it's either you lost your vision or you attained your vision .

The best of God is in the future, not in the past. Therefore, the past has no capacity to intimidate the future. Vision would often challenge you to step out of your comfort zone. Often, it's not as if the future is not bright, it's that people don't see it. Gideon never thought he could save Israel, but God put the vision in his heart. What is good about putting in your heart that you're ignoring? We don't feel motivated because there's nothing we're seeing, else we'll walk towards it.

Vision makes life productive. Without a compelling vision, it's hard to measure progress. Life becomes boring. There's nothing you can do about your past, but there's much you can do about your future. Leave your past and go for your future.

What to do? Have a strong vision for your life. Many times, God who grants vision has already shown it to us. Never say it is impossible; say "how can we do it?" 1 Corinthians 2:9 When it enters your heart, don't kill it, what you need to do is to nurture it. God expands you by allowing vision to enter your heart. Water your vision.

Prayer

Father, craft a vision of what you'll have me do in my heart. **Habakkuk 2:2**

Lord, whatever you have been showing me that I've ignored, by mercy, grant me grace to pick them up again and turn them to reality. **Jeremiah 1:12**

Confessions

My destiny is not hopeless. I walk on purpose. **Jeremiah 1:5**

I am a person of vision. I have a clear purpose and I make effective changes for the glory of God. **Habakkuk 2:2**

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HOW TO PRAY WHEN NOTHING IS WORKING

Every Christian has gone through that phase in their Lives, when a Particular problem seems unsolvable no matter how much you try and pray.

Acts 3:1-8

Sometimes why people do not have answered prayers is because answers come with action. Sometimes God is waiting for you to take actions before your answers get to you. In Acts 3, it was not when Peter's prayer for the lame man began to walk, It was when there was an attempt to walk, The lame man began to walk. Most times our Faith needs action to work. You have to put in efforts to get what you need; you don't pray and relax waiting for answers.

Another reason you might not receive answers to your prayers is your confession. When you go to the place of prayer and you pray, then you leave the place of prayer and make confessions contrary to your prayers, No matter how much prayer you have said and you still say negative words it affects your prayer.
In Luke 1, The Angel came to Zechariah with answers to his prayers, but Zechariah couldn't believe it and answered questions that could affect this testimony negatively, the angel made him dumb because the angel understood the power of negativity.
Daniel 10:12

When Daniel prayed, his prayers were answered but it took 21 days for his answers to be delivered to him. If Daniel had been negative during his trying times, It would have affected the outcome of his prayers. When you see what you don't want, maintain what you want in speech. Genesis 1:1-3, God saw that there was darkness, he spoke light into existence.

The most difficult times are the waiting times, there are lots of tussles and Spiritual warfare that are going on and it is always a battle of words and it is the Loudest and most consistent words that wins. If you continue saying you are broke in a financial crisis you will remain broke.

Another reason why your prayers might not be answered is your mentality.
2 Kings 5, Naaman almost lost his miracle because of his mentality. Sometimes, it is pride and ego that holds us from receiving our miracles. We might not be positioned rightly to receive our miracle, because we are following a way that seems right to us, while the way to our success it's the way God is directing us to. Isaiah 55:8-9. Most times, we try to force God to do it our way but he won't do that, Proverbs 3:34.

One reason God refuses to do things our way, is so we learn to trust him.
Why most people are not strong Christians is because they have not positioned themselves in a place where it is only God that can help them.

What You Should Do When Your Prayers Have Not Being Answered
When you do not know how to pray you get wrong results, and for you to learn how to pray you have to read your bible.
Make a Prayer of inquiry, James 1:2-5, Ask God why your prayers are not being answered. Prayer of inquiry opens up/reveals a dimension to your problem or a solution you don't know. Prayer of inquiry is a prayer for wisdom and direction.
Go to the Holy Ghost, to inquire from the Holy Ghost you must be in a neutral state.

Prayer

My Father, My Father, give me the strength to wait patiently and remain positive in my waiting time. **Psalm 37:7**

Oh Lord my father, reveal to me the hindrances to my testimony. **1 Corinthians 2:9-10**

My Father My Father gives me the zeal to seek you through yours. **Psalm 119:18**

Confessions

I believe that everything is working together for my good

I receive answers and solutions to my prayers.

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Day 29

WORKING OUT YOUR VISION

You can only go as far as you see; no man can arrive at a future he cannot see.

Genesis 13:14-15

How Far can you see?

The first thing you need for your future to manifest is to see it; it is the greatness you see for your future that will come to manifest in your Life.

In Genesis 13:14-15 "14 The Lord said to Abram after Lot had parted from him, "Look around from where you are, to the north and south, to the east and west. 15 All the land that you see I will give to you and your offspring forever.

It's only your vision that limits your prayers and blessings, because when you dream small you will pray small. We need to ask God for things only he can do, we should learn to challenge God. Even after Joseph was sold as a slave and even locked up in Prison, he still dreamt, he never gave up. Leaving your Life to chance gives you no chance in Life, How far you see determines how far you go. No matter what is going on in your life, do not let someone stop you from dreaming. Vision helps you become selective of who you hang out with, or places you put yourself in, Your vision helps you make better decisions, God expands you through your Vision, He changes your life through a vision.

What Vision can you accommodate that will expand you?

People do not like visions because it is uncomfortable, it takes you outside your comfort zone, and Vision can limit your choices, even when there are a lot of choices. You have to discipline yourself to achieve a certain goal; if you want to lose weight you will have to cut down on certain meals, even your most favorite meals or control how you eat to accomplish that.

Sometimes, it is too early to settle, we should dream big and large, we should not settle to the standard of others. You can use the intangible to create tangible things that don't get stuck in your mind. Once you get stuck in your mind, you become stuck in Life. Visions attract resources.

Why Visions Die?

Vision dies when your vision is self-centered; if you want to make your vision strong do not make it all about yourself, involve others to this vision. Hannah had prayed for a child for a very long time, but the first time she made her prayer about helping someone else other than herself, her prayer was answered 1 Samuel 1:9-20. Visions powered by love never fail.

What Do You Do When You Have A Vision?

1. Learn to put your vision to heart. Proverbs 16:19
2. Be Mindful of your vision, Genesis 6:5, Hebrew 11:15 Mindfulness of your vision creates opportunities. When you see only your limitations, you don't see opportunities, what you worry about the most are the things that happen in your life.

"Opportunities are not scarce, Mindfulness determines opportunities".

Prayer

Father God, give me a heart filled with love so that I can accommodate other people's need in my vision **1 Samuel 1:9-20**

My Father, My Father, help me focus on my visions even through times that they seem impossible, **Genesis 40:5-22**

Father May every dream and goal that has been revealed to me come into manifestation. Genesis 37:5-9, **Genesis 42:6**

Confessions

I believe in my dreams and Visions and I believe I can do all things through Christ that strengthens me.

I confess that my problems or conditions do not limit my dreams.

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WORD AND SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Have you ever wondered why you have a dream about a certain thing and it later happens? This is because before anything physical happens it has already been orchestrated spiritually, the spiritual realm controls the physical realm.

2 Corinthians 10:3

Sometimes people go around to different places looking for a solution but still not find one and this is because they don't understand spiritual warfare. 2 Corinthians 10:4

What are Strongholds?
Strongholds are imagination, thoughts and knowledge that holds you down 2 Corinthians 10:5
Problems or things that happen physically are controlled by the spiritual realm. When you are praying for something and working for a solution, you will have to back it up with prayer; you summit a Proposal you don't just check and relax, you have to enter the spiritual and present it to God too. Spiritual reality controls and dominates physical reality.

When you have everything you can physically to solve a problem, you have to also boost your efforts in the spirit realm. Sometimes, the Devil makes us believe or think we do not need God's help to solve a problem.

Weapons that that the Devil use to steal and destroy our Destiny

Ignorance (2 Corinthian 11:3)
When we don't understand that we need spiritual backing in all our endeavors, it is the devil manipulating our life and keeping us from success. Those thoughts or mindset that tells us that we can't succeed or reach a certain place is a spiritual attack and most times we are not aware of that. Isaiah 3:10; Hosea 1:6 Many Christians are destroyed because of their ignorance, some thoughts are not to be ignored.
Sometimes, our Mindset holds us bondage and stops our progress, when you believe because of a certain reason; you won't succeed but when you believe you can succeed no matter what you certainly will. Deut 11:24, Psalms 1:3

Accusation (Rev. 2:10)
Every time Satan wants to attack you he brings up your wrong and your fault, because once you feel accused, you feel condemned, when you feel condemned you cannot stand in faith, once you cannot stand in faith, you cannot stand in Grace. Any voice that accuses and reminds you of your faults is not the voice of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit reminds you of repentance, not accuses you. Isaiah 43: 18-19
What do you do when things are wrong spiritually? Abnormal behaviors; When things do not work as it should work.

We always remember that our Thoughts are portals of spiritual and demonic warfare, they are doors to attacks. Ephesians 6:12, when the wrong thoughts cross your mind you shun it with the word of God, like Jesus in Matthew 1:4-11. 'A shut mouth is a shut Destiny'

Fear (Hebrew 2:15)
Fear holds you done, when you are going through something and you are afraid you will fail, you will eventually fail. When you are going through a situation protect yourself a shield of faith, Ephesians 6:16, Faith brings things to existence Job 1:10
Authorities are expressed by word. You have to study God's word so when the attack comes you can raise a shield of faith against it.
The difference between two Christians where one is surviving and the other is not, is that one who has a shield of faith and the other does not.

Prayer

Holy Spirit take of my thoughts, let every thought I have be fuel by grace and faith

Oh Lord my father, Give me the knowledge I need to function in both the physical and spiritual realm

My Father, My Father silences the voice of the devil in my Life. AMEN

Confessions

I am taking the Shield of faith and I quench all the evil darts of the enemy

I sanitize my thoughts and refine it into good thoughts

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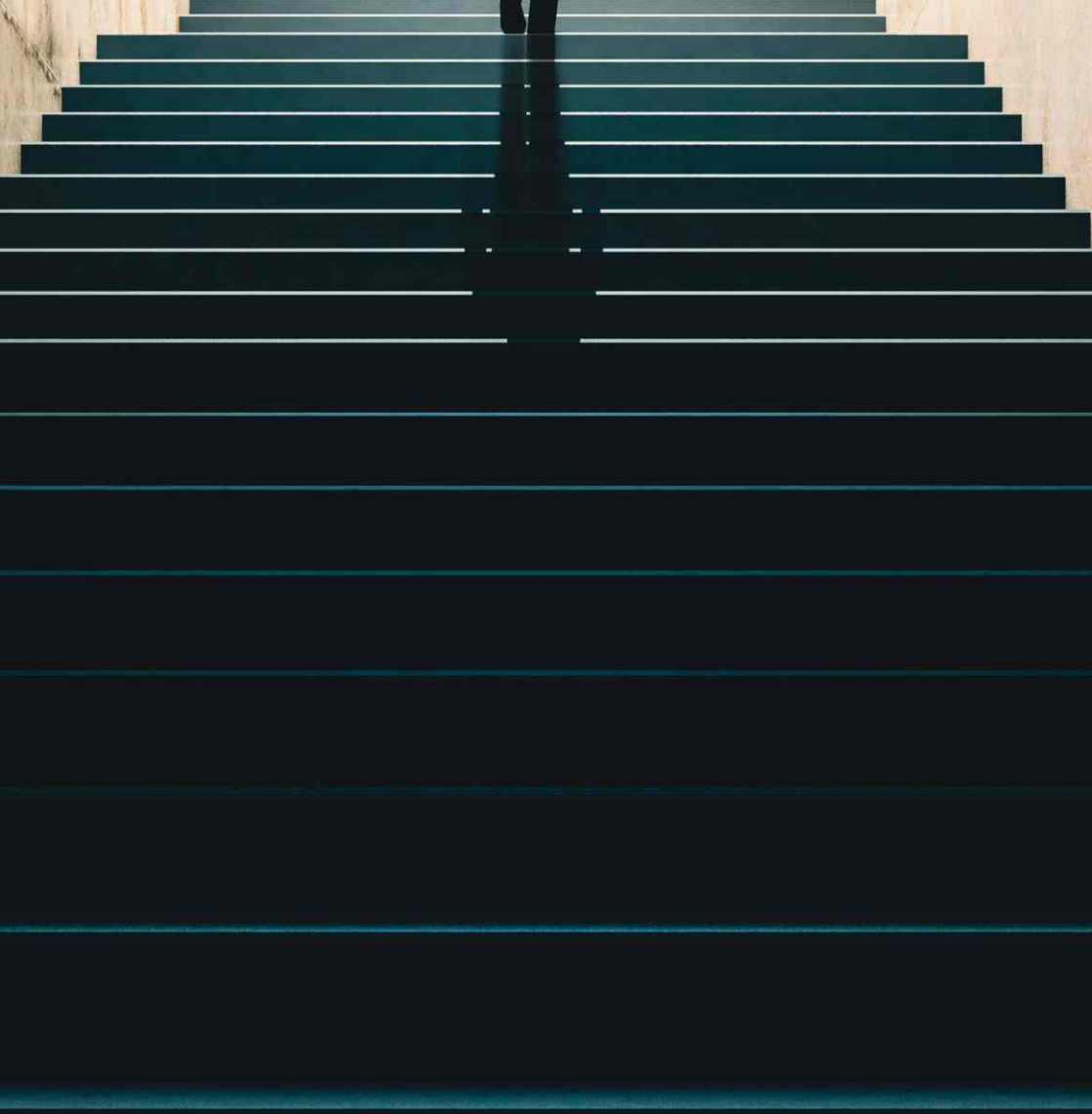

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