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Jehovah-RAPHA: THE LORD IS OUR PHYSICIAN, THE LORD IS OUR HEALER.

I. The works of the devil.

In part I of The Perfect Redemption Plan, we have seen God’s dream of having a family and communing with them. Satan, who was envious of the relationship God had with mankind, and because they were in the image and likeness of God, came to crash the party. He deceived mankind, and we fell and were kicked out of God’s presence. With the fall of mankind came death, sicknesses, diseases, torments, etc. Satan is not satisfied to carry people with him into hell but also wants to make their life miserable and painful on earth.

He wants to shorten their days on earth so that they won’t have time to give their life to Christ, and be delivered from the power of darkness. God has a plan, not only to save our souls from hell fire, but also to cure all our sicknesses and diseases, to make our life enjoyable on earth. For this purpose, the Son of God was manifested or revealed, that He might destroy the works of the devil (1John 3:8). The thief who is Satan, comes but to steal, kill and destroy, but I, Jesus, have come that you may have life and have it more abundantly, to the full till it overflows (John 10:10).

II. The right disposition of the heart to receive the manifestations of God’s promises

Keep your heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues [limitations, borders and boundaries] of life (Proverbs 4:23); for as a person thinks in his heart, so is he (Proverbs 23:7). How we believe and understand things in our heart, is very crucial to the manifestations of the promises of God in our life. Spiritual truths are perceived with the eyes of the heart, which are the eyes of faith. Spiritual truths are received and understood with the heart, even the heart of faith; not with the mind. And spiritual truths are heard with the ear of
faith. You can have your natural eyes wide open, your natural ear perfectly open and the intellect of a savant, even a theologian; yet you miss the simple truths of God’s word and ways! Jesus says: this people’s heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear (Matthew13:15-16).

My prayer is that the eyes of our heart will be enlightened to see and understand spiritual truths, and spiritual ears may be open to hear the truths of the gospel, so that we can have the manifestations of God’s promises in our life: healing, signs, wonders and manifestations of the Holy Ghost. Therefore I also, hearing of your faith in the Lord Jesus and love to all the saints, do not cease giving thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened, so that you may know what is the hope of His calling, and what is the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints (Ephesians1:15-18).

How we hear and read spiritual truth, matters a lot, or the disposition of our heart, when we hear or read spiritual truths, matters a lot to the manifestations of those truths in our life. Therefore be careful how you hear. For whoever has, to him shall be given; and whoever has not, from him shall be taken, even that which he seems to have (Luke 8:18). It is also our responsibility to be like the Christians of Berea, who checked whether, what they were taught, was in accordance with the counsel of the written word of God; for if what is taught is not in line with God’s word, you will be robbed of the blessings of the Lord. As ministers of Jesus we ought to only speak and teach God’s people in line with the written word of God, as was Paul’s standard. He says: Therefore having obtained help from God, I stand until this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying no other things than those which the prophets [Joshua to Malachi] and Moses [Genesis to Deuteronomy] said was going to happen (Acts 26:22). Jesus tells us: If any man has ears to hear, let him hear. And He said to them, Take heed what you hear. With that measure which you measure, it shall be measured to you. And to you who hear, more shall be given. For he who has, more shall be given to him; and he who has not, from him shall be taken even that which he has (Mark 4:23-25).

Some ministers of the gospel who do not know how to rightly divide the Holy Scriptures, tell their congregation to reject the whole Old Testament, rejecting the four gospels, and only read the chapters after the resurrection of Jesus in the gospels, they reject the writing of the other apostles of Jesus and only read the writings of Paul. Paul tells us: Study earnestly to present yourself approved to God, a workman that does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth. But shun profane, vain babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. And their word will eat like a gangrene; among whom are Hymenaeus and Philetus, who have erred concerning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past, and who overthrow the faith of some. Nevertheless the foundation of God stands sure, having this seal: “The Lord knew those who are His.” And, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity (2Timothy 2:15-19)!”

They are advocating a revolution instead of a reformation from the Old Covenant to the New Covenant. But we know that Paul taught us it is a reformation from the Old Covenant to the
New Covenant. Paul tells us: Now when these things were ordained in this way, the priests always went into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God. But once in the year into the second the high priest goes alone, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for the errors of the people) the Holy Spirit signifying by this that the way into the Holiest of all was not yet made manifest while the first tabernacle was still standing.

For it was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him who did the service perfect as regards the conscience, which stood only in meats and drinks, and different kinds of washings and fleshly ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation. But when Christ had become a high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building nor by the blood of goats and calves, but by His own blood He entered once for all into the Holies, having obtained eternal redemption for us (Hebrews 9:6-12).

What is the definition of revolution? Remember Paul is talking about two different tabernacles in Hebrews 9, or two different administrations of the household of God, even the kingdom of God. Revolution is the entire change in the constitution of government. For instance in the French revolution, they removed their king and established a republic. Then what is the definition of reformation? Reformation is correction or amendment of life, manners, or of anything vicious or corrupt or abused; by way of eminence or elevation to a higher standard, it is a change of religion from the corruptions of popery, or any other man-made religion, to its primitive purity. Like Martin Luther started the Protestant reformation in A.D. 1517.

That is why, when you read the gospel, you see Jesus saying: you have heard..., but I say to you. And when you read the epistles of the apostles, they will also be quoting from the prophets in the Old Testament, and tell you how it has been fulfilled. The animal sacrifices were removed and replaced with a better sacrifice, which is the Sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Jesus Himself tells us: do not think that I have come to abolish or destroy the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish or destroy them but to fulfil or to perfect them (Matthew 5:17 NIV). Just like when they abolish the death penalty, or they abolish slavery or abolish the law of apartheid. These laws were not amended or reformed, they were destroyed or abolished, and in other words there was an entire change in the constitution of governments, even a revolution.

Jesus Christ did not come to bring a revolution to the kingdom of God but a reformation. His apostles did not come to bring a revolution after His resurrection, by removing the Law, even the five books of Moses, and the Prophets, even the books from Joshua to Malachi. No, they elevated things to a higher standard of its primitive purity, and removed the corruption of man-made religion. That is what Martin Luther understood, that is what also the Pentecostals in the days of Azusa Street revival understood. They used to call themselves people of the primitive faith. They even understood that the restoration of the gifts of the Spirit, was not a revolution but a reformation.

Jesus always spoke in line with the written words of Moses and the Prophets, even from Genesis to Malachi; for He did not come to destroy them, but to perfect them. The blood of bulls and goats could not perfect the worshiper, as Paul explained in Hebrews 9, so a better blood, perfected the worshiper, even the blood of Jesus. If you reject Moses and the Prophets, you are a foolish Christian! Jesus says: O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the
prophets have spoken: Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself (Luke 24:25-27). Paul also only spoke in line with Moses and the Prophets according to Acts 26:22.

Peter tells us that what Moses and the Prophets wrote, even the prophecy of scripture, is a more sure word of Prophecy that we should heed. He says: We also have a more sure Word of prophecy, to which you do well to take heed, as to a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the Daystar arises in your hearts, knowing this first, that no prophecy of the Scripture came into being of its own private interpretation. For prophecy was not borne at any time by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke being borne along by the Holy Spirit (2Peter 1:19-21).

Moses and John say, such Christians will have their portion removed from the Book of life. I testify unto every man who hears the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book (Revelation 22:18-19). You shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall you diminish ought from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you (Deuteronomy 4:2). All the things I command you, be careful to do it. You shall not add to it, nor take away from it (Deuteronomy 12:32). And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever has sinned against Me, I will blot him out of My book (Exodus 32:33).

You see, John was referring to these three scriptures of Moses, when He concluded the book of Revelation. My advice to you is: depart from such fools, who tell you not to read the Old Testament again, and are also removing scriptures from the New Testament. God will add the plagues to your life, and remove your name, from His book of life; do not suffer with them; save your soul today! They have been deceived by the devil! Do not suffer the same punishment they are going to suffer, you have a choice today to do right!

Let us therefore have the right disposition of heart, to receive the incorruptible seed of the word of God, so that it can yield increase in our lives; having been born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, through the living Word of God, and abiding forever (1Peter 1:23). Let us not be like the Hebrews in the wilderness, who limited God, as it written: Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel (Psalm78:41). God wants to do for every one of us exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us (Ephesians 3:20). Remember we are labourers together with God, meaning we have a part to play in the manifestation of the promises of God in our life, and people around us (1Corinthians 3:9). He left the disposition of the heart for us to prepare. As it is written: The preparations of the heart belong to man [vc_row][vc_column][vc_column_text][or are the responsibility of that individual], and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD (Proverbs 16:1).

Now some people miss their deliverance and miracle, because they stumble over the vessel God is using, to bring the revelation of the ways of God to them. Paul says: Therefore, a promise being left to enter into His rest, let us fear lest any of you should seem to come short...
of it. For also we have had the gospel preached, as well as them. But the Word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it (Hebrews 4:1-2). There must be a mixing of faith with the promises we have heard, for us to receive the manifestation of those promises in our life, or the life of the people we are ministering to. How is it done then? It is simple! When you hear the word of God or read it: first of all let there be expectation in your heart, that God will perform it; second believe that it is not the minister of the gospel speaking to you and writing to you; but God Himself speaking and writing to you, provided what is being said and written by the minister of the gospel, lines up with the written word of God.

About our expectations it is written: Do not let your heart envy sinners [and any born again Christian who is having manifestations of the promises of God in his life]; but be in the fear of Jehovah all the day long. For surely there is a hereafter, and your expectation shall not be cut off (Proverbs 23:17-18). My son, eat honey, because it is good; and the honeycomb is sweet to your palate; so shall the knowledge of wisdom be to your soul; when you have found it, then there shall be a reward, and your expectation shall not be cut off (Proverbs 24:13-14). So when you receive the knowledge of the wisdom of God according to the written word of God; be in great expectation that God will perform it; then you shall be rewarded by the manifestation of your deliverance and miracle.

About now the minister of the gospel, speaking and writing to you in line with the written word of God, it is written: He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet’s reward. And he who receives a righteous one in the name of a righteous one will receive a just one’s reward (Matthew 10:41). Now any minister of the gospel is first of all a preacher of righteousness, and if he or she is truly sent by God, he or she will address things in your life that need changing, so that you can be righteous and practice righteousness.

Peter tells us: God did not spare the old world, but saved Noah the eighth one, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly. And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, He condemned them to destruction, setting an example to men intending to live ungodly. And He delivered righteous Lot, oppressed with the lustful behaviour of the lawless. For that righteous one living among them, in seeing and hearing, his righteous soul was tormented from day to day with their unlawful deeds (2Peter 2:5-8).

Some Christians, when the preacher of righteousness addresses what needs to be changed in their lives, are offended. They take it personally, thinking that the minister of righteousness is against them. Therefore they shut their heart and say: this minister does not speak from God! Paul says: Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh who corrected us, and we gave them reverence. Shall we not much rather be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? For truly they chastened us for a few days according to their own pleasure, but He for our profit, that we might be partakers of His holiness. Now chastening for the present does not seem to be joyous, but grievous. Nevertheless afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness, to those who are exercised by it (Hebrews 12:9-11).

They will say: talk to me about my healing, deliverance and miracles. They are offended at the preacher of righteousness who is correcting their sinful lifestyle and ungodly ways. Not knowing that indirectly they are being offended at Jesus Christ. Jesus says: blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in Me (Luke 7:23). Do you mean Jesus Christ can even offend some Christians? Yes, carnal Christians! If you truly love your Father God and His
word, you will not stumble by being offended in Jesus, and His preacher of righteousness, who is correcting your carnal ways, so that you can be a partaker of the holiness of our Father God. Great peace have they which love Your law [written Word]; and nothing shall offend them (Psalm 119:165). If you love God and His Word; none of the correction He tells you to implement in your life, will offend you. Jesus says: If you love Me, keep My commandments (John 14:15). Again Jesus answered and said unto every one of us, If a man loves Me, he will keep My words: and My Father will love him, and We will come unto him, and make Our abode with him (John 14:23).

He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet’s reward. And he who receives a righteous one in the name of a righteous one will receive a just one’s reward (Matthew 10:41). Now we need to understand that in the New Covenant, the testimony of Jesus Christ is the spirit of prophesy (Revelation 19:10). Jesus Christ is The Prophet who dwells in every born again believer (Deuteronomy 18:15). Though not all born again Christians are in the office of the prophet, but every born again Christian is a prophetic person; because Christ Jesus, The Prophet, dwells in him and speaks through him. Now a prophet is God’s spokesman, he does not speak of himself or have private interpretation of the written word for His own selfish interest. When he speaks to you and writes to you: it is not him speaking and writing; but the Holy Spirit of God speaking and writing to you through him (Matthew 10:20). Paul says: you know that through infirmity of the flesh, I preached the gospel to you before, and you did not despise my temptation in my flesh, nor did you spurn it. But you received me as an angel of God, as Christ Jesus (Galatians 4:13-14).

These people received Paul as if it were Jesus Christ speaking and writing directly and personally to them. They did not stumble over Paul’s physical appearance and speech; some stumbled over these things and missed their deliverance and miracles. For indeed they say, the letters are weighty and powerful, but the bodily presence is weak, and his speech is contemptible (2Corinthians 10:10). Moses was slow of speech and slow of tongue (Exodus 4:10). Those who stumble over the slowness of speech and tongue of Moses, missed their miracles and deliverance; but those who received Him as God’s spokesman, even as if it were God speaking and writing directly to them, were rewarded by having the manifestation of God’s promises. The Lord said to Moses, See, I have made you a God to Pharaoh. And Aaron your brother shall be your prophet (Exodus 7:1).

Believe in the LORD your God, so you shall be established; believe His prophets, and you shall prosper (2Chronicles 20:20). As you read the bible, you discover prophets were also preachers of righteousness. Nathan, the prophet, corrected David for his adultery with Bathsheba and murder of Uriah (2Samuel 12).

David accepted the correction of the Lord spoken by Nathan, and we see how David prospered. Whereas King Saul rejected the correction Samuel the prophet gave him, when he disobeyed the command of the Lord (1Samuel 15). And we see that King Saul did not prosper in his kingship. And Samuel said, Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, He has also rejected you from being king (1Samuel 15:22-23). I, Gery, used to make great sacrifices of fasting, which God did not ask me to do. I thought God cared more about my fasting than my
obedience to His word. But during those fasts, God was still telling me what I needed to change in my life to become a partaker of His holiness.

A young man came to see William Booth, the founder of the Salvation Army, after one of his sermons. That young man said: sir, I do not like your grammar; it is wrong! During the whole sermon that young man was stumbling over the grammar and could not even receive the message of God. General Booth looked at that young man with tears in his eyes and said: “young man, I am doing all I can for God with the little grammar I know; what are you doing with yours for God?” Smith Wigglesworth was taught how to read by his wife in his twenties; so to redeem the time, he chose to only read the King James Version of the bible. He did not know much about conjugation, grammar, and he could not write a letter without glorious misspellings. He responded to a Christian brother who had a degree from Oxford University, and in his letter he wrote “wave of the Holy Spirit” with more than three different spellings. When they finally met physically, that gentleman, who had a degree from Oxford University; told Smith Wigglesworth how many different ways he misspelled “wave of the Holy Spirit”. Wigglesworth said to him: did you get the message I was trying to communicate through my letter? He answered: yes, all of it! Wigglesworth said: that is all that matters!

You see God did not make a mistake when He called Moses, Paul, William Booth, Smith Wigglesworth, Benson Idahosa, Reinhard Bonnke or Gery Malanda; He knew our limitations, our speech, our bodily appearance and all our blunders in life. If you stumble over the vessel God is using you may lose your deliverance and your miracle. David murdered Uriah and committed adultery with Bathsheba (2Samuel 11, and 2Samuel 12). Moses murdered an Egyptian (Exodus 2:11-12). Paul, who used to be Saul of Tarsus, used to persecute the church and consented when they killed Stephen (Acts 7, Acts 8:1). These were their blunders, if you stumble over those blunders and say, I cannot receive a message from someone with such a background. Then you will not read the letters of Moses, of David or of Paul. Many Christians did not receive Paul because they were stumbling over his past.

Moses stammered and feared that people would not listen to him, because he was slow of speech. He asked God to send someone else who was not slow in speech. As it is written: Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither before nor since you have spoken unto your servant: but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue (Exodus 4:10). Paul tells us what other Christians were saying about him: they said, Paul’s letters are weighty and powerful; but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech contemptible (2Corinthians 10:10). You see just like Moses said to God: since the time you have called me, I have seen no change: I am still stammering, not eloquent, slow of speech and slow of tongue. The same thing for Paul: his speech did not change after God called him, it remained contemptible, neither did his bodily presence, it was still weak.

Brother William Seymour was an African American that God used to bring the revival of Azusa Street. He was blind in one eye, he was uneducated, and his parents were slaves, his mistress taught him how to read as a little child. So his English was just Basic English. Benson Idahosa used to say: “the gospel is not in grammar but in power; if you came seeking grammar today, you will find none; but you will hear the word of God and see the demonstration of his power!”

Jesus said to the people when talking about John the Baptist: What did you go out into the
wilderness for to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what did you go out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they which are gorgeously apparelled, and live delicately, are in kings’ courts. But what did you go out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet (Luke 7:24-26). Now let us explain what Jesus was saying: A prophet is God’s spokesman, he has a message from God for the people. And the Testimony of Jesus Christ is the spirit of prophecy (Revelation 19:10). Whatever God will speak to the people through that spokesman or spokeswoman, it is to do three main things: convict of sin, of righteousness and then of judgment.

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of prophecy, for He only testifies of Jesus according to John 15:26. When He is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on Me; Of righteousness, because I go to My Father, and you see Me no more; Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged (John 16:8-11). John the Baptist was truly speaking by the Spirit of prophesy; for he was testifying of Jesus Christ, saying: behold the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. He was convicted and reproving people of their sins, saying: repent for the kingdom of God is at hand. And that is what God wants all of us to focus on: is the message of the preacher in line with the Holy Scriptures and the Spirit of Prophecy, to bring conviction of sin, of righteousness and Judgment?

If it is so, then we should listen to that, we should not stumble over the reed God is using and how that reed is shaking and communicating his message, or how that reed is clothed.

Daniel, Ezekiel and Zechariah and John had the same revelation of the end time; but each one expressed it in his own words. Jeremiah was a weeping prophet and you can even feel his heart in the book of Lamentations. Paul explains to us that God spoke to us at sundry times, and in divers manners in time past unto the fathers by the prophets (Hebrews 1:1). Meaning he gave each one of those prophets a piece of the revelation, and allowed each one of them to express the revelation he or she received in a different way, a different form and a different style.

Take the example of Reinhard Bonnke, he is a German national. He was sharing his testimony on Revelation TV. His English was not good when he went to bible college in Wales. His father was a preacher of the gospel. In his teens he told his father that God called him to preach in Africa; his father told him that his other son would be his successor, not Reinhard Bonnke. As Bonnke explained, in Germany like in France, they mark pupils’ work from zero to ten or from zero to twenty. So in mathematics they would mark a zero on the hard copy of a pupil, who failed the test completely. Other pupils will call you a “nule”, it is the same thing in French. So you are a “zero”. Reinhard Bonnke was not good at school, he was bringing many zeroes back home, whereas his elder brother was bringing good marks back home.

His father, stumbled over the poor academic results of Reinhard Bonnke, and did not see him as a successor to take over the church or to preach the gospel at all. And in Wales, UK, while in Bible College there; after he had given his first sermon in front his peers and his teacher, the dean of the school told him that he was not called to preach. Of course Reinhard Bonnke was struggling with his English, but also he could not structure his sermon with the hermeneutics and homiletics courses he learned. Gery also did not do well at that course in Bible College. When he was to go to Africa they told him: God will use black people to save black people and white people to save white people. Africa was mainly colonized by the
United Kingdom and France; you do not speak French and your English is not that good.

Many well-meaning Christians, including Reinhard’s father, a preacher of the Gospel, the leadership of his father’s denomination and the leadership at the Bible College in Wales, UK, stumbled at the poor academic results of Reinhard Bonnke, both in secular education and in Religious education in Bible College. They stumbled over the fact that he was not black, so how come God can use a white man to lead millions of people to salvation? He does not speak perfect English, and so on and so forth. Thank God that Reinhard Bonnke did not listen to them; but to the voice of God. It does not mean that those well-meaning Christians were racist or anti-Germans; no they were members of his own family and church members and church leaders in Germany and leaders of the Bible College in Wales, UK. They were just looking at things according to the flesh.

Reinhard shares that testimony all the time, not to make his father, the church leaders and the leaders of the bible college look bad, no; but to help each one of us not to stumble over those things that are highly esteemed among unsaved people. That is why Paul tells us: the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom [worldly wisdom: secular wisdom and academic success]; [and unfortunately today we also require academic success to say that a person is truly called to preach]; but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block, and to the Greeks foolishness. But to them, the called-out ones, both Jews and Greeks, Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God. Because the foolish thing of God is wiser than men, and the weak thing of God is stronger than men. For you see your calling, brothers, that not many wise men according to the flesh are called, not many mighty, not many noble. But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God has chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and God has chosen the base things of the world, and things which are despised, and things which are not, in order to bring to nothing things that are; [Why?] so that no flesh should glory in His presence (1Corinthians 1:22-29).

Even today when you listen to Reinhard Bonnke’s sermon: From Zero to Hero, though he is preaching and writing in English, he is thinking in German. Because what is in his mind is how he was labelled a “nule” in secular education and religious education, but how God used that “nule” or Zero and turned him into a hero. Where then does he get that idea that those who preach the gospel are heroes in the eyes of God that go out to save people and nations? In Judges 6:12 when the Angel of the Lord appeared to Gideon and called him a mighty man of valour or a mighty warrior in the English renderings; the German, the French and the Spanish renderings of that verse say mighty hero!

So, from his personal testimony, and what Paul wrote in 1Corinthians 1:22-29 and Judges 6:12, he comes up with the sermon From Zero to Hero, when he is preaching in English to an English speaking congregation, they may say to themselves: this preacher is proud, he thinks that he is a hero, and that we are heroes in Christ. There is another American preacher who preaches in Spanish, so when he comes to the USA, and says thing like we are heroes in Christ Jesus, a lot of comments are posted on the internet that the preacher is proud. The truth is, the Hebrew word used in Judges 6:16 about Gideon, can be translated, mighty man of valour, mighty warrior, or mighty hero, the translators chose what rendering they wanted to use.
God used Reinhard Bonnke’s background and personal life story to preach the gospel. A wonderful teacher, friend and dean of the Bible College I attended, used to say to all the students: Gery thinks in French and speaks in English. And it is true, Bonnke thinks in German and speaks in English. The way he illustrates the word of God, is based on how he thinks and how he talks. And when God speaks to him or gives him visions, it will also be based on his upbringing, his mother tongue, etc. Please read the bible study on the application of the perfect redemption plan on the gift of the Spirit, especially prophecy. He did it with Daniel, with Jeremiah, with Zechariah, with Peter, etc. That is why Jesus told us of the new wine that is put in the new wine skin (Matthew 9:17).

God said to Bonnke that Africa shall be saved, He did not make a mistake when He called Bonnke for Africa, and He did not make a mistake when He called Gery for the 50 European nations. And I am truly thankful for the people He gave me in the beginning like Sister Esther and Louise, who truly did not stumble over my English in those days of humble beginnings. And they corrected me in love, and I learned a lot of things from these two good friends. God knew that William Seymour was black and had no formal education, yet He chose him to bring the Revival, in a day and time where the law of the land forbade black and white to sit in the same congregation. God sent Bonnke to Africa and He knew that he was white and did not speak French and his English was not perfect. And we can take so many other examples; God does not make a mistake when he calls you! People, even well-meaning Christians who love you, may stumble; but God did not make a mistake; He will carry out His plans through you, you will fulfil your God-given destiny!

As we explain in the application of the perfect redemption plan, the wine is the Holy Spirit, the leaven or yeast, they put in the wine, is the doctrine or teaching of the word of God. And the teaching or doctrine will cause the wine to ferment, which will result in the increase of the degree of alcohol in that wine. In other words the increase of the manifestation of the Spirit and demonstration of the Power. But God chose to put that wine and that yeast inside a wineskin. We cannot help it, the wine will take on the aroma of the wineskin. It is God who ordained it to be that way; what He requires is that the aroma of the wineskin should not destroy the taste of the wine. As new wineskins, you and I should die to self and grow into the full measure of the stature of Christ Jesus; so that there is less of us and more of Jesus.

God himself had to put on flesh and come among us, so that we will have a high priest who can sympathise with the feeling of our infirmities, he was made just like us, tempted in every way, yet without sin. So we can relate to such a high priest and take him as an example. Paul also tells us, now imitate me as I imitate Christ; you will see how God put His wine and His leaven inside me, his new wineskin, and how it transformed my life, I did not burst as a wineskin, which means to reject the work of God and the teaching of Jesus; but I retained it, and see the manifestation of the Spirit and the demonstration of the power of God through me. So after you have read these bible studies, share them with your own words, be you! Do not try to be someone else, you are unique, a unique wineskin and God is pouring His wine and leaven into you.

Gery talks and writes like an elderly gentleman. It is not just in English; even in French I do the same thing. When I was 18 years old, my teachers who were in their sixties and seventies liked me a lot; because I spoke using words they understood. And when I talked with my peers I did not use the same words and expressions my peers used. This is how I have been
brought up by my parents, and when I decided to further my English, I used the New King James version of the bible. So my English and expressions come mainly from New King James; for I try to redeem the time. Be you, when you share the gospel; use your own words and your vocabulary; that is what is truly coming from your heart and God sees your heart.

The English of Reinhard Bonnke has tremendously improved since those days of his humble beginnings, so will the English of brother Gery by the grace of God. One thing Gery will never do, is to sugar coat the word of God to make it pleasing to men or women. I will speak the truth of the word of God in love as always; but when the word of God says something, I will say the same thing. Offence is bound to happen when we preach the word of God (Matthew 18:7). If the bible says that something is sin, I will say that it is sin, even if I have to go to jail for that. A Church of God bishop and theologian in Glasgow told me: you are a one man book! He thought it was an insult! Not to me, I thank God that He enables me to speak and write in such a way, that things that come out of my mouth are in line with the written word of God, and not man’s opinions (1Corinthans 4:6).

The church is now full of opinions of people, and not the word of God; but Jesus taught us to always go to the written word of God, saying: you have heard this [the opinion of one of the scribes, Pharisees or Sadducees] but I say to you, it is written (Matthew 5:43-44). People may pervert and twist the word of God for their own selfish interest, or because they are ashamed of me and my word; but I say to you in the beginning it was not so, let me point you to the scriptures, so that you can see what the original plan of God was. (Matthew 19:8-9).

You are unique, and God celebrates your uniqueness. Like my brother Nell Malanda, the prophet of the Lord says: God will use the way you think, your background and your personal testimony, the way He broke you and moulded you to communicate His gospel. And that is how He will touch the life of others through the way He has broken you and moulded you. Jeremiah will never be Isaiah, and Isaiah will never be Ezekiel, yet they all have the message from the Lord to communicate to all of us. My brother Nell Malanda tells me of carnal believers in France who argue about the fact that their pastor dresses better or drives a better car than the pastor of the church next door.

And how in some bible colleges they now teach preachers how to stimulate people’s emotions, what posture they should have to communicate a certain message to the congregation. These are all marketing techniques the world uses, that have infiltrated the church. They teach you to brand yourself; the preacher is the product that sells. May God have mercy on us! We have completely missed the purpose we come to church, or listen to a particular preacher: it was not to see how they read, or even how the preacher could move and impress us with his words and eloquence. Moses and Paul were not eloquent, they were not trying to stimulate the emotions of people. For Paul was stoned and left for dead. Stephen was stoned to death after his sermon. And it was not about how well the preacher dressed, or the fancy food he ate; for John the Baptist was dressed in camel’s hair and was eating locusts and honey (Matthew 3:4).

We should not stumble over those little things. Today when you and I read the books of the prophets and apostles, we take what God said and we put it in our own words, and we add our own examples, then share it with our family and with our congregation. We do the same thing, when we read the books of Smith Wigglesworth, John G Lake, Reinhard Bonnke,
William Seymour, Benson Idaho, Paul Jinadu, Enoch Adeboye, etc. My brother Nell Malanda for instance, reads these bible studies and God gives him even more scriptures and illustrations to explain things to him. It is just like in school the lecturer gave you a hard copy of his lecture notes. When you go home you check the book he gave you as a reference where he took his lecture notes from. The only book I refer the whole world to, is the bible’ from Genesis to Revelation. So just like in school, when you listen to the lecturer you add some personal notes on your hard copy of the lecturer’s notes. You ask questions and when the lecturer gives you answers, you add them on your copy, to help you.

Now if the lecturer deems that your question was also able to help other people, next year when he revises his manuscript, he will add your question and the answer he gave you. But if your question was just an application of a general case that was already discussed in the lecture or in another lecture, he will refer you to the other lecture notes. The same thing for Paul, when he wrote his letters and sent them to the churches, he also told them to read the letters he sent to the other churches (Colossians 4:16). Some people start by reading the perfect redemption plan series and the application of the perfect redemption plan series, instead of starting with “Come Home” and all the other bible studies. We have explained the heart of God, and laid the foundation upon which we build, in the series of the perfect redemption plan and the series of the application of the perfect redemption plan.

They should read these series, but they should also read all the other bible studies, not pick and choose. So that they will have the full counsel of the Holy Scriptures. I am not afraid that some people will twist what is being said in one of the paragraphs of these bible studies. Peter says: our beloved brother Paul, also has written to you according to the wisdom given to him, as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which the unlearned and unstable pervert, as also they do the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction (2Peter 3:15-16). So it is human nature to pervert things, but true disciples of Jesus would read all the letters Paul sent them, and they would know what the true heart of Paul was, and the full revelation he brought to the church.

If we are always afraid of how some carnal believers or unsaved people would pervert or twist what we taught, we will always teach to the level of the last convert that joins the church, and we will never go unto perfection, to the full measure of the stature of Christ Jesus. Today if you listen to Christian television for one year, you already know all that they have to teach, next year they will repeat the same thing. God did not call brother Gery to make baby Christians who will remain in their spiritual diapers for twenty years, but to make disciples. So I need to give them the full counsel of the world of God I know, so that God can use them more then he has ever used me. Paul said: I did not shun or keep back from declaring to you all the counsel of God (Acts 20:27). Therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit the same to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also (2Timothy 2:1-2). The purpose of all these bible studies is to change the disposition of our heart towards God, and towards other fellow humans. As a man thinks in his heart so is he! And from the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.
III. The Holy Spirit is Lord in all our ministrations to people

One of the symbols of the Holy Spirit in the bible, is the wind. Elijah ascended to heaven in a whirlwind (2Kings 2). On the day of Pentecost the rushing mighty wind came into the upper room (Acts 2). Jesus says: The wind blows where it desires, and you hear the sound thereof, but cannot tell whence it comes, and whither it goes: so is every one that is born of the Spirit (John 3:8). The wind is unpredictable: you do not know whence it is coming and where it goes. The wind is its own master: you cannot command it to blow in a particular direction you want; it blows where it desires and you have to position yourself where it has desired to blow, if you want it. What is Jesus telling us about the Holy Spirit with the symbol of the wind?

He is telling us that the Holy Spirit is unpredictable; you cannot box Him so that He will always operate in a particular way. He will operate as He desires. People can come to you for healing. And He tells you just to grant their petition. In that case you do not need to command anything or cast anything out. He can ask you to do a prophetic action, found in the bible, as you are ministering to that person. He can ask you to sing a song. When I did not know the ways of the Holy Spirit; I would go to a family to minister to them. On my way, I had a song in my spirit; but when I got to that family house, I opened the scriptures and preached my heart out. After the preaching I saw that the people were still not touched in their heart. So before I left I said to the people: let us pray! I started by singing the song the Holy Spirit dropped into my spirit on my way to that family. And immediately some of them started repenting and confessing their sins out loud. I have learned my lesson and now I do what the Holy Spirit tells me first, before I do what I had planned. And sometimes I do not even touch what I have prepared, but only do what the Holy Spirit had given that very hour!

You can start commanding a sickness or demon to come out of a person; and the Holy Spirit interrupts you, and asks you to tell the person to forgive a person who offended him, or to confess a particular sin. Sometimes when people come to me for ministration, the Holy Spirit tells me what they are doing that displeases Him. I say to the person, especially when they profess to be born again Christians or pastors: please do not waste my time; the Holy Spirit told me you are living in sexual immorality or you are practicing witchcraft, etc. repent of your sins and forsake them; then I will pray for you. The Holy Spirit who is my Lord has revealed these things about you; I cannot ignore Him. Otherwise I will be wasting my breath shouting and binding. I confess to you that sometimes I do not like addressing people’s sins, when the Holy Spirit by words of knowledge reveals them; but since He is My Lord I have to obey what He commands (Luke 6:46).

Jesus is telling us, using the symbol of the wind for the Holy Ghost, that the Holy Spirit is God and Lord, you cannot command Him; we are to obey Him (Luke 6:46, Acts 13). People who see the Holy Spirit as a tool God gave them to do the ministry, are blasphemous people. The Holy Spirit is Lord and God, not a tool. It is because they see Him as a tool, that when He tells them to confront sin in people’s lives, they ignore Him and continue their own ministration. The Holy Spirit is not in that ministration. We know that Jesus gave us the great commission and told us to go into the entire world and preach the gospel (Matthew 28:18-20). Yet the Holy Spirit, who is Lord, is the one sending you there. Now there were in the church that was at Antioch, certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon who was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas...
and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away. So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed unto Seleucia; and from thence they sailed to Cyprus (Acts 13:1-4).

Luke also testified, saying: Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia, After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not. And they, passing by Mysia came down to Troas. And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and pleaded with him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us. And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them (Acts 16:6-10). So we see Paul was forbidden to go to Asia and Bithynia by the Holy Spirit; though Jesus told us to go into the entire world to preach. The Lord, Holy Spirit who called and sent Paul in Acts 13, had other people to go to Asia and Bithynia; He wanted Paul to go to Macedonia. Paul obeyed. Paul did not do as Jonah did who decided to buy his own ticket and go to Tarshish instead of Nineveh, where the Lord wanted him to preach (Jonah 1).

If you want to be greatly used by God to turn the world upside down like Paul did, you will have to yield to the wind of the Holy Spirit (Acts 17:6). Think of yourself as being a big sail at sea. The sea represent the people, multitudes, tongues and nations; and being at the seashore or only couple of feet deep at sea, is impacting only a few people in your ministry (Luke 5, Revelation 17:15). When the waters are not very deep like in a lake; you can row or sail from one side of the lake to the other side, by your own strength. But if you are at sea, you can only row for sometime, then you will realise you need the wind to blow, so that it can propel your sail to the other side of the sea. And you will wait for the wind, like in Acts 27:40, and when it comes, you hoist up the mainsail to the wind, so that you can make it to your desired destination.

People like David always enquired of the Lord; and the sound of the wind of the Holy Ghost, gave him which strategy to use, if he wanted to defeat his enemies. Even when David had already defeated that enemy before; he still enquired of the Lord (2Samuel 5, 1Samuel 30). When Jesus says to Peter: Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a catch (Luke 5:4). He needed to rely on the wind of the Holy Ghost; he had already toiled all night long and caught nothing; nevertheless at the word of the Lord, which is likened to the sound of the wind of the Holy Ghost, when Peter spiritually hoisted up his mainsail to the wind of the Holy Ghost, to make it toward the deep waters, and let down a net for a catch; they had miraculous net breaking and boat sinking catch of fish (Luke 5:5-10). Jesus was teaching, using their earthly knowledge of fishermen, how they can now become fishers of men. And we see from Pentecost onwards, how Peter and the others truly became fishers of men; multitudes, tongues and nations came to Christ. They learned to hoist their mainsail to the wind of the Holy Ghost, and let it propel them to the deep, where they can let down their nets for a catch, not of fish this time but of men.

Whatever the Holy Ghost tells you, will always be in line with the full counsel of the Holy Scriptures. You need to develop a relationship with God, if you want to impact your generation. People do not want to pay the price of developing a relationship with the Godhead, that is why they want formulas. Yes, when you have not heard any specific direction from the Godhead, act on the counsel of the written word of God. If you have heard
a specific direction from the Godhead, always check whether it lines up with the written word of God, if it does, act on it promptly. For the voice of God or the spoken word from God, which we call Rhema word, comes first before the letters. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the spoken word from God or Rhema (Romans 10:17).

Jesus wants every born again Christian to be led by the Holy Spirit, not just act according to the counsel of the Holy Scriptures, but to also be able to receive direct instructions from the Holy Spirit. Marvel not that I said unto you, you must be born again or born from above. The wind blows where it desires and you hear the sound thereof, but cannot tell whence it comes, and whither it goes: so is every one that is born of the Spirit (John 3:7-8). If you are struggling with hearing from the Godhead; please read the bible studies on “Abecedary of Prayer” and “Divine Guidance” to give you the foundation of the way God speaks, and how we communicate with the Godhead.

IV. The purpose of signs, wonders and manifestations of the Holy Ghost

Now before delving into the study of God being our healer, we need to give the right understanding of the ways of God. God is a person not a thing! He has feelings and emotions. He can be grieved. Jesus said something to the people of His days that is still true today in our generation. When the people were gathered thick together, Jesus began to say, This is an evil generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas the prophet. For as Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation. The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here. The men of Nineveh shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here (Luke 11:29-32).

Signs, wonders and manifestations of the Holy Ghost, are not an end in themselves; but they are to bring people to repentance, and receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour; they are to bring people to draw ever closer to God through Christ Jesus. People in the Welsh revival and in the Azusa revival understood it. When they prophesied, most of their prophecies were corrective prophecies: telling individuals their sins, and what God wanted them to change in their lives. Of course they also had prophecies of prosperity. Today if you give a corrective prophecy in church, they will tell you: brother you are a prophet of doom! Of course we need to speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15). In the Welsh revival and Azusa revival, even ministers of the gospel were corrected publicly by the word of prophecy for their sins. It is scriptural! Paul says: those who sin should be rebuked or reprimanded in front of the whole church; this will serve as a strong warning to others (1Timothy 5:20 NLT). Paul was following the principal Moses gave in Deuteronomy 13:6-11.

When Smith Wigglesworth was preaching, at times the Holy Spirit would tell him: “there are people in here with a spirit of lust and living in sexual immoralities”. Therefore Wigglesworth would tell the thousands of people standing before him, what the Holy Spirit told him. And he would add: “if you are one of those people the Holy Spirit is talking about, stand on your feet and I will personally pray for each one of you”. And throughout the auditorium hundreds of people would stand on their feet. Wigglesworth would lead them in a prayer of repentance.
and would pray for each one of them. He would say to one: “young man on the balcony, I am
praying for you!” People came to the meetings of Smith Wigglesworth to receive healing; but
Wigglesworth also led them to repentance and to a closer walk with God.

When we read Ezekiel 8; God, by the Holy Spirit, opened the spiritual eyes of Ezekiel, to see
the abominations the people of God were doing in the temple of God. The women were
praying to Tammuz, the goddess of fertility, in the temple of God. The elders of Israel each
one of them was praying to an idol in his room. Then in Ezekiel 20 those elders of Israel came
to enquire of the Lord by Ezekiel. Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Son of
man, speak unto the elders of Israel, and say unto them, Thus says the Lord GOD; have you
come to enquire of Me? As I live, says the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you. Will you
judge them, son of man, will you judge them? Cause them to know the abominations of their
fathers (Ezekiel 20:2-4). So people might come to receive a prophecy, a word of knowledge, a
word of wisdom, or any other manifestation of the gift of the Holy Spirit; instead God, through
the Holy Spirit will reveal the abomination of that person, and will ask the minister to judge it
in the light of the scriptures, so that the person can repent, even all the abominations listed
in 1Corinthians 6:9-10.

In the book of Judges, the people of God wanted to live like the unsaved people, and
expected God to deliver them anyway, whenever they were in trouble, because they were
children of God. One day they were in trouble again and came to the Lord. The Lord
explained to them that I, the Lord, had delivered you countless times, yet you have forsaken
Me and served, even worshiped other gods, which are but demons. Therefore I will deliver
you no more. Go and cry out to the gods which you have chosen; let them deliver you in your
time of distress (Judges 10:13-14). God only delivered them after they had genuinely
forsaken their idols and evil ways. Please read the Perfect Redemption Plan, Part I, the
section on the righteousness of the law versus the righteousness of faith, to understand that
God’s wants his children to practice righteousness.

Some people will say: that was Smith Wigglesworth style, Ezekiel’s style and in the days of
the judges of Israel; I do not think Jesus would act that way or think that way! Well let us read
what Matthew the apostle of Jesus Christ recorded directly from the mouth of Jesus, to settle
this question once and for all! In Matthew 11:20-24, it is written: Then Jesus began to upbraid
or charge with something wrong, or reproach the cities wherein most of His mighty works or
miraculous works of power were done, because they did not repent: Woe unto you, Chorazin!
woe unto you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works, or miraculous works of power, which were
done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in
sackcloth and ashes. But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the
day of judgment, than for you. And you, Capernaum, which are exalted unto heaven, shall be
brought down to hell: for if the mighty works or miraculous works of power, which have been
done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto
you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for
you.

How plain can Jesus be about the purpose of miraculous works of power! Throughout the
bible you will see that the Holy Spirit has only three messages: conviction of sin, conviction of
righteousness and conviction of judgment (John 16:8). From the book of Genesis to the book
of Revelation, He reproves of sin so that the people can repent, then when they are right He
tells them they are right in their deeds and when they refuse to repent, and practice righteousness, He convicts them of the impending judgment that is heading their way. All the prophecies from Genesis to Revelation to individuals, nations and the churches, revolve around conviction of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. So when we say the testimony of Jesus Christ is the Spirit of prophecy, according to Revelation 19:10, that prophecy always revolves around conviction of sin, of right or what we are doing right, and of judgment.

At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank You, O Father, Lord of Heaven and earth, because You have hidden these things from the sophisticated and cunning, and revealed them to babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight (Matthew 11:25-26). Today you and I have discovered the purpose of signs, wonders, and miracles. They are to convict people of sin so that they may repent and be reconciled to God their Father, to convict of righteousness and of judgment. When we do not understand the purpose of a thing we will misuse it! When people do not understand the purpose of marriage, they will abuse the wife God gave them or the husband God gave them. Today the eyes of your understanding have been enlightened to the purpose of signs, wonders and miracles!

Therefore what kind of preacher ought you to be? And what kind of believer ought you to be? Peter tells us: For if God did not spare sinning angels, but thrust them down into hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, being reserved to judgment. And He did not spare the old world, but saved Noah the eighth one, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly. And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, He condemned them with an overthrow, setting an example to men intending to live ungodly. And He delivered righteous Lot, oppressed with the lustful behaviour of the lawless. For that righteous one living among them, in seeing and hearing, his righteous soul was tormented from day to day with their unlawful deeds. The Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptation, and to reserve the unjust for a day of judgment, to be punished (2Peter 2:4-9).

This world is going to end; it is going to be destroyed in fire (2Peter 3:10). Anybody, who dies today, without Christ Jesus in his life, is going to hell. The examples of the flood in the days of Noah and of the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah in the days of Lot, are just foretastes of what the end of the world will be. Noah was a preacher of righteousness and Lot was a righteous one! We ought to be preachers of righteousness, so that our hearers will be righteous ones and practicing righteousness! All the prophets of old were preachers of righteousness and so were Jesus and His disciples. Paul tells the church: And now, behold, I know that you all, among whom I went proclaiming the kingdom of God, will see my face no more. Therefore I testify to you on this day that I am pure from the blood of all. For I did not shun or keep back from declaring to you all the counsel of God (Acts 20:25-27).

Where did Paul get the idea that the blood of people could be on his hands, if he did not tell them all the counsel of God? He got it from what God said to the prophet Ezekiel. When I say to the wicked, You shall surely die; and you do not give him warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked one shall die in his iniquity; but I will require his blood at your hand. Yet if you warn the wicked, and he does not turn from his wickedness nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul. And when the righteous turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, and when I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die. Because you have not given him warning, he
shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the righteous so that the righteous does not sin, and if he does not sin, he shall surely live because he is warned; also you have delivered your soul (Ezekiel 3:18-21).

So just like the prophets of old warned both ungodly and righteous people about their ways; likewise Jesus and His disciples warned both saved and unsaved about their ways. Paul even warned born again Christians who are practicing sin, that they shall not inherit the kingdom of God (1Corinthians 6:9-10). So did Peter, Jude, John and the other disciples, and so does Gery. It was not just about the handkerchiefs and aprons, taken from the body of Paul which were healing the sick (Acts 19:11-12). Or the shadow of Peter was healing the sick (Acts 5:15). They understood that the purpose of the signs, wonders and manifestations of the Holy Ghost, which God was performing through them, was to lead people to repentance and receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour; and then have an ever closer walk with God. They never lost their focus to make signs, wonders and manifestations of the Holy Ghost an end in themselves!

People came to Azusa street revival for healing and the baptism in the Holy Ghost. Yet when they arrived there, the secrets of their hearts were exposed, and they repented and also received their healing and the baptism in the Holy Ghost. There is a message Jesus Christ backs up, and there is a message He does not back up! Jesus began to preach and to say, Repent! For the kingdom of Heaven is at hand (Matthew 4:17). When He sent His disciples He instructed them to preach the same message of repentance. He said to them the first time: And as you go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely you have received, freely give (Matthew 10:7-8, Luke 9:2). And again He said to them: And into whatsoever city you enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you; and heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you (Luke 10:8-9).

So you can preach to them first, to repent of their sins and give their life to Jesus, practice righteousness and renew their mind; and then perform signs, wonders and manifestations of the Holy Ghost; or you can perform signs, wonders and manifestations of the Holy Ghost and then tell them to repent of their sins, give their life to Jesus, renew their mind and live a righteous life. In our generation people want the power of Jesus Christ to heal, deliver, prosper; but they do not want to give their life to Jesus, repent of their sins, live a righteous life and embrace His death, burial and resurrection: that is the sign of Jonah Jesus was talking about. For the people of Nineveh; when they heard the message of Jonah, who was three days in the belly of a great fish; they all repented! How can we preach a gospel of Jesus Christ and the people’s lives are not transformed; yet they continue in their sin! They want to hear words of wisdom and words of knowledge concerning their future, concerning their business, concerning their marriage; but they do not want to receive Christ Jesus who has been made wisdom to everybody who receives Him as Lord and Saviour (1Corinthians 1:30).

The prophet Micah tells us: Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yes, they shall all cover their lips; for there is no answer of God. But truly I am full of power by the Spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin (Micah 3:7-8). God backs us, with His full power of the Holy Ghost messages, that lead to repentance, practice of righteousness and an ever closer walk
with Jesus Christ; but the message that does not lead to that, He does not answer. And brother and sister, you know how I, Gery, exposed my unfruitful works of darkness openly in the bible study “David’s sexual sin exposed”; for the whole world to read. Whatever we are preaching on or teaching on; if it does not lead ourselves and our hearers to repentance, practice of righteousness and an ever closer walk with Jesus, we have missed the heart of Jesus Christ; and God does not answer such teaching or preaching.

People sometimes want to use men and women of God as they use soothsayers and diviners. They will tell the man of God: “tell me only what I want to hear. Do not tell me about changing my lifestyle, practicing righteousness, renewing my mind and drawing ever closer to God. Just prophesy good thing to my ears: a new car, a new house, a marriage, a new job, a new business, etc”. Jesus says: (For after all these things do the Gentiles or unbelievers seek) for your heavenly Father knows that you have need of all these things. But you, who are believers of Christ, seek first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you (Matthew 6:32-33).

Paul tells us: Or do you despise the riches of God’s goodness, and the forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance (Romans 2:4)? The signs, wonders and manifestations of the Holy Ghost are the goodness of God toward people, and their purpose is to lead the people to repentance, to righteousness, to holiness and to an ever closer walk with Jesus Christ. Even among born again Christians, some despise the riches of God’s goodness shown toward them. God made known His ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel (Psalm 103:7). Moses’s words were answered by God; because He was always preaching a message that led people to repentance, to righteousness, to holiness or sanctification, and an ever closer walk with God.

Sanctification is the ongoing process of getting the world out of you: you are no longer conformed to this world which lies under the influence of the wicked, even the devil; but you, transformed by the renewing of your mind, according to the written word of God, to be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ (Romans 12:1-2, 1John 5:19, Romans 8:29) My prayer is that God will make His ways known to each one of us; so that we will truly be full of power, might and justice by the Spirit of the Lord, to lead people to repentance, righteousness, holiness, and an ever closer walk with Jesus Christ.

May none of us be like the children of Israel who were with Moses in the wilderness; of whom God said: Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways (Psalm 95:10). Paul reminds born again Christians of that incident saying: Wherefore I, God, was grieved with that generation, and said, They do always err in their heart; and they have not known My ways (Hebrews 3:10). How long have you and I been born again Christians? Do we have to wait forty long years before we know the ways of the Lord God? My prayer is that it will not take us that long to know the ways of the Lord; for it will grieve our Father in heaven!

V. Jehovah-RAPHA: The Lord is our Physician or Healer

Exodus 15:26 And said, If you diligently hearken to or heed the voice of the LORD Your God, and do what is right in His sight, and give ear to His commandments, and keep all His
statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon you, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD who Heals you or I am Jehovah-RAPHA.

The Hebrew word Rapha means to mend, to cure, to heal, to repair, to make whole; healer, physician. Sicknesses and diseases are the works of the devil in the life of believers, and they are judgments of God on His enemies. The Egyptians where persecuting the people of God, they put them into slavery, and made their life bitter. God judged the Egyptians by sending ten plagues upon them. You and I are not enemies of God, because we have received Jesus. We have diligently hearkened to the voice of the Lord our God, and done that which is right in His sight, by keeping His commandments. People will say I have never heard that voice of God, how can I diligently hearken to a voice I have never heard? My friend let me tell you, you have heard that voice many times, but nobody told you what it was.

Lo a voice from heaven, saying, this is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased (Matthew 3:17). There was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, this is my beloved Son: hear Him (Mark 9:7). My friend this is the voice that everyone needs to diligently hearken to, God the Father has borne witness or testified of His Son Jesus, telling the whole world to hear what His beloved Son, in whom He is well pleased, has to say, and to put our faith in His Son. Many of us have been hearing voices, other than this. God is saying: I have invested all of Me in My beloved Son Jesus. Voices of men and their witness, only help to some extent; but the witness of God about His beloved Son Jesus, is greater than any witness of man, and can solve all our problems. John tells us: if we receive the witness of men or women, the witness of God is greater, and this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son (1John 5:9). He who believes on the Son of God has the witness in himself: he who does not believe God has made Him a liar; because he does not believe the record that God gave of His Son (1John 5:10).

Now that we know what the voice of the Lord our God is that we ought to diligently hearken to, what are His commandments then? The commandments which would make us pleasing in His sight, which would grant us the favour of our God? John elaborates on the commandment and says: this is the commandment of God,: that we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another, as He gave us commandment (1John 3:22-23). You see God is not asking us to do something impossible, only believe on the name of Jesus, hearken to what Jesus has to say, and love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the fulfilment of the law (Romans 13:10). For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; you shall love your neighbour as yourself (Galatians 5:14). Everything God asks us to do is possible; we are the ones who complicate matters and make things so difficult to understand.

Once we are done with the study on the perfect redemption plan of God, you and I will be able to believe on the name of Jesus like never before, and to hearken to what Jesus has to say, to know what He has purchased for us, by His death and resurrection and to enter into the rest of our Lord. There is no healing outside Jesus and His finished work of redemption. The Lord wants to heal the people; He does not just want to save their souls and then leave them with their sicknesses and diseases! When they came out of Egypt, that is equated to the salvation of our souls, the lamb that they slaughtered at Passover, was prophetically Jesus the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (Exodus 12, John 1:29). The bible tells us when they came out of Egypt, or when they were saved, there was no sickness among them. The Lord says: you shall be blessed above all peoples; there shall not be a male
or female barren among you or among your livestock. And the Lord will take away from you all sickness; and will afflict you with none of the diseases of Egypt which you have known, but will lay them on those who hate you (Deuteronomy 7:14-15).

My friends, no sickness and no disease that is named on earth can abide in a believer. If under the Old Testament with the blood of bulls and goats God provided healing for all sicknesses and all diseases, how much more under the new covenant with the blood of Jesus. God even gave them divine health so that none of the diseases of the land came upon them; we must move from divine healing to divine health in the name of Jesus! But even in the Old Testament it was the sacrifice of Jesus the Lamb of God that was healing them, and gave them divine health. They offered the blood of those animals prophetically; because Christ had not been made manifest to the world yet. But in God’s perfect redemption plan, the Lamb was slain from the foundation of the world (Revelation 13:8). So that both those who lived under the Old Testament and we who are under the New Covenant were, are and will be both healed and enjoy divine health by the blood of Jesus the Lamb of God.

VI. The Serpent on the pole

Numbers 21:5 And the people spoke against God, and against Moses, Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loathes or detests this light bread or worthless bread.

Numbers 21:6 And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.

Numbers 21:7 Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD, and against you; pray unto the LORD, that He take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.

Numbers 21:8 And the LORD said unto Moses, Make a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looks upon it, shall live.

Numbers 21:9 And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

The serpent is the symbol of Satan, my friends do not be deceived, Satan the serpent of old (Revelation 12:9) knows the scripture well and specially the curses of the law. God is a just God, the foundation of His throne are righteousness and judgment. A fire goes before Him and burns up His enemies round about (Psalm 97:2-3). When people are not in Christ Jesus, they are still sinners, God has not imputed the righteousness of Jesus to them. God cannot help it but to judge sin, if He does not judge sin, He will be breaking His own law. So Satan came and enticed Adam and Eve to sin against God, so that God will be obliged to judge their sin. The fire is the judgment of God.

Satan our archenemy hates us with passion, and He uses the deadly combination of sin and law to attack us. He cannot force a believer to sin; he only can entice the believer to sin, like he enticed Adam and Eve to sin. Paul tells us, death is swallowed up in victory. O death where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory? The sting of death is sin and the
strength of sin is the law (1Corinthians 15:54-56). In other words, the enemy comes and entices us to sin, because he knows the wages of sin is death (Romans 6:23), once we sin, he takes the law and accuses us before God, and says so and so has committed this sin and according to Your law, he or she is supposed to receive this judgment. Think of sin as a serpent and the law the strength of the venom. Some serpents will bite a person and you will only have a mark of its fangs, some will cause a swelling and some fever; but others will cause death in a short period of time. The enemy always tries to find the sin which will cause the deadliest judgment on people, based on the law of God.

But God had a plan, to take away both sin and the curses contained in the law attached to those sins, so that Satan will be disarmed and cannot use them against the people of God. God sent Jesus as a Lamb to take away the sin of the world. God said to Moses make a fiery serpent of brass and set it upon a pole, and it shall come to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived. Moses did not set upon a pole a real serpent, but a serpent of brass, in other words that serpent knew no sin, but became sin and suffered the fiery judgment of God on our behalf. Brass talks about fiery judgment; the serpent is the picture of sin. The bible tells us about Jesus: for God has made Jesus to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Jesus (2Corinthians 5:21). The enemy did not see it coming, how can an innocent man die for the guilty, but that was God’s plan to impute righteousness unto us, and judge all our sins; past, present and future; in the body of Jesus. So that when we receive Jesus in our life, we are no longer sinners but righteous, the fiery judgment of the wrath of God is no longer abiding upon us; but has been poured out upon Jesus. We have peace with God, we are reconciled to Him, we are no longer His enemy but His children.

Furthermore Jesus took away the curses contained in the Law, for it is written: Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree (Galatians 3:13). Paul did not say; Christ has redeemed us from the curses of the law, but from the curse of the law. Being under the law and its system of blessing and curses is The Curse! Yes, in the law there are curses and blessings, but Christ has redeemed us from The Curse of the Law or from being under the Law and its system of curses and blessing, to place us under grace, which is the unmerited favour and the divine empowerment. Now we are called to blessings only. Paul says: For sin shall not have dominion over you: for you are not under the law, but under grace (Romans 6:14). For the law [and its system of blessings and curses] was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ (John 1:17).

If God does not place sickness and disease on born again believers when they sin; how can we explain according to the scriptures why some born again Christians are sick and diseased? The first answer is, that it is the attack of the devil! Jesus says: the thief comes except to steal, kill and destroy, but I, Jesus, have come that you may have life and have it more abundantly (John 10:10). So all the miscarriages, all sicknesses and all diseases, all premature deaths are the attacks of the devil on Christians. How come some Christians give birth to babies with deformities, genetic illness, blindness and deafness? The answer is the same: it is the attack of the devil. God said about each one of us when He created us: you are fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are My works; and that your soul knows right well (Psalm 139:14).
So if deep inside our soul we know right well that God fearfully and wonderfully made every human in his or her mother’s womb, and all His works are marvellous, so what happened, that when the child was born there was that blindness, that deformity, that deafness, that genetic illness? Jesus explains it to us that it is the enemy of God, even Satan, who has done it, saying: the servants of the householder [God] came and said to Him, Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field [womb of the woman]? Then where have the darnel [bad seed] come from? He said to them, An enemy [Satan] has done this. In the time of harvest I will say to the reapers [minister of the gospel], First gather together the darnel [bad seed] and bind them in bundles to burn them (Matthew 13:27-30). Yes, that is what Jesus did in John 9, He met a man who was born blind and Jesus healed him of his blindness. That is what Paul did as well in Acts 14:8-10: a man was in Lystra who was a cripple from his mother’s womb, Paul healed him and he walked. Jesus and Paul, destroyed by the fire of the Holy Ghost the bad seed of sickness and disease Satan had planted in the life of those people from their mother’s womb. That is why when you are pregnant, you need to pray for that child from the day he or she is conceived to the day of delivery!

The second answer is: some other sickness or disease is a result of sowing and reaping in the life of some believers. God says: while the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease (Genesis 8:22). And Paul tells us: Do not be deceived, God is not mocked. For whatever a man sows, that he also will reap. For he who sows to his flesh will reap corruption from the flesh. But he who sows to the Spirit, will reap life everlasting from the Spirit. But we should not lose heart in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we do not faint. So then as we have time, let us work good toward all, especially toward those of the household of faith (Galatians 6:7-10).

So some Christians will be drinking alcohol, using tobacco and drugs. When they become addicted to those substances and it causes a sickness or disease or an illness to their baby, for they did it while pregnant, they have sown in the flesh and they have reaped corruption even illness. Or when a person practices sexual immoralities and gets a sexually transmitted disease, he or she sowed in the flesh and has reaped corruption even an STD. But whether they sowed in the flesh and reaped corruption even diseases, or it was a direct attack of Satan; sickness, disease, demon possession and premature death are the works of the devil, our enemy, and they ought to be healed and made free in the name of Jesus!

When Moses was prophetically lifting the fiery serpent of brass onto a pole, he was talking about the crucifixion of Jesus, who endured the fiery judgment of God on our behalf. Jesus hanged on the cross to be cursed in your stead for all the sin you ever did and you will ever do. So that the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith (Galatians 3:14). God forgave all our trespasses, wiped out all the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He nailed it to the cross in the body of Jesus (Colossians 2:13-14). Satan is disarmed; he cannot use sin and the law against us. We are blessed and not cursed, nobody can curse us.

God said to Moses let the people who are bitten by the serpent behold the serpent of brass set upon the pole, and they will live. Prior to that the people came to Moses and repented of their sins, saying: we have sinned against God and against you. It is the first step, one needs to be born again. Paul explains it this way: repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord
Jesus Christ (Acts 20:21). By beholding Jesus on the cross we behold His finished work at Calvary and it births faith in us. People in the wilderness put their faith in Jesus, who was lifted on a pole to be forgiven of their sin, to be healed and to live; so should we put our faith in Jesus who was hanged on the cross, and was raised from the dead. Jesus said: if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me (John 12:32). As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up: That whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (John 3:14-16).

My friend behold Jesus on the cross, dying in your stead, for your sins and my sins, for your trespasses and mine, for your iniquities and mine; being made sin for us so that we can be made the righteousness of God; receiving the judgement on our behalf, so that we can be justified; having the fiery wrath of God poured upon Him, so that we can have peace and be reconciled to God; taking all our sicknesses and diseases upon Him when He bore the stripes on His back at the whipping post so that by His stripes we are healed; nailing all the law on the cross so that the enemy can never use the combination of sin and law to accuse us to God. God said to the people, behold the serpent of brass set on the pole and you will live. You and I need to behold the finished work of Jesus on the cross and we will live.

The people in the wilderness detested the manna, the bread from heaven. They said it is worthless bread (Numbers 21:5). My friend some Christians are like that today. God said my people perish for lack of knowledge, because they have rejected knowledge (Hosea 4:6). Manna is a symbol of the Word of God. Some people do not have the knowledge of what Jesus has done for the world, so they go to hell. The other set of people believe in Jesus and are born again; but reject the finished work of Jesus on the cross. They do not behold Jesus who hanged on the cross for them. They are aware of the perfect redemption plan of God through the blood of Jesus, but reject it. They want to establish their own righteousness, their own holiness, their own blessing, their own healing, etc. By so doing they say to God: what Jesus did was pointless or worthless. Satan banks on that to keep tormenting us here on earth with sicknesses and diseases and early death. If in the Old Testament, everyone who was bitten by the serpent, when they looked upon the serpent of brass on the pole were healed, how much more in the New Testament, they had a shadow but the substance is Jesus and He came and died on the cross, everyone who beholds His finished work on the cross shall live, not just have eternal life, but also have healing and abiding health in his or her life on earth.

David tells us: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities; who heals all your diseases (Psalm 103:2-3). David understood, it was not just about forgiveness of all iniquities, but also healing, even being made perfectly whole from all diseases and all sicknesses. The Bible says about Jesus: when Jesus and His disciples were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret. And when the men of that place had knowledge of Him, they sent out into all that country round about, and brought unto him all that were diseased; And besought Jesus that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and as many as touched were made perfectly whole (Matthew 14:34-36). So in our heart, we must believe that Jesus wants to make all who are diseased, all who are sick, perfectly whole. Never give that religious excuse to a sick or diseased person: “the time for your healing has
not come yet!” It is always the time to make all people, who have all manner of sickness and all manner of disease perfectly whole in the name of Jesus!

Some people in church will use the scriptures: thus says the LORD, In an acceptable time have I heard you, and in a day of salvation have I helped you: and I will preserve you, and give you as a covenant to the people, to establish the earth, to cause them to inherit the desolate heritages (Isaiah 49:8). You shall arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yeah, the set time or appointed time, is come (Psalm 102:13). So they will use those two scriptures to tell people that you see: “God” has a set time to heal you and it has not come yet! First of all these are Old Covenant Scriptures and it has nothing to do with healing. When people came to look at the brazen serpent on the pole, they were healed right then! Moses did not tell anyone who came to look at the brazen serpent on the pole: “your set time to be healed has not come yet, come back another day and it might be your set time!” No it was always a set time for everybody who was sick or diseased, to be made perfectly whole, when they looked at the brazen serpent on the pole which was symbolic of Jesus dying on the cross.

Paul answers that question of whether it is a set time for our healing or not. He says: For God says through Isaiah, “In an acceptable time I heard you, and in a day of salvation, I helped you;” Behold, now is the accepted time (now is the appointed time, now is the set time, and now is the time that your applications are going to be received). Behold, now is the day of salvation (now is the day to be made perfectly whole, now is the day to be delivered, and now is the day to be prospered) (2Corinthians 6:2). So never say to anybody that comes to you for healing or deliverance, that their set time to be made perfectly whole or delivered, has not come yet! Moses with his brazen serpent on the pole did not do that; nor did Jesus throughout the four gospels; and nor did the disciples throughout the book of Acts say to anybody: your set time of being made perfectly whole or delivered has not come yet!

In Matthew 17 the disciples could not cast the epileptic demon out of the boy. Jesus did not say to the boy’s father: the “set time” for the demon to come out of your child, has not come yet! Come again in two weeks and it might be the set time! Jesus rebuked the demon and it came out of him and the child was cured from that very hour (Matthew 17:18). The disciples lacked faith to cast that demon out. In another case when Jesus prayed for a man who was blind, the first time Jesus prayed, the man started to see men like trees walking. So Jesus did not say to him: “it is not your set time to be made perfectly whole yet, it is only the set time for you to receive a partial healing, and in another set time God will finish what He has started!” No, Jesus knew it was always the set time to be healed it was that blind demon resisting Him. So Jesus prayed the second time and the bible says: the man’s sight was restored and he saw every man clearly (Mark 8:22-24).

It is time for us to go the extra mile for people, we should not just pray and if nothing happens stop. We need to keep blasting that sickness or disease with the word of God, and command it to leave in the name of Jesus! Maturity starts when we take our responsibilities and decide to go do what Jesus commanded us to do: preach the gospel, make disciples, heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead and cast out demons (Matthew 10:7-8, Matthew 28:20). That is why Jesus scolded the disciples for not being able to set that boy free of epilepsy, and He scolds every born again Christian who tells a sick person: your set time to be healed and made perfectly whole has not come yet. O faithless and perverse generation,
how long shall I be with you? How long shall I suffer you? Bring him hither to me (Matthew 17:17). A perverse person is someone who twists the word of God for his own selfish interest. Instead of admitting I do not have faith, Jesus, please teach me how to have faith so that I can do what You commanded me to do. He comes up with excuses like: “the set time for God to heal you or make you perfectly whole has not yet come” or even worse: “I believe it is not the will of God to heal you!”

In Luke 18 Jesus advises us to always pray and not lose heart or give up, until we get the result, written in the word of God. We ought to submit to God through His written word and doing His written word, and then resist Satan our adversary, and he will flee from you (James 4:7). The problem Jesus has with the church and born again Christians is that we pray once, and if we do not see the result we give up! We give up so easily instead of keeping at it until we have the first victory over sickness, and then it will be easy for the other cases of sickness and disease. God shall avenge His own elect, who cry day and night unto Him, though He bear long with them? I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man comes, shall He find faith on the earth (Luke 18:7-8)? Will Jesus find faith in us to keep on preaching the gospel until people are saved, to keep on making disciples and not mere converts, to keep on healing the sick, casting out demons, cleansing lepers and raising the dead? Or will we preach once and say they did not receive my message so I will never mention the name of Jesus to them again. I believe Jesus never called me to be a “preacher”. In Isaiah 6, Isaiah volunteered to tell people about God. He was discouraged that people were not receiving his message. He might have thought: maybe I was not called into “the preaching ministry” that is why I have no “anointing”. After all God did not send me; but I volunteered, saying to God: here I am send me. Because I heard that God was looking for someone to send who will go for Them [the Godhead] (Isaiah 6:8). I hear that excuse all the time: “God did not send me to preach or be an evangelist, that is why people are not saved when I share the word of God with them. I will let preachers and evangelists do the soul winning, I will only send them my money!”

Will we pray once, and if we do not have the manifestation of the healing we stop praying for the sick, and make the excuse that God did not call me to a “healing ministry”, or try to cast out a devil once, and it does not work, and make the excuse that God did not call me in the “deliverance ministry”, or will we pray once for the dead to be raised and it does not work, and make the excuse that God did not call me to “the dead raising ministry”. I only have one question for you and me: are we born again, have we received Jesus as our Lord and Saviour? If our answer is yes, then let me tell you: as many as received Him (Jesus), He gave them power or legal right to become the sons of God, even to those who believe in His name (the name of Jesus) (John 1:12).

Thus if we are born again, we are legally and legitimately, not illegitimately and illegally, but legally and legitimately a son or daughter of God, through Christ Jesus The Son of God; because each one of us is in Christ. And God says to Isaiah about Jesus, The Son of God and all the sons and daughters of God in Christ Jesus: Behold, I (Jesus) and the children whom the LORD has given Me, we are for signs and for wonders (Isaiah 8:18). And Jesus commands you and me, who have become sons and daughters of God when we believed in Jesus: Go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved; but he who does not believe shall be damned. And these signs shall follow those who
believe; In my name (Jesus not in their own name because they are only sons and daughters through Me Christ Jesus The Son of God) they shall cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover (Mark 16:15-18). As you go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely you have received, freely give (Matthew 10:7-8).

Isaiah said to God: it is not working! People are not repenting when I am telling them about God. I think I need to quit, preaching is not for me! God said to Isaiah: go, and tell this people about Me, even if they do not understand what they are hearing from your mouth, even if they do not perceive what the plans I have for them are, because, I want them to return to Me, so that I will heal them (Isaiah 6:9-10). Isaiah said to God: I went as you commanded me, and I have been telling everybody about You. How you want them to return to You, so that you will heal their backsliding and love them freely, for Your anger even your fiery wrath is turned away from them; and You even offer to heal their physical body by the stripes of Jesus, but they have not believed my report (Isaiah 53, Hosea 14:4).

How long, Lord, shall I keep telling this people about Your good report? None of them is turning to You to be forgiven of all their iniquities and to be healed of all their diseases! When I ask a person, can I pray for your sicknesses or disease they say: no thank you! And the Lord said to Isaiah: have you preached to every person in Israel? Only when the cities are laid waste and without inhabitant, that is when you can stop preaching, but as long as there are people living in those cities keep preaching to them about the salvation of their soul, and keep offering to pray for their healing. Even if there is only a tenth of the population of those cities that returns to the Lord, so that I will save their souls; I, God, will start a new work with that small number of people who has received your message of salvation of spirit, soul and body. That small number in the eyes of men may look like an oak tree whose stump remains when it is cut down; but I, the Lord, am telling you that the holy seed shall be in that stump (Isaiah 6:11-13). Do not lose heart or give up; for there is hope for those people, even that stump of the oak tree. It will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease. Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground; Yet through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant (Job 14:7-9).

When the Lord interpreted to me what He said to Isaiah, it changed my mind. I went to Glasgow with the goal of winning souls to Christ, healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease, casting out devils, cleansing lepers and raising the dead, and performing mighty signs and wonders in the name of Jesus, as He commanded every born again Christian. In the emblem of Glasgow they have an oak tree. And the slogan of Glasgow is: “Glasgow shall flourish by the preaching of Your word and the Praise of Your name”. The word of God and the praise of the name of God, they meant. As I went in the streets of Glasgow trying to share the gospel, at first people did not want to listen to the word of God, and when I offered to pray for their sickness and disease: they refused! When I preached the gospel in the streets of the city centre of Glasgow they called the police to come and stop me; for I was “disturbing the peace”! When I went to offer to pray to raise a dead person, they called the police and they came to take my details.

I said God: they do not want to listen to Your report either for the salvation of their spirit, or soul, or healing of their body or dead raising! And God explained to me what happened in the
days of Isaiah as I explained above. There were days I placed my 30 chairs in the rented venue we had. For the Lord promised me 300,000 families won to Christ in Glasgow, and 50 European nations both in the West and in the South of the globe. So I prophetically placed 30 chairs because in my mind and heart, one of us shall chase a thousand and two of us shall put ten thousand to flight. I was one and Jesus who sent me, who promised to always be with me, was the second person, thus the two of us prophetically won 300,000 families to the kingdom of God.

There were days I stood alone before those 30 empty chairs and preached with all my heart on the salvation of the spirit, soul and healing of the body. Yet I was not alone, Jesus who sent me was with me. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without waver; for he is faithful that promised (Hebrews 10:23); Faithful is He who calls you, who also will do it (1Thessalonians 5:24). It has nothing to do with you, it has everything to do with the One who said it! God is the one who said that you should go preach the gospel, cast out devils, cleanse the lepers, and raise the dead. God is not a man, that He should lie; neither the son of man, that He should repent or change His mind: has He said, and shall He not do it? Or has He spoken, and shall He not make it good (Numbers 23:19)? I am the Lord and I change not (Malachi 3:6). Let God be true and every man a liar (Romans 3:4).

VII. Who did sin?

John 9:1 And as Jesus passed by, he saw a man who was blind from his birth.

John 9:2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?

John 9:3 Jesus answered, neither has this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

Before we go further into this teaching, we need to give a brief definition of sin, trespass, transgression and iniquities, which are taken from Leviticus 4,5,6 and 7 and Exodus 20.

Sin (scripture defines sin as breaking God's Law i.e. the 10 commandments)
Trespasses (scripture defines trespasses as sinning against the holy things of God found in the tabernacle, sinning unknowingly or sinning under oath)
Iniquities (scripture defines iniquities as sins rooted in idolatry and leading to death, and sins one’s parents and ancestors committed and did not repent of)
Transgressions (scripture defines transgressions as sinning against the holy things of God found in the tabernacle, sinning against the tithes and offerings, and also sinning against one’s fellow human being)

VII.1 No more generational curses from God to His children

Some Christians are still asking this same question the disciples asked Jesus: who did sin? In the law it is said: you shall not bow down yourself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of those who hate me (Exodus 20:5). Is God still a jealous God,
yes, He is! For He says: I am the LORD, I do not change (Malachi 3:6). This iniquity that was hanging on the head of the children, because they were born into a particular family, was unfair. The children had done nothing; they did not choose to be born into that cursed family. Some of us have been born in families of idol worshipers, of people who hated God, of murderers, etc. Iniquities were in our family and the law of God cursed the iniquities of our fathers, for some iniquities the curses of the law were sicknesses and diseases or poverty, etc.

If a person was born in a family with such a generational curse, he or she had no way out of that curse. The enemy would entice the next generation to commit the same iniquity, so that they would never come out of that curse. God said to the people: there would come a time when His Son Jesus would come and establish a New Covenant with the people, based on better promises. Everybody would have a chance to start afresh without the baggage of a generational curse. God would nail the curses of the law on the cross in the body of His Son Jesus, including the generational curses. Everyone would be responsible for his or her sins, iniquities and trespasses. But the people asked God: why should the son not bear the guilt or iniquity of the father? The Lord answered: because the son has done what is lawful and right, and has kept all My statutes and observed them, he shall live. The soul who sins shall die. The son shall not bear the guilt or iniquity of the father, nor the father bear the guilt or iniquity of the son. The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon himself (Ezekiel 18:19-20).

The enemy uses guilt or iniquity to torment the next generation. Guilt and iniquity are the same Hebrew word avon. The question is, has Jesus taken away our iniquities on the cross? If He has, then there should be no more generational curses, but if not, then there is no hope. In the book of Leviticus 16:15-28; Moses received the instruction for the Day of Atonement, which was a shadow of what Jesus would do. The Day of Atonement was a day when God covered the sins and trespasses of the nation of Israel and then took away their iniquity or guilt. On the Day of Atonement, they brought two goats not sheep. We have explained in part III of the Perfect Redemption Plan, what God meant by goats and sheep. Two goats which talked about how Israel was rebellious, stiff-necked, always resisting the will of God. The first goat the priest offered as a sin offering for the transgressions and sins of Israel. In the same way the writer of Hebrews tells us that Jesus was the sin offering for the sins and transgressions of the world.

The sin offering was sacrificed outside the gate of the city and the blood was brought into the temple by the priest. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate (Hebrews 13:12). But the blood of Jesus was better than the blood of the goat they offered on the Day of Atonement. The blood of Jesus was shed for the remission of sin not just their covering (Hebrews 9:22). The curses that were operating in us or in our family, because of the sins and transgressions, ours, and our ancestors, Jesus died to them all; He remitted them all by becoming our sin offering. Then, as our High Priest, He took His own blood in the temple in heaven, and placed it on the mercy seat. God accepted His blood. We can be forgiven but do we forgive ourselves? Guilt and condemnation are worse than the sins and transgression we have committed. When people have guilt or iniquity and condemnation, they look down on themselves, they think they will amount to nothing in the kingdom of God, they think that their past will hunt them one day.
God asked them to take a second goat on the Day of Atonement. It was called the scapegoat or Azazel in Hebrew, which means entire removal. They were not supposed to kill the scapegoat, but the high priest would lay both hands on it, and confess all the iniquities and guilt of the children of Israel over it, and they would lead that scapegoat into the wilderness and release it. The scapegoat or Azazel was to entirely remove all iniquity and guilt associated with the sins and transgressions of Israel. If anyone was looking for someone to blame, they should blame the scapegoat, if anyone was looking for who to blame for my sins and iniquities, they should blame the scapegoat, if anyone was looking for who to blame for the sins and transgressions of my ancestors, they should blame the scapegoat.

The two goats were talking about the same person. The same person died for the sins, trespasses and iniquities of the people, and the same person lives to bear the guilt and iniquities of the people. It is talking about Jesus, He became sin who knew no sin, He was the perfect Lamb of God but He bore our sin, or He bore the sins of all the goats so that the goats can become sheep. And the same Jesus is our scapegoat because He lives, yes; He is risen from the dead, for our justification. When people want to make us feel guilty, we tell them, look at my scapegoat who was raised for my justification. We studied justification in part I of the Perfect Redemption Plan. I reject guilt and condemnation because I have a scapegoat, Jesus, who lives forever for my justification, just as if I never did it! John the Baptist knew that Jesus is the Azazel or scapegoat of the people, who entirely removes their sins, transgression and the guilt and iniquity that came with them. He said: behold the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world (John 1:29). David by the Holy Spirit bore witness of the Lamb of God saying: He forgives all your iniquities and guilt; heals all your diseases; He redeems your life from destruction; crowns you with loving-kindness and tender mercies; He satisfies your mouth with good things; so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s (Psalm103:3-5).

Since Jesus died to sins, transgressions and entirely removed my guilt or iniquities, there are no more generational curses operating in me. God saw this day coming and prophesied to Ezekiel that the children would be free from the iniquities or guilt of their ancestors saying: what do you mean when you use this proverb concerning the land of Israel: “the fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge?” As I live, says the Lord God, you shall no longer use this proverb in Israel (Ezekiel 18:2-3). My friend, the sicknesses, diseases and curses which used to run in your family are no longer your portion since you are in Christ. The poverty curses that used to run in your family are no longer your portion. Think of any bad thing that is kind of a normal thing in your family: it is no longer your portion in Jesus name. Children of Nazis, children of those who committed genocide, children of serial killers, children of rapists, children of witchdoctors and children of cannibals, when they are born again should not drag the guilt and condemnation of what their parents did or are doing. And if there were curses that came with what their parents did; those curses no longer apply to the children because they are born again.

What then? Can’t a believer suffer generational curses? The believer in Christ only suffers generational curses, when he or she does not know what God has done for him by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Indeed God’s people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. And when we know what Jesus has done by His death and resurrection, the enemy comes and tells us the same lie he told Eve: has God really said? Does God really mean what He says? The prophet Isaiah will ask us this poignant question: who has believed our report
(Isaiah 53:1)? For of the truth, God’s people are destroyed because they have rejected the knowledge. You will know the truth and the truth will make you free from all those generational curses, but we need to believe that truth. Many times the enemy plays on our family history to plague us with some curses. When we agree with God we empower God and His words to work in us. When we believe the lies of the enemy we empower the lies of the enemy, through his words to work in us. I hear people say this thing is in my family, so I will have it also. I tell them you do not have to have it; you are redeemed which means ransomed in full. They say everybody in my family is divorced, I tell them you do not have to be like them, and you are redeemed.

Even if our ancestors shed human blood, and that blood is crying out vengeance: so sickness, disease, premature death, poverty and other curses are now running in your family. Like the blood of Abel did, as it is written: God said to Cain, What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood cries to Me from the ground. And now you are cursed more than the ground which opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand (Genesis 4:10-11).

But the moment you are born again, you have been ransomed in full, that is what redeemed means. The blood of Jesus, that washed away your sins, trespasses and iniquities, speaks better things than the human blood that your ancestors shed (Hebrews 12:24). Christ redeemed us or ransomed us in full from the curse of the Law, being made a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed is everyone having been hanged on a tree”); so that the blessing of Abraham might be to the nations in Jesus Christ, and that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith (Galatians 3:13-14). And the same blood of Jesus, that was shed at Calvary, cleanses or purges your conscience from dead works, so that you no longer carry that guilt and condemnation in your life, because of what your ancestors committed, but serve the living God, free from guilt and condemnation (Hebrews 9:14). There is therefore now no condemnation [including the condemnation of generational curses] to those who are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit (Romans 8:1).

When we are in Christ Jesus we can start a new family history, in which only blessings are passed down the line, since all the curses contained in the law, Jesus took away, and we are now blessed. Even if there is a genetic disease running in your family, it does not have to run in your family when you are in Christ. What then if the Lord reveals to me what the generational curses in my blood line are. It is a small matter to God; He does not reveal them to us to scare us, but to destroy the works of the devil. Remember, for this purpose the Son of God was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil (1John 3:8). When God reveals something the enemy is using against us, we simply confess our sins or iniquities if we are practicing the same sins our parents did. We do not have to confess the sins of our fathers, for we are not responsible for their sins, according to Ezekiel 18. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1John 1:9). But as for Christians, once we have confessed and agreed with the word of God that because Jesus shed His blood on the cross, and is now risen from the dead, the sour grapes that our fathers have eaten, will no longer set our teeth on edge.

The devil will try to blame you for the sins of your ancestors or for the sins of your nation. Reject it according to the scriptures, even according to Ezekiel 18. You are responsible for your own sins, and your ancestors are responsible for their own sins. The devil will waste your time having you search for all the sins of your ancestors. The truth is you cannot get
information from a dead person, even if your parents are still alive, they will not be able to
tell you all their sins, for they have forgotten some of them. or some of them are
embarrassing, and they do not want to tell you. So the devil will tell you: there is still a sin of
your ancestors you have not confessed! You will never get free. Jesus never questioned
people about their ancestors’ sins, or even about what they did to get that sickness! Believe
the scriptures and minister like Jesus and the apostles. Generational Curses teaching, is a
weapon of the devil to make us ineffective, in healing and deliverance. For you will need to
sit with the person, and ask many questions for hours, it will be a counselling. Jesus healed
multitudes at once, so did the disciples! If they had to sit with each one in a crowd, and
search their family tree, they would have had only one sick person healed a week, instead of
multitudes healed at once! Jesus did not send us to counsel out demons, but to cast them
out!

People might say: there is a mental illness running in that family; it is no longer your portion
when you believed in Christ. You are redeemed, if God reveals to you what you did that
causd the mental illness to come into your house, then confess your sin and agree with the
word of God that it is no longer your portion. So stop being sin conscious, but Jesus
conscious, behold the Lamb of God on the cross, and you will be healed, behold Him risen
from the dead for your justification and your glorification. The guilt, iniquities and
condemnations have no more power over you, you are redeemed. Nothing was left out in the
perfect redemption plan of God. When God reveals something that was going on in your
family to you, it is not that God believes in Generational curses, as Ezekiel 18 already states,
it is not the case. But God is warning you, so that you will not practice the sins of your
parents, for the enemy is trying to tempt you the same way he tempted your parents to
cause you harm. For instance if there is a divorce in your family, and God shows you that
your father was getting too close to his secretary, and he committed adultery with her; which
led to the divorce of your parents. So when you wake up, you need to pray for God to help
you to have self control in the area of your sexual desires, and that God will help you to not
get too close to any woman, that is not your wife, and that God should reveal the motives of
the opposite sex to you, who try to be your friends.

People will say: what about praying and fasting to break the generational curses of the land.
For we read: God said to Cain, What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood cries
to Me from the ground. And now you are cursed more than the ground which opened its
mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand (Genesis 4:10-11). So you see, the
ground that received the blood of Abel, who was murdered by Cain, is cursed. God said: if My
people, who are called by My name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek My face,
and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from Heaven and will forgive their sin and
will heal their land (2Chronicles 7:14). So it means that for the countries like UK, France,
Portugal, Spain who colonized other countries, and were involved in slavery and killed many
people; we need to fast and repent for the sins of their ancestors. For countries like Germany,
Rwanda who committed genocides we need to pray and fast in repentance for what their
ancestors did, for that blood is crying out, and the land is cursed, so that God will heal the
land!

Okay! Let us read Ezekiel again. The Word of Jehovah came to me again, saying, What is it to
you that you use this proverb concerning the land of Israel [put the name of your nation],

saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes and the teeth of the sons are dull or set on edge? As I live, says the Lord Jehovah, to you there is no longer any occasion to use this proverb in Israel [put the name of your nation]. Behold, all souls are Mine. As the soul of the father, also the soul of the son, they are Mine. The soul that sins, it shall die (Ezekiel 18:1-4). Let us read what Jeremiah says. In those days they shall not say any more, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the teeth of the sons are dull or set on edge. But every man shall die in his iniquity. Every man who eats the sour grapes, his teeth will be dull or set on edge. Behold, the days come, says Jehovah, that I will cut a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah, not according to the covenant that I cut with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which covenant of Mine they broke, although I was a husband to them, says Jehovah; but this shall be the covenant that I will cut with the house of Israel: After those days, says Jehovah, I will put My Law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people (Jeremiah 31:29-33).

We are in the New Covenant, not in the Old Covenant. In those nations their ancestors who committed those atrocities were responsible for their sins and they died in their sins. You, the new generation, if you are not committing the same sins of those ancestors, should not be bothered about it. It is simple: if you are not committing what the ancestors did, you are not to fast and pray in repentance for them. The Catholic Church in the days of Martin Luther the reformer, came up with indulgences. And if you had enough money; you could even free the soul of your deceased loved ones from purgatory, to go to heaven! So they went even a step further, they did not even pray or fast for God to forgive the sins of their deceased loved ones; but they paid for the forgiveness of their sins and their entrance into heaven. What a deception!

The truth is you can neither pay for the forgiveness of the sins of someone else to enter heaven, nor pray and fast for the forgiveness of the sins of someone else, whether he is alive or dead. If it were the case; then people did not need to be saved. We will tell them, live anyhow and when you die, we who are Christians, we will pray and fast for your spirit and soul, and they will come out of hell to go to heaven, or like the Catholic Church did in the days of Martin Luther: pay your money into the church treasury, for when the coin drops in the chest the soul of your loved one will spring out of hell to enter heaven!

We cannot confess the sins of someone else in the New Covenant; everybody is responsible for his or her own sins. The people who were living in Canaan, were evil and God decided to destroy them and put the children of Israel there. Yet when Joshua entered that promised land, nowhere in the book of Joshua do we read that Israel fasted and prayed to repent for the sins of the Canaanites, who used to live there; so that God will heal the land. When Joshua and the people fasted, it was to repent for their own sin, when Achan took the accursed thing of the Canaanites (Joshua 7). When the world was destroyed in the flood in the days of Noah; God did not tell Noah to pray and fast to repent for the sins of the world, and for the land to be healed? No, Righteous Noah preached to them, but they did not change, and they died in their sins (2Peter 2:5). And God said to Noah. Jehovah smelled a sweet odour. And Jehovah said in His heart, I will never again curse the ground for man’s sake, because the imagination of man’s heart is evil from his youth. And I will not again smite every living thing as I have done. (Genesis 8:21-22).
So God will never again curse the ground or land for man’s sake, because the imagination of man’s heart is evil from his youth, as He cursed it when Cain shed the blood of Abel in Genesis 4:10-11. So the land or ground is not cursed by God, and will never be cursed by God. The earth is The Lord’s, and the fullness of it; the world, and those who dwell in it (Psalm 24:1). You may sow your seed on that ground and water that seed, but it is God who gives the increase (1Corinthians 3:6). And God said to Samuel: Jehovah, the God of Israel says, I said indeed, Your house and the house of your father, should walk before Me forever. But now Jehovah says, Be it far from Me! For those who honour Me I will honour, and those that think little of Me or despise Me, shall be lightly regarded (1Samuel 2:30).

God does not curse the ground, but the devil and his agents do. Balaam who was an agent of the devil, was known for his curses (Genesis 22). God can decide to withhold the increase to the people who think little of Him or despise Him, and honour, by giving the increase to those who honour Him. In Genesis 26, there was a famine in the land of the Philistines, which means that God did not give the increase to those Philistines who thought little of God. But in that same land of famine of the Philistines, Isaac sowed and reaped a hundred fold that same year. Isaac was the carrier of the blessing of Abraham, so even if Dagon, the god of the Philistines and its agents, had cursed the land, or the Lord God had not given the increase to the Philistines, because they thought little of God, or despised Him, by serving Dagon. It did not make any difference to Isaac, for where the devil had cursed the ground that curse was broken and turned into a blessing, and God gave the increase to Isaac as he sowed his seed.

Israel also understood it, when they despised the Lord and served idols of the gentiles, or lived like gentiles, though they were the people of God, God also stopped honouring them, because they were not honouring Him, and God lightly regarded them and did not give them the increase. Moses and Joshua already warned them that the land does not belong to them, but God. So if they act like the people that God evicted from the land and serve the gods of the people that God evicted, they will suffer the same things those people suffered. But if they repent God will restore them, it was their own choice, they had life or death set before them, victory or defeat, prosperity or famine (Joshua 24, Deuteronomy 30). So whenever Israel experienced a famine, or a defeat, even captivity, they knew God was not to blame; they were the ones who sinned.

But God tells them as a people, that there is a way out: if My people, who are called by My name, shall humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land (2Chronicles 7:14). To humble oneself, is first of all agreeing with the written word of God and obeying it, to confess our personal sins and turn away from our wicked ways, then God will honour us and give us the increase. So when we pray for a nation, we should fast and pray for God to destroy the demonic forces that are holding people in bondage, veiling the hearts of the people, and putting scales on their eyes, so that they can receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, and turn from their wicked ways. And then we need to go out and preach the gospel to them. That is what Noah did, they did not listen to the preaching of Noah and perished, it was their own choice. God did not spare the old world, but saved Noah the eighth one, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly (2Peter 2:5).

God will not forgive their sins, unless they are born again, your prayer and fasting for God to
forgive their sins, will not do anything. We do not pray and fast in the New Covenant to receive our forgiveness, but each one of us who committed the sin should confess it. John says: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us (1John 1:8). When they are born again, they become carriers of the blessing of Abraham and God prospers the works of their hands. The land will be healed, the society will be healed. God’s plan to heal a land is through salvation of the souls, and renewing of the mind of the inhabitants of that land. You cannot repent for the sins of another person, it is their own responsibility, you need to preach the gospel to them. Yet you can pray and fast to break the demonic forces that are hindering them from receiving Jesus as Lord and Saviour. Throughout the book of Nehemiah and Ezra, you see the people repenting of their sin of turning away from the Lord their God, to serve idols of the gentiles and live wickedly like the gentiles. After Ezra and the priests preached the word of God to them, and made them understand why all those evils befell them, and when they genuinely repented, God caused them to prosper!

VII.2 Attacks and curses from the pit of hell in the life of believers

Let us have a non-theological and non-religious definition of a blessing and a curse. A blessing is a positive word spoken over or about something or someone that comes to pass. And a curse is a negative word spoken over or about something or someone that comes to pass. Where do we get these down to earth definitions of a blessing and a curse? We get it from the story of the fig tree in Mark 11. The purpose of a fig tree is to produce figs. Jesus said to that fig tree: let no one eat fruit from you ever again (Mark 11:14). The next day in the morning, as Jesus and His disciples passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. And Peter said to Jesus: Rabbi, look! The fig tree which you cursed has withered away (Mark 11:20-21).

Let me ask you a question: since you became a born again Christian, has everybody overnight started speaking only positive words about or over you, your children, your marriage, your job, your business, your health, wishing you only good things and thinking only good thoughts about you? If the answer is yes, then you live in a utopia not in a real world. Even Jesus, The Son of God, had people calling Him a liar and a deceiver. Religious people envied Him for His success, the miracles, signs and wonders. The world that had gone after Him, plotted many times to kill Him. People hated Jesus without a cause (John 15:25, Psalm 69:4). Jesus says: The world cannot hate you [unsaved people]; but Me it hates, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil (John 7:7). If the world hates you [born again Christian who is fully preaching the gospel, making disciples of nations, healing the sick, casting out devils, cleansing lepers and raising the dead], you know that it hated Me before it hated you (John 15:18).

John tells us: as Christ Jesus is, so are we in this world (1John 4:17). So when you become born again, even a son or daughter of God through Christ Jesus, the world will hate you, not because of you per se; but because you belong to Jesus and the devil hates Jesus Christ. The world lies under the influence or sway of the devil, who is that prince of the power of the air; that is why the world, even the unsaved inhabitants therein, hate you (1John 5:19, Ephesians 2:2). Religious leaders, who do not know who they are in Christ Jesus, are also under the influence or sway of the devil like the unsaved people; for they envy you because of the souls you are winning for Christ; for the healing and the dead raising that you are working in the
name of Jesus, for the glory of God; and for the crowds that have gone after you, because they have witnessed the signs and wonders that accompany the preaching of your gospel. Where crowds are, it means that money is also there, the tithes and the offerings, because people give money for what they believe in. People donate money to cancer research because they believe medical research will solve cancer. Where your money goes, tells us what you believe in. I give my money to people who are ministering healing, deliverance and dead raising in the name of Jesus, because I believe Jesus is the solution for all manner of sickness and all manner of disease, according to the scriptures (Matthew 4:23, Matthew 9:35, Matthew 10:1, Psalm 103:1-5).

James says about envy: if you have bitter envying or jealousy and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy (James 3:14-17). Your literal obedience to the word of God, will put religious people to shame. That is the reason why they will envy you, lie about you, send spies into your meetings, and all their sermons will be against you. Wishing you evil, wishing that you will fall into sin, especially sexual sins, so that the ministry of reconciliation, and your word of reconciliation, that you have received, will discredit your person, and wishing you financial scandal, so that they can accuse you of being a thief and a fraud.

Paul says: Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, being made a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed is everyone having been hanged on a tree”); so that the blessing of Abraham might be to the nations in Jesus Christ, and that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith (Galatians 3:13-14). Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the Law, or from being under the Law and its system of blessings and curses found in them, due to our obedience or disobedience. Now on God’s part, we only receive the blessing contained in the Law, even the blessing of Abraham. In other words, now God only speaks good and positive things about us, and only brings to pass, good and positive things in our life.

Paul says: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ (Ephesians 1:3). In other words, God has said every good and positive word there is to say about and over us, and what pertains to us, and they are in the heavenly places, and He wants to bring it to pass on earth, as it is in heaven. According as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who has called us to glory and virtue, through which He has given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, so that by these you might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust (2Peter 1:3-4).

So God and His word are no longer your problem if you are born again; because He only has positive and good things in store for you; for your natural life and for your spiritual life. So your problem is the devil and his vassal, for they are never speaking or wishing anything positive or good to happen in your life. They are wishing your downfall, premature death, bankruptcy, divorce, barrenness, sickness, accident, failure in ministry, poverty, and every negative and bad thing there is out there! They want to hinder your progress in life and ministry. Paul wrote to the church in Thessalonica, saying: we desired to come to you, truly I,
Paul, both once and twice; but Satan hindered us (1Thessalonians 2:18). How did Satan hinder Paul? By moving the mob which rose at Thessalonica, to go to Berea, and disturb the apostle there; which obliged him, contrary to his will, to go to Athens instead of returning to Thessalonica (Acts 17).

You need to be spiritual and discern that behind the hostile mob to your preaching, is the devil. Other times Paul was beaten, stoned and left for dead, shipwrecked, betrayed even by believers; it was Satan attacking him directly or indirectly, even through born again Christians (2Corinthians 11 and 2Corinthians 12). Paul understood that those problems he encountered and faced were straight from the pit of hell, Satan had assigned one of his messengers or demonic angels to constantly beat Paul, so that all kinds of bad things would happen to him and negative things would be said about him, both by unsaved people and even by some envious saved people, to stop the influence of Paul and his gospel around the world. Paul says: lest I should be exalted above measure, through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure (2Corinthians 12:7).

You need to understand that the enemy will pronounce curses over you and your loved ones. That is why God said you and I who are in Christ Jesus, the seed of Abraham: I will make you a great nation. And I will bless you and make your name great. And you shall be a blessing. And I will bless those that bless you and curse the one who curses you. And in you shall all families of the earth be blessed (Genesis 12:2-3). The fact that God has blessed you, does not mean that the enemy will not attack you or pronounce his curses over you. God said to Isaiah: Behold, they shall surely gather together [they can gather at a witchdoctor’s place, at a freemason lodge, at a voodoo priest’s, at a mosque, or any other idol worship place to pronounce curses, and launch spiritual attacks against you, and what belongs to you], but not by Me [it is not God who sent them, for God only has blessings for everything that pertains to your life and godliness]: therefore whosoever shall gather together against you shall fall for your sake. Behold, I have created the smith that blows the coals in the fire, and that brings forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy. No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, says the LORD (Isaiah 54:15-17).

People who are cold in the five-fold ministry gifts: apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers, have a specific seal from their mother’s womb in the spirit realm that angels and demons see. Wise men came from the east to where the baby Jesus was born, being led by the star (Matthew 2). Those wise men were chief magicians and sorcerers; the Greek word used is “Magos” and its Hebrew origin is the word “Rabmag” which means magician, sorcerer, wise man or an Oriental scientist, like the “Christian Scientist” cult; so they are of the devil not of God (Exodus 7:11, Daniel 2:2, Deuteronomy 18:10-12).

I remember when I was about 11 years old, my grandmother brought one of her friends, who was a witchdoctor into our house. And she said to me in the presence of my grandmother: “I see a big star over this boy and it is so bright, he is going to be very great!” The damsel with the spirit of divination could also see who Paul and his companions were in the spirit realm. It came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much gain by soothsaying: The same followed Paul and us,
and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which show unto us the way of salvation. And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour (Acts 16:16-18).

She could see in the spirit realm who Paul and his companions were, and her prophecy was right, but it was not by the spirit of God, but by the spirit of divination which is of the devil. We did not have the knowledge of the scripture at that time, or else I would have cast out that spirit of divination out of my grandmother’s friend in the name of Jesus. I remember in summer 2013, I was in Manchester, it was 1:30pm, I was walking toward a church to go and pray from 2pm to 4pm, for these were the opening hours of that church for time of prayer. And as I was walking, a Sikh guru, with a spirit of divination walked up to me and started to talk to me; he said things that were true about my past. I thought he was only making conversation, until I realized by the spirit of the Lord, that he was using the spirit of divination; I did not even allow him to speak for two minutes, and I gave him a look and said with all authority: I do not need your divination, I have Jesus Christ! So he saw that I was angry, that he left me and walked very fast into a street. After about three minutes, I remembered that Paul cast that spirit of divination out of the damsel. So I retraced my steps, and entered into that street where that Sikh guru had gone, and walked fast, but I could not find him, I think he must have run. I said: God I am sorry for not acting like Paul, next time a diviner starts practicing his or her divination on me, I will instantly cast that devil out of him or her in Jesus’ name!

Once the devil sees that star over a person, even a little child, he assigns his demons or even a witchdoctor or a magician to curse that child and his or her family with all kinds of calamities. That is why, when you read the testimony of people who were greatly used in signs and wonders, they had a lot of sicknesses in their childhood, death in their family, the devil tried to kill them, to make them blind or dead. The devil wanted to make sure that he did so much evil in the life and family of the person, so that when he or she is born again, or steps into his calling, he will not preach a message of total victory, because the devil killed so many people in his or her family, or cursed them with sickness and disease.

For if the people in the five-fold ministry gifts, who are to train and equip the believers for the work of the ministry, have a message of defeat, the devil will destroy the people of God for lack of knowledge, and because they have rejected the knowledge, of total victory in Jesus, because of their personal experience, and family experiences of sickness, disease and premature death. Paul tells us: Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices (2Corinthians 2:11). Let us always lift those who are in the five-fold ministry gifts: apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers in prayer, for they are the prime target of the devil. Solomon through the wisdom which God gave him says: There are three things which go well in a march, yea, four that go well in walking: a lion is mighty among beasts and does not turn away for any; one girded in the loins; and a he-goat; and a king when his army is with him (Proverbs 30:29-31).

What is Solomon saying? God is building armies of believers. When God delivered the Hebrews from their 430 years of slavery in Egypt the bible says: It was Aaron and Moses to whom Jehovah said, Bring out the sons of Israel from the land of Egypt according to their armies (Exodus 6:26). Again it happened at the end of the four hundred and thirty years,
even it was on this very day, all the armies of Jehovah went out from the land of Egypt (Exodus 12:41). They were not trained yet and they did not have the revelation of the word of God yet, but in the eyes of God they were already His armies from the day they came out of Egypt the house of bondage. The same thing for you and I from the day we were born again, we were enlisted in the armies of the Lord God. Moses received the revelation of the word of God to teach the people from Sinai, and he trained and equipped the armies of the Lord to go and conquer the promised-land flowing with milk and honey.

The five-fold ministry gifts are like Moses; they receive the revelation of the word of God, put them in writing and train and equip the people of God so that they will behave and fight like armies of God, and not mobs of God. And those people in the five-fold ministry gifts must always be on the front line, leading the troops, being examples to the troops of how a true soldier of Christ is to be. If the people in the five-fold ministry gifts live an exemplary life, the believers who follow them, will be greatly encouraged and emboldened. They will be able to march the armies of the Lord into the enemy’s camp, and take back what he has stolen from us. The believers in the armies will be bold as young lions as it is written: The wicked flee when no man pursues; but the righteous are bold as a lion (Proverbs 28:1).

The believers practicing righteousness, will march into the enemy’s camp, fully assured that they have authority and power to destroy all the works of the enemy, like a he-goat that trusts in the power of his horns to gore the enemy. So the strategy of the devil is to attack, first the people in the five-fold ministry gifts, for they are leading the troops by example, and the armies are with them. He will either cause them to fall into sexual sin, financial scandal or any other sin; so that sin will rob them of their confidence or boldness, so that they will be like the wicked who flee when no man or woman pursues. They will be ashamed of sharing the gospel of Christ, because people will tell them that they are hypocrites: they do not practice what they preach; and the troops that are with them will also not be bold any more, saying if our leaders fell, who are we to make it where they fell and sinned? Let me just remind you that Moses sinned by striking the Rock the second time, instead of just speaking to it, and because of that he did not enter the promised land; yet Joshua his disciple or assistant did not fall into the same sin like Moses, and entered into the promised land.

The enemy will also attack the people in the five-fold ministry gifts and their loved ones, with sickness, disease and premature death. The aim is to remove them from the battlefield. So many times he will be attacking the children and the spouse with sickness or disease or accidents. And you will not go and preach the gospel, or go and do mission work. He will strike the person in the five-fold ministry gifts with a sickness, so that he will put fear in his heart, to stop healing the sick, casting out demons and raising the dead. And when the leader backs off from the truth on divine healing, because of the attacks of the devil on his life and family, the armies that are with him or her also back off. The best blow that the enemy has, is when he succeeds to kill the leader, most of the time the troops are so discouraged that they flee the battlefield. In other words they leave the church, stop preaching divine healing, or if they ever preach it again, they will water it down, so that they do not put “people’s hopes so high”.

The bible says: when the men of Israel, who were on the other side of the valley, and those who were on the other side of the Jordan, saw that the men of Israel fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook the cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and dwelt in
them (1Samuel 31:7). Here the enemy, the Philistines greatly succeeded, they killed King Saul, his direct successor Jonathan his son, and all his sons the heirs to the throne. The army of Israel fled, abandoned the cities, and the Philistines occupied those cities. When the devil succeeds to kill a person in the five-fold ministry gifts and his assistants, who are in the five-fold ministry gifts, who could lead the armies of God in that leader’s stead, most of the time the people leave that church for they think that the power has departed from that church, some people even backslide, and those who stay in the church are so fearful, that they never attempt anything for God anymore, fearing that the same calamity will happen to them, now they want to play it safe in Christianity: just make sure that they themselves are going to heaven and they will never disturb the devil again!

My friends, evil only prevails when good men and good women do not do anything about it. Start praying for one another and especially for those in the five-fold ministry gifts: apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers; and also pray for their families. I, Gery, beseech you brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, keep me and my family in your prayers. Also pray for the person who led you to Christ and for the person who is discipling you. Let us learn to uphold one another in prayer.

God is telling you, the enemy will still assemble or gather together and use their tongue against you, to pronounce evil against you; but you shall condemn those tongues. You have a part to play; for Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof (Proverbs 18:21). The ungodly person uses his or her lips to send forth evil fire, to destroy the lives of the people; for an ungodly man digs up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire (Proverbs 16:27). In the same way, out of the mouth of a born again believer, who chooses to speak in line with the written word of God, proceeds a burning fire, as we explained in the bible study of “The Power of Confession”, to devour and consume to ashes the works of the devil. Isaiah says: Behold, the name of the LORD comes from far, burning with His anger, and the burden thereof is heavy: His lips are full of indignation, and His tongue as a devouring fire (Isaiah 30:27). And the Lord says: I have put my words in your mouth, and I have covered you in the shadow of My hand, so that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, you are My people (Isaiah 51:16). Is not My word like as a fire? Says the LORD; and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces (Jeremiah 23:29)?

So the enemy will still shoot his fiery darts at you, his weapons are still formed against you, that is why you have the shield of faith, which is the word of God, to quench all the weapons of the enemy formed against you, so that they will not prosper. Paul tells us: above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith you shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked (Ephesians 6:16). And we know that faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God (Romans 10:17). That is why it is so crucial to know the Word of God; God will not study the Word of God for you! And you will need to use your own tongue to condemn every tongue that rises against you in judgment; because it is your inheritance as a son or a daughter who is serving in his or her Father God’s vineyard; for out of your mouth proceeds not only burning fire, but also the sword of the spirit, to strike your enemy (Ephesians 6:17), even the evil spirit behind them; For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places (Ephesians 6:12).
I remember, when I was about five years old, as I was sleeping, I would see a vision of a big anaconda and it would wrap itself around my rib cage and squeeze it. I would be in pain and not able to breathe. I would just whisper in a faint voice: Jesus! And that anaconda would disappear, this happened many times. The little truth about Jesus I learned in the catholic catechism, helped me against that anaconda. But when we became born again Christians, I was 11 years old; we had more revelation of the Word of God, so I did not see that anaconda for many years, until in 2013, I saw a vision of a big red anaconda. Now that big red snake is Satan the devil himself (Revelation 12:3-9), it was under my feet; fear gripped my heart, because of the memories of that anaconda wrapping itself around my rib cage and squeezing it to kill me. I remember growing up from 5 years old to 11 years old, always with lung problems, every month I had a new medical prescription for an infection in my lungs, and at 12 years old I was diagnosed with a severe heart condition, but God healed me of all heart and lung problems when I was 13 years old.

So when I saw that red anaconda under my feet, those bad memories came into my mind with fear. I woke up, my heart was racing and pounding in my chest, and I laughed at the devil and said out loud: God has not given me a spirit of fear, but of power, might and sound mind (2Timothy 1:7). You are exactly where you are supposed to be Satan, the serpent of old. You are under my feet, and I crush your head in the name of Jesus, I hack you to pieces and burn you to ashes by the burning fire of the Holy Ghost, in Jesus’ name, Amen!

I remember also in 2013, I was travelling on the overnight coach to Glasgow from Manchester, and as I closed my eyes to sleep, in just five minutes, two invisible hands were squeezing my neck and I could not breathe for about 30 seconds, and I whispered in a faint voice: Jesus! Those hands stopped squeezing my neck. My nose was bleeding. It was the first time in my life that blood was coming out of my nose! And the still small voice of God said to me: look at your right hand! As I looked at my right hand, there was a man sitting on the other side of the coach who was watching me. And our eyes met. And I noticed his lips were moving, but no sound was coming out of his mouth, and when I looked at his hand, I saw the ring, he was wearing a freemason’s ring. I understood it was him cursing me, sending attacks on me. I laughed out loud and opened my bible to Psalm 2 and Isaiah 37 and confessed them. And I laughed again and went to sleep. That man put his head down and never lifted it again for four hours.

Let me tell you another example. When I was in Glasgow, I was lodging in a guest house. The first night I slept in that guest house, there were lots of cats purring outside my window. I love cats and not all cats are possessed by evil spirits. When I came the following weekend into the same guest house, I could not sleep all night; because of the meowing of the cats outside my window. I came again the following weekend, and as I slept, a black cat was on my bed watching me; I punched it and it disappeared. It was so real as if a physical cat was on my bed, I closed my eyes again and that black cat appeared again on my bed, I punched it again and it disappeared. Then I discerned by the Holy Ghost that it was a monitoring spirit from the devil. I said out loud: in the name of Jesus I take authority over this guest house, I command every evil spirit to depart from this room, I blind every monitoring spirit in the name of Jesus. Out of my mouth proceeds a double edged sword and burning fire: in the name of Jesus I behead you back cat, I hack you into pieces, the burning fire of the Holy Ghost burns you into ashes, and I scatter your ashes into hell fire. I apply the blood of Jesus
on every doorpost and every lintel and every spiritual opening in this room, for I overcame the devil by the blood of the lamb and the word of my testimony, in Jesus’ name, Amen!

I never had any trouble sleeping in that guest house again. It was only two years later, that I discovered that that guest house used to be a freemason’s temple in the past, they sold it to the current owner who turned it into a guest house. I still sleep in the same guest house every weekend. The animals are not evil by themselves, for they were created by God, but the enemy, even the devil, enslaves them, and is now using them for evil purposes. Those animals possessed by evil spirits are crying out for help, they are groaning waiting for someone to set them free. Those stones that are possessed by evil spirits, even haunted houses, they are crying out for help, wanting to be delivered from that demonic possession. Those trees that are possessed by evil spirits are crying out for help, to be delivered from that demonic possession. Those fish that are demon possessed are crying out for help, wanting to be delivered from that demonic possession.

One might say, can trees, stones, animals, fish, birds cry out for help? Jesus says: I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out (Luke 19:40). God says: you shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands (Isaiah 55:12). Let everything that has breath [meaning: fowls of the air, beasts of the field, fish in the waters, insects and human beings] praise the LORD. Praise the LORD (Psalm 150:6). Paul tells us: I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creation [trees, beasts of the field, fish in the waters, insects, mountains, hills, bricks, stones, fowls of the air, human beings, stars, moons, etc] waits for the manifestation of the sons of God. Because the creation was made subject to vanity, [the Greek word is “mataiotes” from the root word “mataioi” which means idols, and we know that an idol is a demon], not willingly, but by reason of him who has subjected the same in hope, because the creation itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans [breathes with deep murmuring sound; utters a mournful voice, as in pain and sorrow] and travails in pain together until now (Romans 8:18-22).

So it is not just unsaved people that are groaning and travailing in pain, wanting to be delivered from the oppression and possession of the devil; but the whole creation. It is against the will of the creation, that is being misused by the devil. The whole creation is waiting for sons and daughters of God to mature, and go and set them free. When the gospel is fully preached, not only will the people be delivered from the oppression and possession of the devil, but even the creation; for as the totems, the idols and the altars of the devil are destroyed; those trees, those beasts of the field, those fowls of the air, those insects, those fish of the waters, those mountains and hills, will now praise the Lord Jesus, and no longer be used by the devil to carry out evil deeds.

In idol worship, for instance, in the worship of Baal, you have the priests and the priestesses of Baal, but you also have the oracles of Baal. Now an oracle in this case, is someone who is possessed by the demon, he or she is not in control of his or her body. Most of the time young girls or young boys are used as oracles of Baal against their will. Those young boys and young girls, are crying out for help, for they are being used by real witches and wizards,
who are priests and priestesses of the idol, to be oracle of those idols. They are waiting for sons and daughters of God to come and cast that demon out of them. Unfortunately the carnal church in the Democratic Republic of Congo and in some other parts of the world, instead of casting that demon out of those young boys and young girls to set them free, they ask the parents to cast those little boys and little girls out of the house, or they beat them mercilessly. Casting out demons has nothing to do with beating people; Jesus and His disciples never did beat the devil out of a person or slap a devil out of a person! Those who do so are carnal, and have no power and should not be in ministry! Many innocent girls and boys are now used by those witches and wizards as oracles of the devil, to do their dirty job, against the will of those children.

Also irresponsible parents who cannot feed their children, now accuse them of being witches and wizards, and cast them out of the house to become homeless children. And those parents said it is the “pastor” that told us, that our boy or daughter was a wizard or a witch! Let us not be ignorant of the devices of Satan, lest he should take advantage of us (2Corinthians 2:11). We have seen people being burned alive; because they were accused of being witches or wizards; if you call yourself a born again Christian, you should have no part in beating, slapping or burning witches or wizards alive; nor should you advise anybody to cast their child out of the house, to live on the streets. By so doing, you are already working for the devil, bringing reproach to the name of Jesus, and you have no part in the ministry of Jesus! Any person or parent who sends a child to live on the streets, or any so-called man or woman of “god”, who advises their parents to sent their children away to live on the streets, should be jailed; for child abuse and prosecuted to the full extent of the law!

A sister in Glasgow came from Africa in May 2013, and in her country, a witchdoctor cursed her. So she had a dream and a snake bit her tongue. When she woke up, her face was disfigured with huge pimples and the skin of her face turned from black to purple. In her house in Glasgow there are three bedrooms, but they were all sleeping in one room, for two bedrooms were haunted. When she slept in one of the haunted bedrooms at night, she felt as if someone emptied a bucket full of water on her feet. And she was pregnant and bleeding, but the doctors in Glasgow Royal Infirmary could not figure out medically why and how she was bleeding.

When they called me, I went to their house, I cursed that evil spirit that was hiding in the walls in those rooms, I pleaded the blood of Jesus over every door and every wall, ceiling and floor; I laid my hands on the walls of the house and commanded that evil spirit to leave that house in the name of Jesus. She never experienced those things again, and they now sleep in all the bedrooms of the house. As for herself, I cursed the snake that bit her tongue in the dream, and I cut it up into pieces in the name of Jesus, I commanded her blood flow to stop, the diabetes in her blood to leave, and that she be made whole from head to toe in the name of Jesus! She was made perfectly whole, her face came back to normal in couple of weeks, the diabetes disappeared, and she later gave birth to a handsome baby boy, that I dedicated to Jesus Christ.

Now you need to understand this: witches, wizards, witchdoctors, and all the other people who are involved in the occult, are priests and priestesses of the devil. You and I are priests and priestesses of the Most High God; we are to break the curses of the priests and priestesses of the devil, and to turn them into blessings. As it is written: The LORD your God
would not hearken unto Balaam [the priest of the devil]; but the LORD your God turned the curse into a blessing unto you, because the LORD your God loved you (Deuteronomy 23:5, Nehemiah 13:2). As priests of the most High God, we can pronounce blessings over walls, over handkerchiefs, over aprons, over bracelets, over food and over necklaces. The bible tells us that God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul; So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them (Acts 19:11-12).

Some Christians have sicknesses or diseases that attack them or their loved ones, their businesses fail, they lose their investment; and yet they do not know where the attack is coming from. And at times God reveals to you that it is not just a natural sickness, or a bad decision in business; it is an attack of the devil, or some people are pronouncing curses on you. I went to a person’s house in Scotland. That person had been sick for a couple of years, and many bad things happened to them as a family and also to the children. I prayed the prayer of faith for that person’s sickness and left. At night I had a vision, I found myself in that person’s compound. There was a lighthouse in their compound. A light house is a tower or other structure containing a beacon light, to warn or to guide ships at sea.

Though the house of the person is about a half a mile from the beach, I said within myself in the vision, that this lighthouse is not supposed to be in a person’s compound, but at sea. And as I lifted up my eyes, there was a person in that lighthouse. When the person saw that I had seen him or her, they jumped out of that lighthouse and turned into a big bird and was flying away. I said: fire! And a fire ball came out of my mouth, hit that bird, and it was on fire and fell to the ground. I ran toward where it fell, and stood over it and said again: fire! And another ball of fire came out of my mouth to burn that bird into ashes.

The enemy was using their house as a monitoring place, emitting signals to the spirit in the waters, even the mermaid spirits. That person was healed. In the name of Jesus I destroy any lighthouse of the enemy in your life and in your family. I destroy it with the hammer of the word of God that comes out of my mouth, to break every rock into pieces and grind them into powder. To every operator in that lighthouse, I send the burning fire of the Holy Ghost to burn you into ashes in the name of Jesus! Every ship of the devil at sea, mermaid spirits and leviathan spirits that that lighthouse has been directing into your life, your family and your compound, I send burning balls of fire of the Holy Ghost, onto every one of them, to burn them into ashes and never be rebuilt again in Jesus’ name, Amen!

Pastor Enoch Adeboye, General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God, shared a testimony. God revealed to pastor Enoch Adeboye during the Holy Ghost night service, by a word of knowledge, that someone in the meeting, had a problem caused by a particular relative, and if that relative does not repent of her witchcraft, and stop cursing that child of God, God will kill that relative. One of the sisters who had that particular problem, went home and she shared a testimony of the Holy Ghost night with her sister, and the word of knowledge pastor Enoch Adeboye gave. That relative came to see Pastor Adeboye in his office with her sister who said: you have accused me of witchcraft. Pastor Enoch Adeboye answered; I never accused you of anything. I gave a word of knowledge from the Lord, and hundreds of thousands of people where there. No name was mentioned.

So, are you practicing witchcraft against this daughter of God, causing her to have this
particular problem? That relative answered: no, I am not; and I am not a witch either. Brothers and sisters, God always gives room for the wicked to repent; but when they refuse, they suffer His judgment. Pastor Adeboye said: since you are not the one cursing this sister and you are not a witch, you will not mind me praying any prayer to set this sister free. The relative answered: you can pray any prayer you want. So Pastor Enoch Adeboye prayed: in the name of Jesus, whosoever is cursing this sister and practicing witchcraft against this sister, I bind that spirit of witchcraft in them; that spirit of witchcraft will never be able to come out of their body to go and hunt for human flesh; but it will feed on their own flesh, and because it cannot come out of them, it will also defecate in them. Amen!

That relative also agreed and said: amen! Months later they brought that relative back to Pastor Adeboye bedridden; for she had doubled in size; since the demon could not come out of her to go and hunt, it fed on her and defecated in her. It resulted in a physical infection in her blood that caused her to double in size. That relative confessed her sins and repented. Then Pastor Adeboye cast that demon of witchcraft out of her. People might ask: where did Pastor Adeboye get that kind of prayer? God said about the wicked:

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They shall eat every man the flesh of his own arm (Isaiah 9:20). People think they can lie to the Holy Spirit when He has given a word of knowledge concerning their wicked ways.

Moses said to the people.

Numbers 5:14 and if the spirit of jealousy comes upon him and he is jealous of his wife, and she is defiled– or if the spirit of jealousy comes upon him and he is jealous of his wife, and she is not defiled–

Numbers 5:15 then the man shall bring his wife to the priest. And he shall bring her offering for her, the tenth of an ephah of barley meal. He shall pour no oil upon it, nor put frankincense on it, for it is an offering of jealousy, a reminding offering, bringing iniquity to mind.

Numbers 5:16 And the priest shall bring her near and set her before Jehovah.

Numbers 5:17 And the priest shall take holy water in an earthen vessel. And the priest shall take of the dust that is in the floor of the tabernacle and put it into the water.

Numbers 5:18 And the priest shall set the woman before Jehovah, and uncover the woman’s head, and put the reminding offering in her hands, which is the jealousy offering. And the priest shall have in his hand the bitter water that causes the curse.

Numbers 5:19 And the priest shall charge her by an oath, and say to the woman, If no man has lain with you, and if you have not gone aside to uncleanness, being under your husband, you are free from this bitter water that causes the curse.

Numbers 5:20 But if you have gone aside, being under your husband, and if you are defiled and some man besides your husband has given his semen to you,

Numbers 5:21 then the priest shall charge the woman with an oath of cursing. And the priest shall say to the woman, Jehovah make you a curse and an oath among your people, when Jehovah makes your thigh to fall away and your belly to swell.
Numbers 5:22 And this water that causes the curse shall go into your bowels to make your belly swell and your thigh fall away. And the woman shall say, Amen, amen.

Numbers 5:23 And the priest shall write these curses in a book, and he shall blot them out with the bitter water.

Numbers 5:24 And he shall cause the woman to drink the bitter water that causes the curse. And the water that causes the curse shall enter into her and become bitter.

Numbers 5:25 Then the priest shall take the jealousy offering out of the woman’s hand and shall wave the offering before Jehovah, and offer it upon the altar.

Numbers 5:26 And the priest shall take a handful of the offering, as a memorial of it, and burn it upon the altar, and afterward he shall cause the woman to drink the water.

Numbers 5:27 And when he has made her drink the water, then it shall be, if she is defiled and has committed a trespass against her husband, the water that causes the curse shall enter into her and become bitter. And her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall fall away. And the woman shall be a curse among her people.

Numbers 5:28 And if the woman is not defiled, but is clean, then she shall be clean, and shall conceive seed.

Numbers 5:29 This is the law of jealousies when a woman goes aside, being under her husband, and is defiled.

Numbers 5:30 Or when the spirit of jealousy comes on a man, and he is jealous over his wife, and shall set the woman before Jehovah, and the priest shall execute upon her all this law.

Numbers 5:31 Then shall the man be guiltless from iniquity, and the woman shall bear her iniquity.

This is the scriptural principle Pastor Enoch Adeboye used when he prayed for that sister in the presence of her relative. He first of all asked the relative if what the Holy Spirit said was true or false. The relative lied and said it was not true. Now the Pastor did not ask her to drink some strange water but just prayed in line with that Numbers 5 and Isaiah 9:20. And exactly what is written in Numbers 5 happened to that relative. Her belly swelled and her thigh fell away, in fact her whole body swelled. Now God is a jealous God. Moses said: For the LORD your God is a consuming fire, even a jealous God (Deuteronomy 4:24). Paul says: Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than He (1Corinthians 10:22)? The Holy Spirit is a jealous Spirit. James says: Do you think that the scripture says in vain, The Spirit that dwells in us yearns jealously (James 4:5)?

This is also what happened to Ananias and Sapphira in Acts 5. Peter by the word of knowledge of the Holy Spirit, the jealous God, knew they were lying. He gave them a chance to repent; they persisted in their lie. In their case it was not just their belly that swelled and their thigh fell away; they dropped dead. Peter did not even pray against them. Yes, God kills and makes alive (1Samuel 2:6). Jesus says: fear not those who kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him [the Jealous God] who is able to destroy both soul and...
body in hell (Matthew 10:28).

Another Christian couple came to see Rev Paul Jinadu, General Overseer of the New Covenant Church. That couple was having lots of problems. The husband prayed and fasted to know what the root of their many problems was. The Lord revealed to him that it was his wife who had a spirit of witchcraft. So the man brought His wife to Rev Paul Jinadu. He explained all their problems and also mentioned what the Lord revealed to him. Rev Paul Jinadu asked that sister, saying: my sister, are you a witch? She answered: sir, I am not a witch; I do not know what my husband is talking about!

Rev Paul Jinadu said: okay my sister. We will pray; you close your eyes. But he said to her husband: you keep your eyes wide open and see everything! Now Rev Paul Jinadu, with his years of ministering in deliverance to people, the way the Holy Spirit works with him, is that when he tries to lay his hand on the head of a person who is demon possessed, the demon in that person, moves the person’s head, so that Rev Paul Jinadu cannot lay his hand on that person. He explained all these things to the husband, but said nothing to the wife. The sister did not know what Rev Paul Jinadu was going to do; she thought he would pray. She closed her eyes, and Rev Jinadu just brought the palm of his hand close to her head. Her head tried to avoid contact with the palm his hand, and her husband saw how the head of his wife was moving in all directions, in an attempt to avoid the laying on of his hand.

So Rev Paul Jinadu said to the sister; open your eyes now my sister. And he explained to her she was demon possessed by the spirit of witchcraft. We have already explained how some people, including children, are possessed by witchcraft spirits against their will. The devil or another satanic person, uses them against their will. Rev Paul Jinadu ministered deliverance to that sister and she was set free from that spirit of witchcraft. Another sister who was also possessed by the spirit of witchcraft against her will, came to Pastor Enoch Adeboye for deliverance. The way the enemy was using her, was that she would have a dream, and after that dream her family member whom she saw in the dream would die. She was afraid to sleep and dream. She buried all her brothers and sisters, and the only close relative she had left, was her mother. And one night she dreamed and her mother was in her dream. She told her mother; her mother knew what it meant. Her mother died shortly after that dream. It was then that the sister ran to God; to be delivered of that spirit of witchcraft. She was set free of that demon. Now she is not afraid to sleep; and when she sees people in her dream; none of them die physically.

Brothers and sisters do not fear the enemy and his agents, who are pronouncing curses against you. Our God is a Man of war; Jehovah is His name (Exodus 15:3). He says: Behold, I will send for many fishermen, says Jehovah, and they will fish them. And afterwards I will send for many hunters, and they will hunt them from every mountain and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks. For My eyes are on all their ways; they are not hidden from My face, nor is their iniquity hidden from My eyes. And first I will twice repay their iniquity and their sin, because they have defiled My land, they have filled My inheritance with the dead bodies of their abominable things (Jeremiah 16:16-18). The fishermen and the hunter of the Lord are His angels, who are ministering Spirits sent forth by God to minister to the saints (Hebrews 1:13-14). There is no place that the enemy and his agents can go and hide from the hunters and fishermen of God, there is no place they can flee from the presence of God. The eyes of the Lord, which talk about the Holy Spirit, will locate them. If they ascend into the
second heaven, God is there. If they make their bed in hell, behold God is there (Psalm 139:7-8).

God has dispatched His fishermen, even His angels, and he says to the enemy and his agents who are cursing you: “I know your dwelling place, your going out and your coming in, and your rage against Me. Because your rage against Me and your tumult have come up to My ears, therefore I will put a hook in your nose, and My bridle in your lips, and I will turn you back by the way which you came (Isaiah 37:28-29). The Lord will send His hunters, even His angels, after your enemies and his agents. And He says to your enemy: thus says the Lord, you shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shield nor build a siege mound against it. By the way that you came, by the same shall you return; and you shall not come into this city, says the Lord. For I will defend this city, to save it, for My own sake and for My beloved servant’s sake. I will send My angel and he will kill you and all your agents you are using to curse my beloved servant (Isaiah 37:34-38).

The eyes of the Lord talk about the Spirit of the Lord. As it is written: see the Stone I have set in front of Joshua! There are seven eyes on that one Stone, and I will engrave an inscription on it, says the Lord Almighty, and I will remove the sin of this land in a single day (Zechariah 3:9). Jesus Christ is that Stone which the builders rejected and has become the chief corner stone (Ephesians 2:20, 1Peter 2:6-7, Matthew 21:42). Jesus is that One Stone who removed the sin of the land, even of the whole world in one day, on the day He died on the cross. As it is written: And one of them, Caïphas, being the high priest of that year, said to them, You do not know anything at all, nor do you consider that it is expedient for us that one man should die for the people, and not that the whole nation perish. And he did not speak this of himself, but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for the nation; and not for that nation only, but also that He should gather together in one the children of God who were scattered abroad (John 11:49-52).

And the seven eyes that are on that One Stone talk of the Holy Spirit even the seven aspects of the Holy Spirit Isaiah told us was upon Jesus: And a Shoot goes out from the stump of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots. And the Spirit of Jehovah shall rest on Him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of Jehovah (Isaiah 11:1-2). So today you have understood that the eyes of the Lord talk of the Holy Spirit, even the seven aspects of the Holy Spirit; and that Jesus fulfilled the prophecy of Zechariah 3:9. Thus we understand the meaning of the eyes of the Lord run to and fro in all the whole earth, the Spirit of the Lord being everywhere.

David full of this revelation says: Where shall I go from Your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from Your presence? If I go up into Heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the furthest parts of the sea; even there shall Your hand lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me. If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me, even the night shall be light around me. Yea, the darkness does not hide from You; but the night shines as the day; as is the darkness, so is the light to You (Psalm 139:7-12).

Thus the Lord says: My beloved servant’s heart has been loyal, even perfect toward me, therefore I will show Myself strong on his behalf; For the eyes of The Lord, or the Spirit of the Lord and His seven aspects, run to and fro in all the whole earth to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is perfect toward Him (2Chronicles 16:9). See now that I, I am
He, and there is no god with me. I kill, and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is no deliverer out of My hand. For I lift up My hand to Heaven and say, I live forever! If I sharpen My glittering sword, and if My hand takes hold in judgment, I will give vengeance to My enemies and will reward those that hate Me. I will make My arrows drunk with blood, and My sword shall devour flesh, with the blood of the slain and of the captives, from the hairy scalp of the enemy. Rejoice, O, nations, with His people; for He will avenge the blood of His servants, and will render vengeance to His foes and will be merciful to His land, to His people (Deuteronomy 32:39-43).

I remember in early July 2012 Sister Louise, in Warrington, England, called me and said that God gave her Revelation 11 for me. Sister Theresa Kwaseke, in Glasgow Scotland, woke up one weekday at the end of July 2012 and the Lord Jesus gave her Revelation 11. At that time we were the only two people in the Glasgow church. So I understood what the Lord was telling me by the mouth of those two sisters who had never met physically and never talked to each other. As it is written: I will give power to My two witnesses, and they will prophesy a thousand, two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth. These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth. And if anyone will hurt them, fire proceeds out of their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone will hurt them, so it is right for him to be killed. These have authority to shut up the heaven, that it may not rain in the days of their prophecy. And they have authority over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with every plague, as often as they desire (Revelation 12:3-6).

Now brother Gery is not one of the witnesses John was talking about, but I understood what God was telling me. Wearing sackcloth is symbolic of fasting and repentance, in my case not repentance of sins but the renewing of the mind. God has already been talking to me about a prolonged fast, but I did not know how to go about it. So I now knew it was for 1,260 days, which is about 3.5 years. As I was talking to God about how to go about it; I was led to listen to the testimony of a minister, an American missionary. And God told him and his leaders to go on a prolonged fast of nine months, they would fast three days and they would eat two days. So I said to God: you know that on Saturdays or Sundays I am around Christian people in church, and if they invite me to their house to eat and I say no, they might be offended; for they will not understand.

So I said to God: I know this fast is for the 50 European nations, so instead of fasting 3 days and eating two days; I will fast 5 days from midnight to 6PM and eat normally for two days. I will fast from Monday to Friday from midnight to 6PM, those five days and weekend I was free to eat as I want, unless the Lord specifically instructed me to fast the week end. I said to God, it will be easy for me that way, after all Ezekiel also negotiated with you on how to do the fast you commanded him (Ezekiel 4). And the Lord agreed! On August 6th, 2012, I started that prolonged fast. Now do not copy brother Gery, God spoke to me and I did not yoke anybody else with me! Ezekiel did not yoke anybody else with him when God called him to fast in total 430 days: 390 days for Israel and 40 days for Judah (Ezekiel 4). The Lord said to Ezekiel: I have laid on you a day for each year (Ezekiel 4:6). As for brother Gery, the Lord laid on me a day for ten nations in Europe so that every week that I fast, five days out of seven, I fast for the 50 European nations.

We were conducting a healing outreach in Barrhead, in the outskirts of Glasgow on the first Sunday evening of February 2014. My friend, Pastor Ken Trench, who was hosting the healing
outreach, had a vision as we were praying. And in his vision he saw me walking in the auditorium and every time I removed my foot, there was a footprint on fire, flames coming out of the footprint; and everywhere I walked it was in a direction where a person had a particular sickness or disease. On Sunday 18th, May 2014, we were in a church service in Glasgow and I was praying and Sister Lynne had a vision of ball of fire coming out of my mouth. The truth is, it is every born again Christian that is a burning bush of the Lord, even “torch-man” or “torch-woman” as we explain in the bible study: “Application of The Perfect Redemption Plan”. And the truth is out of the mouth of every born again Christian, baptized in the Holy Ghost and fire, proceeds balls of fire of the Holy Ghost.

May 1st 2015 at 1 AM, I had a vision. In that vision I was praying on my knees. Many people were in that open field where I was praying; it looked like a church gathering. As I was praying it started to rain profusely on the people; yet nobody left the gathering, it looked like people enjoyed that rain upon them. As I continued to pray a rushing mighty wind came into the place. Then I saw in the sky, fire, fashioned into the shape of a dove, descending from heaven into that gathering place. I lifted up my hands to receive that fire, and it fell in the palms of my hands. In the beginning it was just a small flame burning on the palms of my hands.

I felt like my hands were very hot, yet they were not burned. As I stayed there on my knees praying; the flames of fire on the palms of my hands became very high. When I directed the palms of my hands toward the people, the flames of fire coming out the palms of my hands were like flames of fire coming out of a flamethrower. There was also a strong mighty wind propelling those flames of fire. Then the gathering was over, I lay on the concrete floor, and people were passing by. When I woke up I could feel how my hands were very hot!

Is it scriptural? John the Baptist tells us how Jesus will baptize us, saying: I indeed baptize you with water to repentance. But Jesus who comes after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire; whose fan is in His hand, and He will cleanse His floor and gather His wheat into the storehouse; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire (Matthew 3:11-12). And when Jesus was water baptized, John the Baptist testified of the vision he saw, saying: Jesus, when He had been baptized, went up immediately out of the water. And lo, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting upon Him. And lo, a voice from Heaven, saying, This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased (Matthew 3:16-17). And on the day of Pentecost, Luke tells us: suddenly a sound came out of the heaven as borne along by the rushing of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And tongues as of fire appeared to them, being distributed; and it sat upon each of them (Acts 2:2-3).

How can a person be well pleasing to God or in His sight? John and Solomon tell us it is by hating evil and departing from it, keeping God’s commandments and practicing righteousness. John says: whatever we ask, we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight (1John 3:22). Solomon says: The fear of Jehovah is to hate evil; I hate pride, and arrogance, and the evil way, and the wicked mouth (Proverbs 8:13). By mercy and truth, iniquity is purged, and by the fear of Jehovah men turn away from evil. When a man’s ways please Jehovah, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. Better is a little with righteousness than great gain without
right. A man’s heart plans his way, but Jehovah directs his steps (Proverbs 16:6-9).

So when Paul tells us: without faith it is impossible to please God, for he who comes to Him must believe that He is, and is the rewrapper of those who diligently seek Him (Hebrews 11:6). He means first of all you have to hate evil and depart from it, keep God’s commandments and practice righteousness, before believing or having faith in His promises. Sin is breaking God’s law or acting contrary to the counsel of the Holy Scriptures. The two main reasons people act contrary to the counsel of the Holy Scriptures are: lack of knowledge of the counsel of God for that particular subject, or because they do not believe that God will do things for them according to the counsel of His scriptures. My people, says God, perish for lack of knowledge because they have rejected the knowledge (Hosea 4:6). The scriptures are so plain, do the same thing Jesus and His disciples did, and God will bear witness of you before everybody, like He did for Jesus and His disciples, saying: this is my beloved son or daughter, in whom I am well pleased, hear him or her (Matthew 17:5).

At the beginning of April 2014 I had a dream. And in that dream I found myself in Congo Brazzaville, in the town of Pointe-Noire, in the house where I grew up, though my parents no longer live there. In that vision I saw an animal that was running in what used to be our compound, my younger brother Nell and I were chasing that animal trying to catch it and kill it. I had a shovel in my hands and when that animal was trying to escape; I was holding the shovel with my two hands, lowered the shovel down vertically and beheaded the animal. Then I noticed someone had made a small hole in the wall of our walled fence, the size of an eye ball, and was peeping. I had a pencil in my right hand, I thrust it through the crevice in the walled fence and it put out his eye. And the guy shouted his name. So I knew who it was. So when I woke up from that dream, I commanded the fire of the Holy Spirit to burn into ashes that animal I had beheaded, but I prayed that God will have mercy upon the guy peeping. A month later someone called me from Congo Brazzaville to tell me that that guy had died.

Chinese came to build roads in Congo Brazzaville. In villages they started to collect some totems of some clans or villages. The Chinese thought that those totems were mere sculptures, works of art, and they wanted to collect them and take them to China. So when they started a new road through the forest or bushes, they found totems in that forest or in those bushes, and thought it belonged to nobody or they were just there for decoration; so they stole them. So people in the villages started dying, people of the same clan were dying. So the Chinese construction workers stole the totems of the clan of one of the ministers in the government, and his family members started to die. The government had to publicly ask the Chinese construction workers to stop stealing, or even moving the totems of the people.

What is a totem then? A totem is a being, object, or symbol representing an animal or plant that serves as an emblem of a group of people, such as a family, clan, group, lineage, or tribe, reminding them of their ancestry or mystic past. Basically a totem is the idol of that clan, group, family or village. And we know according to scriptures, that behind idols are demons. In my mother’s village, the totem of their village was a big catfish that they locally call: “mbumi”. There is a lake in that village and whenever they catch a very big “mbumi”, the whole village knew that someone important in that village or among the relatives of the people of that village, though they now live in cities, was going to die. Basically they were doing human sacrifices, sacrificing humans to those idols.
In the village of my father, their totem were beasts of the field, they were so united with their idols that they could transform themselves into that beast of the field. My grand-uncle, from my father's side, to initiate his grand-nephew to the rite and mysticism of the clan, took him hunting and gave him a rifle. He said to his grand-nephew: stay here while I go yonder. So when the grand-uncle was out of sight of the grand-nephew there appeared a deer. The grand-nephew took the rifle, and shot the deer. And the grand-uncle shouted: it is I, do not kill me! So when the grand-nephew came close to the deer he had just shot, it had turned into his grand-uncle. He rushed the grand-uncle to the village hospital where they had to remove bullet shells from the buttock of the grand-uncle.

I remember one day my mother went to the local market. She wanted to buy some meat and a rooster. Now in my Congo Brazzaville, when you go the local market, the section where they sell meat, roosters, eggs and birds is next to the section where they sell fetishes, witchcraft potions, and living animals that will be used in sacrifices to idols which are but demons. So my mother wanted to buy some meat, and when she asked the price, the seller gave her a ridiculous price that was so high compared to the normal price, to discourage her from buying that meat. But in Africa you always bargain at the local market. My mother tried to bargain; the seller just looked at my mother and said to her: mother this meat is not for a person like you! My mother understood what the seller meant, so she thanked him and walked away with goose pimples. Why? Because that animal represented a human life that was offered as a sacrifice, and witches and wizards or anybody that had been asked to eat that meat by the witchdoctor, would come to buy it.

The devil always copies and perverts what God does, God gave the Hebrews the animal sacrifice in the Old Testament. The animal represented the life of the human who brought it for sacrifice, the shedding of the animal’s blood, reconciles that man to God. God never intended that any human blood should ever be shed; only the blood of Jesus Christ the Lamb of God, and the stripes laid on that Lamb of God was for the healing. And in Exodus 12, they literally ate a roasted Lamb of God, even Jesus, as a prophetic action and something that took place in the spirit realm. Likewise when people were sick, especially with terminal sickness, they went to the witchdoctor who asked them to go and buy that meat on the local market that was representing the life of a human that had been sacrificed, or if they can, they can give the witchdoctor a name of one of their family members, that they want to sacrifice, so that they can be healed, prospered financially, etc. If the person, whose name he gave to the witchdoctor, cannot be killed by the witchdoctor and the totem of the witchdoctor; it is his own life that the totem will take, or the life of his own children; for his unsaved children are under his authority and power.

I remember when my grandmother had cancer, and was only given a couple of months to live, I was 12 years old at that time. We as a family had just given our life to Christ; we had no revelation of the healing power of God. Our pastor was also a young man of 28 years old, who had just been converted two years ago, when the Holy Ghost fell upon him in his bedroom, and for two weeks he could not speak a word of French or Lingala, but only spoke in tongues. He did not have a good revelation of the will of God at that time. He led our grandmother to Christ; but my grandfather who was the chieftain of the village, did not want to lose his wife. And in the lake in the village one big “mbumi” [catfish] was fished from that lake. Everybody knew that someone important in the family was about to die. So my
grandfather had a dream and woke up, and told his children and wife what he had seen in the spirit realm. He said that night they met in the spirit with one of his cousins back in the village, for at that time my grandmother was with us in the city. The cousin of my grandfather who is also one of the key elders in the village and a warlock, said to my grandfather in the dream: if you want your wife to live you must give us “a goat that walks on two legs”. That is a code word witchdoctors, witches and wizards used to talk about a human sacrifice.

My grandmother was fuming mad at my grandfather. She said to him: have you not sacrificed enough of your relatives to that totem, how many of your relatives even your children or grandchildren will you sacrifice to that totem. I refuse to sacrifice any of my children or grandchildren; I am going to the village to die. My grandmother refused to stay one more day in our house, we had to buy them train tickets for that day for her and grandfather to go back to the village. That cancer that she had, was not just a natural sickness, it was a direct attack from the pit of hell, even that totem that was wanting to kill her, and he succeeded because we as baby Christians, did not know how to deal with that demon.

The animal totem represents the life of the person who is possessed by that totem. So if you kill the animal, the life of the person possessed by that totem, or the oracle of that totem is threatened, if they do not give their life to Christ straight away, they might die. That is why the animal I beheaded with a shovel in my vision, died in a period of a month. Many times when I see in a vision or a dream, a person who is practicing divination or curses against me; I command that spirit of divination to come out of them and to go into the pit of hell. Paul cast out the spirit of divination out of a girl in Acts 16, she did not give her life to Christ, and so if she wanted to get back that spirit of divination she could go where she got it in the first instance.

God does not delight in the death of the wicked, and that person who is cursing you, or practicing divination or necromancy against you, is someone’s brother, sister, father or mother. No matter how wicked they are, they are still someone’s relative. I always pray for God to have mercy on them, but I bind and loose every evil thing they have pronounced against me, or what belongs to me. But when the person is so united with that totem that he even transforms himself or herself into an animal, I hack that animal into pieces and I burn it with the fire of the Holy Ghost. Now as for the life of the host of the totem that has been killed, if he does not give his life to Christ, that is his own fault. Satan is a murderer at heart, when his vassals fail in their mission, he kills some of them as a punishment, for they promised Satan a human sacrifice and gave the name of the person they want to sacrifice to Satan, but Satan could not kill that born again Christian, so he kills them or their own unsaved children.

When God opens your spiritual eyes to see, you will see that there are even young people who are being used by those totems or witches as oracles of those demons. So the young man or girl is innocent, someone else has initiated him or her to that totem; he or she is just a puppet. Those young boys and young girls are crying out for deliverance, waiting for a son or daughter of God to come and set them free of that demonic possession. A real wizard or witch or witchdoctor is using the body and the face of that young child, that he or she has possessed, to carry out demonic activities. Just like the damsel with the spirit of divination in Acts 16, her masters were using her to make a profit. Paul cast that spirit of divination out of
her, and she was freed. Witches, wizards, witchdoctors are cowards; they do not like being identified either in the natural or in the spiritual realm; because it makes them vulnerable to direct attacks. If for instance there is a spiritual confrontation between the kingdom of God and the kingdom of darkness, and the born again believer sends forth balls of fire against that person being used as a puppet, it is that person that will suffer, not the real wizard, or witch or witchdoctor behind the person being used as a puppet.

Many children in the western world for instance are being initiated to witchcraft against their knowledge and will. Movies like “Harry Potter” and other witchcraft movies, fairies, and mermaid cartoon animations target children at a very young age; because children believe easily, faith and belief are the same things. Even Jesus tells us: Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein (Luke 18:16-17). To experience the kingdom of God, you need to have a child like faith or belief, though you are an adult. Satan targets children because of the simplicity of their mind to believe every word spoken to them; for the simple believes every word (Proverbs 14:15).

So those children love those witchcraft movies, fairy and mermaid cartoon animations, they believe every word spoken in them. And very soon they start speaking like the characters in those witchcraft movies, fairy and mermaid cartoons, they start repeating the same spells [charms consisting of some words of occult power]. Eyes and ears are powerful spiritual gates that generate beliefs or faiths. That is why 2/3 of the bible is dreams and visions, and words were spoken in those visions or dreams. That is why television is such a powerful tool either in the hands of the devil or in the hands of God. We know that faith or belief comes by hearing (Romans 10:17), and we have the manifestations of the power contained in the promises we have believed, when we confess them with our mouth.

Jesus says: the words that I speak are Spirit and life (John 6:63). There is a spirit or a ghost behind words; if they are in line with the written word of God, it is the Holy Ghost behind those words; but if they are not in line with the written word of God, it is an evil ghost or evil spirit behind those words. Paul declares: if you shall confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus, and shall believe in your heart that God has raised him from the dead, you shall be saved [meaning the Holy Ghost will move into you (Galatians 4:6)] (Romans 10:9). So as children believe in their heart what they hear and watch in those witchcraft movies, fairy and mermaid cartoon animations, they start confessing with their mouth those spells; that evil ghost or evil spirit even that witchcraft spirit or mermaid spirit will move into them to possess them. Even songs, you need to read the lyrics of the songs you listen to, some secular songs are worshipping Satan openly. Please read the bible study on: “Halloween: why should we never celebrate it”.

Many children in Africa and in other parts of the world, are also being initiated into witchcraft against their knowledge and will. They give them a piece of meat to eat, or a piece of bread, or a glass of water to drink, and the moment they drink it or eat it, that evil spirit possesses them and starts using them against their will, or the person who gave them that meat or drink starts controlling them and using them as a spiritual puppet. We just need to cast out the devil from those children possessed by those demons, so that they will no longer be used by the devil to carry out evil things against their will. That is one of the reasons we should always pray over our food and drinks. Jesus tells us we always ought to pray (Luke 18:1). The
flesh profits nothing it is the spirit that makes alive (John 6:63). In other words, the meal that you are eating is not the problem or the beverage you are drinking is not the problem per se, but the spirit behind that meal and beverage.

The words, even the prayers, which you speak, are spirit and life (John 6:63). Cover your food and drink with the blood of Jesus, for the Spirit of Jesus even the Holy Ghost is in the blood of Jesus (Leviticus 17:11). You overcome any evil spirit behind the food or beverage you are about to eat and drink by the blood of the Lamb and the word of your testimony, even your scriptural based prayer (Revelation 12:11). So if you drink or eat anything that is deadly, even possessed by an evil spirit, it will by no means hurt you; for by your scriptural prayer you have exercised your God given authority and power, to tread upon serpents and scorpions and over all the works of the enemy, and nothing truly shall by any means hurt you (Luke 10:19).

You do not have to run away from your in-laws that are in the occult or practicing witchcraft. You are family, and whether you like it or not, they have to see their grandchildren. So teach your children to pray over their food and their drinks out loud at home. Let it become automatic to them and yourself, wherever you are or your children are. We are not to fear things that have been offered to idols, for an idol is nothing to us; for we have already overcome the devil and his vassals; for greater is He, even God, who is in us than the devil who is in the world (1Corinthians 8:4, 1John 4:4). I have even met “pastors”, who are so fearful, that they never eat anything outside their house, even in church they do not eat when there is a celebration. They say that they will take the food home, but when they get home they throw the food away. Unless God specifically tells you to throw that food away; pray over it by covering it with the blood of Jesus and eat it with thanksgiving.

Many times when you go into a village or a city to preach the gospel, the Lord will reveal to you what the spiritual gates of the city or the village are, and where the spiritual altars or totems or demons of the village or city are, to which the family has been dedicated. The reason sometimes some cities, villages, families are resisting the gospel, and no church has ever been planted there, is because there are some totems, spiritual gates and spiritual altars in that family, village or city, and they are blinding the people to the light of the gospel. Many times God will reveal to you where those spiritual gates and spiritual altars are, and God will ask you either to do a prophetic action, or you will just confess the word of God that deals with those altars and spiritual gates.

In the early days of the Pentecostal movement in Nigeria for instance, when the country was given over to idol worship and totems, preachers went to a village to preach the gospel, and they did not even give them accommodation in the village, so they had to sleep in the forest; which is uncommon in African villages, for the people are very hospitable, and they take it as an offense if you refuse their hospitality. When they woke up in the morning, there were snakes, scorpions and other animals dead and hacked into pieces in a circle around the place where those preachers had slept in the forest. Those animals were totems of those villages, families and clans. When they were dealt with, the village received the gospel and gave their life to Christ and brought out the wooden totems of their families, clans and villages to the preachers, and the preachers cut them into pieces and set them on fire.

We also have the testimony of the late preacher Benson Idahosa. God raised him to destroy...
the power of witchcraft and stop literal human sacrifices in his part of Nigeria, where he was living, even Benin City the capital city of Edo State, in southern Nigeria. God revealed to him where the spiritual altar of the idols of the city were. It was a main roundabout of the city centre. In the natural it looked just like a roundabout, but in the spiritual realm it was an altar of the idols of the city. God told him to do a prophetic action like the one of the wall of Jericho, which fell down flat after they were encircled seven days by the children of God in Joshua 6. God told Benson Idahosa to go in the night into the city centre of Benin City, and march around that main roundabout between 11pm and 2am and only speak in tongues. So he did it for the first five nights, on the sixth night, when he arrived close to the roundabout, he saw plates with animal sacrifices on them and his name written on those plates in the blood on those animals. God said to him: fear not!

The Holy Spirit brought to his remembrance the scripture that says: I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you (Luke 10:18-19). So he decided to tread upon every plate on which his name was written in the blood of those sacrificed animals; and then, at 2am he went back home. On the seventh night God said to him: go a bit earlier today and stay until 5am, and at 5am when you have finished marching around that roundabout praying in tongues, shout: I declare Benin City and Edo State, Nigeria taken for the Lord Jesus Christ! He did as instructed and went home at 5am. That same month, about 30 people died from the head of the occult in that city, to his key leaders. And from that day Christianity started spreading widely in that Benin City and Edo State in Nigeria.

Benson Idahosa did not pray with understanding but only in tongues; thus it is God who did everything. What some Christians do not understand is that God kills and makes alive. The LORD kills, and makes alive: He brings down to the grave, and brings up (1Samuel 2:6). Even from the very mouth of Jesus: fear not those who kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him, God, who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell (Matthew 10:28). Some people do not understand that when you persecute God’s people and His work, you are directly persecuting the Godhead. That is what Saul of Tarsus did not understand. Jesus said to him: Saul, Saul, why do you persecute Me? And he said, Who are You, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom you persecute: it is hard for you to kick against the pricks or thorns (Acts 9:4-5).

If you kick thorns, you will injure yourself, for those thorns or pricks will enter your flesh; you will literally have thorns in the flesh! In other words calamities will befall you, like the Canaanites were a thorn in the flesh of the Israelites. And you will perish from off the good land because of the thorns in your flesh (Joshua 23:13). But those thorns in the flesh will come from the Lord. Anybody that fights the people of God and the work of God are not at all smart! For God says: Touch not My anointed, and do My prophets no harm (Psalm 105:15, 1Chronicles 16:22). It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God (Hebrews 10:31). So God first struck Paul with blindness, Saul was smart, he stopped fighting God’s work, he understood that calamities from the Lord were about to befall him and overtake him, if he did not stop persecuting the church, and the ultimate result would be perishing from off the good land, even his death!

When the Ark of the Covenant was captured by the Philistines, and placed in the temple of
their god Dagon, the bible says: when they of Ashdod arose early on the morrow, behold, Dagon was fallen upon his face to the earth, before the ark of the LORD. And they took Dagon, and set him in his place again. And when they arose early on the morrow morning, behold, Dagon was fallen upon his face to the ground before the ark of the LORD; and the head of Dagon and both the palms of his hands were cut off upon the threshold; only the stump of Dagon was left to him (1Samuel 5:3-4). This is the reason I behead any totem, living being or object totem, and hack it into pieces with the sword of the spirit that comes out of my mouth because that is what God did to the totem of Dagon. The Philistines had touched the Ark of the Covenant, so calamities from the Lord were befalling them, and over taking them; they had kicked against the pricks or thorns; thus they had thorns in the flesh from the Lord; and if they did not let go the Ark of the Covenant, they would have perished from off the land, even died (Joshua 23:13).

And to give them a sample of which calamities were to befall them for capturing the Ark of the covenant, the Lord hacked their idol Dagon into pieces, yet they did not understand and perceive that the calamity was from the Lord; thus they held the Ark of the Covenant. God moved to the next level and plagued them; as it is written: the hand of the Lord was heavy on the people of Ashdod, and He destroyed them and struck them with hemorrhoids, Ashdod and its borders (1Samuel 5:6). Yet the Philistines were still not sure whether those destructions and plagues of hemorrhoids were natural or from God, because they had captured the Ark of the Covenant. We have explained in the “Perfect Redemption Plan: Jehovah-Nissi” that the Ark of the Covenant talks about Jesus and He dwells in you, you are the walking Ark of the Covenant of God in the New Covenant. He who touches you or captures you, is in trouble with God!

The men of Ashdod saw that it was so. And they said, The ark of the God of Israel shall not stay with us. For His hand is sore or heavy upon us and upon Dagon our god. And they sent and gathered all the lords of the Philistines to them. And they said, What shall we do with the ark of the God of Israel? And they answered, Let the ark of the God of Israel be carried around to Gath. And they carried the ark of the God of Israel around. And it happened after they had carried it around, the hand of the Lord was against the city with a very great destruction. And He struck the men of the city, both small and great, and hemorrhoids broke forth in them. And it happened that they sent the ark of God to Ekron. And it happened as the ark of God came to Ekron, the Ekronites cried out, saying, They have brought around the ark of the God of Israel to us, in order to kill us and our people. And they sent and gathered all the lords of the Philistines, and said, Send away the ark of the God of Israel, and let it go again to its own place, so that it does not kill us and our people. For there was a deadly destruction throughout all the city. The hand of God was very heavy there. And the men that did not die were stricken with the hemorrhoids. And the cry of the city went up to the heavens (1Samuel 5:7-12).

So that is what happens to the people who persecute Christians, if they do not stop, God will plague them, even kill them, for every Christian is a walking Ark of the Covenant of God. The Philistines wanted to make sure that those calamities truly happened to them, because they captured the Ark. They said: take the ark of Jehovah and lay it on the cart. And put the jewels of gold which you return to Him for a trespass offering, in a box in its side. And send it away so that it may go. And watch. If it goes up by the way of its own border to Beth-shemesh, He
has done us this great evil. But if not, then we shall know that it is not His hand that struck us. It was a chance that happened to us. And the men did so. And they took two milk cows and tied them to the cart, and shut up their calves at home. And they laid the ark of Jehovah on the cart, and the box with the mice of gold and the images of their hemorrhoids. And the cows took the straight way to the way of Beth-shemesh, going along the highway, lowing as they went. And they did not turn aside to the right or to the left. And the lords of the Philistines went after them to the border of Beth-shemesh.

The Philistines had their proof that the calamities that befell them were directly from the Lord, because they had captured the Ark of God. Those calamities did not happen to them by chance, it was the hand of God, because they had kicked against the pricks or thorns and had now thorns in their flesh from the Lord. Pharaoh also kicked against the pricks or thorns by enslaving the children of God for 430 years, and making their lives bitter; God said to him: let my people go! But he refused; so calamities befall him and his kingdom until they were utterly destroyed, and the people of God were freed from the house of bondage of Egypt and they saw the Egyptians no more, never again; for God had destroyed Pharaoh and his armies in the Red Sea (Exodus 1 to Exodus 15).

The kingdom of Israel had departed from the Lord and was serving Baal, and they had built altars for Baal worship. God sent a young prophet to carry His message to the king of Israel. As it is written: behold, a man of God came out of Judah, by the Word of Jehovah, to Bethel. And Jeroboam stood by the altar to burn incense. And he cried against the altar in the Word of the Lord and said, O, altar, altar, so says the Lord. Behold, a son shall be born to the house of David, Josiah by name, and on you he shall offer the priests of the high places who burn incense on you, and men's bones shall be burned on you. And he gave a sign the same day, saying, This is the sign which the Lord has spoken. Behold, the altar shall be torn apart, and the ashes that are on it shall be poured out. And it happened when King Jeroboam heard the saying of the man of God who had cried against the altar in Bethel, he put forth his hand from the altar, saying, Lay hold on him! And his hand, which he put forth against him withered up, so that he could not pull it in again to himself. The altar also was torn apart, and the ashes poured out from the altar, according to the sign which the man of God had given by the Word of Jehovah. And the king answered and said to the man of God, Seek now the face of Jehovah your God, and pray for me, and my hand may be given back to me again. And the man of God prayed to Jehovah, and the king's hand was given back to him again, and became as at the beginning (1Kings 13:1-6).

Also, when God raised Gideon to be the Judge over Israel, He first of all asked him to destroy the idols and altar of his father's house. The Lord said to Gideon, Peace to you. Do not fear. You shall not die. Then Gideon built an altar there to Jehovah, and called it Jehovah-shalom. It is yet in Ophrah of the Abiezrites to this day. And it happened on that night, Jehovah said to him, Take your father's young bull, even the second bull of seven years, and throw down the altar of Baal which your father has, and cut down the pillar by it. And build an altar to Jehovah your God upon the top of this rock, in an orderly manner, and take the second bull and offer a burnt sacrifice with the wood of the grove which you shall cut down. Then Gideon took ten men of his servants, and did as Jehovah had said to him. And so it was, because he feared his father's household and the men of the city, that he could not do it by day, so he did it by night. And when the men of the city arose early in the morning, behold, the altar of Baal was
cast down, and the pillar which was by it, was cut down, and the second bull had been offered upon the altar that was built (Judges 6:23-28).

God asked Gideon to first of all destroy the altar of Baal before building the altar of God. And that is what happens most of the time, God will ask us to destroy some demonic altars in a city, their idols, their pillar or lighthouse, or spiritual control towers over the lives of the people; and then we will be able to see the increase of the kingdom of God in that area, in that family, clan, village, city or nation or nations. When we read the story of 1Kings 13, the young prophet prayed for God to restore the hand of the king that withered and God answered him. God does not delight in the death of anyone not even of a wicked king who is an idol worshiper and is trying to kill God’s prophet. We must destroy the idols of the people, their totems, their pillars and their altars, and then build the altar of God or a place of worship, even make Jesus Lord and Saviour over the lives of the people who once were oppressed or possessed by those demons.

Above are the reasons why I send forth the balls of fire of the Holy Ghost, to burn into ashes, the totems and idols of those demons I have beheaded, and cut off into pieces, and then I use the hammer of the word of God, that comes out of my mouth, to break into pieces, even grind into powder, every altar of the enemy. Pray with me: Father I thank you for the life of my brother and my sister, for their family members and their loved ones. I come against every totem and every idol existing in the family of my brother and my sister and I behead that totem and idol, I cut it off into pieces in the name of Jesus, I send the fire of the Holy Ghost to burn into ashes, those pieces of that totem and that idol, in the name of Jesus! I come against every altar of totems and idols in the life of my brother and sister, and in their family, and I use the hammer of the word of God that comes out of my mouth, and I break into pieces that altar and grind every rock used to erect that altar, into powder! In the name of Jesus I condemn every tongue that has risen in judgment against my brother, my sister and their family, to pronounce curses on them; I turn every curse the enemy pronounced over their lives into blessings, in the name of Jesus (Nehemiah 13:2, Deuteronomy 23:5). I cover them in the blood of Jesus, that is speaking better things on their behalf than their family blood line, for we overcame the devil by the blood of the Lamb, and the word of our testimony, in Jesus’ name. I build a new altar of God in their lives, and their family. Jesus is the only one we worship, and I enthrone Jesus as Lord and Saviour over their life and family, in Jesus’ name, Amen!

A sister who loves the Lord had been going through lots of challenging situations for years with her family, children, house, etc. And one day she had this picture in a vision. It was a boiling pot and she wanted to touch that boiling pot but someone removed her hand from touching it. What is the meaning of that boiling pot and why should she not touch it again? I explained to her succinctly that the boiling pot she saw talked about calamities that happened to her, her family, their children, properties and careers. There were curses coming from the pit of hell to cause those calamities in their lives. So why did I say that?

Because the Holy Spirit brought to my remembrance some scriptures; the first scripture is in 2Kings 4:38-41. The sons of the prophets, who were lodging with Elisha, had cooked a stew in a pot and they served it to the men to eat. Now it happened as they were eating the stew that they cried out and said: “Man of God there is death in the pot!” In the case of that sister, they forbade her hand to touch that boiling pot again, whereas in the case of Elisha and the
sons of the prophets, Elisha healed the pot by adding flour to it. The second scripture that the Holy Spirit brought to my remembrance is, what Jeremiah wrote: the Word of the Lord came to me the second time, saying, What do you see? And I said, I see a boiling pot; and its face is from the face of the north. And the Lord said to me, Out of the north an evil will be set loose on all the inhabitants of the land (Jeremiah 1:13-14). Jeremiah was referring to the evil that would come to the land of Judea and its inhabitants, when the Babylonians would come against them, besiege them, cause them to be in great famine because of the siege, kill some of their people, take their fields and properties, destroy their temple of worship and carry them into captivity in Babylon.

The third scripture the Holy Spirit brought into my remembrance is Zechariah 5:5-9 through a vision in my head of a woman sitting in that boiling pot pronouncing those curses, setting loose evil on her and her family and what was theirs, even calamities on the life of that dearest sister, her family, children, and everything that pertain to their life and godliness. As it is written: Then the angel who talked with me went forth and said to me, Now lift up your eyes and see what this is that goes forth. And I said, What is it? And he said, This is the basket that goes forth. And he said, This is their form in all the earth. And behold, a lead cover was lifted up, and a woman was sitting in the middle of the basket. And he said, This is wickedness. And he cast it into the midst of the basket. And he cast the lead stone over its opening. And I lifted up my eyes and looked, and behold, two women came out. And the wind was in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork. And they lifted up the basket between the earth and the heavens (Zechariah 5:5-9).

So I explained to the sister that the evil one had been pronouncing curses, setting loose evil in her life and family, even calamities over her household, everything that pertains to their life and godliness. The woman who sits in that boiling pot, or in the case of Zechariah the woman who sat in the basket, is not necessarily a physical woman, so one should not be seeking a physical person being the source of the curses, even the calamities; but it is the devil behind all those calamities that befell her and her family. They were not just accidents or a natural course of life; they were targeted by the devil. Job said: Oh that my grief was thoroughly weighed, and my calamity laid in the balances together (Job 6:2)! The calamities Job was talking about were losing his business, bad things happening to his children, even death, problems in his marriage with his wife, who was asking him to deny his God, even curse Him and die, losing his health even being sick with boils.

You and I are better than Job, and the calamities that befell Job should not befall us. For Christ Jesus bore our calamities, as it is written: Surely he hath borne our [griefs, maladies, calamities], and carried our sorrows [anguish, pain]: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed (Isaiah 53:4-5). Father Abraham never experienced the calamities that Job did, for he had a covenant with God. So I prayed with the sister, and you can pray with me too, saying: In the name of Jesus, I come against you boiling pot in the life of my sister or brother, I curse you, I put lead over the opening of that boiling pot, and I shut forever that woman sitting inside that pot pronouncing curses. I command that sealed boiling pot to be cast into the pit of hell where it came from. As far as the east is from the west, they will never meet, I cast away that boiling pot from the life of my sister, my brother and their family, they will never touch it.
again, in the name of Jesus. Christ Jesus their Redeemer bore those calamities in their stead, so that they do not have to bear any calamity. I turn all those curses of the wicked one, even the evil that was set loose on them, and all of their family and possessions, into blessings (Deuteronomy 23:5). And I cover my sister and my brother, their family and everything that pertains to their life and godliness, in the blood of Jesus, and they overcame the devil and the wicked ones, by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony, in Jesus’ name, Amen!

On April 18th, 2015 at 4am I had a vision. In that vision I was in a big building and it was full of white people. I was lying on my back on top of a piece of furniture that looked like a wardrobe. It was about 7 feet high. It seemed to me that I was transported in the same position I was in, in my bed, to find myself on that wardrobe. In the beginning I did not notice what was happening around me, for I was still half asleep, but I kind of woke up, because the wood on which I found myself lying, was not as comfortable as the mattress of my warm bed. When I opened my eyes and looked down from the top of that wardrobe, I saw them forming a big circle. And they started to place black candles on lamp stands around that circle and to light those black candles. This woke me up, and I sat up on top of the wardrobe to see what they were doing.

Then they took a vessel full of blood, and started to pour a drop of blood on the forehead of the person who entered into that circle. They were asking all the people who were outside the circle to come into the circle, and they would put the drop of blood on their forehead. It looked like, for some of the people who came forward, it was their first time, so they were almost being pushed forward to enter into that circle to be initiated. Then they realized that someone was watching what they were doing, so they wanted to seize me. I jumped off that wardrobe and escaped out of the building, I came out of the compound of that building. They sent some people after me; but they could not find me. I had already gone far away!

When I woke up, the Holy Spirit brought to my remembrance some scriptures and I prayed according to those scriptures. The first one is 2Kings 10:18-28. And Jehu gathered all the people together, and said to them, Ahab served Baal a little, but Jehu shall serve him much. And now call to me all the prophets of Baal, all his servants and all his priests. Let no one be lacking. For I have a great sacrifice to Baal. Whoever shall be lacking, he shall not live. But Jehu was acting with cunning, to the end that he might destroy the worshipers of Baal. And Jehu said, Call a solemn feast for Baal. And they called it. And Jehu sent through all Israel. And all the worshipers of Baal came, so that there was not a man left who did not come. And they came into the house of Baal. And the house of Baal was full from one end to another. And he said to him who was over the robe-room, Bring out robes for all the worshipers of Baal. And he brought them out for them. And Jehu went, and Jehonadab the son of Rechab, into the house of Baal.

And he said to the servants of Baal, Search and look, that there may not be here with you any of the servants of Jehovah, but only the servants of Baal. And they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings. And Jehu had appointed eighty men outside, and said, If any of the men whom I have brought into your hands escapes, his life shall be for the life of him. And it happened, when he had made an end of offering, the burnt offering, Jehu said to the guard and to the commanders, Go in. Kill them! Do not let any come out! And they struck them with the edge of the sword. And the guard and the commanders threw them out.
they went to the city, to the house of Baal. And they brought forth the images out of the house of Baal and burned them. And they broke down the image of Baal, and broke down the house of Baal and made it a sewer-house until this day. And Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.

My friend God is at war against the worship of Baal in those 50 European nations. He will destroy all its worshipers, its temples and its images shall be destroyed too. Unless the worshipers of Baal repent and forsake Baal, they will all perish like in the days of Jehu, none shall escape the sword of the Lord. Baal shall be destroyed out of Europe like he was destroyed out of Israel in the day of Jehu. After I had prayed for about six hours that day, the word of the Lord came unto me saying: “they will all decompose, like rotten flesh!”

Behold, they shall surely gather together, not by Me [for they have gathered together by Baal therefore they are against Me and My people]; whoever shall gather against you, he shall fall for your sake. Behold, I have created the smith who blows the coals in the fire, and who brings out a tool for his work; and I have created the waster, even My spiritual Jehus who are My battle-axes and My weapons of spiritual warfare, to destroy Baal, its temples, its images and its worshipers from the land. No weapon that is formed against you shall be blessed; and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment, you shall condemn. This is the inheritance of the servants of Jehovah, and their righteousness is from Me, says Jehovah (Isaiah 54:15-17, Jeremiah 51:20-23).

Behold, I will send for many fishers, says the LORD, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks. For My eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hidden from my face, neither is their iniquity hidden from My eyes. And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double; because they have defiled My land, they have filled My inheritance with the carcasses of their detestable and abominable things (Jeremiah 16:16-18). To Me belongs vengeance, and recompense; their foot shall slide in due time: for the day of their calamity is at hand, and the things that shall come upon them make haste (Deuteronomy 32:35).

See now that I, even I, am He, and there is no god besides Me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of My hand. For I lift up My hand to heaven, and say, I live forever. If I whet or sharpen My glittering sword, and My hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to My enemies, and will reward those who hate Me. I will make My arrows drunk with blood, and My sword shall devour flesh; and that with the blood of the slain and of the captives, from the beginning of revenges upon the enemy (Deuteronomy 32:39-42). The LORD kills, and makes alive: He brings down to the grave, and brings up (1Samuel 2:6)

It will be again like in the days of Paul. Many who believed came and confessed and showed their deeds. Also many of those practicing the curious arts, bringing together the books, burned them before all. And they counted the prices of them and found it to be fifty thousand pieces of silver. So the Word of God grew mightily and prevailed (Acts 19:18-20). The worship of Baal in Europe will be destroyed and the word of God will grow mightily and prevail once more like it did in the days of Paul. The Lord God, the Man of war, has sharpened His glittering sword, His quiver is full of arrows, and He will utterly destroy Baal and its worshipers.
I remember on April 29th, 2015 the Lord Jesus woke me up and was singing in one of my mother tongues. In His song he was telling me: all those who seek to harm you and kill you, those dear to you, they should be severely warned against such attempts; because God will kill them! The Lord Jesus sang that song three times and then I sang it too. I woke up singing that song. Then I realized what He was saying to me through that song. That month I had been having many spiritual attacks from satanic people, and some people who work closely with me, live snakes appeared in their bedroom, others, strangers used a gun to shoot at their window, thank God they were not in that room. And many other attacks were happening to the people dear to me. So God decided to take the matter into His own hands! The Holy Spirit brought back to my remembrance Revelation 11, He gave me on October 30th 2012. If anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner (Revelation 11:5).

VII.3 When people, even Christians, despise the riches of God’s goodness, His forbearance and His long-suffering

Some carnal believers and some unsaved people; want to use Jesus Christ and His ministers like they use witchdoctors or fortune tellers. They do not want to change their lives, even after God has shown them his mercies. In fact they have wrongly believed that God has approved of their ungodly lifestyle, or God does not care about their eternal destiny, or God is too weak and cannot stand seeing them in trouble, or in sickness. Paul says: do you despise the riches of God's goodness, and the forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance? But according to your hardness and your impenitent heart, do you treasure up wrath for yourself in a day of wrath, and revelation of the righteous judgment of God (Romans 2:4-5).

These people are willing to pay any amount of money to receive their miracles and deliverance. They are willing to do sacrifices: fast, do night vigils, travel to Jerusalem. But they are not willing to change their life to please God. Samuel said, Does Jehovah delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of Jehovah? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice! To listen is better than the fat of rams! For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idol-worship. Because you have rejected the Word of Jehovah, He has also rejected you from being king (1Samuel 15:22-23)!

In the book of Judges also, Israel despised the riches of the goodness, forbearance and long-suffering of God. They thought: God was a softy! He loves us too much, that He came down from heaven to deliver us from our bondage in Egypt. No matter what we do against Him, He will deliver us. We are His chosen people! Even if He is angry because of our ways; when we are in trouble we will come to Him, shed some tears by saying we are sorry, and give some offerings and sacrifices and even fast. We have figured out all the ways to trick God into performing a miracle for us! Unfortunately that is how some born again Christians think!

Judges 10:6 And the sons of Israel did evil again in the sight of Jehovah, and served the Baals and Ashtoreths, and the gods of Syria, and the gods of Sidon, and the gods of Moab, and the gods of the sons of Ammon, and the gods of the Philistines. And they left Jehovah, and did not serve Him.
Judges 10:7 And the anger of Jehovah was hot against Israel, and He sold them into the hands of the Philistines and into the hands of the sons of Ammon.

Judges 10:8 And that year they troubled and oppressed the sons of Israel; all the sons of Israel on the other side of the Jordan, in the land of the Amorites, which is in Gilead, for eighteen years.

Judges 10:9 And the sons of Ammon passed over the Jordan to fight also against Judah, and against Benjamin, and against the house of Ephraim, so that Israel was very distressed.

Judges 10:10 And the sons of Israel cried to Jehovah, saying, We have sinned against You, both because we have forsaken our God and also have served the Baals.

Judges 10:11 And Jehovah said to the sons of Israel, Did not I deliver you from Egyptians, and from the Amorites, from the sons of Ammon, and from the Philistines?

Judges 10:12 And the Sidonians and the Amalekites and the Maonites oppressed you. And you cried to Me, and I delivered you out of their hand.

Judges 10:13 Yet you have forsaken Me and served other gods; therefore, I will deliver you no more.

Judges 10:14 Go and cry to the gods which you have chosen. Let them deliver you in the time of your tribulation.

Judges 10:15 And the sons of Israel said to Jehovah, We have sinned. Do You to us whatever is good in Your eyes; only deliver us, we pray You, today.

Judges 10:16 And they put away the strange gods from among them, and served Jehovah. And His soul was moved by the misery of Israel.

These children of Israel despised the riches of the goodness, forbearance and long-suffering of God. They willingly sinned against the Lord; for they knew exactly what the word of God says. God is a person. He can be grieved by the behaviour of His children who deliberately reject the knowledge of the word of God (Hosea 4:6). God can be angry. Yes, we know that the wrath of His fiery judgment was poured on Christ Jesus, so that we can be reconciled to Him, as explained in the Lord is my righteousness. When we are ministering to people and God tells us to tell that person to repent of a particular sin, it is pointless to try to bind devils, cast out devils or speak in tongues. God knows exactly that, that person deliberately sins against Him, and has no intention of changing his evil ways. You as a minister of the gospel should be bold enough to confront people’s sins, which God expressly points out.

A born again Christian came to a man of God to receive the fruit of the womb. She was a highly educated and sophisticated lady, married to a prominent man in the secular world. The man of God prayed for her and the next year she came again to the crusade of the man of God. She said to him: “I was told that if you lay hands on me I will be pregnant! Now I came last year and you laid hands on me and a whole year has gone and I am still not pregnant.” The man of God wanted to lay hands on her the second time, for he believes in a second touch like when Jesus prayed twice for the blind man in Mark 8:22-26. But the Holy Spirit
stopped him and said to him: ask her how many lovers she has besides her husband? The
man of God was afraid to ask such a lady that kind of question; but since he knows the voice
of the Holy Spirit he said: excuse me Ma'am, the Lord is telling me to ask you: how many
lovers do you have besides your husband? The lady answered: I have five; just in case I
cannot get pregnant by my husband, one of my lovers will get me pregnant! The man of God
said to her: repent and go home to your husband and you will be pregnant. She did and she
became pregnant.

In the days of Smith Wigglesworth, a lady came to one of his camp meeting for healing. She
was wearing a small hat. When she stood before Wigglesworth for prayer, he removed the
microphone so that nobody would hear, but the lady, and said to her by the Holy Spirit: “go
home, stop sinning and God will heal you!” The next night she came again but this time she
wore a very big hat that almost covered her face and there were more than 2,000 people
waiting to be prayed for. Wigglesworth could never recognize her in that crowd and with her
face partially hidden by that very big hat. Yet when her turn came to stand before him to
receive prayer; the Holy Spirit said to Wigglesworth: this is the lady from yesterday! This time
around, he did not cover the microphone, he said with a loud booming voice: I told you
yesterday, “go home, stop sinning and God will heal you! What are you doing here? Get out
of this prayer line! Unless you are ready to obey God and stop sinning, do not come back for
more prayer! A holy conviction fell upon the thousands who were under that tent, for they
realized you cannot play with God!

What Wigglesworth said to this woman is biblical. In the days of the prophet Ahijah and the
King Jeroboam of Israel, King Jeroboam asked his wife to disguise herself, pretending to be
someone else, to go and enquire of the profit concerning the son who was ill. The sight of the
prophet Ahijah was dim, because of his age, so he could not see clearly who was standing
before him, but the Holy Spirit revealed to the prophet the person coming to see him was
Jeroboam’s wife, who had disguised herself pretending to be someone else.

God does not delight in the death of the wicked. Had Jeroboam repented of his sin of idolatry,
which had caused all Israel to sin against the Lord, the Lord would have forgiven him, and
none of these calamities would have happened to him and his house, and his son would have
been healed and lived. Here is the account of how it happened.

(1Ki 14:1) At that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam became sick.

(1Ki 14:2) And Jeroboam said to his wife, “Please arise, and disguise yourself, that they may
not recognize you as the wife of Jeroboam, and go to Shiloh. Indeed, Ahijah the prophet is
there, who told me that I would be king over this people.

(1Ki 14:3) Also take with you ten loaves, some cakes, and a jar of honey, and go to him; he
will tell you what will become of the child.”

(1Ki 14:4) And Jeroboam’s wife did so; she arose and went to Shiloh, and came to the house
of Ahijah. But Ahijah could not see, for his eyes were glazed by reason of his age.

(1Ki 14:5) Now the LORD had said to Ahijah, “Here is the wife of Jeroboam, coming to ask you
something about her son, for he is sick. Thus and thus you shall say to her; for it will be, when
she comes in, that she will pretend to be another woman.”

(1Ki 14:6) And so it was, when Ahijah heard the sound of her footsteps as she came through the door, he said, “Come in, wife of Jeroboam. Why do you pretend to be another person? For I have been sent to you with bad news.

(1Ki 14:7) Go, tell Jeroboam, ‘Thus says the LORD God of Israel: “Because I exalted you from among the people, and made you ruler over My people Israel,

(1Ki 14:8) and tore the kingdom away from the house of David, and gave it to you; and yet you have not been as My servant David, who kept My commandments and who followed Me with all his heart, to do only what was right in My eyes;

(1Ki 14:9) but you have done more evil than all who were before you, for you have gone and made for yourself other gods and molded images to provoke Me to anger, and have cast Me behind your back—

(1Ki 14:10) therefore behold! I will bring disaster on the house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from Jeroboam every male in Israel, bond and free; I will take away the remnant of the house of Jeroboam, as one takes away refuse until it is all gone.

(1Ki 14:11) The dogs shall eat whoever belongs to Jeroboam and dies in the city, and the birds of the air shall eat whoever dies in the field; for the LORD has spoken!’

(1Ki 14:12) Arise therefore, go to your own house. When your feet enter the city, the child shall die.

(1Ki 14:13) And all Israel shall mourn for him and bury him, for he is the only one of Jeroboam, who shall come to the grave, because in him there is found something good toward the LORD God of Israel, in the house of Jeroboam.

(1Ki 14:14) “Moreover the LORD will raise up for Himself a king over Israel who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam; this is the day. What? Even now!

(1Ki 14:15) For the LORD will strike Israel, as a reed is shaken in the water. He will uproot Israel from this good land which He gave to their fathers, and will scatter them beyond the River, because they have made their wooden images, provoking the LORD to anger.

(1Ki 14:16) And he shall give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, who did sin, and who made Israel to sin.

(1Ki 14:17) And Jeroboam’s wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah: and when she came to the threshold of the door, the child died;

(1Ki 14:18) And they buried him; and all Israel mourned for him, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by the hand of his servant Ahijah the prophet.

A sister came to the healing service in Glasgow the first Sunday evening of September 2014. She was deaf in one ear and also had throat cancer. I did not know her or what was going on in her life. I prepared my good sermon for that evening on Luke 4:18, but as I started the
Holy Spirit told me to digress, and talk about the sins leading to death of 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 and sanctification. I was not happy with the Holy Spirit because sanctification and repentance does not bring crowds, but I obeyed. I made many statements by the Holy Spirit and even talked about bestiality, but one of the statements I made was: there is no such thing as a born again Christian who smokes; we should be different from the world. What is the difference between smoking marijuana and smoking tobacco? How far do we want to imitate the sinful world? I noticed she was weeping and all her makeup was ruined by her profuse tears.

When she came up for prayer I laid hands on her deaf ear and commanded the deaf spirit to come out in Jesus’ name! She immediately heard perfectly and she told me she was a born again Christian who smokes, and now has throat cancer. I said to her, God has forgiven you, and neither do I condemn you: go, and sin no more (John 8:11). The same God who has opened your deaf ear has also healed your throat cancer! During the healing service in Glasgow on the first Sunday evening of November 2014, that very sister came back and said to me that she has been to the doctor and her throat cancer is healed! Now she has brought her elder sister who lives in Aberdeen, who also has an incurable disease. God gave her elder sister a word to write down on a piece of paper and put it in her pocket, and when she hears that exact sentence, she knows that she is healed. To the glory of God even before the service started, during the prayer meeting, to commit the service to the leading of the Holy Spirit, I said word for word what God told that sister to write on the piece of paper. She tapped me on the shoulder and showed me her piece of paper. I said to her: go home you are healed!

Some Christians despise the riches of the goodness and forbearance of God. Paul says: O man, [you born again Christian who are now part of the commonwealth of Israel], the one judging those who do such things [judging those who practice sin], and [you yourself] practice them, do you think this, that you shall escape the judgment of God? Or do you despise the riches of His kindness, and the forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance? But according to your hardness and your impenitent heart, do you treasure up wrath for yourself in a day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, who will render to each according to his works (Romans 2:3-6). When God showed us kindness and goodness, it is supposed to lead us to repentance not that we should say: “God does not care about my life style; I can live like Samson who went to the prostitutes and I can live like David who committed adultery and murder; and God will still work with me and keep delivering me!”

Prostitutes, thieves, adulterers, fornicators, drunkards and homosexuals, when they give their life to Christ, forsake their past life and follow Jesus; but we have people who are Christians and practice those sins leading to death listed in 1 Corinthians 6:9-10. They are not ignorant of the truth, but they wilfully practice them because they despise the riches of God’s kindness and goodness, His forbearance and long-suffering. Paul says again: if we sin wilfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remains no more sacrifice for sins, but a certain fearful looking for judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. He who despised Moses’ Law died without mercy on the word of two or three witnesses. Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy of punishment, the one who has trampled the Son of God, and who has counted the blood of the
covenant with which he was sanctified an unholy thing, and has insulted the Spirit of grace? For we know Him who has said, “Vengeance belongs to Me, I will repay, says the Lord.” And again, “The Lord shall judge His people.” It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God (Hebrews 10:26-31).

God told the whole congregation not to take the accursed things in the city of Jericho, in Joshua 6, Achan sinned wilfully after he received the knowledge of the truth (Joshua 7). People will say: how come we were saved by grace through faith and now that we are born again Christians, God wants to hold us to a high standard of lifestyle? Why can He not still treat me like when I was unsaved? I am glad you are bold to ask that question! Read the small book of Jonah. Jonah wanted God to destroy the city of Nineveh of the Assyrians who oppressed Israel. God said to Jonah: should I not spare Nineveh, that great city, in which are more than a hundred and twenty thousand men who do not know between their right and their left hand, besides much cattle (Jonah 4:11)? Some Christians are like some unsaved people, who do not know between their right and their left hand; meaning it is not their fault, nobody told them the way, the truth and the life of God, which is Jesus (John 14:6). So they fall into the category of the people who perish for lack of knowledge (Hosea 4:6).

Some churches are more interested in the tithes and offerings of the people and in the crowd in their building, than in teaching people the way, the truth and the life of God! We become pleasers of the crowds, and not pleasers of God. For now do I persuade men, or God? [The answer is I persuade men.] Or do I seek to please men? [The answer is I seek to please God who sent me.] For if I yet pleased men, I would not be a servant of Christ. And, brothers, I make known to you the gospel which was preached by me, that it is not according to man (Galatians 1:10-11). James gives a warning to such leaders of congregations: My brothers and sisters, do not, be many teachers, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation or judgment (James 3:1). Teach people the word of God, and not what they want to hear, show them how they can be transformed into the image of Christ, by the renewing of their mind, and no longer be conformed to this world (Romans 12:1-2).

Other Christians are like Achan who, having received the knowledge of the truth, wilfully reject it. They will be destroyed like Achan; because they rejected the knowledge, wilfully took the accursed things of the world, and refused to sanctify themselves (Hosea 4:6, Joshua 7). Anyone who is wise will not fight with God, because you will never win! Why not repent of our sinful ways, get those accursed things of the world out of our life, and sanctify ourselves so that God can be pleased with us and deliver us; for When a man’s ways please Jehovah, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him (Proverbs 16:7). The whole book of Judges, is about the children of God, being destroyed by their enemies; because of their idolatry and their conformity to the nations around them. When they cried out to God for His deliverance, God said to them: you have forsaken Me and served other gods; therefore, I will deliver you no more. Go and cry to the gods which you have chosen. Let them deliver you in the time of your tribulation (Judges 10:13-14). But as soon as the children of God repented, and put away the accused things, and sanctified themselves; God delivered them. “The Lord knows those who are His.” And, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity (2Timothy 2:19)!"

When we become born again Christians, God wants us to be equipped with the knowledge of Him; so that we will do the things that are pleasing in His sight (Romans 12:1-2, Romans
14:18). Yes, we were saved by grace through faith; but now we should not continue in sin! What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, so that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein [or keep practicing sin]? Do you not know that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ, were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life (Romans 6:1-4).

God’s heart desire has always been that the disciples should do the same work as the discipler, and even greater works. But you also need to embrace the life, way and the truth of Jesus. Moses and Joshua his assistant, are the first shadow of Jesus and His disciples. Moses is a type of Jesus, the Prophet that he prophesied will come (Deuteronomy 18:15-18). Joshua is a type of disciple of Christ. Whenever Moses went on the mountain, Joshua did not stay at the foot of the mountain with Aaron, the elders; he went half way on the mountain and stayed there as long as Moses was there (Exodus 24). Joshua also stayed in the tabernacle; he could hear how Moses prayed, observe the ways of Moses, ask Moses questions about the truth of the word of God, and the ways of God, and then imitate Moses in all things. No wonder after the death of Moses, the ministry fell upon Joshua; it was no accident (Joshua 1)! God promised Joshua, if you stick to this book of the Lord, like Moses did, observe to do according to all that is written in it, like Moses did, meditate in this book day and night like Moses did; follow Me like Moses did; I will also be with you, and perform miracles for you, and through you, like I was with Moses. Moses parted the Red Sea, Joshua parted the Jordan. Moses defeated three kings and performed wonders; Joshua defeated thirty-one kings and performed wonders too. God did greater miracles through Joshua. Elijah and Elisha are also a type of Jesus and his disciples. Please read the bible study: “Return journey Gilgal-Jordan (East)” to see what every step of the journey prophetically means. Some people have been deceived; not knowing either the scriptures or the power of God, to think, the condition to carry out the same ministry of Elijah, and do greater works, was merely: if you see me taken from you, it shall be so to you (2Kings 2:10).

No, Elisha embraced the life, the truth and the way of God, that was in Elijah. Other sons of the prophets stopped half way! Every revelation calls for a new consecration and sanctification. And some of the sons of the prophets, decided to stop at the revelation of Gilgal, where they received the imputed righteousness: the reproach or Egypt was rolled away, and God circumcised their heart the second time, by removing the filth of the flesh! Some sons of the prophets stopped at the revelation of Bethel, where they received the imputed holiness and their body became the temple of the Holy Ghost, and they started building the alter of prayer in their life, and joined a church where they were taught the truth of the word of God. Some sons of the prophets decided to stop at the revelation of Jericho, where they were taught what true praise and worship is, and what spiritual warfare is, how the Father seeks those who will worship Him in spirit and in truth, not those who will draw close to Him with their lips, while their heart is far from Him.

Some sons of the prophets stopped at the revelation of Jordan west. They were not willing to cross the Jordan to receive the second baptism, or the removing of the filth of the flesh and the world, but the answer of a pure and good conscience toward God, denying ourselves, dying to self daily, picking up our cross daily and following Jesus, on the East side of the
Jordan, where the Sun of Righteousness rises with healing in His wings. Crucifying our old man and its sinful nature in the body of Christ on the cross, being buried with Him in baptism, so that sin no longer rules over us, so that His resurrection life, can flow through us. As Paul says: always bearing about the dying of the Lord Jesus in the body, so that the life of Jesus also might be revealed in our body (2Corinthians 4:10). Elisha was the only one who was willing to go all the way, saying to Elijah: as your soul lives and the Lord lives, I will not leave you, and he had to silence many voices, first of all the voices in his own head, then the voices of the other sons of prophets, and fight discouragement. It was no accident that Elisha received the ministry of Elijah (2Kings 2).

Elisha did the same miracles and even more miracles than Elijah did. They recorded eight miracles done by Elijah in the bible; they recorded sixteen miracles done by Elisha. The disciples of Jesus also did not get the same ministry Jesus had, just because they saw Him ascend to heaven in a cloud (Acts 1). They were with Him three and half years. He taught them the word, how to pray, His way, His life. In John 6, when people thought that the teaching of Jesus became hard, and not popular any longer, many disciples did not walk with Jesus from that time forward; but these ones did like Elisha, they stayed! Sanctification and consecration is not as hard as some people may think it is. If you and I spend time in the word of God, in prayer and in becoming doers of the word, it will be an effortless process. The disciples of Jesus also did the same works of Jesus, even greater works: the shadow of Peter was healing the sick. It is the will of God that you and I, in our generation, do the same works of Jesus, and greater works; but we also need to embrace His life, His truth and His way!

Some people who were not saved came for prayer for their terminal sickness; God performed a miracle, and they were asked to make Jesus their Lord and saviour, yet they refused. And God did many miracles in their life to show them how much He loves them. They still refused to follow Jesus. When Jesus heals us, He expects us to follow Him, not go back to sinning or to the Satanists. Jesus healed the man at the pool of Bethesda. Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, Behold, you are made whole. Sin no more lest a worse thing come to you (John 5:14).

Do not go back sinning, but be born again and follow Jesus! Do not go back to those Satanists; worse things will come upon you. When the unclean spirit has gone out of a man, he walks through dry places seeking rest, and finds none. Then he said, I will return into my house from where I came out. And when he has come, he finds it empty, swept, and decorated. Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter in and live there. And the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so it also shall be to this evil generation (Matthew 12:43-45).

**VII.4 Sin and unbelief or faithlessness in the person receiving ministration, cannot stop the power of God**

When it comes to healing, casting out devils, cleansing lepers and raising the dead, or performing any miracles, signs and wonders in the name of Jesus; sin and unbelief or faithlessness cannot stop the power of God. You and I, before we were born again, the bible says: we were dead in sins and trespasses (Ephesians 2:1). And yet when we heard the good news of Jesus who could forgive all our sins, all our trespasses and all our iniquities; we ran
for our life, even from the salvation of our souls! So if sins, trespasses and iniquities could stop the power of God, then you and I could never be born again! Because we were still dead in our sins and trespasses, and when we believed the report of the Lord, He revealed His power to us, to save our souls, thus delivering us from the power of darkness and translating us from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of the Son of His love (Isaiah 53:1, Colossians 1:13). Here we are not talking of people who willingly despise the riches of the goodness and forbearance of God, as we have already detailed in the previous section.

You as a minister of the gospel, need to hate evil and depart from it, and then practice righteousness, if you want to be used greatly by God like Peter and the early disciples were (Acts 10:34-35). When you practice righteousness and holiness, you are pure spiritually, and whatever you ask God for the people, even if they are not right with God yet, He will do it for them because of the purity of your hands. As it is written: You shall also decree a thing, and it shall be fulfilled to you; and the light shall shine on your ways. When men are cast down, then you shall say, There is lifting up; and he shall save the humble person. He shall deliver one not innocent, and will deliver by the pureness of your hands (Job 22:28-30). Truly God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean heart or pure heart (Psalm 73:1). You must keep the commandments of God and do the things that are pleasing in His sight if you want Him to grant you whatever you ask (1John 3:20-22). In other words, you will have to embrace the sanctified life of Jesus, His way and truth, if you want to be greatly used by God to do the works of Jesus (John 14:6-12).

You who minister, do not necessarily need to ask anybody receiving ministration, to first of all give their life to Christ, and then you will cast out their demons, or heal their sick, or raise their dead in the name of Jesus. If you offer them salvation of their soul first, and they accept, giving their life to Christ, that is great. But if they do not want to give their life: demonstrate the power of God by casting out their demons, healing their sick, cleansing their lepers and raising their dead, in the name of Jesus, and then once they have seen the power of God at work, then tell them again to give their life to Christ. That is what Jesus taught us: if the people do not believe your words, cause them to believe for the sake of the very works God is performing through you (John 14:11). It is only because you and I believed, that sin and unbelief, could stop the power of God, that we gave sin and unbelief that power that they did not have, for if you believe a lie (something that does not agree with the written word of God) you empower the liar (the devil is a liar and the father of all lies). But once you start thinking according to the scriptures, you will believe that nothing can stop the power of God!

The first healing recorded in the bible, is the healing of Abimelech and his barren household in Genesis 20. Abimelech and all his household were dead in their sins and trespasses, because none of them was born again, and they were not in the Covenant with God. Paul explains to us that when a person is not born again, or does not even have the Covenant of Abraham, he is without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world (Ephesians 2:12).

But Abraham was in a covenant with God, you are also in a Covenant with God, like father Abraham, through Christ Jesus. Paul explains to you, that if you belong to Christ, meaning if you have given your life to Christ and made Him your Lord and Saviour, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heir according to the promise (Galatians 3:29). So you and father
Abraham, have a covenant with God through Christ Jesus, because Abraham also believed in Christ Jesus, as we explain in the bible study on Jehovah Jireh. So even if Abimelech and all the unsaved people around us are dead in sins and trespasses, without Christ, aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope that God will heal them or deliver them of the oppression of the devil, without God in this world; but we have the solution for them, like Abraham had a solution for Abimelich and all his household. The bible says: Abraham prayed to God, and God healed Abimelech, his wife and his female servants. Then they bore children (Genesis 20:17).

You can pray for your unsaved neighbours and God will heal them, you can pray for your unsaved married neighbours who are barren and God will cause them to bear children, and then you can tell them: you have seen the miracle that my God has wrought in your life, give your life to Christ. For God has been so good to you, and it is His goodness toward you, that is supposed to lead you to repentance, please do not despise the riches of His goodness, and forbearance, and longsuffering toward you (Romans 2:4).

Naaman, in 2Kings 5, was a commander of the army of Syria. Syria was not in the covenant with God, so Naaman was dead in sin and trespasses, alien from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, had no hope, and without God in the world. And worse than that, Syria was the enemy of Israel, they were constantly making war with Israel, and the one leading the troops of Syria to go and kill the Israelites was Naaman, since he was the commander of the army of Syria. Now some of us will think maybe for an unsaved person who loves our nation Israel, God will deem him worthy to receive a miracle! That is what the Jewish leaders in the days of Jesus thought.

The bible tells us: a certain centurion’s servant, who was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die. And when he heard of Jesus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, beseeching Jesus that He would come and heal his servant. And when they came to Jesus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this: For he loves our nation, and he has built us a synagogue (Luke 7:2-5). Jesus did not go to that house, because he thought that the centurion was worthy; for he loved the nation of Israel and gave them money to build their house of prayer. Earthly people think like that, God and Jesus do not think that way. As far as God is concerned, both Naaman, who does not love the nation of Israel and destroys their houses, kills their men and women, and plunders their inheritance, and the Roman centurion, who loves the nation of Israel, and has built them a synagogue, both are dead in sins and trespasses; God is no respecter of persons. If they come to him for healing, He will heal them both.

In 2Kings 5, Elisha healed Naaman of his leprosy by instructing him to go and dip himself seven times into the river Jordan, and he would be cleansed, and it happened exactly as Elijah said! In Luke 7:2-10, Jesus sent forth the word, and the servant of the Roman centurion was made whole. That is what many Christians find hard to believe. I have prayed for people, who were not born again and were living in fornication for 18 years, and yet God healed them of diabetes and the medical result proved their healing. God performed a miracle for their pregnancy; for they were losing the child, but God saw that pregnancy to the end and the child was born perfect, and I dedicated the child to God according to Luke 2. Then when they had seen the goodness of the Lord they said, we want to get married, so that we will no longer be living in fornication. Jesus told us: as you go, preach, saying, The kingdom of
heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely you have received, freely give (Matthew 10:7-8).

In other words: do not pick and choose in your own eyes, who is worthy by their good deeds or evil deeds to be born again, to be healed, delivered, cleansed, or raised from the dead. Saul consented to the murder of Stephen and made havoc in the church, by dragging them out of the houses, and imprisoning those who called on the name of Jesus (Acts 7, Acts 8). So for pharisaical Christians, Saul would not be worthy to be born again, let alone to receive his sight back! He is in the eyes of the church, like Naaman was in the eyes of Israel. God had to arrest Saul on the road to Damascus, because God loved him, not because God hated him and wanted to punish him. Satan said to himself: this Saul is very zealous, but has no knowledge of the truth; I will use his zeal for the tradition of men against the church. God had to save Saul from himself, and of course at the same time, protect His believers.

In Acts 9, when Saul encountered Jesus on the road to Damascus, after that encounter, he had scales in his eyes which blinded him. God sent a disciple name Ananias to go and minister salvation of the soul to Saul, and open his blind eyes and minister the baptism of the Holy Ghost to him. But Ananias was trying to explain to God that this guy Saul was not worthy to be born again, and let alone to receive his sight back. The account goes like this: there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, he prays, And has seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight. Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem: And here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name [to cut the story short in my humble opinion, God, I think You are making a big mistake with this guy Saul. He is not worthy to be born again or receive his sight. Let him be blind as a punishment, so that all who trouble Christians may know that You will strike them with blindness!]. But the Lord said unto him, Go your way: for he is a chosen vessel unto Me, to bear My name before the Gentiles (non Jewish nations), and kings, and the children of Israel: For I will show him how great things he must suffer for My name’s sake (Acts 9:10-16).

As we read the rest of the account in Acts 9, Ananias obeyed God and as a result Paul, who once used to be Saul, the persecutor of Christians, was now a powerful weapon in the hand of God. Yes, when Jesus struck Saul with blindness, it was a judgment, for disrupting Christian gatherings, and hindering the furtherance of the Gospel. And later, we see how Paul in Acts 13:6-12 struck Elymas the sorcerer with blindness, in the name of the Lord Jesus; because Elymas was turning people away from the faith. Today some Pharisaical Christians who have not forgiven Paul, because they deemed he was unworthy to be called into the kingdom, let alone to be an Apostle of Jesus, and receive all that revelation. They will say things like: Paul had to pay for all the things he did to the church before his conversion. They will say: even Jesus said to Ananias: For I will show him (Saul) how great things he must suffer for My name’s sake. So they will use that to say: that is why Paul suffered a lot for the preaching of the gospel, it was to pay for all the evil he did before his conversion. That is why they beat him so many times, they stoned him, they put him in prison, etc; it was because he sowed evil in his life before his conversion, and even after his conversion, he reaped evil for the
May you never buy into that pharisaical preaching! If I knew that, because of my past, God would punish me when I became born again, first, I would not become born again, because, if running back to my Father’s house, meant constant punishment for the rest of my life, I would rather stay outside of the house of God, and be with the unsaved people. At least, only when I die, then I will face that punishment in hell. I was talking to a couple, their son left home and did not come home for three days. So they asked me to pray that the son would come back home. I did pray, and I asked that God would send an angel to the boy to bring him back home the same day (Psalm 91:11-12, Hebrews 1:14). And I asked the parents to show some love to the boy, for they were too hard.

So the boy came back home the same day. But he told his parents that after he had already exceeded the hour his parents gave him to come home the first day, he was afraid to be punished, so he would rather stay out, than be punished. But after three days out in the streets, something told him to come home and apologize to his parents. If people think you are so harsh when they come home, they would rather stay out. Read the bible study on: Come Home. It is based on the story of the prodigal son who decided to come back home. These pharisaical Christians, who say such things about Paul or about any unsaved person who wants to turn to the Lord, do not know the heart of God.

Second, if I know, that after I am saved, God will make sure that as I preach the gospel, I will suffer because of my past life. I will always play it safe. I am saved, I have escaped from hell fire. I do not care about anybody; they can all go and burn in hell. I will not share this Jesus with anybody, because if I share His name, He will send people my way to beat me, try to kill me because of my past life. It is all these kinds of pharisaical teachings, that have made the word of God of no effect, so that people do not want to share the gospel of Jesus around them, because they think that God will punish them for their past life as they preach the gospel. In 2010, the Lord sent me to talk to an elderly man who was 90 years old at the time. He was a general overseer of an apostolic denomination. And I told him the prophesy that God told me about the next direction for his churches, and we discussed about Paul and he held the pharisaical views I have mentioned above, and I demonstrated to him from the scriptures, that it was not what happened to Paul, and that 90 years old man understood the will of God. After that I preached in his churches for two years.

God promised that when we turn to Him in repentance and are born again, He will forgive all our iniquities (even murder, sexual immoralties, idolatry, etc) and heal all our diseases (including the blindness of Saul) (Psalm 103:3). He has not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities (Psalm 103:10). So it was the devil attacking Paul to stop the spreading of the gospel, it was not God, God did not deal with Paul after his sins before his conversion, or reward Paul evil for evil he did before his conversion. James explains: Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither does He tempt any man (James 1:13). Nahum tells us: God is good (Nahum 1:7), and the Psalmist tells us: God is good and does good (Psalm 119:68). The Lord is good to all and his tender mercies are over all His works (Psalm 145:9). Preaching the gospel, healing the sick, casting out devils, and raising the dead, is the work that Jesus commanded us to do. So the mercies of the Lord are over all His work that He commanded us to do! God is good to all, not just to some and He does good; it does not says God is evil and
David who committed adultery and murdered Uriah continues to explain the goodness of the Lord, that follows him all the days of his life (Psalm 23:6) and says: For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us (Psalm 103:11-12). Paul reminds all of us of the promise God made to Jeremiah concerning the New Covenant, when people become born again, they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know Me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, says the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more (Jeremiah 31:34). For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more (Hebrews 8:12). And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more (Hebrews 10:17). When people treat you and reward you according to your transgressions and iniquities, it means they still remember them, and are still angry with you. Read the bible study of Jehovah Shalom and you will discover that God is not angry with you anymore! As we explained: God does not suffer from amnesia, or permanent memory loss, but He decided not to deal with us after our sins; nor reward us according to our iniquities (Psalm 103:10).

We have demonstrated according to the scriptures, that even if people are dead in sins and trespasses, or are persecuting the church, it will not stop the power of God to heal them, deliver them of oppression of the devil, or receive a miracle. Jesus said: I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land; But unto none of them was Elijah sent, save unto Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow (Luke 4:25-26). So Elijah performed a miracle of food multiplication for a widow of Sidon who was dead in sins and trespasses, alien to the commonwealth of Israel, and a stranger from the covenants of promise, without hope in the midst of the famine, and without God in this world (Ephesians 2:12). In Jesus’ time on earth in His physical body, we also have the woman of Canaan, whose daughter was demon possessed in Matthew 15:22-28. She also came to Jesus, not being in the covenant of Israel, and yet Jesus cast the demon out of her daughter.

People will say, I think, even though I am a born again Christian, my unbelief and my sins can stop the power of God, so that the people I pray for, do not receive their miracle, and I myself do not receive my miracle. Now if the sins of the people you are ministering to, cannot stop the power of God, according to the scriptures, what makes you think that your sins and unbelief, can stop the power of God? Now understand me clearly: I am not giving anybody a license to sin: he or she who practices sin belongs to the devil (1John 3:8). If you are overcome by a particular sin, you are slave to that sin, and the devil behind that sin.

Read the bible study on the Power of Confession and you will have a better understanding of why God does not want born again Christians to keep on sinning. When we sin, our conscience accuses us, and we no longer have confidence toward God, that He will answer our prayers. So the devil is after our confidence to make us ineffective in the preaching and demonstration of the gospel. That is why Jesus, when He prayed for us before going through his passion, He explained to us: They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them (set them apart from the world) through your truth: thy word is truth.[Christians want to be effective in their soul winning and demonstration of the power of
God, but they are still living in the same sins like the unsaved, it will not work properly. They need the word of God explained to them rightly as we do succinctly in all these “My Weekly Milk” letters, so that they will know who they are in Christ, and how they are to be set apart from the ways of the word) As You have sent Me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world [Jesus sends every born again believer to go and preach the gospel of the kingdom of God, to make disciples, not mere converts, to heal the sick, to cast out devils, to cleanse lepers and to raise the dead]. And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

[Jesus knew that He could not just talk the talk, and not walk the walk: telling people, do what I tell you to do, but do not do what I do. It does not work! There comes a time when we will stop living just for ourselves, but also for the sake of the people around us. Because the only way they will know God, is through us. And we are making disciples; our life is a seed that we sow into other people’s lives. Just like Jesus sowed His life into our life, Jesus’ life was a tree of righteousness, a planting of the Lord. The seed of His life, which He sowed in His disciples, was also that incorruptible seed of righteousness. That incorruptible seed grew in the life of His disciples, and they also became a tree of righteousness, a planting of the Lord. Your life is that tree, that is casting seeds into the hearts of all the people you are discipling. Either you are a tree of lawlessness, the planting of the devil, or a tree of righteousness, the planting of the Lord! The Lord God in Genesis says, every tree reproduces after its own kind. Your disciples will watch your life and become like you, so if you and I are not representing Jesus who was sent by God correctly, they also will do the same thing]. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also, which shall believe on me through their word (John 17:16-20).

So please, when you stand before Jesus, never say that Gery condoned our sins! I never did and I never will, but like John says: My little children, these things I write unto you, that you sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous (1John 2:1). If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1John 1:9). Even though, God will restore a backsliding Christian, and use him mightily, sin always leaves scars! Samson never recovered his sight after they had put out his eyes; he now needed a young man to supervise his movement (Judges 16)! When you fall into sexual immoralities as a minister of the Gospel, even when you are restored, you will still be under supervision and accountability to other ministers, even younger ministers in the faith than you; for nobody trusts your whereabouts anymore! You need to rebuild that trust and earn that trust, it will no longer be automatic and some people will never trust you with a single word of your mouth again their whole life; though they once trusted you!

My prayer is, that we will all be a tree of righteousness, the planting of the Lord. You shall know them (born again Christians) by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree brings forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree brings forth evil fruit. [if you are born again you are a tree of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, and you will practice righteousness, but if you are not born again you are a tree of lawlessness, the planting of the devil, and you will practice sin, which is lawlessness]. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that brings not forth good fruit, is hewn down, and cast into the fire (Matthew 7:16-19).

Having hammered home the way God hates sin, but so loves sinners, and loves
righteousness, and then honours the righteous who practice righteousness. As He said to Samuel: for those who honour me I will honour, and those who despise me, shall be lightly esteemed (1Samuel 2:30). Now let us look at examples in the bible on how the sins, lies and unbelief of a person who is in a covenant with God, does not stop the power of God, or the promise of God to come to pass. Some examples of how your sin or disobedience cannot stop the power of God to perform a miracle for the people. The people in the wilderness were asking for water to drink, and the first time God spoke to Moses commanding him to strike the Rock, and water will come out for the people to drink, but the second time God said to Moses do not strike the Rock, but only speak to the Rock, and water will come out of the Rock. But Moses in anger struck the Rock. So Moses disobeyed God’s command, which is sin, but God still performed that miracle for the people, because God had compassion on the people, so He overlooked the sin of Moses, and performed the miracle for the people (Numbers 20).

But we know that that mistake cost Moses a lot, because of that mistake, he did not enter the promised land! It was the same thing for Samson, he was living in sexual sin, but God wanted to save His people Israel from the oppression of the Philistines, and Samson performed miracles in the name of the Lord to deliver Israel from their oppressor. But as for Samson himself, who refused to repent of those sexual sins, it cost him a lot. He fell into the hands of his enemies and they put out his eyes, and he died in the prime of his life. It was not God’s plan that Samson should die young, but he would not repent of his sexual immoralities. But before his death, Samson repented (Judges 13 to Judges 16). Moses and Samson are not our example when it comes to how they disobeyed God or in the case of Samson, practiced sin. But we should look at their faith in God, not in themselves; for they are listed as heroes of faith in Hebrews 11. Jesus is our ultimate Example of faith and of how we should not practice sin. God used imperfect people to carry out His perfect plan of salvation, so no matter what your life has been, you can take courage that God will use you as well, and get your life together according to the written word of God.

Let us go back to Abimelech and Abraham in Genesis 20. Sarah and Abraham lied to Abimelech that they were brother and sister. This is Abraham, the friend of God, telling lies because he feared for his life. As it is written: Abraham said of Sarah his wife: she is my sister (Genesis 20:2). God said to Abimelech: indeed you are a dead man because of the woman whom you have taken, for she is a man’s wife. Abimelech did not come near Sarah; and he said: Lord will you slay a righteous nation also? Did he [Abraham your friend the prophet] not say to me: she is my sister? And she [Sarah], even she herself said: he is my brother. In the integrity of my heart and innocence of my hands I have done this (Genesis 20:4-5).

So you see Abraham and Sarah lied to Abimelech, Abimelech was innocent, but yet him and his household became barren. God asked Abraham, who lied to Abimelech, to go and pray for the healing of Abimelech and his house. And when Abraham prayed for him and his household, they were healed. Abraham was not a perfect man, once in a while because of the fear of men he would lie about who he truly was. Abraham did not have the advantage that you and I have: we have the bible to tell us what God will do if we stand on His word. You and I have the promise of God that says: I will never leave you, nor forsake you. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me (Hebrews 13:5-6). Pilate thought he was the one who had power to kill Jesus or to set him free. Pilate
said to Jesus, Do you not speak to me? Do you not know that I have authority to crucify you, and I have authority to release you? Jesus answered, You could have no authority against Me unless it were given to you from above [by My Father God]. Therefore he who delivered Me to you has the greater sin (John 19:10-11).

I remember when I came back to the Lord, when He healed my backsliding and loved me freely. I was ashamed to tell people about my faith, especially when I met a French speaking person. For one strange reason that I cannot explain, I thought I had more ties with French speaking people than English speaking people. The opinion of French speaking people mattered to me; but I did not care whatsoever about what the English speaking people thought about me and my Jesus. So when French speaking people would talk to me, I would even lie that I was not a Christian. One of my best friends at that time, who was a French speaking person, said to me: whenever people go to the UK they either become radical Muslims or radical Christians, and it seems like you, Gery, have become a radical Christian! No I am not a radical Christian, but a normal Christian according to the bible. But God was still healing sick people through my hands. And I cried out to God to help me, because I was so overly concerned with what French speaking people said, or thought about me.

And God helped me, and gave me an opportunity not to be ashamed again of the gospel of Jesus, and who I am in Christ. One day as I was going out of my house, I met a friend of mine. We went to high school together with him and his wife. We have not seen each other in 12 years. So they invited me to theirs. I said to God: when I go there, the first thing I will do, is to tell them of my life since we left high school and all the mistakes I did in my life, as I explained in the bible study of David’s Sexual Sin Exposed, and how God saved me. I am now born again and even a minister of reconciliation. I went to their house and told them everything. They were so silent while I was speaking that I thought that they thought the worst things about me in their head. But at the end they glorified God, because they also had been secret Christians and were backsliding. But when they were in Belgium a pastor gave them a prophecy, that as they are going into the UK they will meet God there. And for them it was a confirmation of that prophecy, and they rededicated their life to Christ. And now they are even studying the My Weekly Milk bible studies. Praise the Lord!

Isaac also lied to Abimelech and the people of the land about Rebekah his wife: he said she was my sister (Genesis 26:6-8). But Abimelech had already had a bad experience with Abraham the father of Isaac, he did not want to take any chance with Isaac. He observed Isaac and Rebekah closely. Then Abimelech called Isaac and said: quite obviously she is your wife; so how could you say: she is my sister? Isaac said: because I said, lest I die on account of her (Genesis 26:9). Yet in that same Genesis 26 where Isaac lied to everybody about his wife being his sister, God blessed him. Isaac sowed in that land and reaped a hundredfold and the Lord blessed him (Genesis 26:12). In Genesis 26:2-5 and Genesis 26:24-25, God appeared to Isaac and spoke to him. It seems like the lie of Isaac could not stop God from speaking to him, and pronouncing a blessing over him. Isaac was not perfect, but he obeyed God to stay in the land of Gerar of the Philistines, Abraham was not perfect, but he obeyed God to leave his country, and go to a land that the Lord would show him. God will not give up on us because we are struggling with a sin, He will help us get our life together.

I sometimes talk with a pastor friend who tells me: “I have not heard from the Lord for a month, I must be doing something bad, that is why God is not speaking to me. I have
confessed all my sins, but He is still not speaking to me. I have told God, show me my hidden
sins, so that I can confess them, and then you will be able to speak through me and use me”. That
pastor is sin conscious and not righteous conscious. God still spoke to Abraham and Isaac after they had lied about their wife being their sister, God still used Abraham to heal Abimelech and his household. Jacob also deceived his brother Esau, and lied to his father Isaac to get the blessing (Genesis 27). Yet in Genesis 28 when Jacob was running away for his life, God spoke to him in a dream and gave him wonderful promises.

Jacob dreamed. And behold! A ladder was set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to Heaven! And behold! The angels of God were ascending and descending on it! And behold! Jehovah stood above it, and said, I am Jehovah, the God of Abraham, your father, and the God of Isaac! The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your seed. And your seed shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south. And in you and in your Seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed. And, behold, I am with you, and I will keep you in every place where you go, and will bring you again into this land. For I will not leave you until I have done that which I have spoken of to you. And Jacob awakened from his sleep. And he said, Surely Jehovah is in this place, and I did not know. And he was afraid, and said, How fearful is this place! This is nothing but the house of God, and this is the gate of Heaven (Genesis 28:12-17)!

God did not condone the lie of Abraham, neither did he condone the lie of Isaac nor did he condone the lie and deception of Jacob, nor did He condone the lie of Gery; but their sins did not stop God from speaking to them, and giving them great revelations, and blessing them, or using them to heal the sick. If God dealt with any of us according to our sins, and rewarded us according to our transgressions, none of us would be qualified to receive the manifestations of the promises of God, or to be used by Him. That is why Paul tells you: Then where is the boasting? It is excluded. Through what law? Of works? No, but through the law of faith. Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith, without the works of the Law (Romans 3:27-28). God will work with you as long as you have a willing heart to be transformed, into the image of Christ, and no longer be conformed to this world; God will work with you and through you. And we see Jacob, when he came back from Laban’s house, he was a different man, even a transformed man!

That is what Paul explains: For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man has, and not according to that he has not (2Corinthians 8:12). That is why a new born again Christian easily receives their miracles, because they know they do not deserve it; it is based on the mercies of God, not on their good deed. They never present any of their good works as a reason why they should be healed, delivered, prospered, etc. But they have a willing heart and willing mind to turn their life around, forsake their evil ways and become doers of the word of God; so that they will bring pleasure to the heart of their heavenly Father. They know they have not been tithing for a single day in their life, and if God were to prosper them financially or bail them out financially, based on their giving, they would not qualify at all. They have never tithed and in the church there are people who have been there for 40 years and have tithed all their Christian life.

But that new born again Christian says only: God I believe it is your will to prosper me, and that I should be in health too, as my soul prospers (3John 1:2). I know the grace (unmerited favour not a merited favour, and the divine empowerment) of our Lord Jesus Christ, that,
though He was rich, yet for my sake He became poor, that I through His poverty might be rich (2Corinthians 8:9). So I rely on Your grace, because I do not merit any of Your goodness or divine empowerment to prosper me, and bail me out financially. And as You prosper me Lord, from this day forward, even the little I have, I will follow your biblical prosperity plan.

The same thing for healing; a new born again Christian will say in his heart: Jesus, You commanded every born again Christian to preach the gospel, cast out devils, cleanse lepers, heal the sick and raise the dead. I have not been born again for more than an hour, but I am willing to go and just share the testimony of my salvation, to lay hands on people, and I know it has nothing to do with me, but with Christ Jesus who by His stripes healed them (1Peter 2:24). So I am willing to go, use me, I do not know all the scriptures yet, I do not even know how to pray yet as I ought to; but Your Holy Spirit who dwells in me will teach me (Romans 8:26-27). I have never fasted yet; but I am willing to learn, teach me Lord. But someone who has been in Christianity a long time, will be telling God: use me to preach and heal, because I read my bible every day, I fast twice a week, I pray one hour every day, I pay my tithe, etc.

For the LORD sees not as man sees; for man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart (1Samuel 16:7). It is all about Jesus and His finished work on the cross, all those things, we ought to have done them. Jesus says: Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, justice, mercy, and faith: these ought you to have done, and not to leave the other undone (Matthew 23:23). Yes we ought always to pay our tithe, we ought to pray and not lose heart or give up (Luke 18:1). We ought to fast for the right motive (Mark 2:18-20). We ought to read our bible and meditate on the word of God and not be ignorant of the will of God (Joshua 1:8). All these things the Scribes and Pharisees were excelling in, so they were presenting God their deeds of the law, their performance. But they forgot the weightier matters of the law in the eyes of God: first Justice, second mercy and third faith.

VII.5 The weightier matters of the Law: Justice, Mercy and Faith

First weightier matter of the Law is Justice, because God cares about the way we treat one another. If we love God, we will love the people who are created in His image and after His likeness. We will treat them fairly and never defraud them. People miss the reason why God gave them the commandments in the wilderness. The gods of the pagans, which are but demons, only take worship from the people, but do not care about the way you treat your fellow human. The God of Israel, whom we worship through Jesus Christ, first demands to be the only God in our life: I am the LORD your God, who have brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods before Me (Exodus 20:2-3). For you and me, He is the God who delivered us from the power of darkness and translated or conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love when we were born again.

And all the other commandments He gives us are so that we can love one another as He loves us. Jesus says: The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength: this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. There is none other commandment greater than these (Mark 12:29-31). God gave all the other commandments
so that we will treat each other right, and that no one will defraud his fellow human. John explains: Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwells in us, and His love is perfected in us (1John 4:12). We love Him, because He first loved us. If a man says, I love God, and hates his brother, he is a liar: for he who loves not his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? And this commandment have we from Him, That he who loves God must love his brother also (1John 4:19-21).

The purpose of us preaching the gospel is, so that people may know how much God loves them. Our actions of love, and the word of God toward the people, preach better than if they are but mere words, without the demonstration of the love of God, through the way we treat people. All the bible studies that we read are to teach us how we should relate to God, and also how we should relate to our fellow humans. When you discover how God relates to us in these bible studies, go and treat your fellow humans the same way! God says: righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne (Psalm 97:2). God imputed His righteousness to us when we were born again, and shed His love abroad in our heart through the Holy Spirit we received (Romans 5:5). So that we will be able to execute justice, or treat our fellow humans the way God would treat them, and not defraud them.

Micah says: But truly I am full of power by the Spirit of the LORD, and of justice, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin (Micah 3:8). When the Spirit of God came into your heart and upon you, it was not just to impute righteousness, and make you full of power and full of might. But it was to make us also full of justice. So that you and I will start treating people right, because we love God and His creation. We will declare to people their transgression and sins: how they are defrauding one another, and how they are defrauding God; because we want to establish the justice of the Lord which is based on the fact that we love God and love our neighbour. Jesus tells us: If you love Me, keep My commandments (John 14:15). If a man loves Me, he will keep My words: and My Father will love him, and We will come unto him, and make Our abode with him (John 14:23). A new commandment I give unto you, That you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this shall all men know that you are My disciples, if you have love one to another (John 13:34-35). For the justice of the Lord to be established around us, we will need to demonstrate the love of Christ to the people around us.

The second weightier matter of the law according to Jesus is mercy. Mercy is basically unmerited favour, getting what you did not deserve. It is according to the Webster dictionary a benevolence, mildness or tenderness of heart, which disposes a person to overlook injuries, or to treat an offender better than he deserves; the disposition that tempers justice, and induces an injured person to forgive trespasses and injuries, and to forbear punishment, or inflict less than law or justice will warrant. David puts it this way: God has not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us (Psalm 103:10-12). If you and I are not grounded in the mercy of God, we will blindly apply the justice or judgment of God on people, and miss the heart of God. David knew that there was not a day in his life that God would ever say to him: I will not be good to you David and not have mercy upon you! David understood how good and merciful God is, he said: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow
me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever (Psalm 23:6).

When you read the bible studies on Come Home, Neither Do I Condemn You, and David’s Sexual Sin Exposed, you will have a glimpse of how good and merciful God is, and some born again Christians would even be offended at God for being so merciful. The elder brother of the prodigal son in Luke 15, was offended at the Father for having mercy on the younger son, who willingly and deliberately left the father’s house, and wasted his father’s inheritance and lived in open sexual immorality. Sometimes our obedience is not perfect, but God who knows our heart, overlooks many things and covers our sins, because of His mercy. The base of mercy is love. You want to give people another chance to get it right and not treat them the way they treated you, or repay them evil the way they did evil to you! Jesus tells us to be merciful to our fellow humans.

Whoever shall compel you to go a mile, go with him two miles. Give to him who asks of you, and you shall not turn away from him who would borrow from you. You have heard that it was said, “You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy.” But I say to you, Love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, so that you may become sons of your Father in Heaven. For He makes His sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what do you do more than others? Do not even the tax-collectors do so? Therefore be perfect, even as your Father in Heaven is perfect. (Matthew 5: 41-48)?

James tells us: mercy triumphs over judgment (James 2:13). When you are only concerned about the justice of God and are blind to the mercy of God, you will of course vindicate the oppressed; but you will not give any room to the oppressor to repent of their sins. God gave room to Moses the murderer, to repent and be a powerful vessel in the hands of God. David and Paul were also murderers, but God gave them room to repent and turn their lives around. God could have applied the justice or judgment of the Lord blindly on Moses and David, to vindicate the life that they took, as Moses himself wrote: he who kills any man shall surely be put to death (Leviticus 24:17). So if God had killed Moses, David and Paul, it would have been fair for the family of that Egyptian whom Moses killed, for the family of Uriah whom David killed, and the family of Stephen whom Paul consented that he be killed. So it is not fair for those people who were murdered, wronged and defrauded, that the perpetrators of those crimes and offenses were not duly punished. Where is the justice of God?

But God is a righteous Judge; He cannot break His own law. Someone must pay and be punished for the offense, sin, transgression and iniquity. So God had decided from the foundation of the world to slay the Lamb of God (Revelation 13:8). And physically, Jesus the Lamb of God, was manifested 2,000 years ago, to bear in His flesh the punishment for the sins, trespasses and iniquities of the whole world, and become the scapegoat for everybody. So that if you decide to put your faith in God through Jesus Christ the Lamb that was judged for all the sins, trespasses and iniquities of the whole world, and became the scapegoat for all the inhabitants of the earth, you can receive the mercy of God, instead of the judgment of God. That is why Moses instituted the sacrifice of the lamb in Exodus 12. It was a prophetic action or shadow of Jesus, The Lamb of God. Moses and all Israel relied on the mercy of God. Egypt received the judgments of God, but the Hebrews, because they had killed a lamb in
every house, and put its blood on their lintels and doorposts, when the angel of destruction came, he saw the blood and passed over them. The Hebrews were not better people than the Egyptians, but they put their faith in Jesus the Lamb of God who was slain in their stead.

God has judged them in the body of His Lamb. Isaiah explains to all of us: Who has believed our report? And to whom is the arm of Jehovah revealed? For He comes up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground; He has no form or majesty that we should see Him, nor an appearance that we should desire Him. He is despised and rejected of men; a Man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as it were a hiding of faces from Him, He being despised, and we esteemed Him not. Surely He has borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions; He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was on Him; and with His stripes we ourselves are healed (Isaiah 53:1-5). So, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, David, Paul, brother Gery did not go unpunished for their mistakes (sins, trespasses and iniquities); but God punished all their sins, trespasses and iniquities and of the entire world in the body of Jesus. And because they decided to put their faith in the finished work of God through the person of Jesus on the cross, God had mercy on them!

I went to a church and the pastor was saying: grace and mercy is for Christians who have no works to show in the kingdom of God. But if you have been giving your tithes, serving in the church, you are entitled to receive the promise of the Lord! That pastor does not understand the Perfect Redemption Plan of God, neither what the weightier matters of the Law in the eyes of God are! He has fallen into the same trap the scribes and Pharisees fell in, in the days of Jesus. In the bible study on the Abecedary of Prayer, we explain that our strong reasoning is that Jesus paid it in full. All the other things we ought to do them, but what makes us receive anything from God, is because we accepted Jesus as our Lord and Saviour and decided to rely or rest on His finished work at Calvary, and certainly not rely or rest on our good deeds of the Law, although we ought to do those good deeds of the law, and ought to maintain good works (Titus 3:8). Truly God who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things (Romans 8:32)?

The third weightier matter of the law is faith. Now we understand why Paul says: that in Christ Jesus, what avails is the faith that works through love (Galatians 5:6). The first two weightier matters of the Law of God: justice or judgment and mercy, have the Agape or unconditional love of God for bases. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, so that whosoever believes in Jesus should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but so that the world might be saved through Jesus (John 3:16-17). The faith that works through love, is not through your love, but through the unconditional love of God, that He demonstrated by sending His Son Jesus Christ to die on the cross, so that whosoever believes in Jesus, is entitled to the promises of God.

Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, saying, Execute true judgment or true justice, and show mercy and compassion every man to his brother (Zechariah 7:9). True justice which is based on the unconditional love of God, never condemns a person, for Jesus was not sent to condemn the world, but it convicts the person and gives him a way out through Christ Jesus. But it is not enough to do the true justice, we also need to show the mercy of God, which is based on the unconditional love of God, and then show compassion on our fellow humans. As
we read the four gospels, people who were sick and diseased, used to cry out to Jesus to have mercy on them. And Jesus would sometimes say: your sins are forgiven and then heal that person (Luke 5).

Jesus knew that God had already executed true justice over all sins and all diseases, in the court of heaven, from the foundation of the world when He slew the Lamb (Revelation 13:8). And it was fully paid for when Jesus died on the cross. David under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit told us: The LORD executes righteousness and judgment or justice for all that are oppressed (Psalm 103:6). Sin, sickness, disease and premature death, are the oppression of the devil. David understood that the forgiveness of all sins, all trespasses and all iniquities and then the healing of all manner of sickness and all manner of diseases, are not individual cases. They were all paid for in the body of Jesus at the whipping post, and when He died on the cross, for all the inhabitants of the world past, present and future. It is as if there was a legal class-action law suit in heaven against Satan who was responsible for sin and sickness. Satan was found guilty in the court of heaven. So people will ask: what about mankind, was he not found guilty, since Adam and Eve voluntarily disobeyed God, and fell into that condition of sin and sickness and premature death? Are they just a by-product of sin?

You are right, mankind was also found guilty. But God decided to pour out the fiery judgment of His wrath, that was supposed to be on every human being, on the body of His only begotten Son Jesus, who died for the wages of the sins of the whole world, and bore in His body as a punishment in our stead, the griefs, maladies, diseases, sicknesses and calamities of the whole world (Isaiah 53:1-5, Romans 6:23). God then executed a judgment for all inhabitants of the earth against the oppression of the devil. So that if they are dead in sin and trespasses they can just decide to give their life to Christ, and God will forgive them of all their sins and iniquities, and will give them the gift of eternal life, so that they do not have to die for their sins and go to hell, unless they decide to refuse to make Jesus Lord and Saviour of their life (Romans 6:23). They also do not have to tolerate any kind of sickness or any kind of disease, for God also executed judgment for them, so that by the stripes of Jesus they were healed (1Peter 2:24).

Therefore David reminds everyone of us, that we should not forget the benefits we are entitled to, after God had executed judgment for us, who are oppressed by the devil. It was not only about forgiveness of our iniquities; but also the healing of all our diseases, and many other things contained in the salvation package of God (Psalm 103:2-5). That is why Jesus forgave the sins of people and healed all their sicknesses and all their diseases. Jesus executed true judgment or true justice, and showed mercy and compassion to every man or woman that came to him for salvation of the soul or healing of the body (Zechariah 7:9). He knew it was already a done deal in the court of heaven. And over and over in the four gospels the bible records that Jesus was moved with compassion and healed the people (Matthew 14:14). How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him (Acts 10:38).

Just like when a person comes and decides to give his life to Christ, Jesus does not come down from heaven, to die a second time, to shed His blood for the sin, and be buried and rise on the third day, just for that person. In the same manner, when a person comes to be healed or is raised from the dead, Jesus does not come down from heaven to be whipped for the
healing of that person. But once for all 2,000 years ago He was manifested in the flesh, was whipped for the healing, was crucified for the sins, buried and raised on the third day. Paul tells us: this Man, Jesus, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God; From henceforth expecting till His enemies be made His footstool. For by one offering, He has perfected forever, those who are sanctified (Hebrews 10:12-14). The healing and the forgiveness of sin of the whole world were paid for once for all, and He has perfected those who are sanctified forever.

That is why Jesus tells us: have faith in God (Mark 11:22). Think of it this way: you live in the UK and you pay your gas and electricity. But all the distributors of Gas and Electricity, have been increasing their bills for 10 years, overcharging consumers for those ten years, and regardless of the distributor you use, they all had an agreement to practice the same tariffs. Now the consumers’ representative, managed to gather the complaints of 10,000 consumers within the UK, from all the Gas and Electricity distributors, and filed a legal class action law suit against all those Gas and Electricity distributors in the UK, for overbilling their consumers for about 10 years. Now you were not among the 10,000 people who put their complaints for the class action law suit, neither did you even attend any of the days of the trial in court, nor were you even informed that such a legal class action was going on. But the judge executed judgment for the consumers, so that the Gas and Electricity distributors, would have to pay back £200 per year, which they had unreasonably charged their consumers.

Of course the 10,000 first complainers, will be the ones receiving £200 each, per year, which they were unreasonably billed by the Gas and Electricity distributors. But those 10,000 consumers, only constitute a sample of all consumers of Gas and Electricity in the UK, and since it was a class action law suit, and the judgment was executed for the consumers, therefore all consumers of Gas and Electricity within the UK, are now entitled to a refund of £200 each per year, for those ten years they were unreasonably charged by those Gas and Electricity distributors. That is why companies hate class action law suits, because it can lead them to bankruptcy. They would rather deal with the complaints of their consumers separately, each one as an isolated incident. In that case, even if they have to refund £3,000 to 10,000 unhappy consumers, they will only lose £30,000,000. But if they lose in a class action law suit, it is not just £200 for 10 years, which is £2,000 per consumer, for that period of 10 years that they will have to refund. Although at first, it is only the first 10,000 consumers whose complaints were gathered, to constitute the class action law suit, all together it will be £20,000,000. But after those 10,000 consumers have each received their £2,000, they will have to pay £2,000 to about 18.2 million families in the UK (according to the census of 2012). They will lose £36.4 billion, they will go bankrupt for good!

That is the revelation Satan does not want Christians to get. It is a class action law suit, and God, the Judge of the Universe has already executed judgment for the oppressed. God wants the entire planet saved, because Jesus died for the whole world, God wants everybody on planet earth, made perfectly whole, because Jesus bore the stripes for them to be made perfectly whole. In our scenario with the Gas and Electricity distributors, when you hear the lawyer representing the consumers, giving the news on television, and when just a few minutes later, they also interview the judge live on television, who has executed judgment for all the consumers, you believe, because you know that the judge and the advocate of the consumers have no reason to lie. They also interview the lawyer representing the Gas and
Electricity distributors, and he confirms, in front of the news cameras, that he is disappointed by the ruling of the judge, and how he lost the case. You are so excited and the Judge and the advocate of the consumers give a new toll free number to call, to have more information on how you can get your refund quickly, and they also tell you: you can write to our office and we will send you the transcripts of the court decision and the form to claim your refund.

Many times you do not even wait for the letter to come to your house, you pick up your phone and dial that toll free number to get information on how to get your money, because you are also one of the 18.2 million families in the UK. Regardless of your skin colour, your gender, your language, your nationality, you live in the UK, and have been paying your Gas and Electricity, so you are entitled to that refund. Now God our Father is the Judge, and Jesus is our advocate with the Father, Satan is the accuser of the brethren (as we explain in the bible study: Abecedary of Prayer), the transcript of the decision of the court of heaven is contained in the bible, and the testimonies of some of the first set of people, who enjoyed the restoration of what was stolen from them, are recorded in the bible: all the salvation of souls, healing, deliverances, dead raisings, etc. You have your bible at home now, read it and understand the salvation package of God. Come and claim what is rightfully yours, it is long overdue! Everything in the Perfect Redemption Plan of God was settled, when God, from the foundation of the world, executed judgment for all who are oppressed, Jesus was made manifest in the flesh to pay for it in full. Jesus your advocate told us live from Calvary: It is finished (John 19:30)! Satan has no appeal to make, the judgment that was executed for the oppressed is final, there is no appeal, and it is finished! Do not ask God again if it is his will to save that person, or to heal that person, or to prosper that person, the answer is always yes!

Paul tells us: all the promises of God in Him are yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God by us (2Corinthians 1:20). And that is why when people came to Jesus He healed them all, of whatever sickness and whatever disease. As it is written: when Jesus knew it, He withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed him, and He healed them all (Matthew 12:15). Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases, brought them unto Jesus; and He laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them (Luke 4:40). And the whole multitude sought to touch Him: for there went virtue or power out of Him, and healed them all (Luke 6:19). The people, when they knew it, followed Him: and Jesus received them, and spoke unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing (Luke 9:11). Have faith in God! Come and claim what is yours, doubting nothing!

And Jesus sent you and I to save souls, heal the sick, cast out devils and raise the dead, like He did. If Christians all over the world get that understanding of the class action law suit that took place in heaven, and God the Judge, executed judgment for all the oppression, hell will go bankrupt! We will empty hell and destroy all the works of the devil; for that is our purpose here on earth (1John 3:8, John 20:21). After all it was the sole purpose of the life of Jesus, and it should be our sole purpose in life, as it is written: He who commits sin is of the devil; for the devil sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil [sin, sickness, disease, premature death, etc] (1John 3:8). Jesus said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for this purpose I am sent [so that the people’s souls are saved, their body made perfectly whole, etc] (Luke 4:43).
So Jesus tells us: Have faith in God (Mark 11:22). Why should God, the Judge of the Universe, who executed judgment for you the oppressed, lie to you? You might say: I was not there at the foundation of the world when that class action law suit took place, and I was not even there 2,000 years ago when Jesus bore the punishment for the whole human race. How can I know that it is true? Well, Jesus your Advocate and God the Judge, sent you the transcripts of that court case, and the judgment executed for all the oppressed, and some of the testimonies of the people who received the promises of that judgment, it is called the bible: Old Testament and New Testament! Just like in our scenario of the Gas and Electricity distributors: even if you were abroad while that court case was going on, and when the judge executed the judgment for the consumers. But when you return to the UK, you will see a letter in your house that the mail guy put through your door. As you open it, that letter tells you what you are entitled to as compensation, and you see the seal of the Royal Court of the United Kingdom, and the signature of both the Judge and Advocate of the consumers on that document. You know that that document is legitimate, and no one can revoke it. So you take that letter and write to that Gas and Electricity distributor of yours, commanding them to give back what they owe you.

The same way, God the Judge and King, and Jesus our Advocate sent us the sixty six books of the bible, they are sealed with the royal Seal of the Kingdom of God, even the Seal of the Holy Ghost (Ephesians 1:13) in the very blood of Jesus Christ which is the ink used, and it is signed in the name of Jesus Christ. For every decree written in the name of the King and sealed with the King’s signet ring (which is the King’s seal), no man and no demon can revoke it (Esther 8:8). Who is that man, woman or demon, who speaks and it comes to pass, when the Lord God has not commanded it (Lamentations 3:37)? God is not a man that He should lie, neither the son of man that He should repent or change His mind. Has He said, and shall He not do it? Or has He spoken, and shall He not make it good (Numbers 23:19)? Let God the King and Judge be True and every man, every woman and every demon a liar (Romans 3:4).

Satan is a liar and the father of lies, and all his demons are liars, and every man or woman who tells you anything that is contrary to the judgment God the Judge executed for the oppressed, is a liar according to the scriptures. As Jesus our Advocate told the Pharisees who did not want to believe the report of Jesus: Why do you not understand My speech? Even because you cannot hear My word. You are of your father the devil and the lusts or desires of your father you will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and the truth does not abide in him, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it (John 8:43-44). He, Satan, the thief and robber, does not come except to steal, kill and destroy, but I Jesus, your Advocate with the Father, the Judge and King of the Universe, have come, so that you may have life and that you may have that life more abundantly (John 10:10).

So, Have faith in God (Mark 11:22). For God is not a man, that He should lie [the devil is a liar not God]; neither the son of man, that He should repent or change His mind about His written word [for He says: I am the Lord and I do not change (Malachi 3:6)]: has God said, and shall he not do it? Or has God spoken, and shall he not make it good (Numbers 23:19)? Who do you think God is? Do you think that your earthly judges and earthly advocates are more honest than God? Do you think that your earthly judicial system is better than the heavenly...
judicial system? If you and your earthly judges then, being sometimes evil, know how to give
good gifts, even execute fair judgment for the oppressed, how much more shall God, the
Judge of Heaven and earth give good things, even execute true judgment for the oppressed
to those who ask Him (Matthew 7:11)?

God promised us: My Word [even the judgment I have executed for the oppressed], which
goes out of My mouth; shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it
shall certainly do what I sent it to do (Isaiah 55:11). I, God The Judge, will not break My
covention [even the promises contained in My written word for which Jesus shed His blood],
nor change the thing that has gone out of My lips (Psalm 89:34). Jesus your Advocate, who
shed His blood for you to be entitled to the promises of the written word of God, says:
Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away (Matthew 24:35). For
verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise
pass from the law [the written word of God], till all be fulfilled (Matthew 5:18).

So Jesus tells us: have faith in God! He does not say have faith in your faith in God, or have
faith in your works of the law, that they will commend you to God, or have faith in your good
deeds of the law to commend you to God; but have faith in God. If God said it, believe it is a
done deal! If Jesus said it, believe it is a done deal! If it is written in the bible, believe that it is
a done deal! Because everybody who wrote in the bible, was just like secretaries, writing
down what was being dictated to them by God, the Judge or Jesus the Advocate, hired by the
Father, to plead our case and Jesus won the case! Whatever Jesus says in the bible, it is
approved by God the Father the Judge. Jesus explains it to us, saying: I do nothing of Myself;
but as My Father has taught Me, I speak these things. And He who sent Me is with Me: the
Father has not left Me alone; for I always do those things that please Him (John 8:28-29).

The same way for everybody who wrote in the bible, both in the Old Testament and in the
New Testament, it was God through the Holy Spirit who spoke these things through them.
Jesus explains: when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He
shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak: and He will
show you things to come. He shall glorify Me: for He shall receive of Mine, and shall show it
unto you. All things that the Father has are Mine: therefore said I, that He shall take of Mine,
and shall show it unto you (John 16:13-15). So believe that everything in the bible is from
God, either it was God who spoke it directly, or Jesus or any of the prophets or apostles: the
real source of all those inspirations is God the Father, because those prophets and apostles
did not speak or write of their own authority, but they wrote what the Holy Spirit showed
them and taught them; the Holy Spirit Himself received those teachings, and things He
showed and taught them from Jesus Christ, and Jesus Himself received those teachings and
things He showed and taught us from God the Father; thus Jesus tells us: Have faith in God
(Mark 11:22)!

It has nothing to do with you; it has everything to do with God who said it: whether it was
through prophets, or through apostles or through Jesus Christ; God was the source of all
those promises. The Lord our God is a righteous God, and He performs His words (Nehemiah
9:8). Abraham did not have faith in his faith in God, but had faith in God! Abraham did not
have faith in his good deeds to commend him to God, for we know that he and Sarah
arranged for him to have Ishmael through Hagar (Genesis 16). Sarah was as guilty as Abraham for the adultery; because she was the one who suggested it to Abraham! And we also know that in Genesis 18:9-15 Sarah laughed at the promise that Jesus, The Angel of the Lord gave her of having a child; because she did not believe that it could happen again; for she was far advanced in age. And when Jesus told her that she had laughed in unbelief at the promise of childbearing, she lied to the face of Jesus that she did not laugh.

But father Abraham decided within himself: if he looked at his works of the law or good deeds, they will not commend him to God to receive that miracle. If he looked at the faith of his wife Sarah to be pregnant, it would never happen, for she did not believe and laughed at it. If he looked also at his own faith, it would not work, because the reason why he went into Hagar, was because he did not believe that the promise of God would come to pass again! And it was not Sarah alone who laughed at the promise of God in unbelief, but Abraham also. When he had committed his adultery with Hagar and had Ishmael, God came to him and promised him, that Sarah his wife would give him a child. The bible says Abraham fell on his face and laughed, and said in his heart: shall a child be born to a man who is one hundred years old, and shall Sarah, who is ninety years old, bear a child (Genesis 17:17)? So it was not only Sarah, but Abraham who also laughed in unbelief at the promise of God. Abraham even proposed to God, that He should not bother anymore bringing that promise to pass, but instead He should bless Ishmael. But God said: No, Sarah will bear you a child, and it is her child that I will bless (Genesis 17:15-22).

So if Abraham looked at his faith and the faith of Sarah his wife, he would not have been qualified to receive the miracle; because they both laughed in unbelief at the promise of God. If they looked at their good deeds of the Law or their works of the Law, they would not be commended to God for that miracle: because they lied and agreed to commit adultery with Hagar to have a child. That is why, when I go to heal people who are sick or diseased or barren, I never ask them to have faith, I Gery will have faith for them, even faith in God! I do not tell them to confess all their sins before God can do a miracle in their life. And I certainly do no blame them or be offended because they laugh to scorn in unbelief at the promise of God I give them! That is part of the mercy and the compassion we must have on people, because God has mercy and compassion on them. God knows how bad they feel, and how hopeless they are! You see Paul explains to us, saying: even if we do not believe (we are in unbelief or we are faithless), God, who promised, remains faithful because He cannot deny Himself (2Timothy 2:13). Faithful is God who called you (and gave you those promises in the bible), who also will do it (1Thessalonians 5:24), for all the promises of God in Christ Jesus are yes and Amen to the glory of God the Father (2Corinthians 1:20).

Abraham and Sarah decided to put their faith in God! God was the one who said it, He will perform it! Paul tells us: Abraham against hope, believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall your seed be. And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about a hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah’s womb: He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; And being fully persuaded that, what He had promised, He was able also to perform (Romans 4:18-21). The secret of faith, is to stop looking at yourself, because you will always feel inadequate to receive the miracle of God or to be used by God. God promised it, He will perform it!
John explains to us: For if our heart condemns us [father Abraham’s heart was truly condemning him, saying: you do not have faith, that is why you had Ishmael, you lied and laughed at the promise of God, both you and your wife Sarah. “Unbelief and sin stop the power of God”], God is greater than our heart, and knows all things [God and Jesus says: neither do We condemn you, for we know the distressing situation you have found yourself in, but go and sin no more (John 8:11)]. Then once we know that our past sins and unbelief cannot stop the power of God, and that God is not condemning us, and we have purposed to sin no more, John tells us: Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, then we have confidence toward God (1John 3:20-21). Our confidence is not toward ourselves, or our works and good deeds of the Law; but toward God, who gave us those promises. And John explains to us, that when our confidence and faith are not in ourselves or toward us, but in God and toward God, we know He will perform His words: this is the confidence that we have in Him (God through Christ Jesus), that, if we ask anything according to His will (the written word of God), He hears us: And if we know that He hears us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him (1John 5:14-15).

You do the part that God commanded you to do, and let God do the part that is impossible to man. For father Abraham, he had to meet with his wife Sarah, and God would do the rest to remove the barrenness and cause her be bear a child. Jesus is the one who commanded us, saying: as you go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give (Matthew 10:7-8). It is not you who said it, but Jesus who said it and as we have seen from the scriptures it is God who said it through Jesus. So you do your human part: go somewhere, go to your friend’s house, to a neighbour’s house, to your relatives’ house, to a supermarket, and open your mouth and tell them about Jesus, what He has done in your life, and what He can do in their life and for their problems.

Do not preach yourself, but Jesus Christ and the love of God, and as long as what you say, is in line with the written word of God, then it is not you, who is speaking, but God through the Holy Spirit is speaking in you (Matthew 10:20). Your physical presence there, is not what makes the difference, but what you believe in your heart, and the words that you speak, are what will truly make the difference in people’s lives. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart, brings forth the good. And an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart, brings forth the evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks (Luke 6:45). If in your heart you believe the promises of God of salvation of the souls, healing, deliverance and dead raising; when you open your mouth to speak in line with the written word of God, people around you, will experience what you believe in your heart, and what is coming out of your mouth. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness [one believes that he has right standing with God, to experience the manifestation of the promises of God], and with the mouth one confesses unto salvation [healing, deliverance, dead raising, prosperity, etc] (Romans 10:10). If we decide to keep quiet, or talk about secular things, we are changing nothing in their life, but if we make the choice of opening our mouth to speak things in line with the written word of God, then the words that we speak are Spirit and Life to those hearing them (John 6:63).

God will confirm His word coming out of your mouth, and conviction of sin will happen, edification will take place, people will give their life to Christ, people will be healed, delivered
from demonic oppression, cleansed from leprosy, raised from the dead. Do what you can humanly, and let God do the things which are impossible to men, even the miraculous. He will perform His words. As you read the bible always ask yourself this question: who promised it? The answer will always be God! It has nothing to do with you, but with God who promised it! Paul tells us: all the promises of God in Christ Jesus are yes and Amen (2Corinthians 1:20)! Then some people will have a problem with that; they will say: but what about my unbelief and sins, or partial obedience?

Jesus tells us: have faith in God or believe in God (Mark 11:22). The same Jesus, also tells us: Let not your heart be troubled: you believe in God, believe also in Me (John 14:1). Jesus knows that the enemy, Satan, is doing his best to trouble our heart with condemnation, telling us: how God cannot perform miracles in our life, how God cannot use us for His glory to preach the gospel, cast out devils, raise the dead and cleanse lepers. The plan of the enemy is to always make you look within yourself: you have not walked perfectly before the Lord, you have not fasted enough, you have not prayed enough, you have not tithed enough, you have not praised enough, you have not read your bible enough, you have not been attending church meetings, etc. Jesus is telling us: you believe in God, or you have faith in God, believe and have faith in Me also!

Then people will ask: why should I have faith in Jesus? I have faith in God, it is enough! I will explain it to you! There are days that I, Gery, commit sin (I am not talking about any of the sins leading to death listed in 1Corinthians 6:9-10), but James tells us: to him who knows to do good, and does not do it, to him it is sin (James 4:17). I know what God expects me to do in a particular situation, and yet I do not do it. God tells me to go and give a prophecy to a person and I do not do it! I say: God I will just pray! God told me to go to Glasgow to preach the gospel and for six months I did not obey Him, because of the fear that gripped my heart. God told me to call a friend and I refused to call him; because I did want that person to hate me, because of what God showed me about him, and how he needed to change! God told me buy gifts for such and such a person, and I said: I do not have enough money, for I have fear in my heart that God will not supply all my needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19)!

So my obedience to God was not perfect, and still is not perfect, but I am getting better at obeying the Lord promptly. I see a blind man in the street and I know that God wants him to receive his sight according to the scriptures; but I refuse to go to that blind man to open his eyes. Because I do not want to be humiliated, in case that person refuses I should pray for him. Some people came to me with a sickness or disease, and I did not offer to lay hands on them, or cast out that devil because I said: what if it does not happen? I do not want to give God a “back eye“! I do not want to tarnish the reputation of God. The truth is simple: I, Gery, was ashamed of the gospel of Christ which is the power of God unto salvation, healing, deliverance and dead raising, and also I was concerned with my reputation and ego. I was concerned with what people would think of me, I had not yet died to self! The problem is, I did not trust God that He would do what He promised in His bible, and I was overly concerned about me. I feared in my heart: what if God does not perform what He said in His word? In other words I was saying: what if God lied in the bible, what if He deceived the whole world and what if Jesus was a deceiver too?

But with time, as I started to become a doer of the word, and saw God being true to His
words and performing His words; I had more confidence towards God. But whenever I did not obey the Lord, my heart was troubled, and the devil brought accusations and condemnations into my heart. But God spoke to me in 2009 saying: concerning the ministering to the saints, it is superfluous for Me to write to you; for I, the Lord your God, know the willingness of your heart Gery, about which I boast of you to My saints, that Gery was ready a year ago; and your zeal has stirred up the faith of the majority (2Corinthians 9:1-2). When I woke up from that vision of the Lord, I was in tears, because I knew all the reasons God should not boast about me, and I told God: you made a mistake; I am not the guy you are looking for! I gave God names of many pastors’, children who were more well versed in scriptures than I, who had been in church their whole life, who never backslid like me, and whose English was perfect, for it was their first language; because even in my own eyes, my speech in English was contemptible.

God knew I was still struggling with things and I have the zeal without the knowledge, I looked at the outward appearance, but God looked at my heart. He saw I was genuinely willing to learn everything He would teach me and to obey His command, and He honoured the willingness of my heart. Indeed the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart (1Samuel 16:7). For if there be first a willing mind and heart, it is accepted according to that a man has, and not according to that he has not (2Corinthians 8:12). God knew where I was at, and knew that I was willing to renew my mind, to think like Jesus, and transform my heart and life, to be like the heart and life of His Son Jesus.

I did not look at my short comings and partial obedience, I put my faith in Jesus. Why? Paul explains to us: what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: so that the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit (Romans 8:3-4). O, praise God! There are times I know that I am not there yet, but I am still pressing on so that I will be like Jesus. I put my faith in Jesus because I am in Christ and in Him all the righteousness of the law is fulfilled in us. I have purposed, genuinely in my heart and mind to walk in the Spirit, which means becoming a doer of the word of God, not a hearer only deceiving myself (James 1:22). And God who grafted me in Christ Jesus the true vine, will prune me with His word, so that with time I will bear more fruit to bring glory to His name (John 15).

God instructed Moses that the people, when they sin, they should bring a lamb without blemish. The priest would examine the lamb whether it had blemishes or not. And if it was perfect, the person who brought that lamb to die in his stead for his sins, trespasses or iniquities, would lay his hands on the head of the lamb, to transfer all his sins, iniquities and trespasses, and then the priest would slay the lamb (Leviticus 4; Leviticus 5; Leviticus 6). Likewise in the New Covenant when you come to God in prayer, He is not trying to find blemishes on you, He is not trying to see if you perfectly obeyed all the righteous requirements of the law, but He is looking at Jesus the Lamb of God, who came and obeyed perfectly all the righteous requirements of the Law. And you are in Christ. That is the reason why you do not present your deeds of the law before God in prayer, as your strong reasoning in prayer, but present Jesus the Lamb of God, who died on the cross for your sins, trespasses and iniquity as a perfect sacrifice. That is why you must be familiar with The Perfect
Redemption Plan of God series, so that you will know what God provided for you, through the perfect obedience of Christ Jesus, who died on the cross in your stead.

All the heroes of faith listed in Hebrews 11, put their faith in Jesus Christ, not in themselves, nor in their good deeds. Someone like Samson, who was even frequently visiting prostitutes, is listed as a hero of faith. Samson repented at the end of his life. In the story of 1Kings 13, we have a young prophet and the old prophet. God sent the young prophet to deliver a message to the king of Israel. God told the young prophet not to eat bread, nor drink water in that place. But the old prophet lied to him, and said that God had spoken to him, and that the young prophet should come into his house. Yet, though the old prophet lied to the young prophet, it did not stop God from giving a prophecy through the old prophet, about what will happen to the young prophet, because he had disobeyed God's command. So the lie of the old prophet did not stop the Holy Spirit from giving him a prophecy! But does God condone the lie of the old prophet? The answer is no!

The church in Corinth was very carnal and babies according to Paul. I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto you were not able to bear it, neither yet now are you able. For you are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men (1Corinthians 3:1-3)? People need to revisit the foundation of salvation in the bible studies: Come Home, David's Sexual Sin Exposed and Neither do I Condemn You. Most of the time people are still carnal and babes in Christ; because they do not know who they are in Christ. That is why Paul wrote to the Corinthian church to teach them who they are in Christ Jesus. But God is not happy with born again Christians who know the truth and deliberately practice sin. Though the Corinthian’s church was carnal and babies in Christ, it did not stop God from manifesting the gifts of the Spirit among them. Paul tells us: Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you: So that you, Corinthian believers, come short in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ (1Corinthians 1:6-7).

So those babies in Christ are carnal (though they are no longer of the world, but they still act like the unsaved people of the world) of Corinth, were operating in all the nine gifts of the Spirit. Which means that the very first day you are born again, you can preach the gospel, cast out devils, heal the sick, raise the dead, prophesy, give the word of knowledge, give the word of wisdom, work miracles; because it has nothing to do with you, it has everything to do with God, who through Jesus, promised that these signs shall follow those who believe.

And the very day you are born again, though you are still a baby in Christ and do not even know any scripture yet, and your mind has not been renewed yet, and you are still carnal, because no one has taught you how born again Christians should imitate Jesus; yet these signs follow you; you just need to act on the word of God and God will confirm His word through you. God wants to save souls, make perfectly whole sick and diseased people, and demonstrate His power through every born again Christian, from the very first day they give their life to Christ. You do not need to be perfect for God to use you, just the way you are today, God wants to use you, it has nothing to do with you, but with God who promised and Jesus Christ who died for you, to have access to the promises of God.

God does not want you to stay a baby though, as we have explained in the bible study: Come
Home. Neither does He want you to stay carnal, because your carnal behaviour will cause unsaved people to not want to become born again; for you are the ambassador of Christ, and by your carnal behaviour, you are misrepresenting Him. As Paul explains: You who boast in Law (boast in the written word of God and in the fact that you are born again), do you dishonour God through breaking the Law (the written word of God)? For the name of God is blasphemed among the unsaved nations because of you (Romans 2:23-24). But do not wait another day for God to use you, if you have a willing heart and willing mind to be transformed into the image of Christ, by the renewing of your mind by the word of God, God has accepted you, and will prune you so that you will bear fruit, even much fruit (John 15).

So believe in God, believe also in Christ Jesus (John 14:1). Stop looking at your short comings, and your works and good deeds of the law. Therefore since we are also surrounded with so great a cloud of witnesses [of how God used imperfect people like Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, David, Noah, Samson, Peter, Ruth, Esther, Mary Magdalene, Deborah, Paul, Gery and many other of his saints, to carry out His Perfect Plan of Salvation], let us lay aside every weight and the sin which so easily besets us [if we decide to practice sin on purpose, then we will have no confidence toward God, for our heart and mind will be accusing us], and let us run with patience or endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the Author and Finisher of our faith [no longer looking unto ourselves and to our works and good deeds of the law, though we ought to do them], who for the joy that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising the shame [the joy that was in the heart of Jesus is, that you and I will be born again through His sacrifice, the righteous requirements of the law will be fulfilled in us, in His body], and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God [sent the Holy Spirit back to dwell in us, and upon us, so that we will be able to do the same works He did when He walked on earth, and do even greater works] (Hebrews 12:1-2).

VII. Sickness, diseases and premature death do not glorify God.

The enemy has been able to deceive some believers, that they will be saved, but, they will bear their sicknesses and diseases for “the glory of god”. My friend this wisdom is from the pit of hell! Even in the Old Testament God said to them, everyone who is bitten by the serpent, when he or she beholds the serpent of brass on the pole, shall live. If everyone who beheld the shadow of Jesus, was healed and lived, how much more we, in the New Testament, who have the Substance or Body of Jesus who was crucified. If we believe in Him, and place our faith in Him, should we not receive our healing, even perfect wholeness and live? We have established how Jesus took away sins and the curses of the law, so that Satan can no longer use them against us. Sicknesses, diseases, and death are the works of the devil, the work of God is to heal the sick and diseased, to raise the dead. When the disciples asked Jesus: who sinned that this man was born blind? Jesus answered: neither has this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

The work of God is to heal the sick, the diseased and to raise the dead, to forgive sinners, to break curses, to destroy all the works of the devil (1John 3:8). Jesus told the Jews: I must do the works of My Father who sent Me (John 9:4). The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, for He has anointed me, to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed. To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord (Luke 4:18-19).
The Lord Jesus, when He died on the cross for you, made it possible for you to be healed, even to be made perfectly whole. You may have a broken-heart due to a relationship which did not work, or is not working the way you want; Jesus will heal your broken heartedness. Or it may be a heart disease, Jesus will also heal that heart disease. Many people are held captive by bad relationships, unhealthy relationships, where there is physical or verbal abuse. People are held captive by their bad behaviours, which have become addictions: drug addiction, smoking, alcoholism, fighting, etc. Jesus has come to set you and me free from our captivities. Some people have physical blindness, or another kind of blindness, they do not see that they are walking in darkness and will soon fall into a ditch. Jesus has come to heal all kinds of blindness, be it natural or spiritual. People are oppressed at their work place, they are under stress; many people are on medication because of stress. They are in a relationship or surrounded by oppressive people or church leaders, Jesus has come to set at liberty those who are oppressed.

The number one cause of stress and sleepless nights is finance. People divorce because of financial issues; People go to jail because of debts they cannot pay. People become homeless because their house have been repossessed, or because they do not have enough money to pay a rent. The life expectancy of a homeless person, is half that of a person who is not homeless. It is the plan of Satan to attack our finances, he comes but to steal, kill and destroy (John 10:10). But Jesus has come that we might have life, and have it more abundantly, to the full till it overflows. So He came to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, even the year of Jubilee (Leviticus 25). He has come to set us free from all our captors, to restore to us all our properties, to expunge all our debts, to heal our finances. In Deuteronomy 28 where a lot of curses are listed, many of them have to do with poverty. A person is not healthy when he is poor, when he is borrowing money, for he becomes servant or slave to the lender. God, by the death and resurrection of Jesus, has also healed us from all the curses contained in the law, including poverty, we are no longer under the law and its system of blessing and curses but we are now under grace.

IX. Healing is easy for the Godhead and it is always Their will.

If someone walked up to you and told you it is not God’s will to save the entire world, God has His special people whom He loves, and the rest, He wants them to go to hell. Some Christians would say yes to that, but you would say no, because you know the truth, for God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that Whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16). Whosoever includes the whole world, Jesus adds to that: all that the Father gives Me shall come to Me; and he who comes to Me I will in no wise or by no means cast out (John 6:37). Thus based at least, on these two scriptures, we know that salvation is for everybody who wants to believe in Jesus. Jesus says: Come unto me, all you who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest (Matthew 11:28). The invitation to receive Jesus is to all, not just a few. So we believe that it is for everybody, and that Jesus would never say to a person: you are not the kind of person I want in my kingdom. If murderers and adulterers like David, and the murderer on the cross with Jesus, were accepted, surely salvation is for everybody, what further proof do we need?

But when it comes to healing, people think differently. They bring some man-made teachings which contradict what Jesus has done for us on the cross. For us to be born again, it cost
Jesus His life. Jesus had to die for our sins and transgressions; for the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 6:23). The Jews were offended when Jesus forgave sins, and Jesus asked them: which is easier to say to the paralytic or the palsy: your sins are forgiven you? Or to say: arise, take up your bed and walk (Mark 2:9)? Jesus tells the Jews: I cast out devils with the finger of God (Luke 11:20). The magicians of pharaoh in Egypt understood that the signs and wonders Moses wrought to plague their land, were caused by the finger of God. Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh’s heart was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said (Exodus 8:19).

The Arm of God is what brought us salvation, but the finger of the arm of God, casts out devils and performs signs and wonders. The Lord saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor: therefore His own arm brought salvation unto Him; and His righteousness, it sustained Him (Isaiah 59:16). For the day of vengeance is in My heart, and the year of My redeemed is come. And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore My own arm brought salvation for Me; and My own fury, it upheld or sustained Me (Isaiah 63:4-5).

God had seen all that Satan was doing on earth, and in the fullness of time, God decided to intervene. He decided to avenge us, by defeating Satan, so that we can be redeemed or ransomed in full. It was the arm of the Lord that brought us salvation, or brought us the perfect plan of redemption. Think of it this way: which is more powerful: the arm of God or the finger of God? Of course, the arm of God is more powerful than the finger of God. The same thing Jesus told the Jews, He is telling us, it is easier for God to perform a miracle in your life, than to redeem you. For it will only take the power of God’s finger to cast out all devils or demons that are tormenting you with sicknesses and diseases; but it took the power of God’s arm to redeem mankind. If we do not think like Jesus thinks, we will be impressed with sicknesses and diseases, when God has exerted greater power to redeem us. I urge you beloved, let this mind, which was in Christ Jesus, be also in you (Philippians 2:5). And of course Jesus healed that Paralytic after He forgave his sins.

The bible tells us: Jesus bore our sins in His own body on the cross, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness, by whose stripes we were healed (1Peter 2:24). We have already explained that Jesus was our sin offering, He had to die for our sins, iniquities and transgressions. But for our healing He had to receive thirty-nine stripes on His back. So according to you, which is easier to do: to be crucified and die or to receive thirty-nine stripes? Of course, thirty-nine stripes is easier, for after they had scourged Jesus, He still had some strength to carry His cross half way, and hang on the cross for three hours before He gave up the ghost. They could have chastised Jesus and released Him; for it was what Pilate suggested to the Jews (Luke 23:16); but He had to die for our sins. Healing is easy to God and to Jesus, but redemption cost Jesus His life, and cost God the life of His only begotten Son, and it involved the power of the arm of God. God says to every one of us who has believed in Jesus: if God did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Jesus also freely give us all things (Romans 8:32). In other words God is saying: My Son and I are in agreement concerning this matter, if I [God] have to go through that painful and heartbreaking experience of seeing My only begotten Son, dying on the cross to redeem you, is it healing that I will withhold from you? I will freely give it to you!
That is why, when Jesus commanded us to go to the people He said: as you go, proclaim, saying, The kingdom of Heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. You have received freely, freely give (Matthew 10:7-8). My beloved brothers and sisters, it is God’s will to heal you; it is Jesus’ will to heal you, and it is the Holy Spirit’s will to heal you. The three persons of the Godhead are always willing, and are involved in bringing the healing you need. God anointed Jesus Christ of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and power, who went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him (Acts 10:38).

My friend Jesus healed all who were oppressed by the devil. He does the same thing today, sickness and diseases are the oppression of the devil. God never blesses people with sickness or diseases or premature death, they are works of the devil. Think like Jesus thought and believe like Jesus believed. Even Job, who was afflicted by Satan, refused to believe that Jesus His redeemer, would do nothing and sit quiet. But instead Jesus will stand and get rid of that oppression of Satan. Job confessed: I know that my Redeemer lives and He shall stand at last on the earth (Job 19:25). And at the end of the book of Job we see God turning the captivity of Job (Job 42:10). Jesus our Redeemer came to destroy the works of the devil, to set the captives free. Job experienced the power of our Redeemer.

My friend you must know that your Redeemer lives, if He is not risen from the dead, then there is no hope for us. We know He is alive. He says to each one of us: Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am He who lives, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen (Revelation 1:17-18). Yes My friend, Jesus our Redeemer lives forever more, and He is here with us (see the study on Jehovah-Shammah) He does the same thing He did before they crucified Him. Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever (Hebrews 13:8). Since He is alive, I know and believe He will still do the same things He did in the bible.

X. Settle it in your heart: it is always God’s will to heal you.

Sometimes in Christendom we have some uncertainties, because we do not know the will of God on that subject. As long as we do not know what our Father says about us, and what has been freely given to us by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we will still be groping in darkness full of uncertainties. Isaiah says: we grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes: we stumble at noonday as in the night; we are in desolate places as dead men. We roar, all like bears, and mourn, sore like doves (Isaiah 59:10-11). My dearest brothers and sisters, if we do not know the Perfect Redemption Plan of God, we will be like what Isaiah depicted. Faith is based on truth, not on fables, or man-made wisdom or self-imposed religion. The way Jesus defeated Satan was with the scriptures, He said it is written. That is why we give a lot of scriptures, because Jesus exemplified how we should defeat Satan.

Moses and Paul tell us the secret of how to find out if something is always the will of God, and He will always deliver according to His word, as Psalm 119 teaches us. You simply need to find out if it is written in the bible at least twice or three times, or if God has done a similar thing in the bible at least twice or three times; for the mouth of two or three witnesses, every word must be established (2Corinthians 13:1, Deuteronomy 19:15). Joseph also understood that principle and said to pharaoh: since the dream was repeated to Pharaoh twice, it is
because the thing is established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass (Genesis 41:32). Jesus himself confirms the spiritual principle Moses and Paul had, saying: take one or two more with you, so that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established (Matthew 18:16). That is how Jesus defeated the devil in Luke 4 and Matthew 4, when he came to test Him. Jesus only used three scriptures and the devil left Him for a season!

That is why if you have been reading the “My Weekly Milk” letters you will always notice, that for each promise of God I give, I always take two or three scriptures that address that promise. Once I find at least two or three scriptures, for me it is settled in my heart, that it is always the will of God, and God always performs it. And I have trained myself in prayer; according to Luke 4 and Matthew 4 where Jesus defeated Satan, to only quote two or three scriptures, that address my particular situation that the devil is challenging me with. And after I have found at least two or three scriptures, and I open my mouth to say them; even if the devil is still speaking I am not moved anymore, and do not even bother to answer him back. I believe according to the scriptures that it is enough to defeat him. May we all learn to settle things of God in our heart the same way!

Jesus, who was filled with the Holy Spirit, was the Son of God; could have said, I do this because I feel something, I say this because I am God. But instead He said, it is written, so that you and I can base our faith on the word of God too. He said I come in the volume of the book and it is written of Me (Hebrews 10:7). He abode and abides in and by the word of God, so should we. It is not because we feel it or because it appeals to our intellect, or because it appears good in man-made philosophy, or self-imposed religion; but because it is written in the volume of the book. And if we find it written or done at least twice or three times in the written word of God: we settle it in our heart, that it is always the will of God, and we go and do it! So He said to us: If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you shall ask what you desire or want, and it shall be done unto you (John 15:7). If you continue in My word, then you are My disciples indeed; And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free (John 8:31-32).

Philosophy used to include all sciences: psychology, mathematics, physics, medical science, etc. So even when the medical science says it is not possible, the things which are impossible with men, are possible with God (Luke 18:27).

When we have the truth of God on a particular subject, our spiritual eyes are open, we are no longer blind groping for the wall. We know exactly what we are dealing with, and what it takes to get rid of it. Which one of us would be an heir or heiress, and one day reads the testament, and discovers what the testator has left for him or her, and would not try to take what is rightfully his or hers? Jesus is our Testator, when He died He gave us the Testament, so when we read it, our eyes are open, we know exactly what belongs to us, and we let nobody steal our inheritance. And especially when you know that inheritance is for everyone who believes in Jesus. Think of it this way; on Boxing Day you know that all the shops start their sales. Everybody who enters through the door of a shop, can buy whatever he or she wants, and everything is on sale. Sometimes the reason why people wait for the sale, is because they cannot afford the items when they are not on sale. We see people queuing up at the door of the shop, as soon as it opens; the race starts to get the desired items.

It is the same thing, instead of God opening the windows of heaven and pouring out a blessing (Malachi 3:10). God has opened the door of heaven; the door of the storehouse of
Heaven (Revelation 4:1). Nothing contained in that storehouse of heaven, was affordable to any human being. There is only one door into that heavenly storehouse, Jesus says: I am the door (John 10:9). Everything you will ever need is in that heavenly storehouse; you and I have been blessed with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 1:3). The good news is, that everything in that heavenly storehouse has your name on it; because it has been paid for by the death and resurrection of your Redeemer and Testator Jesus. It is better than earthly sales for you, for once you go through the door into the storehouse, and everything is free and is yours, you just need to put your faith in Christ Jesus, to believe on Him, and to believe Him. It is free, you do not have to pay for anything. Jesus stands at the door of the storehouse of heaven and cries out: Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters, and he who has no money; come, buy, and eat; yes, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price (Isaiah 55:1).

When believers do not have this revelation, they will roar like bears in their prayer, believing that God is so far away that we need to shout to get “his attention”, they do not know that they are seated at the right hand of God in heaven, and that the Godhead took residency in them (Jehovah-Shammah). People will mourn in prayer, I even heard a preacher saying: you need to weep a lot to have your prayers answered. According to her words: “tears are a weapon of spiritual warfare”. My friend, if anybody can find in the scripture a place where it is written that tears are weapons on spiritual warfare, I bear correction, but according to the bible I read, it is not written. Imagine you coming to your earthly father or mother asking for something, and your father tells you: you need to shed tears as if you were mourning, before I give you what you are asking for. If we human fathers or mothers, never do that to our children, why do we think God, our heavenly Father is that way? Do we think our earthly parents are better than our heavenly Father in goodness, love and kindness (Matthew 7:7-11)?

Jesus tells us: At that day (when I have been crucified and raised from the dead) you shall ask in My name: and I do not say unto you, that I will pray, or entreat or beseech or beg or implore the Father for you: For the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me, and have believed that I came out from God (John 16:26-27). Jesus is not begging or imploring God, to do anything that He died for, and was raised for. Healing is one of them. We are children of God like Jesus is. Yes, Jesus is the only begotten Son of God, God only begot or procreated one Son, and that Son He begot or procreated is Christ Jesus. You and I are children of God, because we have been adopted by God through Christ Jesus! Jesus is fully God and fully Man; you and I, born again Christians, are adopted sons and daughters of God, we are a New Creation for the Godhead now dwells in us!

Jesus is not a New Creation He is fully God and fully Man, the only begotten of the Father God; you and I are the New Creation of God because we have been adopted by God, as sons and daughters. We have been adopted into the family of God, and He loves us as He loves Jesus. If Jesus does not have to beg God, we should not beg God, because God loves us. Paul tells us: let us come boldly [couragiously; intrepidly; without timidity or fear; with confidence] to the throne of grace, so that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need (Hebrews 4:16). People sometimes want to do penance, to twist the hand of God, they kneel for a long time, until their knees are hurting. They have a self gratification that they have suffered, while they “waited on the Lord”. We kneel to praise the Lord, and
not to punish our bodies, so that God will love us more, or give us what Jesus did on the cross. See the bible study on “The Seven Hebrew words for praise” you will know why you kneel.

XI. Healing is the bread of the children

In Matthew 15:21-28, we have the account of the Canaanite woman, whose daughter was severely demon-possessed. She cried out to Jesus for the healing of her daughter, but Jesus answered her: it is not good to take the children’s bread and throw it to the little dogs. Of course as we read the account, Jesus healed her daughter. What we want to bring out of that story is, that Jesus compared healing to the bread of the children. Just like we have seen in the wilderness, when the people were bitten by the fiery serpent, they first needed to repent, then behold the serpent of brass set upon the pole to receive their healing. And we explained that it meant repentance toward God and faith in Jesus Christ. If we do the parallel in our days, it is what we do to become born again or children of God. When we are born again or become children of God, healing is our bread.

The question is, since we are born again, and are children of God; will our Father in heaven withhold healing from us? Or will He withhold bread from us? Jesus answers that question. He says: what man is there among you, who if his son asks bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks a fish, will he give him a serpent (Matthew 7:9-10)? The people who were listening to these words of Jesus, could relate to what Jesus was saying. Bread was and still is the staple food in the middle-east. They eat almost everything with bread. Bread would be the equivalent of rice in Asia, for rice is the staple food for many people in Asia. Bread would be the equivalent of yam, cassava root, and maize flour in Africa, the Caribbean, and south-Amercia; for these are some of their staple foods. Bread would be the equivalent of potatoes in Great Britain, for it is our staple food. So Jesus is asking us, do you think, if you have a son or daughter, and you live in Britain, and he or she asks for potatoes or just chips, without any thing on top of it, he or she is not asking for baked beans or fish, but just potatoes or potato chips! Will you give them stones for potatoes, or dry sticks for potato chips?

I was in a take away ordering a pizza; it was around eleven in the evening. Two men walked into the take away, they had dust over their work uniform, and they looked very tired and hungry. I did not know them from Adam! They started to look at the menu to see what they could afford, and when they put their hands in their pockets one of them had £1.50 and the other had 50 pence. A portion of potato chips is £1 so they put the money together and ordered two portions of potato chips. My heart was broken at the sight of what was happening before my eyes. I could not stand there and do nothing, but I did not want them to feel as if I pitied them, or as if they were a social case. People want compassion, not pity! So I started to have a good conversation with them and laugh with them, and I told them: hey guys, I have some extra chicken legs but I think I cannot eat them, the pizza would be enough for me. Would you have them please? They said yes. And I paid for the pizza and for their chicken legs. If I can do that for strangers, I do not know from Adam, do you think I am better than God the Father? I did not know them from Adam, even the first Adam, but I knew them from the second Adam, even Christ Jesus, who commanded me to do to others as I want done to me (Matthew 7:12,1Corinthians 15:45).
In another instance, I went again into that same take away on Claremont Road, in Manchester UK. It was three in the afternoon. I was ordering my pizza again. And a woman walked in with four little children between 3 and 5 years old. The children were so dirty. When I looked at the mother, I realized she was drunk, and by her looks, she was a drug addict. My heart was broken within me at the sight of those children. She asked the children what they wanted, and the children said potato chips. People are very sensitive, they do not want pity but compassion. Jesus was moved with compassion not pity (Mark 1:41). I tried to smile, though within me I was heartbroken, and I realized it was summer and it was hot outside. And I said to the little ones: do you want some juice? They kind of smiled back at me. I asked the seller to give the little children four children’s juices. I paid for my pizza and the children’s juices and I went home. My friend our heavenly Father is better than I.

So Jesus said to the Jews, will you refuse to give your children even the staple food? I do not think so! But I believe you will add some fish with the bread and some eggs too for breakfast. You will give them a nice full Scottish breakfast! When Jesus had breakfast with His disciples in John 21, they had bread and fish for breakfast. So which one of us parents would withhold breakfast from his children, instead of giving bread, will give a stone; instead of fish will give a serpent, something that would kill, and instead of an egg will give a scorpion? Jesus is saying, God will never bless you with something that will harm you, like serpents and scorpions: sickness, disease and premature death. So sickness is not from God, but from the devil the serpent of old. So Jesus says to us: If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him (Matthew 7:11)? Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For everyone who asks receives; and he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks it shall be opened (Matthew 7:7-8).

It is available for everybody, not just for some selected few. Never buy into that lie from the pit of hell: “sometimes God heals sometimes He does not”. Jesus says everyone who asks receives. My friend, ask the bread of the children, healing is the bread of the children. You are not the Canaanite woman who picked up bread crumbs! Never pray that way for God to give you bread crumbs, for you are a son and a daughter, so the bread belongs to you, and Jesus tells you to pray to God your Father: give me today my daily bread (Luke 11:3). If you search the scriptures, you will find that God has good things in store for you. Once you find them, then just ask for them in the name of Jesus; for everyone who asks, receives. I have told you some of my experiences when I was moved with compassion, and gave some chicken legs to strangers or some juices to children. Fish was a common food, that is why Jesus used fish, many people were fishermen even some of the disciples of Jesus. Fish was cheap, compared to white meat or red meat. In the west it is chicken that is cheap. But the question, would Jesus be moved with compassion like brother G and heal people, which He equated to giving them the bread of the children?

The answer to that question is yes. In Matthew 9:35-36, When Jesus saw the multitudes; He was moved with compassion for them. Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. My friend Jesus is still moved with compassion for the people, and especially for you. He is still going about in all the cities and villages, and today He has come into your home, to give you this teaching and to preach this good news to you. Some people
say God does not heal some sicknesses and some diseases. But here we read that Jesus healed every sickness and every disease among the people. Believe the report of the Lord and not what men say (Isaiah 53:1).

People say: we have discovered new sicknesses and new diseases that did not exist in the bible days, so God cannot heal them. My friend, in Deuteronomy 28: 61 after God lists all the curses of the law He said: “also every sickness and every disease, which is not written in this book of the law, will the Lord bring upon you until you are destroyed”. So it does not matter if medical science discovers new sicknesses and new diseases, they are all contained in the curses of the law, even if they are not written in the bible, and we know that Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law (Galatians 3:13). Therefore no sickness and no disease is too hard for God, Jesus by His stripes healed every sickness and every disease among us.

People ask this question: I know that Jesus has compassion on the multitudes, but will He stop just for me, and have compassion on me? Maybe Jesus only ministers to the multitudes and is not interested in coming to just one person, especially me? In Mark 1:40-42 we have the account of a leper coming to Jesus. Mark says: “there came a leper to Jesus, beseeching Him, and kneeling down to Him, and saying unto Him, If You are willing, You can make me clean. And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth His hand, and touched him, and said unto him, I am willing; be cleansed. And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed”.

The same way, Jesus had compassion on just one leper, He has compassion on you. Jesus is always willing to save a soul, to heal all manner of sickness, and all manner of disease, to cleanse lepers, to raise the dead and to cast out demons. Many children of God know about the power of God. They have read accounts of Jesus healing people in the bible; they have heard testimonies of other believers who have received their healing. But there remains an uncertainty in their heart: will Jesus also heal me, like He did others? Will He use His power for me? Is He even willing to use His power for someone like me? The answer Jesus gives to all these questions is: I am willing, be healed of every sickness and every disease you have.

XII. Be made perfectly whole and perfectly sound!

Exodus 15:26 And said, If you diligently hearken to or heed the voice of the LORD Your God, and do what is right in His sight, and give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon you, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD who Heals you, or I am Jehovah-RAPHA.

The Hebrew word Rapha means to mend, to cure, to heal, to repair, to make whole; healer, physician. In the Old Testament we have the story of Naaman the Syrian, who had leprosy and came to the prophet Elisha to be cleansed from his leprosy (2Kings 5). After he had dipped himself seven times in the Jordan River, he was cleansed from that leprosy, and His skin became as that of a baby. God literally gave Naaman a new skin. This is wholeness. Our Jehovah-Rapha wants to make us whole: nothing missing and nothing broken. In Luke 17:11-19, Luke gives us the narrative of ten lepers who sought cleansing from their leprosy. They stood afar off and cried out to Jesus to have mercy on them. Jesus told them to go and
show themselves to the priests, who were the physicians in those days. As they went, they realized that they had been cleansed. But one of them a Samaritan, went back to Jesus to give him thanks and glorify God. Jesus said to him. Arise, go your way, your faith has made you whole.

Leprosy affects the nerves and lepers sometimes become blind because their optic nerves are destroyed by leprosy, their faces are sometimes deformed, because their facial nerves are destroyed. Their hands and feet are sometimes crippled, because the nerves in those hands and feet are destroyed. Thus they lose feeling in them, and most of the time they will cut themselves and lose a finger or a toe, but will feel no pain, because the nerves in those areas are destroyed by the leprosy. So when a person is cleansed from leprosy, it only means that his skin is no longer contagious, and he can go back to living among people, but he still bears the after-effect of leprosy we have named. The Samaritan who came back to glorify God and thank Jesus, was made whole. When people saw him, he did not bear the after-effects of leprosy. It was as if he never suffered from leprosy. All his nerves were restored. If he lost the motion of his hands or feet, they were restored. If he cut a toe or finger it grew back. If he lost his sight it was restored, that is being made whole: nothing missing and nothing broken. Jehovah-Rapha wants to make you whole, for that is the meaning of His name: the Lord who makes you whole.

Jesus said: if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off: it is better for you to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched (Mark 9:43). And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off: it is better for you to enter into life lame, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched (Mark 9:45). Why have I given these two scriptures from the very mouth of Jesus? Because our dictionaries define things differently; not always according to the bible point of view. The Webster dictionary defines lame: Crippled or disabled in a limb (but especially the foot), or otherwise injured so as to be unsound and impaired in strength. And it defines maimed: one who is deprived of the use of a limb (but especially the hand), so as to render a person less able to defend himself in fighting, or to annoy his adversary. Many believers, when they read the bible and see the miracles of Jesus on the lame and maimed, they think like the Webster dictionary defined them. They think it was someone who could not walk, but now was walking, or someone who could not use his hand, and now could. All these things Jesus performed: the man who had a withered hand and Jesus healed it (Matthew 12:10-14). In the mind of Jesus, the maimed includes a person whose hand has been cut off, or who was born without hand. In the mind of Jesus the lame, is a person whose foot or leg has been cut off, or was born without a foot or leg.

Jesus said: Go your way, and tell John what things you have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached (Luke 7:22). We now understand according to the definition of Jesus, it was not just some paralytics who were walking, but those who had amputated legs or feet that grew back, they were made whole. Matthew tells us: And great multitudes came unto Jesus, having with them those who were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus’ feet; and He healed them: Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel (Matthew 15:30-31). In other words those
who had amputated hands, or were born without hands, received new hands, they were made whole. Those who were crippled, walked and those who had amputated legs or feet, or were born without legs or feet, received new legs or feet and walked.

Jehovah-Rapha: the Lord who makes us whole. It does not matter to Jesus, whether the organ is existent or none existent. That is why I gave you the definition of lame and maimed according to Jesus. Because some believers think that the foot or hand must exist in the body of the person, before God can make it whole. They only see Jehovah-Rapha as the Lord our healer, and not the Lord who makes us whole. When Jesus healed the blind, it did not matter if they had eyes or their eyes were plucked out, or they were born without eyes. He simply healed those who had eyes, but did not have sight, and made whole those who were born without eyes, or had their eyes plucked out by giving them new eye balls to see. For blind is blind! Being blind simply means being destitute of the sense of seeing. So either a person has eye balls in his sockets which cannot see, or has empty sockets in his head it is the same to Jesus and to our Jehovah-Rapha He heals and makes whole.

Matthew tells us: when they were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret. And when the men of that place had knowledge of him, they sent out into all that country round about, and brought unto him all that were diseased; And besought him that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and as many as touched were made perfectly whole (Matthew 14:34-36). Peter tells us: Jesus’ name through faith in His name has made this man strong, whom you see and know: yes, the faith which is by Him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all(Acts 3:16). So from these two scriptures we see that it is always the will of God to make a person perfectly whole and perfectly sound in the name of Jesus!

Moses says: I will publish the name of the LORD: ascribe greatness unto our God. He is the Rock, His work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he (Deuteronomy 32:3-4). David says: The LORD will perfect that which concerns me: Your mercy, O LORD, endures forever: forsake not the works of Your own hands (Psalm 138:8). The disciples of Jesus prayed: now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto Your servants, that with all boldness they may speak Your word, By stretching forth Your hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done, by the name of Your holy Son, Jesus (Acts 4:29-30). Therefore since divine healing is the work of God’s hand it ought to be perfect, that sickness or disease that is your concern ought to be perfected. Thus when we pray let us believe in our heart that it is always the will of God to make people perfectly whole and perfectly sound according to the scriptures; then it will be done to us according to what we have believed. Jesus says: Go your way; and as you have believed, so be it done unto you (Matthew 8:13).

XII.1 The storehouse in heaven has all the body parts.

When I was growing up, I was diagnosed with a severe heart condition at the age of eleven. My heart was beating too fast, twice the speed it was supposed to. And there were some medical terms the cardiologist was telling my parents, which I did not understand at that time. One thing I knew is that it was bad. They put me on medication for thirteen months, to try to slow down the heart beat to a level they say would never be like the other children, but at least it would not constitute a risk to my life. I was to never to do sport again, they told my
parents to monitor me: I should not run, I should not lift things, and the chauffeur had to drive me to school, so that I should not walk long distances.

I knew according to medical science, even after thirteen months of treatment, what the worst scenario would be: I would have to go abroad and have surgery or even a heart transplant; in the best scenario I would not have to undergo any surgery, but I would never do sport at all. I was listening to some Christian music, my favourite local gospel singer. The song was in our mother tongue. And it said: “God is the creator, we have car manufacturers on earth and when a component is defective, we know that the manufacturer has a new component to replace the one which is defective”. It went on and took other examples, but the car manufacturer example bore witness with my spirit. I said within myself: God you created Adam, so it means You are the manufacturer of mankind and You manufactured me. I said: God, I recall You are the one who performed the first surgery. You put Adam to sleep and opened his side, and took one of the ribs and created Eve! I said within myself: I will never undergo any surgery, the Surgeon of surgeons “Jesus” is with me. Just like a car manufacturer replaces the defective component in the car, You will put a new heart in my body, for this one is defective.

I sang that song and I reminded God that he was the manufacturer of my body. I believed if car manufacturers have spare parts for their cars; God is better and much smarter than they. Definitely He has a spare heart for my body. After the thirteen months of treatment, I went back to the cardiologist with my parents. He did not know what to say, it was beyond medical knowledge. He said this is not the heart that was here before! This heart is perfect; there is nothing wrong with it. He told me you can run as long as you want and do any sport. My mum was still afraid, thinking that I should take it easy. I said to the cardiologist, write a medical certificate to tell everybody that my heart was perfect and I could do sport without any restraints. He did, I photocopied that certificate and gave it to whoever asked for it. And I was so active in sport: I ran one hour every day. I did weightlifting, basket ball, soccer and rugby. My friend, God has spare body parts.

Sometimes when we are adults, we do not have the faith of a little child. I simply believed, and though I had no scriptural foundation, I used common sense that God was better and much smarter than car manufacturers. The little knowledge of the creation of God in the book of Genesis helped me. Two years ago, in 2010, God spoke to me and told me: son, I have body parts in My storehouse in heaven. I said: Father I know it; but I cannot say it to people. You know my standard: if it is not written I do not say it! He told me it is written! I said where, Father? He said I gave that revelation to My servant David, a man after My own heart and he wrote it in Psalm 139. I immediately turned to the book of Psalms to read it, and this is what God revealed to David.

Psalm 139:13 For You have formed my inward parts: you have covered me in my mother's womb.

Psalm 139:14 I will praise you; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are Your works; and that my soul knows very well.

Psalm 139:15 My substance was not (my frame was not, my bones were not) hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skilfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.
Psalm 139:16 Your eyes saw my substance (frame, bones), yet being unformed; and in Your book all my members were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them.

The Lord created our inward parts and all our organs. And He covered us with flesh. We are fearfully and wonderfully made. All our bones or skeleton were not hidden from God, He skilfully wrought them. In God’s book, which details how He made you and I, all our members and organs were written. It does not say are written but were written. God, by His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life (2Peter 1:3). All your organs and your members were written in the book of God, in His book you are fearfully and wonderfully made, you are skilfully wrought, there is nothing missing, there is nothing defective. Everything you will ever need for this life on earth God has already skilfully created it, and it is in the storehouse of heaven. God is no respecter of persons, there is no favouritism with God. He never created anybody with a missing organ, or a missing member. So even if there is no organ or member on earth here, God is saying: I have them in my storehouse in heaven. You may not see it yet, but My eyes have seen them, even if they are not formed in your physical body yet. I already see that new organ in your body, I see that new bone in your body, I see that new skin, and I see that new member. See with My eyes!

Faith in Jesus your Healer, is the substance of the things you are hoping for, and the evidence of things not seen (Hebrews 11:1). And if you ask God, your Jehovah-Rapha, to make you whole in the name of Jesus, your faith in Jesus materializes that substance you have been hoping to receive. If you were hoping to receive a new skin to replace the one which had skin cancer or leprosy or vitiligo or any other skin condition, it shall be done to you according to your faith; for God has a new skin in His storehouse in heaven. If you want a new heart, there is one for you in heaven, if you want a new leg because you have none; there is one for you in heaven. Any organ or member you want, if you are missing one or if it is defective, there is one for you in heaven. So Jesus tells you and me: Have faith in God. He is Jehovah-Rapha the Lord who makes you whole. For verily (or of the truth I am not lying) I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be removed, and be cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he says shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he says. Therefore I say unto you, whatever things you desire, when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you shall have them (Mark 11:22-24).

XII.2 Drive away doubts in your heart

Jesus says whosoever shall say, meaning it is for everybody, not just for some “super spiritual people”. Whosoever includes you and me. But how can we pray without doubts in our heart? James tells us: let him ask in faith with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind. For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways (James 1:6-8). The doubts in our hearts are there because we have lots of uncertainties, because there are many unanswered questions. This is the purpose of all these bible studies to equip us with the knowledge of the truth of the scriptures.

When we know the truth, it answers our questions, it replaces uncertainties with certainties. Remember the principle Joseph, Moses, Jesus and Paul taught us: if it is written, or God has
done it for people in the bible at least twice or three times, settle it in your heart that it is always the will of God, and He does it (Genesis 41:32, Deuteronomy 19:15, Matthew 18:16 and 2Corinthians 13:1). We must now believe that truth and act on that knowledge of the truth. As long as there are some uncertainties about what the will of God is, we will have doubts: is it God’s will to heal, to make whole? Let us do our utmost to diligently search the scriptures, and know the will of God on every subject. If it is written, we choose to believe it! That is how Jesus exemplified it for us: it is written, it is written and it is written. And when we stand on the word, we need to believe it, and we shall have whatever we say.

XII.3 Healing is not based on our good deeds

Jesus told us a parable saying: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican or tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself: God, I thank you, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying: God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for everyone who exalts himself shall be abased; and he who humbles himself shall be exalted (Luke 18:9-14).

Some believers, when I talk to them, tell me they are doing everything right, so why is God not healing them? They fast, they are not practicing sin, they tithe, they read their bible, they study their bible, they pray, they are involved in church activities, so why is God not healing them? Jesus tells every one of us: all these things we ought to have done (Matthew 23:23). But they do not commend us to God for healing. Healing is based on what Jesus did for us, by His death burial and resurrection, by His stripes we were healed (1Peter 2:24). It is the mercy of God, that provided both the remission of sin and the healing. According to the Webster dictionary, mercy is that benevolence, mildness or tenderness of heart, which disposes a person, in this case, God, to overlook injuries, or to treat an offender better than he deserves. If you think you deserve to be blessed or healed because of your good deeds of the law, then it is no longer mercy. The only reason God heals us is because of His mercy, and Jesus bore the stripes for our healing.

If we do not understand, that it is because of His mercy, we will never even pray for unsaved people to be healed, or brethren who are sinning. We will tell them, get your life straight first of all, and then we will pray for your healing. No matter what we have done, the mercy of God is available to heal each one of us: unsaved and saved people. David says: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever (Psalm 23:6). Two blind men followed Jesus, crying, and saying: Son of David, have mercy on us. And when Jesus was come into the house, the blind men came to Him: and Jesus said unto them: Do you Believe that I am able to do this? They said unto him: Yes, Lord. Then he touched their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. And their eyes were opened; and Jesus strictly charged them, saying, See that no man know it. But they, when they were departed, spread abroad His fame in all that country (Matthew 9:27-31). Jesus had mercy on them and they were healed. Everything we have received in the perfect redemption plan is because of the mercy and goodness of God; for Jesus died, and rose from the dead to provide them freely to us.
XII.4 Believe that God wants to make everybody perfectly whole and perfectly sound

I remember one day I was in my house praying, and God told me: take a bus and go to the hospital in Wythenshawe in Manchester UK and there I will cause you to hear My word. So I entered the bus and it took me one hour to get to that hospital in Wythenshawe, and when I arrived in that hospital, I stood in the car park for an hour and God did not speak to me. I decided to take my bus back home. I thought I had not heard properly from God. As I sat in the upper deck of the bus going back home, there was a nurse seated on my left. She was talking on the phone with a friend of hers. They were talking in their mother tongue, but she did not know that I could understand their mother tongue. And they were making fun of one of their common friends, who was so beautiful; but she gave birth to two children who are dwarfs, and the husband left her, because she gave birth to dwarfs.

Then the word of the Lord came to me and said to me: barrenness is not the only reproach for women! As it is written: God remembered Rachel (who was beautiful in the eyes of Jacob), and God listened to her and opened her womb. And she conceived and bore a son, and she said, God has taken away my reproach (Genesis 30:22-23). After those days his wife Elizabeth conceived and hid herself five months, saying, So the Lord has dealt with me in the days in which He looked on me, to take away my reproach among men (Luke 1:24-25). When a woman gives birth to a child with a genetic disease, or mental illness, or missing limbs, or dwarf, or blind, or a cripple, or deaf; the society blames the mother and that child becomes a reproach for that woman. And men also blame their wife for that and some even divorce them. The woman also blames herself, and thinks that she should have done something to prevent such thing from happening! But God says: I want to take away all those reproaches from women, because I have compassion on women. The Widow of Nain whose only son died, Jesus had compassion on the woman the bible says and raised her son from the dead. Even if it is not the woman that is dead or sick but God knows when a woman has a sick or diseased child it affects her (Luke 7:11-17).

On August 21st, 2013, the word of the Lord came to me in a vision of the night. That word is not just for Gery, but for all born again Christians. That word says: I (you and I born again Christians) am seated at the right hand of God in Christ Jesus and all my enemies (including all manner of sickness and all manner of disease, all evil spirits, Satan and premature death) are made my footstool (Matthew 22:44)! Christ Jesus, The Stone which the builder rejected, has become the chief cornerstone. This was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. Whoever falls on This Stone will be broken, but on whomever it falls it will grind him to powder (Matthew 21:42-44). The God of peace has crushed Satan, all his demons and all his works (sins, all manner of sickness, all manner of disease, demon possession and premature death) under my feet they are all subject to me, in the name of Jesus (Romans 16:20).

For thus says the Lord God: behold I have lifted My hand in an oath to the nations, and set up My banner, or standard of love for the peoples. They shall bring your sons in their arms, and your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders. Kings shall be your foster fathers and their queens your nursing mothers. They shall bow down to you with their faces to the earth and lick up the dust of your feet. Then you will know that I am the Lord, for they shall not be ashamed who wait for Me (Isaiah 49:22-23). In that vision of the Lord, I saw someone was under my feet, and he was prostrated full length on the earth, and I took his head and
scraped it in the dust full of gravel, and he had his mouth full of gravel, and was spitting it out of his mouth, he was so beaten and humiliated under my feet.

When I came out of that vision I knew the Lord was asking me to do a prophetic action. I knew that there was a Park not far from my house Patt Lane Park in Manchester UK, and there is a foot path full of dust and gravel. So I went to that park at 10 am. And as I was in that park, I saw a dog urinating and having a bowel movement on that foot path. And the devil told me: you see this foot path is full of urine and dogs excrements, even if you cannot see them. But I ignored the devil. And I stopped on a portion of that foot path that looked clean. And I prostrated my full length on the dust of that foot path, and scraped my face on the left cheek and right cheek then I put in my mouth some of the gravel and dust of that foot path. Then I stood on my feet and spat the gravel out of my mouth. And the Holy Spirit told me: are you only going to do it once? And He brought to my remembrance the mistake of the King Joash who only stuck the ground with the arrows three times for the Lord to defeat his enemies, the Syrians and the prophet Elisha was angry at the King; because if he had struck at least six to seven times, then the Lord would have utterly destroyed his enemies the Syrians and seen them no more (2Kings 13:14-19).

So I repeated that prostration to my full length, and the scraping of the face in the dust and gravel left cheek and right cheek and put gravel and dust in my mouth twelve times. And after the twelfth time, when I stood on my feet for the twelfth time, and I read the words out loud, that God gave me in that vision, that I have written above, and added: thus shall the Lord do to all my enemies, all demons, Satan, all manner of sickness, all manner of disease, all premature death, God will utterly destroy them, and make people perfectly whole and perfectly sound (Matthew 14:36, Acts 3:16). I repeated that prophetic action twelve times so that the Lord would not just utterly destroy all my enemies, but I will remember them no more (Exodus 14:12-14). And then twelve, which represents the government of the Lord, the twelve apostles of Jesus, that Jesus will establish His Apostleship, with mighty signs and wonders in the 300,000 families in Glasgow, and 50 European nations in the west and South, He has given unto me and of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end (Isaiah 9:7).

For God who worked in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, also worked in Paul in the apostleship to the nations, will also work in Gery (Galatians 2:8). For I consider that I am not at all inferior to the most eminent apostles (2Corinthians 11:5). And in nothing will I be behind the most eminent apostles, though I am nothing, and truly signs, wonders and mighty miracles and deeds will be accomplished at will, among people saved or unsaved (2Corinthians 12:11-12). And as I was wiping my face and dusting myself off, a guy walked on the same foot path with his black dog and that black dog came and licked up the dust that was in my hand. And I said: thus all demons will lick up the dust of my feet and hands, and I will trample you underfoot, you will eat dust and gravel, in the name of Jesus!

After that day something happened in my heart: I truly believed that God heals all manner of sickness and all manner of disease and makes people perfectly whole, and raises the dead at will. As it is written: the people begged Jesus that they might only touch the hem of His robe. And as many as touched were made perfectly whole (Matthew 14:36). And on October 26th, 2013 the Lord spoke to me in a vision. In that vision I was polishing my shoes before stepping up onto the platform to preach, and a damsel asked me: have you been trampling upon that
serpent? I said: yes, and I have come here also to trample upon him!

Then I stepped up on that platform and opened my bible and said: I saw Satan falling like lightning! Then the Lord spoke to me and said: as you know the speed of light is about 1million times faster than the speed of sound. So long before you came to cast out that demon or to heal that sickness or disease or to raise the dead, Satan and all his demons and their evil works were already defeated. That is the revelation Jesus gave His disciples when He sent them to preach the gospel, heal the sick, cast out devils and raise the dead in His name. And they came back so happy. As it is written: the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through Your name. And Jesus said unto them, I beheld or saw Satan as lightning fall from heaven (meaning before the word came out of My mouth to send you to preach, cast out devils, raise the dead, heal the sick, Satan was already defeated. You are fighting against a defeated foe). Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you (Luke 10:17-19).

My younger brother Nell Malanda called from Metz in France. And he told me that after he received his water baptism in his church, the Lord spoke to him in the night of October 30th, 2013 and said to him: Gery Malanda, an apostle of Jesus Christ, by the will of God (Ephesians 1:1). I told him: I already know it, the Lord Jesus ordained me a couple of years ago when He appeared to me, but thank you; for Jesus Christ has confirmed it again, for I never mentioned it to any of my family members. So I prayed with my younger brother and we asked for direction from the Lord.

XIII. With long and abundant life I will satisfy you

David said: in Your book were written, all the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them (Psalm 139:16). Long before you and I were born, God appointed the number of our days on this earth. The question many people have in their mind is: some people live long and some people die young or are prematurely dead, “maybe it is God’s plan”? It is a lie from the bottomless pit of hell! God says: And you shall serve the LORD your God, and He shall bless your bread, and your water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of you. There shall nothing cast their young (no one shall suffer miscarriage neither your cattle nor your women), nor be barren, in your land: the number of your days I will fulfil (Exodus 23:25-26). My brothers and my sisters, it is not God’s will that any should be barren. He blessed mankind and said: be fruitful and multiply (Genesis 1:28). It is also not God’s will that any woman should suffer miscarriage, it is the work of the devil, for he comes but to steal, kill and destroy (John 10:10). We shall fulfil the number of our days. God wants us to enjoy a life free from sicknesses and diseases, He promised to take them away from our midst.

When the Lord brought the Hebrews out of Egypt, the house of bondage, the bible says: He also brought them out with silver and gold; and there was not one feeble person among their tribes. Egypt was glad when they departed; for the fear of them had fallen on them (Psalm 105:37-38). Think of it, if they, with the blood of a lamb that they applied to their lintels and doorposts, there was not one feeble person among their tribes; how much more you and I, with the blood of Jesus ought not to be one feeble person among born again believers! That is why John tells us: Beloved, I wish above all things that you prosper and be in health, even as
your soul prospers (3John 1:2). There is a place beyond divine healing, where born again Christians are supposed to live, it is called divine health, where not even one feeble person among the born again believers is found, and that is the will of God for you and your family!

God promised: with long life I will satisfy you and show you my salvation (Psalm 91:16). He did not say with a short life but with long life He will satisfy us, we will fulfil the number of our days (Exodus 23:26). Jesus says; I have come that you might have life and have it more abundantly, to the full till it overflows (John 10:10). What is the point of living long on earth and being in pain? People would say: my sickness is my cross, and Jesus is glorified by my sickness, for I am carrying my cross. My friend this is from the devil, sicknesses and diseases are the work of the devil, they are not the cross of Jesus. Jesus is not glorified in our sicknesses and diseases but in our healing. God does not want any of the diseases and sicknesses of the world to be on us. God wants us to enjoy our life. Moses was 120 years old and his eyes were not dim nor his natural strength abated (Deuteronomy 34:7). So shall it be for you and me, in Jesus’ name!

The LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years (Genesis 6:3). God’s plan is for us to fulfil the number of our days, 120 years. He forgives all our iniquities; heals all our diseases; He redeems our life from destruction; crowns us with loving-kindness and tender mercies; He satisfies our mouth with good things; so that our youth is renewed like the eagle’s (Psalm103:3-5). God wants us to enjoy abundant life, and long life, we just have to know it, and believe that Jesus paid for it with His own blood. In Psalm 90, Moses was writing, the spies who went to spy out the land and brought the report, but the people did not believe the good report of Caleb and Joshua, so a curse came upon all that generation. God said all that generation which came out of Egypt, will die in the wilderness, but their children who were born in the wilderness, will enter the promised land. Of all who came out of Egypt, only Joshua and Caleb entered the promised land.

The curse cut short their life span so Moses said: the days of our lives are seventy years, and if by reason of strength they are eighty years, yet their boast is only labour and sorrow, for it is soon cut off, and we fly away; who knows the power of Your anger? For as the fear of You, so is Your wrath (Psalm 90:10-11). So it is not God’s plan for any of us to die young, seventy and eighty years were curses, because God was angry with that rebellious generation, and His wrath abode upon them, they were curses. But you and I, Jesus has redeemed us from the curse of the Law, Jesus has become our peace offering to reconcile us to God, and the fiery wrath of God does not abide upon us. And God is not angry with us. The days of our life shall be 120 years.

**XIV Our healing is a done deal!**

The prophet Isaiah saw prophetically what Jesus would accomplish for us on the cross and he prophesied.

Isaiah 53:4 Surely He has borne our (Choliy: malady, anxiety, calamity, disease, sickness, grief), and carried our (Makob: anguish, pain, sorrow, affliction): yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.
Isaiah 53:5 But He was wounded for our transgressions; He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed.

There are many things you have some doubts about, concerning your healing; God wants you to know it is a done deal! He said surely, it is the Hebrew word Aken: surely, truly, certainly, verily. Your healing is a done deal, you can be certain about that, it is the truth and not a lie. God is not a man that He should lie, nor a son of man that He should repent or change His mind, He has said, He will do it, He has spoken and He will make it good (Numbers 23:19). And God did it, He kept His word; two thousand years ago Jesus came in the flesh, and died on the cross to make what God uttered good. And in view of what had been fulfilled Peter retrospectively said: Jesus Himself bore our sins in His own flesh on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness, by whose stripes you were healed (1Peter 2:24).

What Peter is telling us, is that Isaiah prophesied it, and Jesus fulfilled it. Our healing is a done deal; it was purchased two thousand years ago on the cross in the body of Jesus. We should not accept sicknesses and diseases in our body. It is illegal for them to be in our body, if someone can remove the stripes on the back of Jesus, then they can put sicknesses and diseases on us; but it will never happen! He is bearing those stripes and is alive, sickness and diseases are not welcome on us. They are illegal on us, for Jesus legally paid for our healing, even perfect wholeness. He tells Me: surely I bore your diseases and sicknesses, your anxieties and your calamities, it is illegal for the enemy to put them on you, I bore them for you. Surely I carried your pain, and anguish, your sorrows, it is illegal for the enemy to bring them back, I carried them away. Surely by My stripes you were healed from all of them.

The calamity that happened to Job when he lost all his children, should not happen to you, because Jesus bore your calamity (Job 6:2). He will raise them from the dead. It is not God’s plan for any to die after his child. When Jesus met the widow of Nain whose son died, He had compassion on the mother and raised her son from the dead, for Jesus bore our calamities, she does not have to bury her son like Job did (Luke 7:11-16). You and I have a better covenant than Job; we should not allow the devil to bring the calamity he brought in Job’s life, in our life; for Jesus bore our calamities. We do not have to bear what Jesus bore for us. In Luke 8:41-56, Jairus the ruler of the synagogue, lost his twelve year old daughter, and he came to Jesus to raise her from the dead. Jesus did raise her from the dead, for He bore our calamities therefore Jairus did not have to bear it.

**XIV.1 When will God heal me?**

We all have this question in our mind, but nobody dares to blurt it out. When will God heal me? God says: I am the LORD who Heals you or I am Jehovah-RAPHA (Exodus 15:26). I am the Lord who heals you and who makes you whole. God does not say I was the God, or I will be the God, but I am. When we lead someone to Christ for the salvation of their soul, none of us doubts for a second that after they have prayed the sinner’s prayer, and accepted Jesus as their Lord and saviour, that they are not saved!

No, we all believe that the moment they did it, God forgave their sins and they are now born again. If salvation happens the moment we ask for it, why do we believe in our heart that healing and perfect wholeness must take a long time, or God will heal us when He feels like
it? We have shown from the scriptures that the salvation of our soul cost Jesus His life while, our healing was made possible by the stripes they laid on His back. Which one cost Jesus more? Of course our salvation did! We have also shown from the scriptures that it only takes the power of the finger of God, to cast out all demons that are oppressing us with sicknesses and diseases, while it took the power of the arm of God to bring us salvation. Which one required greater power from God? Of course our salvation did! We must renew our mind according to the scriptures. Not according to what we feel or see. We must know what God said and believe it, then act on it.

God says without faith it is impossible to please God, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is the rewarder of those who diligently seek Him (Hebrews 11:6). Again we see the same thing. The writer of Hebrews does not tell us: when you come to God in prayer, believe that God was, or God will be, but God is. Many times in our mind, we have the God of yesterday, and dwell on the healings He did in bible days, and come up with the theology, that the days of miracles and healing ended with the apostles’ death. We have in our mind the God of tomorrow, we dream about our mansion in heaven, the streets of gold, and in heaven, there will be no sickness and no disease, so we are enduring our sicknesses and diseases until we go to heaven. My friends, I urge us all to believe that God is a God of today. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever (Hebrews 13:8). The miracles and healing He performed in bible days, He does them for you and me today. Come to God believing that He is.

Search the scriptures, and see if Jesus said to a person: come tomorrow for your healing! I bear correction if you find it, but I have searched and there is none. Jesus went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil (Acts 10:38). Jesus tells us: therefore I say unto you, whatever things you desire, when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you shall have them (Mark 11:24). Jesus does not tell us to believe that we will receive our healing or wholeness, but that we receive our healing. Yes, now! When will God heal me? I answer, now. God says: “in an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation (2Corintians 6:2). Paul uses the Greek word Soteria which means salvation also health. God is telling us through Paul, He promises to hear us in an acceptable time through all His prophets: to Jeremiah He said to tell us: call to Me and I will answer (Jeremiah 33:3). To Isaiah He said to tell us: you shall call, and the Lord will answer. You shall cry, and He will say: here I am (Isaiah 58:9). And furthermore He said to Isaiah to tell us: it shall come to pass that before they call, I will answer and while they are still speaking, I will hear (Isaiah 65:24).

We all want to know: when will that day of salvation be? When will the Lord help us, by saving our soul and healing our body? When will that acceptable time come? When will the Lord hear our prayer of salvation of our soul, and the healing of our body? God says: behold, now is the accepted time for all your prayers to be heard and answered, like I promised by the mouth of My prophets; behold now is the day of salvation of your soul, and the healing of your body. I remember praying for a lady of a certain age, she was suffering from dementia and could not walk properly, most of the time she was at home. I knew the word of God about healing, and I knew that healing was for now, not for tomorrow, but I tell you a poor confession; I still had doubts in my heart, because I was not certain. You know, Paul told us the gospel is the power of God (Romans 1:16). The preaching of the cross is the power of God (1Corinthians 1:18).
And Christ Jesus is the power of God (1Corinthians 1:24). So I preached the gospel to her and what Jesus did by His death on the cross and His resurrection, I told her how Jesus healed people in the bible, and how Jesus is the same today, and now is the time for her to receive her healing. And I prayed and I went home.

In my heart I believed that she would be taking her medication and it would help with her dementia and walking problems. But the next time I saw her, there was no dementia and she was walking long distances. I asked her: have you been taking your medication? And she told me: I never started taking them, not even one pill! And we sat there in her home with some brothers, and she told us stories when she was 16 years old up till today she is in her mid seventies. Her memory was sharp, no sign of dementia whatsoever. I said within myself: Lord have mercy on me, forgive my unbelief. The point I am making is this, even when you have not yet believed the knowledge of the truth, for God’s sake preach it, someone will believe it. Preach what is written. Paul gives us the definition of the Gospel: I declare to you the gospel which I preach to you and also you received and stand… for I delivered to you that first of all that which I received; that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the scriptures (1Corinthians 15:1-5).

My friends, many people preach a lot of things and they wonder why God does not confirm their message. According to Paul the Gospel is what Jesus did for us by His death, burial and resurrection, according to the scriptures. If you preach it God will confirm it. Even if you still doubt it like I did, but if it is written, believe God will confirm His word. If you preach Christ and point people to Christ and what He did; Christ will confirm His word. For Christ is the power of God. If you preach the message of the cross: what Christ has done in His finished work, God will confirm it; for the message of the cross is the power of God.

I could have said: dementia! The neurons in her brain are dying, no one can create new neurons, but at least some medication will slow the dying of the neurons. But I simply opened my mouth, ignoring the little medical knowledge I had about dementia, and believed that God makes her whole, re-creates new neurons; for God has them in His storehouse in heaven. My friend it was not my faith, but the gospel, the message of the cross and Jesus who did it. I have no credit for that. And many other testimonies of arthritis, of broken legs healed by the same way, I simply preached the gospel, the message of the cross and Jesus, and God confirmed His word. That is why we are doing this study on the perfect redemption plan; you can call it also the message of the cross. Once we know what we received by the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus, believe it and then act on it: the power of God will be released in our life.

One of the reasons we should believe God for instant healing, is because that is what Jesus did. As you read the gospels you will not see progressive healings; people were healed immediately, in the same hour or as they obeyed the instruction Jesus gave them. When the manifestation of the healing or of the dead raising delays, the people loose heart and they stop standing in faith. So we easily bury our loved ones when we believe for progressive healing, or progressive dead raising. The bible says: hope deferred or delayed makes the heart sick, but when the desire comes, it is a tree of life (Proverbs 13:12)! We need to believe like Jesus for instant miracles; for as Christ Jesus is, so are we in this world (1John 4:17). And when people are taking their medication, and they have a progressive healing after we
ministered healing to them; some of them will say that it was the medication that healed them not God!

XIV.2 Can God heal genetic diseases or diseases that affect the immune system?

My friends there is nothing new under the sun Solomon said (Ecclesiastes 1:9). People think that God was surprised when we discovered DNA, RNA, the genetic diseases and all the diseases that affect our immune system (white cells, red cells, etc). But I want to remind us of what God said in the book of Deuteronomy 28:61 also every sickness and every disease, which is not written in this book of the law. It includes all our new diseases and sicknesses. And Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law (Galatians 3:13). All those sicknesses and diseases Jesus bore them and carried them, and by His stripes we were healed of them.

In Genesis 30 God teaches Jacob how to manipulate the genes of the flock; so that he will have a speckled and spotted flock. God moved on the flock at a genetic level so that they would give birth to speckled and spotted young, that would become Jacob’s wage. My friend, genetics is not new to God, He knows it better than us, and furthermore He is the one who created us and we have seen how all our body parts are in His storehouse in heaven. Jesus told us: he who is washed needs only to wash his feet, but is cleansed every whit or every smallest particle imaginable in him is cleansed (John 13:10). You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you (John 15:3). My friends when we believed the word that Jesus said about Himself, what He did for us when He shed His blood at Calvary, and when He rose from the dead, we were washed by the blood of Jesus. The blood of Jesus did not just wash away our sins, but it also washed away every smallest particle imaginable in us. Be it DNA, RNA, white cells, red cells, neurons, etc. The smallest particle that medicine can discover in our body, the blood of Jesus washed it clean. If there is a disease, the blood of Jesus heals it. The woman with the issue of blood for twelve years, was healed when she touched the hem of Jesus’ garment (Matthew 9:20-22). Jesus is still healing blood related diseases.

The things which are impossible with men are possible with God (Luke 18:27). Men may say they do not have a cure for that. God says: I applied the blood of Jesus to every smallest particle imaginable in your body. Where medicine cannot reach, the blood of Jesus has already reached, and already washed it, and by the stripes of Jesus has healed whatever disease was found there, only believe. People may question how will this be (Luke 1:34)? Even modern medicine cannot treat it yet. The answer is: when you have believed the report of the Lord, that He is your healer, then the Holy Ghost shall come upon you, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow you (Luke 1:35) and you receive your healing. For with God nothing shall be impossible (Luke 1:37). Only believe what is written, let God be true, but every man a liar (Romans 3:4). Jesus says: if you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes (Mark 9:23). With men it is impossible, but not with God, for with God all things are possible (Mark 10:27).

Our blood can be like the blood of Abel and it is speaking bad things about us: genetic disorder, genetic disease, blood disease and any other sickness and disease that are running through our blood line. But the blood of Jesus is speaking better things concerning us: it is speaking healing and wholeness (Hebrews 12:24). You overcame that genetic disease or
genetic disorder by the blood of Jesus, the Lamb of God, that washed every smallest particle imaginable in your body, and by the written word which is the word of our testimony (Revelation 12:11). Henceforth, the sour grapes which the fathers ate, in our case the genetic diseases and genetic disorders, shall not set the children’s teeth on edge (Ezekiel 18:2; Jeremiah 31:29).

No matter how the earthly physicians tell us, it is impossible to cure it; we must believe the report of the Lord (Isaiah 53:1). Job says: but you forgers of lies, you are worthless physicians, oh, that you would be silent and it would be your wisdom (Job 13:4-5)! The word of God is the truth and Jesus Christ is the truth (John 17:17; John 14:6). So whenever earthly physicians tell you something is impossible or incurable; it is a lie! For Jesus who is the truth tells you: with man or with earthly physicians it is impossible; but with God all things are possible (Matthew 19:26). And if you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes (Mark 9:23). Let God be true but every man, including every earthly physician, a liar (Romans 3:4).

My friend, the preaching of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing; but unto us who are saved, it is the power of God (1Corinthians 1:18). People will ridicule you when you preach divine healing. Jesus paid for it when he died on the cross. They will tell you: let us just be saved and let medical people treat our bodies. There is nothing wrong with taking pills or going to your physician. The priests were the physicians in bible days, when Jesus healed a leper He sent him or her to the priests, so that they would declare him clean. Even when you have received a divine healing, go and check with the medical people, so that they can confirm it, just like the priests confirmed the cleansing of the lepers. But God’s will is not for us to be on pills all our life. His healing is perfect. Never stop medication if your divine healing has not yet been confirmed by the medical field. If you were blind do not start to drive a car; before it has been confirmed that you can see clearly! You can end up killing people on the roads. When Jesus healed a blind person or a leper; medical people could confirm that healing. Medical people confirmed the healing of my heart. Taking your medication, while believing God for healing, is not a lack of faith.

**XV Raise the dead**

To God, raising the dead is the same as healing the sick; there is nothing more difficult about it for God. In 1Kings 17:17-24, the widow of Zarephath, who fed and housed Elijah during the famine, lost her son. Elijah raised her son from the dead. In 2Kings 4:18-37 the Shunammite woman who housed Elisha, lost her son too, and Elisha raised him from the dead. We see both Elijah and Elisha understood, that it was not of God, that these women should bury their children! The calamity that happened to Job, was not supposed to happen to them, for God said to Isaiah: Surely He (Jesus) has borne our (Choliy: malady, anxiety, calamity, disease, sickness, grief), and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted (Isaiah 53:4).

If God had born that calamity of losing His only begotten Son, we should not bear that calamity of losing our children. Job described the loss of his children as calamity (Job 6:2). But God tells us we have a better covenant than Job, Jesus bore our calamity so that we do not have to bear it. When someone is sick or diseased, it means something in him or her is dying...
or has already died, or in other words something in him or her is malfunctioning, or has stopped functioning. When someone dies it means all the organs have stopped functioning. God is still Jehovah-Rapha: the Lord our healer or the Lord who makes us whole. He gives life to his or her mortal body; He causes all their organs to function again, so that they come back to life. Jehovah-Rapha was healing and raising the dead in the Old Testament, He still heals and raises the dead today.

Why should it be thought incredible by you that God raises the dead (Acts 26:8)? The dead do not praise the Lord, nor do any who go down into silence (Psalm 115:17). Regarding the resurrection of the dead, have you not read that which was spoken to you by God, saying, “I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob?” God is not the God of the dead, but of the living (Matthew 22:31-32). For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does: and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel. For as the Father raises up the dead, and quickens them or gives life to them; even so the Son quickens or gives life to whom He will, whom He desires, whom He wishes (John 5:20-21).

Jesus says: the Father, Jehovah-Rapha, who dwells in Me, does the works (John 14:10). Jehovah-Rapha was the one healing the sick and raising the dead through Jesus. Jesus says: believe that I am in the Father, Jehovah-Rapha, and the Father is in Me (John 14:11). I live because of the Father (John 6:57). I am the resurrection, and the life: he who believes in Me, though he were dead, yet he shall live (John 11:25). Verily, verily, I say unto you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live (John 5:25). You see, Jesus says the same thing when He raises the dead. Now! Now is the hour for the dead to be raised. So He says to the people who heard His teaching and saw the works The Father worked through Him: go your way and tell John, (I will add: and everybody you find tell them too), the things you have seen and heard; that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached (Luke 7:22). Many people would: say do not talk about raising dead people! My friend, if it is written and Jesus said it, I believe it!

Jesus says: blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me (Luke 7:23). For such people; divine healing was already foolishness not to talk about being made whole, and now you are talking about raising the dead! It is too much for them, they are offended. They say: this Jesus and His disciples are deceiving people! The Greek word used for blessed here is Makarios which means supremely blessed. Jesus says whosoever is not offended by what I say in My words, will be supremely blessed. According to the scriptures, to be blessed is to be empowered by God, to do, or become something. Jesus says again: If you know these things, blessed (Makarios: supremely blessed) are you if you do them (John 13:17). When we receive the knowledge of the truth according to the scriptures we can either be offended by it, or believe it. When we decide to believe it and act on it; God supremely empowers us to do and become what He said we are and do.

In Luke 7:11-15, Jesus entered a city called Nain, His disciples and many people were with Him. When He came near the gate of the city of Nain, He saw people carrying a dead man who was the only son of a widow. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her, and said unto her, do not weep. And He came and touched the bier or open coffin: and those who carried him stood still. And Jesus said, Young man, I say unto you, Arise. And he who was
dead sat up, and began to speak. And Jesus delivered him to his mother. In Mark 5:22-43, Jairus a ruler of the synagogue came to Jesus, asking Him to heal his twelve year old daughter. Jesus decided to follow Jairus to his house, but on the way Jairus’ servants met him and told him not to bother Jesus anymore, for his daughter had died. But Jesus told Jairus: do not be afraid, only believe.

When they arrived at the house, people were already weeping and wailing. But Jesus said to them: Why do you make this ado or commotion, and weep? The damsel is not dead but sleeping. Of course the people ridiculed Him, and I think some people in the crowd were saying:” this Jesus is giving false hope to Jairus. This Jesus is not compassionate, how can He say to us that the daughter is not dead, but sleeping, when we all know that she is dead? This Jesus should join us in weeping and wailing; but instead He is telling us to only believe, and the daughter would come back from the dead”.

Brothers and sisters, Jairus was not offended by what Jesus said. Therefore he was supremely empowered by God to receive his daughter back from the dead. Jesus entered where the damsel was lying and took her by the hand and said to her Talitha cumi; which is, being interpreted, Damsel, I say unto you, arise. And straightway the damsel arose, and walked. Jesus' words were true, for He promised us: I am the resurrection, and the life: he who believes in Me, though he were dead, yet he shall live (John 11:25). Verily, verily, I say unto you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and those who hear shall live (John 5:25).

In John 11, we have the account of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. Lazarus, a good friend of Jesus, had two sisters: Mary and Martha. Jesus loved all of them. News was brought to Jesus that Lazarus whom He loved, was sick, so He should come and heal him. But Jesus tarried where He was. By the time He decided to go to Bethany; Lazarus was already dead and was in the grave for four days. Of course Martha and Mary were disappointed; they wished Jesus had come as soon as news of Lazarus sickness was brought to Him. They said: Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But Jesus told her: your brother will rise again. I am the resurrection and the life, He who believes in Me though he were dead, he shall live. They could have been offended by that saying of Jesus, but they were not, Martha said to Jesus: even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You.

Yes she believed that Jesus was the resurrection and the life, so even if her brother was dead, Jesus would bring him back from the dead. After they had the stone removed from the cave where Lazarus was buried; Jesus cried with a loud voice and said: Lazarus, come forth! And the bible records; he who had died came out bound hand and foot with grave clothes, and his face was wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them: loose him and let him go. Medics will tell you once someone is dead he cannot hear your voice, but Jesus tells you: Verily, verily, I say unto you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear, shall live (John 5:25). Whose report will you believe (Isaiah 53:1)?

Paul tells us: God says, awake, you who sleep, arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light (Ephesians 5:14). If Christ is proclaimed, that He was raised from the dead, how do some among you say, that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, neither has Christ been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is worthless, and your faith is also worthless. And we are also found to be false
witnesses of God, because we testified of God, that He raised Christ; whom He did not raise if the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ is not raised (1Corinthians 15:12-16). Ezekiel says, thus says the Lord God: behold, O My people, I will open your graves and bring you into the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up from your graves (Ezekiel 37:12-13). Jesus tells us that prophecy of Ezekiel is now fulfilled, saying: Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, And shall come forth (John 5:28-29).

I recall an instance in the church in Glasgow; a sister came and asked us to pray for the child of her kinswoman in the USA, who was in hospital. We prayed believing that Jesus is the healer, but during the week, the sister called us weeping, and told us that the child had gone into a coma. And when we came to church the next Sunday, she announced that the child had died. We did not know what to say or what to pray. God had spoken to us that the child would live and not die. But the medical people said the child was dead. So we just thanked God, that Sunday and told Him that His will be done. His will was that the child would live He told us already. I will tell you the truth my friends, we had no faith at all, but we opened our mouth and thanked God and asked Him that His will be done. Three days later the sister called us, excited, and told us that the child was alive. My friends, Jesus still raises the dead today. Verily, verily, I say unto you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live (John 5:25).

In 1Kings 17:17-23, we have seen how Elijah, while lodging with the widow of Zarephath, raised her son from the dead. Elisha raised the son of the Shunammite woman from the dead, who built an upper room for him to lodge in, whenever he journeyed in that region, in 2Kings 4:18-37. A person was raised from the dead when his dead body was thrown into the grave, where Elisha was buried and touched the bones of Elisha (2Kings 13:20-21). We have read the prophecy that the Lord God gave Ezekiel: how He will cause the dry bones to live again, how He will open the graves of people, and bring them out of their graves, so that they will know that He is the Lord their God in Ezekiel 37. And Paul tells us that Abraham believed that God could raise Isaac from the ashes, after he had offered him up as a burnt offering, even after cremation (Hebrews 11:17-19). By faith women received their dead raised to life again (Hebrews 11:35).

In the New Testament we have already listed the three cases of dead raising that are recorded for us in the ministry of Jesus: the only son of the widow of Nain in Luke 7:11-17, the twelve year old daughter of Jairus in Luke 8:40-56, and Lazarus in John 11. In the Acts of the Apostles we have the record of Peter raising Dorcas back to life in Acts 9:36-40; we also have the record of Paul raising Eutychus, who had fallen from the third story of the building in Acts 20:7-12, back to life. In the Old Testament we have: three raising of the dead recorded for us, in the ministry of Jesus, we have three dead raising recorded in the four gospels, and in the book of Acts we have two dead raising recoded for us. Joseph, Moses, Jesus and Paul taught us, that if we have seen something written at least twice or three times, it must be established in our heart that it is always the will of God, and He will bring it to pass shortly (Genesis 41:32, Deuteronomy 19:15, Matthew 18:16 and 2Corinthains 13:1). It is always the will of God to raise the dead today. Jesus commands us: as you go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out.
devils: freely you have received, freely give (Matthew 10:7-8).

On the 17th March 2014, I had a vision. In that vision I saw a big open grave. And people were coming out of that open grave, a lot of people! And the angel looked down into that big open grave and shouted: is anybody still left down there? And the last person who came out of that big open grave answered him: nobody is left down there! As I came out of that vision it was about 4am, and I was wondering what the meaning of that vision might be? And the voice of the angel said: He led the captivity captive!

So I said within myself: “He led the captivity captive” has nothing to do with dead raising? It has to do with the triumphal victory of Jesus Christ and how He paraded or made a public spectacle of His enemies at His resurrection. As it is written: And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, has He quickened together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it (Colossians 2:13-15).

So the Holy Spirit reminded me to read the portion of scriptures where Paul said: He led the captivity captive, so that by reading it, he can give me the understanding of what that vision I saw meant, just like Daniel understood the prophecy of Jeremiah by reading the bible (Daniel 9:1-4). So I opened that portion of scriptures. Paul tells us: Therefore He says, “When He ascended up on high, He led captivity captive and gave gifts to men.” (Now that He ascended, what is it but that He also descended first, into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same also as He who ascended up far above all heavens, that He might fill all things.)[Ephesians 4:8-10]

Paul in Ephesians 4 talks about the ministerial gifts that Jesus gave to the church and their role. But before talking about them, Paul opens a parenthesis to tell us what happened at the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Now we have explained the triumphal victory over Satan and his cohorts, which was done to humiliate the defeated enemy and to remove the fear of the enemy, from the hearts of the citizens of the kingdom. But Paul in his parenthesis tells us: (Now that He ascended, what is it but that He also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same also as He who ascended up far above all heavens, that He might fill all things.) So what actually happened when Jesus descended to hell? That Paul thought it is important to put into parenthesis so that we will not forget it?

Prior to the resurrection of Jesus Christ in the lower parts of the earth, there used to be the compartment of the righteous and the compartment of the unrighteous also called hell. The two compartments were separated by a great gulf. All the saints, who ever died from Adam to the thief on the cross, to whom Jesus promised that he would be with Him in paradise on the same day (Luke 23:39-43), were in the compartment of the righteous, where father Abraham was, because they had walked in the faith of Abraham, who believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness (Genesis 15). The unrighteous, who died, were tormented in hell. Jesus explains it in the story of the rich man and Lazarus the beggar.

Luke 16:19 There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and
fared sumptuously every day:

Luke 16:20 And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, who was laid at his gate, full of sores,

Luke 16:21 And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man’s table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.

Luke 16:22 And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham’s bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;

Luke 16:23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and sees Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

Luke 16:24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.

Luke 16:25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and you are tormented.

Luke 16:26 And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence.

Luke 16:27 Then he said, I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father’s house:

Luke 16:28 For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.

Luke 16:29 Abraham said unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.

Luke 16:30 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

Luke 16:31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

The rich man was sent to hell, not because he was rich, but because he did not walk in the steps of Abraham: which is making Jesus your personal Lord, Saviour and God! So when Jesus was buried, he went into the lower parts of the earth. Defeated Satan and His cohorts, but He also closed the compartment of the righteous. So that in the lower parts of the earth, there is only one compartment, even hell! So what happened to all the saints, from Adam to the thief on the cross, who walked in the steps and faith of Abraham? Matthew tells us: behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who slept arose, And came out of the graves after Jesus’ resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many (Matthew 27:51-53).
So all the saints who had died from Adam, or the thief on the cross who believed in Jesus, were raised from the dead at the resurrection of Jesus, and they ascended to heaven with Jesus. It was a foretaste of what will happen at the second coming of Jesus. People like Hymeneus and Philetus, when they heard what happened in Matthew 27:51-53, they rushed to the conclusion that the resurrection was already passed, and their teaching spread in the churches; Paul had to correct them and their followers. Therefore he writes to Timothy, saying: Study earnestly to present yourself approved to God, a workman that does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth. But shun profane, vain babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. And their word will eat like a gangrene; among whom are Hymeneus and Philetus, who have erred concerning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past, and who overthrow the faith of some. Nevertheless the foundation of God stands sure, having this seal: “The Lord knows those who are His.” And, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity (2Timothy 2:15-19)!”

When people heard the teaching of Hymeneus and Philetus, their hearts melted. They twisted it together with what Paul wrote in 1Corinthians 15, that if the dead do not rise, then our faith is in vain, we are still in our sins, let us eat and drink and live like the heathen, for tomorrow we die. We have already missed the rapture! Today some people who teach on the end time, unwittingly also hold the views of Hymeneus and Philetus. Paul corrected the Churches by assuring them that the resurrection has not passed yet. There is still a day coming when the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord (1Thessalonians 4:16-17). So for a born again Christian who now dies after the resurrection of Jesus, his or her body, which is but a tent, goes to the ground; but his or her spirit and soul, goes straight to heaven. Paul tells us: Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (For we walk by faith, not by sight) We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord (2Corinthians 5:6-8). The unsaved, when they die, their body is in the ground; but their soul and spirit are tormented in hell!

So when Jesus rose from the dead, the compartment of the righteous was closed, and all those saints were raised like Matthew told us, when Jesus ascended, they also ascended with Him, they did not go back to their graves. So in that vision the Lord was trying to make us understand the kind of resurrection power that was demonstrated. People who were only dry bones or who were even cremated, the resurrection power of God brought them back to life. So you understand now why Ezekiel prophesied even to dry bones to come to life in Ezekiel 37, or why Abraham believed that God was able to raise Isaac from the dead after he had been cremated (Hebrews 11:17-19). The number of saints raised on that resurrection day was enormous! And that same resurrection power is now in you!

As it is written: if the Spirit of Him [God] who raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit who dwells in you (Romans 8:11). So not only does that tremendous resurrection power dwell in you, and gives life to your mortal body, but you are also able to give life to people around you, and raise them from the dead! My prayer is that you and I will have the revelation of the resurrection power in us through the Holy Spirit!
XV1 These signs shall follow you.

Mark 16:15 And Jesus said unto them, Go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

Mark 16:16 He who believes and is baptized shall be saved; but he who does not believe shall be damned.

Mark 16:17 And these signs shall follow those who believe; In My name they shall cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

Mark 16:18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Matthew 10:7 And as you go, preach, saying, the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Matthew 10:8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely you have received, freely give.

XVI.1 Has God sent me?

Many born again believers have this question in their heart, though they do not say it out loud; but deep inside them they think only people who are behind a pulpit are sent by God. And sometimes even worse than that, they believe the only people who were sent, were the twelve disciples. So when they read “and Jesus said to them”, they believe it is only for the twelve disciples He said it, or to some extent it can be applied to those who are behind the pulpit in churches. What is the truth about that? The disciples asked Jesus this question: are you only saying this to us? Jesus’ answer is: what I say to you I say to all (Mark 13:37).

Therefore what Jesus asked His disciples to do; He is asking us to do the same thing. Jesus prayed saying: I do not pray for these alone [meaning the twelve], but also for those who will believe in Me through their word (John 17:20). Everything He said to them He says it to us; everything He prayed for them, He prayed for us, and everything He commanded them He commands us. If He had only said it to the twelve apostles, there would be no Hope for Paul, for He was converted after the death and resurrection of Jesus. Paul never lived physically with Jesus like the twelve did. But read in the book of Acts how all these signs followed Paul.

Paul stretches it, not just to what Jesus said and did, but to everything that is written in the bible, and says: for whatsoever things were written aforetime (in past time) were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope (Romans 15:4). So everything that is written in the bible is there to teach us, that we through the scriptures might have hope, that what they experienced we also experience. The way God worked through them, He also works through us. Everything is based on the scriptures, outside of the scriptures we are on our own; God does not confirm what we do if it does not line up with the scriptures. Paul had this hope that God would work through him in this way because it is written. He never met Jesus physically; but the written word of God worked for Paul too, and it works for you and me as well, in Jesus’ name! The promises of God are for all of us believers, and Jesus prayed not just for the twelve apostles, but for all believers. Jesus said: I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their
Jesus says: Peace be unto you: as My Father has sent Me, even so I send you (John 20:21). As You, Father God, have sent Me, Jesus, into the world; I also have sent them into the world (John 17:18). We have already established that what He said to them, He says to us, according to Mark 13:37; and what He prayed for them to be and to receive, He also prayed it for us (John 17:18-20). God sent Jesus to earth to show people who God is, and to demonstrate the love of God, so that the love of God might be in people (John 17:26).

And today Jesus sends you and me to do the same. When Jesus sent them, He said: preach the gospel. We have already explained what the gospel means according to 1Corinthians 15:1-5. But why do we preach the gospel, what is the purpose of us preaching the gospel? Jesus gives us the answer saying: I have declared or preached to them Your name, and will declare or preach it so that the love with which You love Me, may be in them, and I in them (John 17:26). So Jesus is sending you and me, to do the same, so that people may know how much God so loves them, and how He demonstrated His love toward them, by giving His Son Jesus, who by His death and resurrection, freely gave us this perfect redemption of God, so that when people believe in Jesus, God and Jesus, can come and dwell in them, and shed abroad the love of God in their heart, through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5).

Do not be afraid, but have peace, Jesus sends you. He who receives you receives Me, and he who receives Me, receives Him who sent Me (Matthew 10:40). Do not worry, when people receive your message they receive Jesus who sent you, and they receive God who sent Jesus, provided you declare or preach the gospel. Whosoever shall receive one of such children in My name, receives Me: and whosoever shall receive Me, receives not Me, but Him who sent Me (Mark 9:37). The vessel God decides to use is irrelevant! Many times people say: you are too young to say anything to me! When I was 11 years old in our cell church, I was sharing the word of God, giving prophecies and praying for the sick. Jesus said these signs shall follow those who believe. Can a child be born again, the answer is yes. God works through all believers never stumble on people’s age. And I am not special at all. Even a 2 year old can hear from God and share it with their parents. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He who receives whomsoever I send receives Me; and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me (John 13:20).

**XVI.2 Do I have to be special?**

Many believers are still saying within themselves: I need to be special for these signs to take place in me and around me. I want to let you know, you are already special. God so loved you that He gave His only begotten Son to die for you so that you can became His child. How more special do you want to be? No one on earth will love you like God and Jesus do. You are the apple of God’s eye. He loves you as He loves Jesus (John 17:23). People may still say, God has some special people, you know: the apostles, the prophets, the teachers, the evangelists and the pastors. No my friend, God loves you, as He loves Jesus; He loves those in the fivfold ministry as He loves Jesus. It is the same love He has for you, that He has for them.

Paul says: Jesus gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the
edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ. That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, who is the head, even Christ (Ephesians 4:11-15). So think of these people as rugby coaches or football coaches; as personal trainers, school teachers or lecturers. Yet they themselves must be doers of what they are teaching other believers. They give you the knowledge of the truth and demonstrate it in their own life; so that you know the attack plan of your opponent (Satan), they encourage you according to the scriptures, when you are going through hard times, and tell you: you will come out victorious; that you can do all things through Christ who strengthens you. They speak the truth in love, not to hurt you! But when they see some destructive things or habits in your life, they tell you the truth in love. They help you to become more Christ like and grow into Christ. They help you to reproduce what is written in the bible, that you might be able to do the works Jesus did, and become Christ like.

They drive silly teaching out of your mind and life, and point you to Jesus, the word of God and only the word of God. They help you to know Jesus and become more like Him, and grow into Christ Jesus. You are the one who will do the work of ministry, as you also see them doing the work of ministry. They are only there to equip you with the knowledge of how to do it, and demonstrate to you how it ought to be done. They are more than coaches, for they themselves must produce what they teach others! Many people in the fivefold ministry refuse to share this truth, so that they will be the only ones playing. Imagine a rugby coach who does not train his players and tells them: when the opponent comes, that’s the time you should ask me questions and strategies, and call me to come and play with you!

That coach will be fired, you train and teach before the game, so that when they are on the pitch or playground, they know exactly what to do, they do not buy into the deception of the opponent, and the coach never has to play with them. We should teach people, so that they can stand on their own, and know all the truth we have; so that they can coach other teams. The aim is to turn every player into a coach. In other words every believer must be turned into a discipler, so that he or she gives the same truth to another group of believers.

Philip was waiting on tables; he was in charge of food distribution in the church (Acts 6:1-5). So think in your church of the sister or the brother who is working in the church kitchen, he or she makes sure everybody receives their food, and those who are poor, take some food home with them. But the apostles kept on preaching and teaching the truth, that the signs are for everybody, everybody can declare the gospel, everybody is sent. And it dawned on Philip. He went to Samaria, and started the revival in Samaria (Acts 8:5-40). You see people in the world do not want to listen to another preacher, but they want to listen to their neighbour, to their colleague, to the mother of their children’s friend, to someone they can relate to and relate with. So when normal people have the truth, they can minister the word of God around them. They can heal the sick in their home, or over the phone. They can lead people to Christ at work, at the children’s playground, at the supermarket car park.

They do not have to wait for the pastor to come to heal the sick; they do not have to drag people into a church building, before they can be saved. Philip did not wait for anybody to start the revival in Samaria. Share the gospel in your own words. Preaching simply means to
declare, so tell what God has done in your life to normal people, and tell them in your own words what God can do for them, according to the scriptures. Jesus said these signs shall follow those who believe; you have believed in the Lord Jesus, so you are qualified. God has anointed you son or daughter, King or queen, priest or priestess through Christ Jesus, with the Holy Ghost and power, therefore go about your normal daily activities, doing good, and healing all who are oppressed of the devil; because God is with you (Acts 10:38).

XVI.3 How much of God’s power is available?

Many believers still ask this question: when I go and share the word with people, how much of God’s power is available? Now that you know that God has sent you, and that these signs follow you; because you are a believer. Let us see what is written about you. He whom God has sent, speaks the words of God, for God does not give the Spirit by measure (John 3:34). The Holy Spirit you and I have received, is not by measure. Many people still think the Holy Spirit is an it, and not a He. They think He is a wind, or a rain. These were symbols used by God to try to help us understand. But as long as we think that the Holy Spirit as an it, we will say the wind has stopped blowing, or the rain has stopped.

The Holy Spirit is a person, even the third person of the Godhead! Think of yourself going to your friend’s house. When you arrive at his or hers: do you leave your hands or eyes or any of your body parts at home? No, when you stepped into your friend’s house you came complete, none of your body parts were missing. The Holy Spirit is a person of the Godhead, when He came into your body, which is His new home, He came complete. All the power of the Holy Spirit, all His gifts! He did not leave His gifts in heaven and once in a while He goes back to heaven to take a gift and bring it to you. He came in full, and He never leaves you. God has sent you and given you the Spirit without measure.

We have seen in part IV of Perfect Redemption plan, Jehovah-Shammah. God’s presence goes with us, and is in us, because the kingdom of God is now in us. God the Father dwells and walks in us, the resurrected Jesus Christ dwells and walks in us, and the Holy Spirit dwells in us. All things can happen since the Godhead dwells in us. John tells us: of the fullness of Jesus Christ we have all received grace for grace (John 1:16). Grace is the unmerited favour of our God, and is divine empowerment. We have all received the fullness of Jesus Christ. The resurrected Christ dwells in us, and continues His works through us. The same Philip who used to wait on tables, after he had brought the revival in Samaria, went into the wilderness to preach to the Ethiopian eunuch. When he was done, the Spirit of the Lord caught him away, so that the eunuch saw him no more, and Philip was found at Azotus (Acts 8:26-40). Philip was supernaturally transported. The three persons of the Godhead are with you wherever you are, so all things are possible; all the power in the world is available in you and with you.

It is not by our power or our “anointing”, or our holiness or godliness. Of course we need to be holy, for God is Holy, and be Christ like. When Peter had healed the lame man at the gate Beautiful of the temple, in Acts 3; he said to the people. Men of Israel, why do you marvel at this? Or look so intently at us, as though by our own power or godliness or holiness we have made this man walk (Acts 3:12)? Today many people want to have their own “power”, their own “anointing”, but Peter said it was not by their own power.
Where then did the power come from? He said: Jesus Christ who was crucified, God raised Him from the dead (Acts 3:13-16). Peter said it was not by their own holiness or godliness, that they did those miracles either. We have established in part I of the Perfect Redemption Plan, that the death and resurrection of Jesus made it possible for God to impute the righteousness of Jesus to us, the Holiness or Godliness of Jesus to us. Christ is our righteousness and our sanctification or holiness or godliness. As long as we reject the righteousness and holiness of Jesus, that has been imputed to us, it will not work, and we will be like the Jews trying to establish our own righteousness and holiness, by the works of the law.

Peter said it was not by their own power. Paul says: if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is vain or empty, and our faith (or belief) is also vain or empty (1Corinthians 15:14). The resurrection of Jesus is what makes the difference. If He is not risen, we are all wasting our time! If God did not raise Jesus from the dead, let us eat and drink for tomorrow we die (1Corinthians 15:32)! We will still be in our sin, still at enmity with God. But the resurrection made it possible for us to become righteous, and no longer sinners, holy, at peace with God, and God even the Godhead, can come and dwell in us.

The resurrection made it possible for the Godhead to make their abode with me and in me. Where does the power come from then? Paul says: the gospel is the power of God (Romans 1:16), the preaching of the cross, is the power of God (1Corinthians 1:18) and the resurrected Christ Jesus is the power of God (1Corinthians 1:24). It is the resurrected Christ who dwells in us, that does the work. He is the power of God, He is the Anointed One! We are the vessel, and He fills us. We are the branch and He is the vine full of sap or life. What He did on the cross on our behalf, when we believe it and preach it; the power of God is released, because Jesus is the Word of God (John 1:1).

People still want to have their own anointing. John says: the Anointing which you received from Him abides in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as His Anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and no lie, and as He has taught you, abide in Him (1John 2:27). The Holy Spirit will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you (John 14:26). The Spirit will guide you in all truth for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will tell you things to come (John 16:13). It shall be, in that day, his [the enemy’s] burden, shall be taken away from off your shoulder, and his yoke from off your neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing (Isaiah 10:27). Anointing is the tangible manifestation of the power of the Holy Ghost, to have spiritual revelations and perform signs and wonders. The Holy Spirit is the owner of anointing, for He is the one who teaches us concerning all things, and is true. We received Him when we were born again, and He abides in us forever. We did not work to get the Holy Spirit, and even received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, so when you are saved and baptized in the Holy Ghost, all the power of the Godhead is available in you and with you.

**XVI.4 Heal the sick, cleanse the leper, raise the dead, cast out devils**

Many times these questions are not settled in our hearts. Jesus does not ask us to pray for the sick, the leper, the demon-possessed, and the dead. But He commands us saying: Heal
the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils (Matthew 10:8). He does not ask us to do something impossible or too hard. Whatever He commands us to do, He knows we can do it though Him. When Jesus was on earth before His passion, He told us how it works: first of all, the Father who dwells in Him is the one doing the work, and the Father anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and power to do those works. Jesus is now in us, God has anointed us with the Holy Spirit and power, and we received power when we received the promise of the Father, even the baptism in the Holy Spirit. The resurrected Jesus does the work through us. When we come, let us take Jesus at His word. In our heart let us not think we have come to pray for a sick or diseased person or for a leper or for a demon-possessed person, but to heal the sick and diseased, cleanse the leper, raise the dead and cast out devils.

People may ask, what is the difference? The bible says: as a person thinks in his or her heart, so is he or she (Proverbs 23:7). And Jesus says: out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks (Matthew 12:34). Let me put it this way. If a person comes to me and says I want to be saved, but I tell him, I will pray the prayer of a sinner with you, but I am not sure if after you have prayed that prayer, you will be saved, “only God knows”. But, if I know, that when a person has repented toward God and put his faith in Jesus, He is born again, I can boldly say to the person: my friend, after we have prayed, you shall be instantly saved! In both cases, I prayed for the person, but in the first case the person might come again for prayer the next Sunday, because he does not know if he is saved or not. We see that a lot in churches every Sunday, when the preacher asks who wants to be saved and the same people come out for prayer.

In our heart it must be settled, when you pray for the sick believe that Jesus has healed them, just like you believed that Jesus saved them. He is the one doing the work through you, why should you worry? It is His credibility that is at stake [hanging in the balance] not mine. I never said those words; He said it, and I simply parrot Him. He has thoughts about everything that pertains to life and godliness, and wrote them in the bible, I simply plagiarise His recorded thoughts and utterances. After all He told me, let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus (Philippians 2:5).

He wants me to think like He thinks, to talk like He talks, to love like He loves, to imitate Him in everything (John 13:15). Jesus gave us power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease (Matthew 10:1). It is a delegated power or authority, not our power or authority, but His. He is the one doing the work through us. He says: In My name they shall cast out devils. When we pray for the sick or for a demon possessed person, Jesus Christ in us, does the work, we are there just as His representatives. Nothing can withstand that name. At the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Philippians 2:10-11). Yes, when we stand there acting as His representatives, all manner of sickness and all manner of disease will bow. The resurrected Christ Jesus tells us: All power and all authority is given unto Me in heaven and in earth (Matthew 28:18).

Behold, I give unto you power (Exousia: delegated authority and power, legal authority to exercise power) to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power (Dunamis: power, force) of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you (Luke 10:19). And as you go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the
dead, cast out devils: freely you have received, freely give (Matthew 10:7-8). Since Jesus is doing the work through us, and we stand there as His representatives, we have been invested with all authority and all power in heaven and earth to crash the kingdom of darkness, destroy its works in people’s lives. Jesus said: you shall receive power (Dunamis: power, force) when the Holy Spirit has come upon you to be My witnesses (Acts 1:8). The Holy Spirit is in us, and has come upon us, when we received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. We are now Jesus’ witnesses, His representatives, His ambassadors. Paul says: now then, we are ambassadors for Christ as though God were pleading through us (2Corinthians 5:20).

An ambassador only voices what his or her head of state says, never turns left or right, from what has been commanded of him. If he has his personal opinion, he keeps it to himself; but he only voices what was commanded of him. We voice the message of our kingdom and our head of state backs us up. Jesus is the King of kings. He is the head of the church, our commander in chief. When we stand there, we stand with that authority and power, that all the power and force of our heavenly government is behind us. God said to Joshua and to each one of us His representatives: Only be strong and very courageous, so that you may be careful to do according to all the Law [the bible] which My servant Moses commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right or to the left, so that you may act wisely wherever you go. This book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it by day and by night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall act wisely (Joshua 1:7-8).

Jesus says to us: I give unto you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever you shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven (Matthew 16:19). All manner of sickness and all manner of disease, you have the authority and the power to bind them and cast them out. Christ in you is the power of God. Jesus tells us: lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. It is not my hand, though they feel my hand. God said He dwells in me and walks in me, Jesus said our bodies are the members of Christ. I know Jesus is in me, and when I lay hands on the sick I believe Jesus through me, lays hands on the sick and His stripes healed them. I just stand there as a vessel, and He does the work through me, that’s all! When I speak the word of God, I believe in my heart that they are coming straight from the mouth of Jesus. Why? Because He told me: do not worry about how or what you should speak, for it will be given to you in that hour what you should speak. The Spirit of the Father speaks in you (Matthew 10:19-20). The Holy Spirit will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you (John 14:26). The Spirit will guide you in all truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will tell you things to come (John 16:13).

So brethren, according to the words of Jesus, I stand and you stand too. Jesus said: whatever I tell you in the dark, speak it in the light, and what you hear in the ear, preach on the housetops (Matthew 10:27). We must read and study the scriptures; the Holy Spirit helps us understand them. When we stand to minister to, or pray with or for someone, we have this confidence that the Holy Spirit brings to our remembrance, what we have learned, and we speak it, because Jesus is the word of God. If it is written, we speak it. God confirms His words with mighty signs and wonders. Jesus exemplified it for us. He always quoted the scriptures: it is written! He believed what is written in the bible and believed God backs up His own words. So do we in Jesus’ name! These signs shall follow those who believe; In My name they
shall cast out devils; they shall cleanse the lepers, they shall speak with new tongues; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover, they shall raise

the dead, freely they have received, freely give.

XVI.5 The blessing will overtake you.

Jesus said: if you know these things, supremely blessed (or supremely empowered are you, to experience what is written in the scriptures) are you, if you do them (John 13:17). The disciples were taught by Jesus and Jesus sent them to do the same works, not inferior or lesser works, but the same works and even greater works (John 14:12). Jesus came preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God (Mark 1:14). He sent His disciples preaching the same gospel (Matthew 10:7). The disciples preached what Jesus preached, and they had the same results Jesus had. When the disciples came back to Jesus after they had preached the same gospel of the kingdom, and believed the way Jesus taught them to believe, they had the same results Jesus had, they said to Jesus: Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through your name (Luke10:17). We must start by saying the same thing Jesus said, thinking the way Jesus thought, and doing what Jesus did, and we will have the same results. We will experience the same things, Jesus is no respecter of persons, neither is God (Acts 10:34). He sent the twelve and later he sent the seventy two, and it worked for all of them. Today He sends you and I, it also works for us!

Let us examine what Peter says in Acts 10:34-35. Peter opened his mouth and said, Truly I see that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he who fears Him and works righteousness, is accepted with Him. So Peter is giving us the requirements to fulfil if we want to be greatly used of God, like the early disciples of Jesus. First you must be born again according to Jesus in John 3:7. Second you must have the fear of God, which means to hate evil and depart from evil according to Proverbs 8:13 and Proverbs 16:6. Third you need to practice righteousness and stop sinning, for the person who sins belongs to the devil, for the devil sinned from the beginning according to 1John 3:7-8 and 1Corinthians 15:34. In other words you need to embrace the sanctified life of Jesus, His way, His truth, if you want to be greatly used of God (John 14:6-12, Hebrews 1:9, John 17:16-20). Then you need to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost with evidence of speaking in tongues, like Peter and the early disciples of Jesus did and like Cornelius and all his household and friends received while Peter was preaching to them in Acts 10.

John tells us: that if our heart accuses us or condemns us, God is greater than our heart and knows all things. Beloved, if our heart does not accuse us or does not condemn us, we have confidence or boldness toward God. And whatever we ask, we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight (1John 3:20-22). The person who is not practicing righteousness or living in holiness, but rather in sin, his conscience will be accusing him and his heart will be condemning him; because he is not walking in the spirit, which means, being a doer of the written word of God, not a hearer or reader only, but is walking in the flesh, which means, doing the desires of Satan, and being conformed to this world (Romans 8:1, Romans 2:15).

When a person practices righteousness, he has boldness toward God when He comes in
prayer. Solomon tells us: the wicked flee when no man pursues; but the righteous are bold or confident as a lion (Proverbs 28:1). You will challenge powers of darkness and their agents like Elijah did on Mount Carmel in 1Kings 18. James tells us: The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous one avails much. Elijah was a man of like passion as we are. And he prayed earnestly that it might not rain, and it did not rain on the earth for the time of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth caused its fruit to sprout (James 5:16-18). When we embrace the way of Jesus, His truth and His sanctified life, we do not just keep His commandments, but we do the things that are pleasing in His sight. That is why we are confident or bold that whatever we ask of Him, we receive it.

Peter tells us that God was pleased with Jesus too, saying: Jesus received honour and glory from God the Father, when there came to Him a voice from the excellent glory, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” And we heard this voice being borne from Heaven, being with Him in the holy mountain (2Peter 1:17-18). Peter was referring to the experience they had on the Mount of transfiguration in Matthew 17, John, James and Peter accompanied Jesus on that mountain. So Peter and John are telling us the same things, in Acts 10:34-35 and in 1John 3:20-22. If we want to be greatly used of God, we will need to keep His commandment, hate evil and depart from it, practice righteousness and do those things that are pleasing in His sight; in other words, we need to embrace the sanctified life of Jesus, His truth and His way, and then just like God was pleased with Jesus Christ, He will also be pleased with us.

You can deceive men and women, but you cannot deceive God and demons. In the spirit realm you are known by your fruit, even the fruit of the Spirit. Jesus tells us: You shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles? Even so every good tree brings forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree brings forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruits, nor can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that does not bring forth good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Therefore by their fruits you shall know them (Matthew 7:16-20).

John tells us: He who practices sin is of the Devil, for the Devil sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was revealed, that He might destroy the works of the Devil. Everyone who has been born of God does not commit sin, because His seed remains in him, and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God. In this the children of God are revealed, and the children of the Devil: everyone not practicing righteousness is not of God, also he who does not love his brother (1John 3:8-10). So in the spirit realm, they only know you by your fruit, even the fruit of the spirit, if you are practicing sin, you belong to the devil, and he is ruling over you. If you are practicing righteousness, you belong to God and God is ruling over you. That is why the demons said to the sons of Sceva who were trying to cast them out: Jesus I know, Paul I know, who are you? In the spirit realm you are known by your fruit, the fruit of the spirit is all goodness and righteousness and truth (Ephesians 5:9). If you are still practicing the works of the flesh, the devil knows that you are his. and Paul tells you, you will not inherit the kingdom of God, but if you exhibit the fruit of the spirit, you belong to God, and will inherit the Kingdom (Galatians 5:19-25).

Let us look at the account of the sons of Sceva. Certain men from the vagabond Jews, exorcists, undertook to name the name of the Lord Jesus over those having evil spirits,
saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preaches. And there were seven sons of Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, who did so. But answering, the evil spirit said, Jesus I know, and I comprehend Paul, but who are you? And the man in whom the evil spirit resided leaped on them, and overcoming them, he was strong against them, so that they fled out of the house naked and wounded (Acts 19:13-16). Everything must be defined according to the scriptures, and according to the scriptures from the mouth of Jesus, and of John, we have seen that in the spirit realm you are known by your fruit.

We have also explained the concept of the Triune God and the Anointing of the Holy Spirit in the Perfect Redemption Plan, Part IV. We saw that you cannot dissociate the fruit of the spirit from the anointing of the Holy Spirit. In that Olive tree of the Triune God, God the Father is the Root, Jesus is the Vine, the Holy Spirit is the Sap. You and I are the branches. The leaves talk about our confession or profession. You do not have olive oil by pounding the leaves. You can “blab it and grab it” ten thousand times like some American preachers teach you. You will not have the manifestation of those promises, unless you decide to become possessors what you profess.

In Mark 11, Jesus cursed that fig tree which with its leaves, was deceiving people that it possessed the fruit. Now the fig tree is the symbol of Israel, even a tree of righteousness the planting of the Lord (Hosea 9:10, Isaiah 61:3). They professed to be righteous, but they did not have the fruit of the spirit; for the fruit of the spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth (Ephesians 5:9). Whatever we profess we must possess. True confession as we have explained in the bible study: The power of confession, starts by saying the same thing God says about a thing, thinking the same things about that thing, to doing the same thing God does. Faith or belief without works is useless, worthless and dead (James 2:17). The olive oil is obtained by pressing the olive fruits, not by pounding the leaves of the olive tree. Thus the anointing of the Holy Spirit and the fruit of the spirit, which is in all goodness, righteousness and truth, cannot be dissociated.

If you refuse to embrace the sanctified life of Jesus, His way and truth, you can blab the promises of God ten thousand times, trying to grab them; it will be in vain. Jesus calls it vain repetitions. He tells us: when you pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Therefore do not be like unto them: for your Father knows what things you have need of, before you ask Him (Matthew 6:8-9). Do we confess scriptures in prayer or in our daily circumstances? The answer is yes! Please read the bible studies on the Power of confession and the Abecedary of Prayer. I do not need to repeat it a thousand times, that is vain repetitions. I need to find out what my part to play is, and act on it. That is the fastest way to believe a promise of God!

Solomon tells us: I have seen all the works that are done under the sun [even the vain repetitions of promises contained in the bible, by some Christians who deliberately refuse to embrace the sanctified life of Christ, His way and truth], and indeed all that exercise of blabbing scriptures is vanity and grasping for the wind (Ecclesiastes 1:14). They are just wasting their breath, because they will not have the materialization of what they are blabbing. I perceive that this also is grasping for the wind, even vexation of the Spirit; for after they have blabbed those promises ten thousand times, they realize that they have not seen any manifestation of them in their life (Ecclesiastes 1:17).
And in spiritual warfare, they will be as people beating the wind, they will not be able to beat the enemy. Like the sons of Sceva, they were trying to beat the devil, but in the spirit realm they were beating the wind! The devil showed them how it is done properly by beating them, and wounding them, and they fled naked from that demon possessed man. But as for you and I, who have embraced the sanctified life of Jesus, His way and truth; we have this confidence or boldness toward God, knowing that whatever we ask of Him, we received it; because we keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight (1John 3:20-22). And when it comes to spiritual warfare we are not beating the wind, we are beating the devil, and he flees from us!

Paul tells us: everyone who strives for the mastery, is temperate in all things. Then those, truly that they may receive a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible. So then I run, not as if I were uncertain. And so I fight, not as one who beats the air. But I buffet my body, and lead it captive, lest proclaiming to others I myself might be rejected (1Corinthians 9:25-27). That is why the devil could say: Paul I know, Jesus I know, they do not beat the air, but their spiritual fists truly beat the hell out of the people! It is not the devil in the demon possessed man who beats them, and causes them to flee naked and wounded, like he did to the sons of Sceva; but they are the ones who beat the pants off of the demons and parade them. As it is written of Jesus: He stripped rulers and authorities, He made a show of them publicly, triumphing over them in it (Colossians 2:15). Yes, truly the demon said: Jesus I know, Paul I know, for they beat the pants off of demons; but who are you? You are the only one who can answer that question in the light of what we have shared!

Remember what Paul tells us: You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men, it having been made plain that you are the epistle of Christ, ministered by us, not having been written with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not on tablets of stone, but in fleshly tablets of the heart. And we have such trust through Christ toward God (2Corinthians 3:2-4). You and I are open books, even the word made flesh; men, angels and demons read our life, and they know to whom we belong, based on the fruit we bear, not based on what we profess to be. You will know them by their fruits! Jesus and Paul were known by all men, angels and demons; but who are you?

Are you walking in the steps of Jesus and Paul? Have you embraced the sanctified life of Jesus, His way and truth? Are you bearing fruit of the spirit or are the works of the flesh? If you willingly choose to bear the fruit of the spirit and walk like Jesus walked; He promised, saying: Verily, verily, I say unto you, He who believes in Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father (John 14:12). Jesus wants to perform greater works through each one of us who have believed in His name. Isaiah saw that day and said: it shall come to pass that before you call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear (Isaiah 65:24). The signs start by following you first of all, when you believe the gospel, confess it, and act on it. The time comes when you know that you know, and believe the word, like Paul says: we having the same Spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak (2Corinthians 4:13). When you share the word of God or pray, you will do so with all assurance and all confidence, not wavering.

Moses said: and all these blessings shall come upon you, and overtake you, if, you shall hearken unto the voice of the LORD your God (Deuteronomy 28:2). As we take heed and act
on the word of God, all the blessings of the gospel will follow us, including the mighty signs and wonders. There will come a point when they will over-take us. Paul knew, believed and was confident that the blessings of the gospel followed Him, because it is written in the bible and God cannot lie. Therefore he said to the church at Rome: I know that when I come to you I will come in the fullness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ (Romans 15:29). Paul understood the perfect redemption plan of God, He knew of the fullness of Jesus He had received grace for grace; that the Godhead was always with him wherever he journeyed. Therefore even in Rome, the gospel should work, just as it worked in the other cities; mighty signs and wonders shall accompany it. He tells us: for I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ has not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed, Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ (Romans 15:18-19).

So according to Paul, the Gospel of Christ that he fully preached, was not only in words and good deeds of the law; but in mighty signs and wonders by the power of the Holy Ghost. It must be your standard too and mine. For our gospel, Paul says, did not come unto you in word only, but also in power (Dunamis: miracle working power), and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance; as you know what manner of men we were among you for your sake. And you became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost: So that you were examples to all who believe in Macedonia and Achaia (1Thessalonians 1:5-7). Brethren believe the gospel of Christ, there are many gospels out there, but according to the words of Paul, fully preaching the gospel of Christ includes having the same mighty signs and wonders He had. We must demonstrate the power of the Holy Spirit, be followers of the Gospel of Christ.

Unfortunately some people have been deceived by the enemy, to believe that the gospel is just in words and good deeds of the law: we help the poor, the homeless, the needy, we live holy and practice righteousness. All these we ought to do them. But we have not fully preached the gospel of Christ, until we have mighty signs and wonders by the power of the Holy Ghost. The signs and wonders which are part of the blessings of the gospel of Christ, will not just follow us, but at a point they will overtake us. Many times when we preached the gospel, we have not prayed for anybody yet, but people start to get healed in the congregation. Isaiah rightly prophesied: before you call, I will answer; and when they are still speaking, I will hear. The blessing of the gospel of Christ did overtake the disciples: the shadow of Peter was healing the sick (Acts 5:15). The handkerchiefs and aprons taken from the body of Paul, were healing the diseased without him being physically present, or the sick hearing his voice (Acts 19:12).

**XVI.6 Truth**

I was writing a bible study and the words of that bible study were too good to be true to a carnal mind. I started to have tears in my eyes, and I said to God: I know it is written in your word, but people’s experiences are not lining up with what is written. Should I not adapt the word of God to people’s experience, at least I will not sound like a crazy person when I speak or write about Your word. God told me: are you ashamed of My gospel? I said: God I am not ashamed, but I am trying to help You, because people are not experiencing what You say in
Your written word. Thus if I bring it down to their experiences, they will be happy. So He told Me: you are ashamed of My gospel. You want to please men and be accepted. God told me: Moses tried to help me to provide meat for the people in the wilderness, and I told him: is the power of the Lord limited (Numbers 11:22-23)? God does not need our help there is no limit to His power!

And He told me: when Paul said: I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation, to everyone that believes; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek (Romans 1:16). It is not just that believers were ashamed of opening their mouth and sharing the gospel with people, but also, believers were ashamed of speaking the gospel of Christ. For we have seen that the gospel of Christ, according to Paul, is not just in words and good deeds of the law, but in mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God. Some Christians do not mind sharing the gospel, but only the social gospel: we help the poor, we feed the hungry, we build orphanages, we build schools, etc.

We are supposed to do all that yes, but to fully preach the gospel of Christ, mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Holy Ghost must take place. The whole redemption plan of the Lord is foolishness to the carnal mind. We are ashamed of the gospel of Christ when we do not state it the way it is written, but we try to modify it, so that it will not offend people, so that they will not think of us as fools, we want to be accepted by society. So we pick and choose in the gospel of Christ, what we can do without God, for even communists who deny Jesus, did good deeds: they built orphanages, fed the poor, and built schools. But when it comes to the perfect redemption plan of God, it takes the power of the Spirit of God to bring it to pass; hence many of us are ashamed of that Gospel of Christ.

I remember in November 2013, I was discussing with a woman who was not saved, and she was asking me what I thought about fornication, adultery, homosexuality and the theory of evolution, which states that we came from apes. I told her, I have no opinion, but I have a position and you know my position is always what the bible says! So I explained to her, that according to the scriptures, it is a demon that is behind all those sexual sins as we have demonstrated in “David’s Sexual Sin Exposed” and in “Abecedary of Prayer”. I told her: Charles Darwin, who came up with that theory of evolution, had a Christian wife. Whenever he went to do one of his lectures, his wife would not attend. So he asked his wife to come and support him, though she, as a Christian, believed in the creation of God. She agreed to go and assist at one of the presentations of her husband. So after the presentation, Charles Darwin asked his wife how she thought the presentation went? She answered him: “for a monkey you did quite well”!

And then I told that woman that all those people who reject the creation of God, and believe in a big bang theory, or the evolution theory of Charles Darwin, have been deceived by the devil, and Paul says: because they rejected God, God has also given them over to a reprobate mind, including Christians, who believe in evolution, or who are practicing those sexual immoralities (Romans 1:28). She did not say a word at that time, but I told her the truth of the word of God in love. And a week later, as we were talking about something else; she told me: I will not allow someone to insult me in my own house, that I have a reprobate mind, because some guy Paul 2,000 years ago said it!

I could see she was really offended by that reprobate mind used in the bible, though I never
said that she had that reprobate mind, but her own belief of the theory of evolution and her sexual immoralities, accused her conscience that Paul was talking about her (Romans 2:15). So the devil that night told me: “you need to apologize to her, and use a word that is more acceptable, when you share the gospel, than reprobate mind”. I said out loud: I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, what is written is written, and I do not turn to the left or right from the word of God! God knows that I was not rude to that woman, the truth is, the next day that woman asked me to pray for her mother who was sick and she texted me the name of her mother, so that I will get it right in my prayers. She knew I genuinely care about her soul, and I never condemned her, but as we explain in the bible study: “Neither do I Condemn You” I will not change the written word of God for anybody: Christians or non Christians!

God reminded me of my years as an undergraduate student; I used to have electricity laboratory sessions. At the end of every laboratory session, I needed to submit a laboratory report. Prior to the laboratory session I had already written my report; I have done the theoretical experiments and obtained the theoretical results. The theory and the theoretical results were based on what was written in my electricity textbooks. I knew exactly in theory how my experiments were supposed to function, and what the experimental results would be like. So when I entered the laboratory and did my experiments, I never changed my theories, and my theoretical results because they were based on the Laws of Electricity contained in the textbooks, and I knew that the textbooks were true. But I repeated the experiments over and over until the experimental results were close to the theoretical results.

Sometimes when the experimental result was not close to the theoretical, I checked the connections of the wires or some components in my circuit. The supervisor of the laboratory session taught us how to use the equipment. I know, if I had experimental results that did not agree with the theoretical results, my experiment was wrong. I knew I had missed something. There was nothing wrong with the theoretical results, because they were based on the Laws of Electricity, but only with the experimental results. And when I found where my mistake was, the experimental results agreed with the theoretical.

Why am I telling you that? God reminded me, that the word of God is the truth (John 17:17). And furthermore Jesus Christ is the truth (John 14:6). The bible is called the book of the Law; Joshua said: this book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; but you shall meditate therein day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall have good success (Joshua 1:8). A law is a permanent rule that governs the behaviour of an object. We for instance have the laws of gravity, it does not matter where in the world you are, the laws of gravity are true all the time. We have the laws of electricity; they work all over the world. The bible which is the textbook of God, is true all the time, it is the book of the Law, it does not matter where in the world you are, this book of the Law is true all the time. If an experiment is based on the truth or a law, it can be reproduced at will all over the world, if people follow the instructions contained in the textbook which explains how that Law works. No wonder, Jesus told us, works that I do you shall do, and greater works than this shall you do because I go to the Father (John 14:12). In the bible, we have the stories of other believers who acted on the truth contained in the book of the Law, and they had the result the book of the Law states.

Since the Word of God is the truth, and the whole bible is the book of the Law, what Jesus
commanded us to do, can be reproduced at will. It does not matter where in the world you are, or who is standing before you, if Jesus said you can do it, and commanded you to do it in the scriptures, you can do it at will. Now you understand why disciples like Paul could use great boldness of speech, and say to the church at Rome, that when he gets there, God will perform the same mighty signs and wonders by the power of the Holy Ghost. He understood that the word of God is the truth and the book is the book of the Law, it works all the time, and everywhere in the world, once you know how it works.

XVII. The preparations of the heart belong to man or woman but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord.

The preparations of the heart belong to man, or to woman; but the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD (Proverbs 16:1). The heart of the righteous studies how to answer (Proverbs 15:28). It is our responsibility to study the word of God, not just read it, but to study it, in our quiet time the Lord gives us the understanding of those scriptures, that is the preparation of our heart. Study to show yourself approved unto God [you are not studying to show yourself approved to brother Gery or to any man or to any woman; but unto God]; a workman who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth (2Timothy 2:15).

We do not need to be overly concerned with what comes out of our mouth; for when we have spent time renewing our mind, according to the written word of God, when we speak to people, the Holy Spirit takes what we have learned, and brings it to our remembrance. The Psalmist said: my mouth shall speak wisdom and the meditation of my heart shall give understanding (Psalm 49:3). If we do not spend time preparing our heart, according to the word of God, and renewing our mind; we will have limitations and boundaries in our life, and we will also limit the manifestations of the Spirit of God, and the miracle working power of God.

God tells us: keep or guard your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues (totsa’ah: boundaries, borders, issues, deliverance, source) of life (Proverbs 4:23). That is why we need the word of God in our heart; we need to prepare our heart with the word of God. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord (Colossians 3:16). Sometimes when I listen to some believers, I know that they have limitations in life that God did not place on them; but the world placed on them. They have limited the power of God to what man can do, they have turned the Gospel of Christ to humanism, and they deny the power of God. Their source is man, their deliverance is from man, their source of life and finances is man, their source of healing is man, etc.

Do not get me wrong: God uses men, but our eyes are not on men, for God has divine healing, He has divine deliverance like He did for our fathers when they came out of Egypt. He is our source of life, He can feed us without the intervention of man; for He fed them in the wilderness with manna from heaven for forty years, etc. Paul says: my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19). He did not say his God shall supply all their need according to their employments, according to their giving, or according to the economy of their country; but according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Jesus tells us: the light of the body is the eye: therefore when your eye is single, your
whole body also is full of light; but when your eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness (Luke 11:34). Normal human beings have two eyes each, but the two eyes look in the same direction. If they do not, earthly physicians will prescribe lenses to correct that problem. Likewise, though we have two eye sights: the spiritual eye sight and the natural eye sight; but both in the spiritual and in the natural, our eyes must be on the Lord, in the natural He can decide to used humans, but it is still Him working through them; for he said: it is God who works in you both to will and to do for his good pleasure (Philippians 2:13). If He does not decide to use men, then He will miraculously provide for Himself.

The Psalmist said: Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God (Psalm 20:7). Do not put your trust in the chariots of men, or the horses of men, for the Lord will overwhelm them like He did Pharaoh, his chariots, his horses, his riders, and drowned them in the red sea (Exodus 14; Exodus 15). But you and I will remember the name of the Lord our God, that is why we are studying these seven redemptive names of God. Because if we know what they mean to us, and what the promises contained in those names are, and decide to act accordingly; there will be no limitations in our lives as to what we can do in Christ Jesus. Truly nothing shall be impossible to us, because we believe. For the name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous run to it, and are safe (Proverbs 18:10). The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels: the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place (Psalm 68:17). When we believe and act on the redemptive names of the Lord our God: He rides on His horses, His chariots of salvation (yeshuah: salvation, deliverance, healing, victory, prosperity and welfare) (Habakkuk 3:8). The Lord goes forth for the salvation (yeshuah: salvation, deliverance, healing, victory, prosperity and welfare) of His people with His Anointed (Jesus) (Habakkuk 3:13).

Jesus warns us, saying: take heed what you hear: with what measure you mete (measure; limit; set boundary), it shall be measured to you: and unto you who hear, shall more be given. For he who has, to him shall be given: and he who does not have, from him shall be taken, even what he has (Mark 4:24-25). Some Christians spend a lot of their time listening to things that do not profit them spiritually. All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient (or not to my advantage or do not benefit me): all things are lawful for me, but all things do not edify (build up, repair, restore) (1Corinthians 10:23). They listen to talk-shows that promote divorce and unfaithfulness, they watch a lengthy TV series, that portrays the devil being more powerful than God and the children of God. By so doing they are not guarding their heart, what they do not know is, that by listening to those ideas of the devil they are putting limitations to the power of God in their life, and boundaries that God never set for them. But if we decide to select carefully what we listen to and watch, and decide to spend more time in the word of God, it will help us remove those limitations and boundaries that God did not place in our life.

When the Lord healed my backsliding and loved me freely (Hosea 14:4). I wanted to spend more time in the word of God. I did not know where to start, so I was listening and watching Christian TV Channels a lot. But instead of helping me, many of them were confusing me, for within a space of two hours I would listen to four different messages, and they were contradicting each other. So the Lord even told me to turn off those Christian TV channels, and spend more time reading the word of God. When I was equipped with the knowledge of
the truth, I could discern what was truth and what was wrong on those Christian TV channels. I am not telling you not to watch TV, there is nothing wrong with TV or Radio; but take heed what you hear. Do not feed your heart and mind with doubt, unbelief, fear, confusion, traditions of men, false humility, self imposed religion, etc. Even if you are watching a Christian TV channel, always check with the written word of God, what they are saying, and even when you read these bible studies, always check with the written word of God. All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any (1Corinthians 6:12).

Jesus also gives us another warning saying: Therefore take heed how you hear; for whosoever has, to him shall be given; and whosoever does not have, from him shall be taken, even what he seems to have (Luke 8:18). How we hear determines how the seed will grow in us. Some Christians believe every report of the enemy, as if it was the truth and was irreversible. Whatever you hear on TV, Radio, read in the News papers, etc; if it does not agree with the written word of God it is a lie. If we believe the lie of the enemy, we empower him to have his ways in our life. But if we believe the written word of God, we empower God to have His ways in our life; for faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God (Romans 10:17). But fear and unbelief come also by hearing, and hearing by anything that exalts itself against the knowledge of the word of God. Hope comes by hearing and reading the word of God. For whatsoever things were written afore-time, were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope (Romans 15:4). Likewise hopelessness comes by hearing and reading any report that exalts itself against the knowledge of God.

Therefore brothers and sisters, let us take heed what we hear and how we hear. So how shall we take heed when we hear a report that lines up with the written word of God? Paul tells us: my trial which was in my flesh you did not despise or reject, but you received me as an angel of God or a messenger of God, even as Christ Jesus (Galatians 4:14). For Jesus told us: he who hears you, hears Me. he who rejects you, rejects Me, and he who rejects Me, rejects Him who sent Me (Luke 10:16). This is only valid if the person only tells you things that line up with the written word of God, not with man-made religions, traditions of men, customs, false humility, philosophy, the wisdom of the world and self-imposed religion (Colossians 2:18-23). For it is written: for He whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God does not give the Spirit by measure unto Him or God gives him a boundless Spirit, or God gives him the Spirit without limitations(John 3:34). So if you want to see the full manifestations of the Spirit and the miracle working power of God in your life, get the pure word of God; do not pollute it with the wisdom of the world.

I thank God for the people He has placed in my life. When I was eleven years old and became born again, our spiritual father who begot us to the Lord, was always travelling from one country to another, to preach the gospel of Christ like Paul the apostle of Jesus. And I remember, wherever he was in the world, he would write a letter to each one of us. I loved my pastor and still love him, so I truly believed he heard from the Lord, and still does. Yet in his letters, almost every paragraph had a scripture reference to tell us where it was written in the bible, or where he got that revelation or inspirations in the bible. We did what he told us in those letters. When he told us the Lord wanted us to fast, we fasted. We believed him, and received his words, like Paul said, as if they were the words of Jesus. But my pastor was wise:
he always gave us the scriptures, so that we would be like the Christians of Berea and check them (Acts 17:10-12). Paul only spoke and taught in line with the written word of God. He said: Therefore having obtained help from God, I stand until this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying no other things than those which the prophets [Joshua to Malachi] and Moses [Genesis to Deuteronomy] said was going to happen (Acts 26:22). God always confirms His words, spoken by the person who speaks His words faithfully, without ever twisting them, or diminishing them, because he is ashamed to speak them the way it is.

So it is our task to prepare our heart so that God can use what is in our heart, and perform miracles, signs and wonders when we speak it faithfully. For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks (Matthew 12:34). And Jesus tells us: Have faith in God. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain: Be removed, and be cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe, that those things which he says shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he says. Therefore I say unto you: whatsoever things you desire, when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you shall have them (Mark 11:22-24). So what we believe in our heart when we pray, is very important, we must believe according to the scriptures, and when we pray we will experience what is written in the scriptures.

The Psalmist said: Let my cry come near before You, O LORD: give me understanding according to Your word. Let my supplication come before You: deliver (natsal: defend, deliver, recover, rescue, save) me according to Your word (Psalm 119:169-170). Uphold me according to Your word, that I may live, and do not let me be ashamed of my hope (Psalm 119:116). My eyes fail from searching Your word, saying: when will you comfort me (Psalm 119:82)? Those who fear You will be glad when they see me, because I have hoped in Your word (Psalm 119:74). So now you understand why the apostles told the people: we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word (Acts 6:4). They wanted to prepare their heart with all diligence, so that when they open their mouth, it will not be with the wisdom of man; but as it were of God. For the Lord says to each one of us, who decides to prepare his or her heart, according to the word of God: the Lord has given you the tongue of the learned, that you should know how to speak a word in season to him who is weary (Isaiah 50:4).

I, the Lord, have put My word in your mouth; I have covered you with the shadow of My hand, that I may plant the heavens, lay the foundations of the earth, and say to Zion: you are My people (Isaiah 51:16). For the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say (Luke 12:12); and will bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you (John 14:26) when you were preparing your heart in studying and reading the word of God. Do not worry beforehand or premeditate what you will speak. But whatever is given you in that hour, speak that; for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit (Mark 13:11). For I, Jesus, will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist (Luke 21:15).

If we do not prepare our heart, we will not be sure if it is the Holy Spirit or our flesh; but when we prepare our heart, even our prayers, both private and public prayers, will be according to the scriptures, our counsels will be according to the scriptures, our hope will be according to the scriptures, and our words to people, will only be according to the scriptures, and we will experience the limitless demonstration and manifestation of the Spirit of God, and the miracle working power of God, every time we open our mouth to speak the word of God (John
3: 34; 1Corinthians 2:4). For God promised: the Lord confirms the word of His servant and performs the counsel of His messenger (Isaiah 44:26). Indeed the Lord says: I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it (Isaiah 46:11). The result we will get when we pray, will be mostly based on what we believe while we are praying. So let us be diligent to prepare our heart according to the scriptures, so that there would be no limitations or boundaries in our spiritual life. For by so doing, we will be able to cast down imaginations, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ (2Corinthians 10:5).

On the 20th March 2014, the Lord spoke to me as I was praying in tongues, saying: “What I have written I have written, and no one can change it (John 19:22); for where the word of a King is, there is power, and who can question Him saying: what are you doing (Ecclesiastes 8:4)?” God’s word will not change for you or for me; we need to renew our mind by the washing of the water by the word of God and become doers of that word. Paul says to each one of us: Until I come, attend to reading, to exhortation, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift in you, which was given you by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the body of elders. Meditate on these things; give yourself wholly to these things, in order that your improvement or progress may appear to all. Hold on to yourself and to the doctrine; continue in them, for doing this you shall both save yourself and those who hear you (1Timothy 4:13-16). You and I need to give ourselves wholly, not just partially, to what we have learned, and our progress or our results will greatly improve. There are no short cuts!

Peace unto you all!

Regards,

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- Jehovah-RAPHA: THE LORD IS OUR PHYSICIAN, THE LORD IS OUR HEALER.
- I. The works of the devil.
- II. The right disposition of the heart to receive the manifestations of God’s promises
- III. The Holy Spirit is Lord in all our ministrations to people
- IV. The purpose of signs, wonders and manifestations of the Holy Ghost
- V. Jehovah-RAPHA: The Lord is our Physician or Healer
- VI. The Serpent on the pole
- VII. Who did sin?
- VII.1 No more generational curses from God to His children
- VII.2 Attacks and curses from the pit of hell in the life of believers
- VII.3 When people, even Christians, despise the riches of God’s goodness, His forbearance and His long-suffering
- VII.4 Sin and unbelief or faithlessness in the person receiving ministration, cannot stop the power of God
- VII.5 The weightier matters of the Law: Justice, Mercy and Faith
- VII. Sickness, diseases and premature death do not glorify God.
- IX. Healing is easy for the Godhead and it is always Their will.
- X. Settle it in your heart: it is always God’s will to heal you.
- XI. Healing is the bread of the children
• XII. Be made perfectly whole and perfectly sound!
• XII.1 The storehouse in heaven has all the body parts.
• XII.2 Drive away doubts in your heart
• XII.3 Healing is not based on our good deeds
• XII.4 Believe that God wants to make everybody perfectly whole and perfectly sound
• XIII. With long and abundant life I will satisfy you
• XIV. Our healing is a done deal!
• XIV.1 When will God heal me?
• XIV.2 Can God heal genetic diseases or diseases that affect the immune system?
• XV. Raise the dead
• XVI. These signs shall follow you.
• XVI.1 Has God sent me?
• XVI.2 Do I have to be special?
• XVI.3 How much of God’s power is available?
• XVI.4 Heal the sick, cleanse the leper, raise the dead, cast out devils
• XVI.5 The blessing will overtake you.
• XVI.6 Truth
• XVII. The preparations of the heart belong to man or woman but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord.