



***E*ND TIME SPIRITUAL  
WAYS OF PRAYING  
(COVENANT PRAYERS THAT  
PRODUCE INSTANT RESULTS)**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

Jesus after selecting his disciples, had gone out several times with them, preached, prayed and worked miracles until one day, one of his disciples watched Him pray, and quietly came to Him and said, "*Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples*" (Lk.11:1). Then He taught them the Lord's prayer as it is commonly called. With the coming of the Holy Spirit who gave us utterance to speak with new tongues, that prayer He taught His disciples, has almost been done with, because once you pray in tongues, you have prayed a far greater prayer than the Lord's prayer. However, as some ignorant believers and even some ministers of God, are still arguing whether speaking with new tongues is for every believer or not, we read where Apostle Paul is talking of diversities of tongues. And many again believe that diversities of tongues is only talking of the tongues of men and that of angels. Well, they being ignorant, do not know that Birds, Animals, Fishes, etc, have their own languages, and by speaking it, they share in this diversities of tongues. In this book therefore, I want to talk about how those in covenant relationship with God talk to Him and receive instant answers, using these diversities of tongues.

## **DEDICATION**

I dedicate this book to God Almighty who by virtue of the covenant He made with us through Abraham, has not only showed His people who are in covenant relationship with Him, how to pray or call upon Him whenever they are in need, but has been keeping His own part of the covenant. I also dedicate it to my beloved wife Mary Blessings, and my children Timothy (Junior), Benjamin, David, all the brethren God has placed under me in this Ministry of Help and Reconciliation, and as many as are seeking how to pray and get answers, both in the Christian fold and in the world. Finally, I dedicate the book to my bosom friend and now a beloved brother in the Lord Peter Chiedu Ijeoma whose great financial support, made it possible to publish this book.

May God grant you all your prayer request in the name of Jesus ãAmenö.

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# 1

## **BRINGING FORTH CHILDREN IN SORROW AND THE SPIRITUAL SIGNIFICANCE**

For one to understand this book very well, it should be noted that God is doing new things. It is not new in the sense that you cannot find it in the Bible, or that there has never been any dispensation which walked in this truth before. However, it is new to this church age, being the last before the second and glorious coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is new also because in Rev.3:14, towards the last line, the Lord Jesus Christ spoke through Apostle John that one of the characteristics of the messenger of the Laodicean church is, *"the beginning of the creation of God."* This shows that most of the things God did in the beginning with mankind, and with even His church, will be manifested again this end-time, as God starts unfolding His new moves for this last church age before we enter the millennial age. Prophet Isaiah had a glimpse of it when he said, *"Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them"* (Isa.42:9). Isaiah said further, *"Remember ye not the*

*former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it"? (Isa.43:18-19). Those things Isaiah called the former things and new things have been before the law age. When the dispensation of law came, they became new things and as we began to approach the church age, they became old and former things for the law age, but it turned out to be new things for the church age. The early disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ practiced it, but when the devil struck through the Romans, it became an old and buried issue again. However, as long as the Holy Spirit is still operating on earth now, nobody can bury the truth without Him (Holy Spirit) bringing the truth back to life. And that is why in this last church age, the Holy Spirit is taking His people back to where it started in the garden of Eden. The Lord had the Preacher who was king over Israel say, "The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done and there is no new thing under the sun. Is there anything whereof it may be said, See, this is new? It hath been already of old time, which was before us" (Eccl.1:9-10). These were the words of the Preacher, thus indicating that there is no new thing under the sun, what shall be has already been before. Some of these things that have been which the Lord wants this church age to do, how do we find them out? Again the Preacher has the answer in Proverbs, "It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings to search out a matter" (Prov.25:2).*

ōThe glory of Godö here means the Spirit of God and ökingsö are referred to as the saints. This therefore means that the Holy Spirit is the One who hides the mysteries of the Kingdom in His Word, but it is the duty of the saints to search them out. How? By totally surrendering ourselves to He who holds the key to the secret room, and He will show us how to find them. He is the One that concealed it, and He it is that will reveal it.

One other factor is that as God is revealing the new things to this last church age, it will be impracticable for intellectuals who walk with the wisdom of this world to understand both the wisdom of God and the preaching of this end-time. Why? The reason is that the preaching of the cross or the things of the Spirit of God are foolishness to both the natural man and the intellectuals who cannot foolishly humble themselves to receive and obey the things of the Spirit. Brother Paul had a bitter taste of this intellectualism, and as a man endowed with great wisdom of the world before the Lord met him, tore that his wisdom to shreds, humbled him, and foolishly imparted in him the wisdom of God. After his experience, the Holy Spirit spoke through him, *“Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. For the Jews(believers) require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom: But we preach Christ*

*crucified, unto the Jews (believers) a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks (unbelievers and intellectuals) foolishness; But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God. Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise: and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty: And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: That no flesh should glory in his presence.” (1Cor.1:20-29).*

The Holy Spirit spoke through Brother Paul and said, “*But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned*” (1Cor.2:14). This goes a long way to show that for intellectuals, heavy shouldered men and those who are vast in the wisdom of this world, to understand the end-time moves of God, and walk in it, they must as well be torn to shreds in their wisdom, and join the company the world regard as foolish people for the sake of the gospel of Christ. They must believe that they know nothing, and therefore place themselves under the authority channel of God (see my book on Submission, the Authority Channel

of God and the Only Way to the Kingdom of God) where the Holy Spirit will teach them both the wisdom of God and how to be humble so as to receive the true exaltation of God.

This word ðBringing forth children in Sorrowö, what is it all about? What is the spiritual significance? The word ðbring forthö, is a Hebrew word ðyaladø and pronounced yawlad, meaning to bear young, to beget, to give birth, to born, to bring up, to be delivered, to travail. Sorrow is also a Hebrew word ðetsebø and pronounced ehøtseb, meaning a pang, grievous, labour, painful. Therefore the word ðBringing forth children in Sorrowö means, to bear, to travail, give birth or born children in pains or in much labour. How did it originate? It originated from Genesis chapter 3, when God watched Satan as he tried to destroy the greatest institution which He set up. In His (Godø) swift reaction, God came down and cursed Satan, the woman and the man. Satan and the womanø curses went like this, *“And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire*

*shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.”*  
(Gen.3:14-16).

The dust that Satan has been eating is man's flesh and blood having been made of dust, and the flesh and blood of animals, birds, fishes, etc, which are also made of dust. And because of this curse from the Creator of the Universe, women have been going through fire in child birth, except for the fact that God has given a little condition of safety or relief after the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ who nailed all curses on the cross of Calvary. And the condition can be found in what Paul spoke, *“Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety”* (1Tim.2:15). This scripture has outlined the only condition of safety left for the woman as she goes through the crushing pains of childbirth where Satan is always attracted to strike, because of the curse placed there. But for the mercy of God, no woman will survive the agonizing moment of bearing a child, because Satan knows that the seed you bring forth according to the law of God, is the one to bruise his head and he doesn't want to see that happen. It is said that the best form of defence is to attack, this the devil knows, and therefore does not want to be in defence by allowing the woman bring forth the seed that will crush him, but rather trying always to crush the woman and her seed even in the womb.

The large majority of believers worldwide did not know that this war the devil is waging against the woman and her seed, has great spiritual significance. Some who have the knowledge, do not know how to apply it as they do not have the walking revelation knowledge of Gen. 3:15-16. When God made Adam Governor in the garden of Eden, He knew that Adam will fall. He also knew that He would send the Lord Jesus to come and dethrone Satan. He knew too, that the coming of the Lord Jesus would be through a woman. This is why what He spoke in Gen. 3:15-16 has great spiritual insight and also proves that since God is a Spirit and man is made in His image, we are therefore spirit beings, not minding the fact that we are living in a mortal body. And for this reason, the Word of God which is God Himself, should be seen or judged spiritually first, before we try to know the literal meaning. Having said these things, let us look at the spiritual meaning of Gen. 3:15-16.

Every true believer who has started walking or receiving the divine meanings of the Word of God, knows that the woman is referred to as the church. And the first seed of the woman both physically and spiritually to bruise the head of Satan, is the Lord Jesus. Since the woman spiritually is referred to as the church, and the church began on the Pentecost with the outpouring of the Spirit of God, and will continue until she resurrects and ascends to Heaven in the much talked about rapture, the second and last seed of the woman (the church) therefore, that will

bruise the head of Satan is the man-child company or the overcomers (Ref. Rev. 12:5,11). For a clearer teaching on this man-child company and the qualification for membership in the company, see my book on Christian Race To The End (Qualification For The Throne). The seed of Satan is the Antichrist and his company of followers. True believers (church) are regarded as the Bride of the Lord, while the Lord Himself is the Bridegroom, and with this understanding, every true believer whether male or female, is regarded spiritually as a woman. This is why we can only see daughters of Zion in the Bible, no mention is ever made in the Bible about the sons of Zion. If you become a son of Zion, you are no more a bride because Jesus is the only begotten Son of Zion (God's name is Zion), and therefore He is gathering a Bride whom He will marry and they are those the Lord calls daughters of Zion. Since every daughter of Zion is a woman or a church, what then is the seed of the daughter of Zion? The seed of the daughter of Zion or the woman is the Lord Jesus or the Word of God that God has put in her heart, and which will go a long way to bruise the head of Satan as she continues to obey Gen. 3:16. God has decreed that the woman should bring forth children in sorrow, and this spiritually means that every daughter of Zion or true believer has to be in pains, labour, travail and afflict his/her soul with constant fasting and prayers to loosen souls before the salvation of Kingdom children will manifest. This is not mere muttering of words which you

may call prayers or mere speaking in tongues, it is a serious affliction of body and soul with great burden for the vessel to loose them through travailing, like as a pregnant woman will be seriously travailing before she puts to bed. Some ministers say they believe it, but you don't travail audibly. Well, they are ignorant of the truth because they fail to understand that travailing is prayers, and when they too want to pray either in tongues or in understanding, they do it audibly. Again, a pregnant woman who wants to give birth to a new baby must travail, and she does the travailing audibly. How then can a daughter of Zion who is about to bring forth children not travail audibly? Remember the law of the Spirit controls the law of the natural and all these things originated from the spiritual realm.

# 2

## WHO ARE THE SONS OF GOD AND HOW ARE THEY BORN?

Many Christians will definitely ask this question, "what is this man saying?" After all they may say, everyone who is born again is a son of God. Well, I wouldn't blame them because that is what majority of them was taught. Prophet Hosea could not help but speak out to the children of Israel (church), what the Lord God told him when he plainly said,

*"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children"* (Hosh.4:6). Many Christians are in deception today not because they can't find the truth, but because they are neither ready to accept the truth, nor are they ready to receive both the ministers of God who can teach the truth, and their teachings. Therefore they are gradually dying spiritually, and still claim that they are the sons of God. John the Baptist was a man sent by God to bear witness of the true Light that is coming into the world, and the Light as the only begotten Son of God, was given the power by

God the Father to raise many sons unto Him. And John had this to say, *“But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.”* (Jn.1:12-13). John said that those who receive Him or believe on His name, and were born according to the will of God (Word of God), will be given the power to be the sons of God.

How many Christians are truly born according to the will of God? The fact remains that large majority of the so-called Christians, do not even know what the will of God is, talkless of being born of that will. This was what made Apostle Paul to speak by the inspiration of God after his long dealings with God, *“For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God”* (Rom.8:14). A son of God has a greater commitment than a child of God, though some people ignorantly refer both of them as the same thing. A child of God functions like a servant who knows nothing that his Master is doing, until he grows to be a matured son (Ref. Gal.4:1-2). In view of this, most of the things he does, are his will since he has not fully known the perfect will of God. The Lord Jesus Himself gave an insight on this when He was on earth because, throughout His ministerial work, He was referring to His disciples as children or servants. It was only when He was giving them His last commandments in Jn. 15:12-15, that He called them friends. Again, after His death and

resurrection, when He was giving Peter His last instruction before His ascension to Heaven, He said, *“Verily, verily, I say unto thee, when thou wast young, thou girdest thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldst: but when thou shalt thou be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldst not. This spake he, signifying by what death he should glorify God.”* (Jn. 21:21:18-19).

This statement by our Lord Jesus Christ spiritually means that when Peter was a young christian, a baby in the Lord, or a child, he will just take a decision and does whatever he likes, or he may go wherever he wants to go. Actually he does his will as a child or baby christian, but when he becomes old (spiritually matured), or when he becomes a matured son, he will surrender himself or his will to the Lord, and the Holy Spirit which is referred to in this verse as *“Another”* will start leading him (Peter) where he does not want to go, and He will also lead him to do what he does not want to do. The Lord said this signifying that only when Peter becomes dead to his self will, his ways, his views, his decisions, etc, that God will start taking glory from what Peter is doing. Why? This is because when Peter gives up his selfish ways, and allows the Holy Spirit to start leading him, whatever he does is the will of God for him since it is the Spirit of God that leads him to do it. Apostle Paul knew this when he said, *“I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the*

*flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” (Gal.2:20). Paul said that his will is crucified with Christ, nevertheless the life he is living in the flesh is according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ who died for his sake. What should be said more here than that Apostle Paul has dropped his will, to do the will of his Master (the Lord Jesus) who called him. This is sonship and shows a great sign of maturity. Therefore a son of God is he that is born according to the Word of God or will of God (Jn.1:12-13), he that is led by the Spirit of God (Rom.8:14), he that is spiritual (1Cor.2:15), he that loveth God by keeping His commandments.*

### **HOW ARE THE SONS OF GOD BORN?**

The sons of God are born by the Spirit of God, but God does the conception through some human vessels He prepares for that purpose. And it is this people whom God uses for the conception of the sons of God and how they do it, that I want to talk about.

In talking about these vessels, it is important to compare God's curse to the woman in Gen. 3:16 where God said, *“Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children.....”*, with the charge the Lord gave to His disciples saying, *“Go ye into the village over against you; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring him*

*hither. And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose him? Thus shall ye say unto him. Because the Lord hath need of him. And they that were sent went their way, and found even as he had said unto them. And as they were loosing the colt, the owners thereof said unto them, why loose ye the colt? And they said, the Lord hath need of him. And they brought him to Jesus: and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon.” (Lk.19:30-35).*

Spiritually, “*the village over against you*” is the kingdom of darkness, “*a colt tied, whereon never man sat*”, means a man or woman who is tied in the kingdom of darkness and has never been converted. “*And if any man ask you*”, means if Satan asks you why are you loosing him. When they loosed the colt, they brought the colt to Jesus, “*and they cast their garments upon the colt, and set Jesus thereon*”, it means that they ministered the gospel of salvation to the colt, thus causing him to wear the garment of salvation, and also ministered Holy Ghost baptism unto the colt, thereby allowing Jesus to take over possession of that vessel. I have underlined him in both the quotations and interpretations, to show that spiritually, the Lord Jesus was not talking about an ordinary horse, but He was showing the process of loosing those that will be the sons of God from the kingdom of darkness first, before ministering the gospel of salvation unto them. Again, Brother Luke recorded that He spoke not to the Pharisees or to the multitudes, but to His disciples. Why His disciples? This is because His disciples are those that have

given themselves totally to the service of the Lord. They are those who know that their Master (the Lord Jesus) who sent them, has much greater power than the man (Satan) whom they will meet there. They have gathered experience on how to stand the test of fire while working with the Lord Jesus, and this will make them stand any kind of tribulation from the devil as they try to untie the colt. They know how to untie the colt without attracting public attention (i.e. without looking for man's recognition).

*“Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the Lord shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.”* (Mic.4:10). The daughters of Zion are the true disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ, who have given heed to the warnings of our Lord Jesus through Apostle Paul in Heb. 13:13 which says, *“Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.”* They have totally separated themselves from the system of the world governing all the religions {see my books on Christian Race To The End (Qualification for the Throne), and Tabernacles As A Shadow of Christ}. They are in serious labour travailing for the manifestation of the sons of God, and until the sons of God are born, they cannot stop travailing. They are those that can endure the sorrows of

conception, and the pains of bringing forth the sons of God.

*“Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child. Who hath heard such a thing? Who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? Or shall a nation be born at once? For as soon as Zion travailed she brought forth her children.” (Isa.66:7-8).*

This place has a dual meaning, and number one is the spiritual meaning, while number two is the physical meaning. The spiritual meaning says that from the day as many as make up the daughters of Zion will collectively be in labour, and travailing to bring forth, the man-child or overcomers or sons of God will manifest. What I mean by collectively be in labour is that, some of those God intends to be among the daughters of Zion, have not repented, while some who are converted, have not separated themselves from the camp. Those who are converted and also separated are individually travailing and loosing the ones that are still tied in the kingdom of darkness. This is why there is a temporary delay in the manifestation of the sons of God. Secondly, the literal meaning is that, Israel as a nation will surrender and recognize the Lord Jesus as their Messiah in one day, as soon as Antichrist and his armies march into Jerusalem to make an end of Israel. And once they start travailing in pain to be delivered, their Messiah will arrive with His heavenly armies to save them, and they will receive Him as their Lord and Saviour.

Another mention of this birth of the man-child spiritually, can be found in what Apostle John saw in Rev. 12,

*“And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered. And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne”* (Rev. 12:1-2,5).

This woman presently comprises the Church of the firstborn which are written in Heaven (Ref. Heb. 12:23), the daughters of Zion that are in total separation from the religious system of the world and some of the universal believers referred to as the interim church. *“Clothed with the sun and the moon under her feet”*, means that the church is full of redeemed men and submissive women who have also been redeemed. *“Upon her head a crown of twelve stars”*, crown is a sign of kingship or rulership and twelve stars means divine power and authority. Therefore it means that these redeemed men and women, have the divine power and authority to be kings or rulers. This woman (Church) has spiritually been in conception for ages until when she comes to her fullness and began to travail painfully to bring forth the man child (i.e. the overcomers or sons of God) who will rule all nations with a rod of iron (i.e. irresistible power of the Holy Spirit). Immediately the man-child is caught up, the woman will

be left with the universal believers who will run into separation to avoid being crushed by Antichrist.

Again Apostle Paul the disciple of our Lord Jesus had an experience of bringing forth in sorrow as he travailed for the Galatian church and they became converted, and he kept on travailing for them so that the Word of God will be formed in them (i.e. they will start walking according to the leading of the Spirit of God as matured sons.).

*“My little children of whom I travail in birth again until Christ (the Word of God) be formed in you”* (Gal. 4:19).

It is therefore understandable that through travail, Kingdom children are born, and through travail, they will grow in the wisdom and knowledge of the Word of God to become matured sons that are led by the Spirit of God.

Apostle John in his gospel in chapter 16:21, threw more light on the woman's travail when he said,

*“A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.”* This is true because the daughters of Zion who have been given the burden by God to be in labour and bring forth the man-child, have intensified their travailing as their hour of delivery has approached. And the world is expecting them to bring forth the sons of God which will liberate the whole creation from the bondage of corruption (Ref. Rom. 8:19,21).

Finally, the sons of God are born by the Holy Spirit through the daughters of Zion who are waiting on the Lord

with great sorrow to bring forth. It is also noteworthy that everything God manifests in the world, whether spiritual things, financial, material, physical, marital, or healthwise, etc, must be born through travailing. In every promise of God, somebody is going to conceive it in the mind, or be pregnant for it, so as to bring it out to the natural.

# 3

## **THE MYSTERIES OF PRAYING COVENANT REMINDING PRAYERS**

The Word *ōmysteryō* is a Greek word *ōmusterionō*, meaning a secret, and according to Oxford dictionary, it means something of which the cause or origin is hidden or impossible to understand. Scripturally, there is no mystery that cannot be understood by dedicated disciples who will surrender themselves to the Lord Holy Spirit to reveal it to them. Therefore the secret thing that should be seen in praying these prayers regarded as covenant reminding prayers, is God's reaction to the prayers, and when He reacts, what does He do? When we talk about end time spiritual ways of praying, we are talking about groaning, travailing, weeping, wailing, howling, roaring and even speaking in tongues. However, in this chapter, we are going to lay more emphasis on groaning and weeping as covenant reminding prayers. God, in entering into a covenant relationship with Abraham in Gen. 15:1-21, told him (Abraham) that his seed shall be a stranger in a strange land, and serve them, and the nation which they shall serve will afflict them for four hundred years. He promised to bring them out of that nation which they shall

serve with great substance, after judging the nation. This was fulfilled as Jacob led his children into Egypt at the request of one of his sons Joseph, who was sold by his brothers. At the fullness of time after the death of both Joseph and the king of Egypt, there arose a new king in Egypt who did not know Joseph, and God allowed the devil to move him. Therefore he started maltreating the children of Israel, thus giving God the opportunity of introducing Himself to the children of Israel, and also unfolding His divine plans for their deliverance.

*“And it came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage. And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect unto them.” (Exo.2:23-25).*

What is sighing? Sighing is a Hebrew word, *ōnahō*, and pronounced as aw-naw, meaning to groan, lament, mourn. But according to Oxford dictionary, sigh means to take a deep breath that can be heard (indicating sadness, tiredness, relief, etc), while groan means to make a deep sound forced out by pain, or expressing despair or distress. Therefore when the children of Israel were forced by reason of their bondage to groan, it means they were in great distress or pain from what they were suffering in the

hands of the Egyptians (i.e. the world or flesh). And four significant things happened :-

- (a) God heard their groanings
- (b) God remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob, which spiritually is a covenant of love and righteousness, but physically, it is to give the children of Israel the land of promise (Canaan). This is the same covenant which He has today with any true seeker of God's righteousness.
- (c) God looked upon the children of Israel
- (d) God had respect unto them.

In like manner also, if you groan and weep because of the bondage of sins which this flesh is causing you or other christians to go through, and thereby hindering you from walking in love and righteousness as to inherit the Kingdom of God, these four things will happen to you like it happened to the children of Israel, and God will come down to deliver you.

*“And the Lord said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt (the world or the flesh), and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows ; And I am come down to deliver them out of the land of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land (kingdom of darkness or the world) unto a good land (Kingdom of God or heaven) and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey ; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.” (Exo.3:7-*

8). God having seen what His people Israel were going through, spoke out and said that He has seen the affliction of His people who are in Egypt and He has come down to bring them out of that land (kingdom of darkness, or the flesh or the world) unto a good land (Kingdom of God or soulish body or heaven), where there is plenty, no sorrows, no sufferings, etc. And to prove this, God spoke again, *“And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am the Lord. And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them. And I have also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers. And I have heard also the groaning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant. Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments : And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God : and ye shall know that I am the Lord your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob : and I will give it you for an heritage : I am the Lord.”* (Exo.6:2-8). God said He was known by Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as God Almighty, but He has not been

known by the patriarchs as Jehovah. He further said that He has established His covenant with them, has heard their groaning and has remembered His covenant which is to give them their land of pilgrimage. And in order to do this, God said He has come down with His Jehovah name to deliver the children of Israel from the bondage of the world or the flesh. "Jehovah" is a compound name that encompasses sixteen different functions, but here God said, He is coming down with seven out of the sixteen mysteries in the Jehovah name, to give the children of Israel a perfect deliverance. We have seen that when you groan and weep, God will hear your prayers, and will also remember His covenant with you if you are looking unto the Rock (Jesus) whence you are hewn, and following after the faith of Abraham (Ref. Isa.51:1-2). And when He comes down, He will manifest the seven I wills out of the sixteen mysteries in that compound name of Jehovah. Seven in God's Arithmetic of Numbers is perfection or completeness, therefore the seven I wills of God to His people who are praying these covenant reminding prayers, is an indication of the perfect, complete or total will of God to deliver His true disciples who are sincerely waiting on Him.

### **THE MYSTERIES OF THE SEVEN I WILLS OF GOD**

- (a) *"I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians."* He is JEHOVAH SHAMMAH in He-

- brew, and the name can be found in Ezek. 48:35, which means "I am here with you to truly bring you out of the Egyptian (world or flesh) burdens."
- (b) *"I will rid you out of their bondage"*. He is called JEHOVAH SHALOM and this will be found in Judg.6:24, meaning God will be your peace after making you free from the hands of the Egyptians (the world or flesh).
  - (c) *"I will redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments."* He is referred to as JEHOVAH RAFAH and can be found in Ps.23:1, meaning the Lord will be their Shepherd after He has redeemed them from the bondage of Satan. Therefore whatever I want, Jesus has already paid for it with His blood which He shed on the cross of Calvary. And that's why He is the All-Sufficient God.
  - (d) *"I will take you to me for a people"*. He is JEHOVAH JIREH in Hebrew and is found in Gen. 22:14, which means the Lord will provide everything that I need, if as His priest I come to His throne of grace (Ref.Heb.4:16).
  - (e) *"I will be to you a God, and ye shall know that I am the Lord your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians."* He is called JEHOVAH NISSI and the name will be seen in Exo. 17:15, which means Jehovah or the Lord is my Banner (Victory). Everytime we look unto Jesus, we know that we are

more than conquerors or victors because of what He did for us on the cross of Calvary.

- (f) *“I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.”* He is referred to as JEHOVAH TSIDKENU and will be found in Jer. 23:6, meaning the Lord is our Righteousness. We don't grow in righteousness because that land is the land of righteousness. We only have to receive the grace or a gift to walk in righteousness. We become God's righteousness because on the cross, Jesus became a sin for us. As soon as Christ was nailed on the cross, all our sins also died on the cross with Him and we became automatically pure in God's eyes, it is now left for us to live it out or work it out as we daily hear the voice of God and obey His word.

*“I will give it you for an heritage, I am the Lord.”* He is JEHOVAH RAPHA and this is found in Exo. 15:26, which means the Lord is our Divine Healer or Physician. We don't need to be running for healing every time, rather we need the Healer who is the Lord Jesus and when He is inside us and abide, we won't be sick, and even if the devil attacks any with sickness and you pray a prayer of faith, you will receive your healing instantly. When you therefore groan and weep, you remind God His covenant and He will come down to deliver you. And when He comes down, He will manifest His seven I wills or seven out of His sixteen Jehovah names, to deliver you as He did

to the children of Israel. This is a great mystery which the church has not known about, because has the church known this seven great I wills of God in delivering His people who are in covenant relationship with Him, she would have been groaning and weeping earnestly, and always.

*“For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.”* (II Cor. 4:16-18). The light affliction mentioned is talking about the spiritual prayers like groaning, travailing, weeping, wailing, howling, roaring, etc, and how we afflict our souls with fasting. It also talks about the persecutions we go through in our flesh now in the cause of living the life of Christ. The things that are seen, are our earthly or terrestrial body and all the things that have to do with the physical realm, while the things that are not seen, are our soulish body and all the things that have to do with the spiritual realm. The things that are seen are temporal because they will be destroyed with the earth, but the things that are not seen are eternal, because they will live forever with our redeemed soulish body in heaven.

*“For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not*

*made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven : If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened : not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life. Now he that hath wrought us for the self same thing is God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit.” (II Cor. 5:1-5).*

The Holy Spirit is assuring us through Apostle Paul that if our earthly house (body) which is made of flesh and blood is dissolved, we have an house of God (soulful body), not made with hands and full of flesh and bones, which also is eternal in Heavens. For this reason, we groan in our carnal body with an earnest desire to be clothed with our body which is from Heaven, so that we will not be found in sin if we are clothed or covered with the robe of righteousness. The reason for our groaning in this earthly tabernacle is because we are in heavy burden by the way our flesh makes us to sin, and we believe that if we are clothed with our redeemed or soulful body, death which has been pronounced on this carnal body, will be put under or subjected by the soulful body which is full of life. It is God who has put the whole creation under the same curse, that has given us not only this conditions to meet, but also His Holy Spirit to help us groan.

*“And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his*

*hand upon him. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; And looking up to heaven, he sighed (groaned), and saith unto him Eph'phatha, that is Be opened. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain.”* (Mk.7:32-35). When Jesus groaned (sighed), the power of God drove away the demons of deaf and dumb in the man and He pronounced the man's healing, and the anointing of God entered the man and he instantly received his hearing and his speech. This is groaning as to minister healing to the sick. You may not understand the impact of this until you suffer from cough or catarrh and groan, you will see the way the power of God will drive out the demons and you will receive your healing without spending money on drugs.

*“And the Pharisees came forth, and began to question with him, seeking of him a sign, tempting him. And he sighed (groaned) deeply in his spirit, and saith, why doth this generation seek after a sign? Verily I say unto you, there shall no sign be given unto this generation.”* (Mk.8:11-12).

Jesus groaned to deliver Himself from the demons of temptation which came to tempt Him, and cause Him to walk against God's command. This is an indication that groaning can deliver you from an instant evil thought that has come to lure you into temptation, not a pre-conceived or pre-meditated evil thought.

*“I have seen, I have seen the affliction of my people which is in Egypt, and I have heard their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send thee into Egypt.” (Acts 7:34).*

Groaning brings instant deliverance, the more I groan, the more I become delivered, the more I groan, the more I bring the move of God into my life. I have the responsibility to bring the move of God into my life, and the lives of others.

*“He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even every man with his destroying weapon in his hand. And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the north, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them was clothed with linen, with a writer’s inkhorn by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar. And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which had the writer’s inkhorn by his side; And the Lord said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh (groan) and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof. And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and*

*women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house. And he said unto them, defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain: go ye forth. And they went forth, and slew in the city.” (Ezek.9:1-7).*

God has sent His messenger with a writer's inkhorn to go to the city (camp of believers) and set a mark or seal upon the foreheads (minds) of the men or the people that groan and weep for the abominations or sins of the people of God. And to the other angels with destroying weapons in their hands, God said, go after the first angel who was sent to seal the foreheads of the people of God, even through the same city, that is the camp of believers, and kill everyone that is not found groaning and weeping for the sins of the church, both young and old, little children and women, but those that were marked because of their groaning and weeping, should not be touched. This is very frightening because the Lord further spoke, that the angels should start the destruction or judgment in the house of God and with the old time or big ministers first (Ref. IPet.4:17-18).

People this is very very serious, because judgment of God has started and as we continue to approach the seventh day or the millennial year, it is going to intensify as the army of God rises just at the beginning of the seventh day to manifest the power of God. Therefore both ministers of God and their congregation that are not seriously groaning

and weeping for their sins, and the sins of the entire Body of Christ, will face this judgment of God from now. However, those that are groaning and weeping, will be marked or sealed, and given abundant grace to continue until the liquid fire or baptism of fire is poured out to empower them to preach the gospel of the Kingdom.

# 4

## WHO SHOULD PRAY THESE POWERFUL PRAYERS?

To answer this question very well, without confusing the hearts of the simple, we have to compare, and balance so many scriptures that are talking about prayers. Apostle Paul, whose wealth of knowledge (both worldly and spiritual) is so challenging, from what the Holy Spirit revealed to him about God's plan for the creation in this end time, had this to say; *"For 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 creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, because the creature 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 groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.....Likewise*

*the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray as we ought: but the Spirit Himself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God." (Rom.8:18-27).*

God said that the sufferings of this present times cannot be compared with what He is about to reveal in us through the latter rain that will fall on the church, and those that will receive their gospel. I underlined "*the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now*", to show that it is the whole creation which is expectantly waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God. It is true because everything created by God has directly or indirectly been groaning, travailing, weeping, wailing, howling, roaring, speaking in tongues, or making one kind of significant noise inform of prayer to God so as to manifest the sons of God. Why is it so? It is because the whole creation was put under curse immediately the crown of God's creation (man) sinned against God and was cursed. The reason being that since their head has sinned, there is no other creature made in the image of God that can be adjudged righteous so as to enable them continue to live in the glory of God. Again, God wanted to raise intercessors through the rest of the creature to enable them intercede effectively for their leader (man) who will in turn liberate them as soon as he is redeemed. For this reason, everything that was created fell under the same

curse with man. Therefore when man will be redeemed with the manifestation of the sons of God, they (the sons of God) will now decree and liberate the creation from the bondage of corruption and they will start enjoying the same glorious bliss with the children of God. Another thing which I underlined, and will like to talk about is, "*he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God*". In the same manner the creature has been travailing and groaning, the Holy Spirit is also helping the weakness of the saints to pray an accepted prayer by interceding for the saints of God with groanings which the devil and his agents of darkness, cannot interfere with. It is not because the saints do not know how to pray in understanding or in any other way, but they do not know what they should pray for as they are supposed to know it or what they may be praying, will not be the perfect will of God. And God who searches the hearts knows for what purpose the Holy Spirit is groaning through the saints. Therefore it is only the saints that can groan and travail according to the will of God. Another significant thing in prayers is that, God is not interested in any prayer offered by a sinner.

*"Now we know that God heareth not sinners; but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth."* (Jn.9:31).

*"The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright is his delight."* (Prov.15:8).

*“He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law (the Word of God), even his prayer shall be abomination.”* (Prov.28:9).

These scriptures are proofs to the fact that God doesn't attend to the prayers of a sinner, yet everybody will want his or her prayer to be attended to. However, the fact remains that if you refuse to accept the Lord Jesus whom God has offered to mankind as a free gift and an acceptable sacrifice for our sins, He will also reject you and your prayers. Prayers is a way of communicating with God, but God has no communication with any man or woman, who does not come to Him through the Lord Jesus, who is the Only door or way to the Father (Ref. Jn.10:9, ch. 14:6). God in answering the prayer of Solomon, after he had finished dedicating the temple of God said, *“If I shut up heaven that there be no rain (i.e. no blessings or anointing), or if I command the locusts to devour the land (demons to destroy their vessels), or I send pestilence (incurable diseases) among my people; If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.”* (Chron. 7:13-14).

God kept on emphasizing *“My people, My people”* and also called by *“My name”*, to show that it is the people of God called by His name (believers in Christ Jesus) who can pray acceptable prayer unto God. This is because they

have accepted God's condition of having a personal and perfect fellowship with God, and He has no other option than to incline His ears to their prayer. Even in the much-professed Christendom, many believers who have not entered into a covenant relationship with God (see my book on Christian Race To The End {Qualification For The Throne}), or who are not walking according to the will of God, do not have their prayers answered instantly. And in most cases, their prayers are not answered at all because they are not in God's will. Many, who did not know God's will, are not even ready to seek for it when they are told what that will is. We can see the sample of this in what the Lord told two sisters of the same parents who associated so much with the Lord and His ministerial work when He was on earth.

*“Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word. But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? Bid her therefore that she help me. And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things: But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.” (Lk. 10:38-42).*

This is the story of two sisters from the same parents which spiritually represents, two kinds of churches born by the same Spirit of God. The elder of the two Martha, was not only troubled about serving the Lord, but was also worried that her junior sister Mary was rather enjoying the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, as she sat at His feet listening and understanding what the will of God is. Martha therefore urged the Lord Jesus to instruct Mary to come and serve with her. But the Lord in response, told her that she is giving Him so much trouble by her constant complaint and self will which has made her to neglect the will of God, and which shall not be taken away from Mary who has chosen to know that will, and do it. This is the common case with large majority of believers who are in the camp as they complain bitterly against the daughters of Zion who are in total separation waiting on the Lord like Mary, and hearing the will of God. This company of believers that represent Martha, full of their programs like Crusades, Evangelism, Seminars, Revivals, etc., do not have time to hear and know the will of God, yet they complain against those who have devoted their time to hear what God is saying and doing. God has therefore commended what the daughters of Zion who symbolically represent Mary, are doing as the good part which shall not be taken away from them.

Another important thing that Mary was noted for is this;  
*“There they made him a supper: and Martha served: but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with him.*

*Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment. Then saith one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, which should betray him, why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor? .....Then said Jesus, let her alone: against the day of my burying hath she kept this.” (Jn. 12:2-7).*

*“For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial. Verily I say unto you, wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her.” (Matt. 26:12-13).*

In John chapter 12, Martha has neither learnt her lesson from what the Lord told her in Luke chapter 10 about the good thing that the Lord wants, nor is she ready to drop her will and take correction. In view of this, she continued with her serving as Mary started building a more solid relationship with the Lord. First of all, she anointed the feet of our Lord with a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, this means that she gave her love which must cost her something, to the Lord. Secondly, she wiped the feet of our Lord with her hair, which means that she gave or surrendered her glory (hair is the glory of the woman) to the Lord. Therefore she gave her love and submission to the Lord, even unto death. It is a fact because on the day of His death, it was this Mary, the mother of Jesus (Mary), and some other faithful women that stood the trial of their

faith and showed their love for the Lord unto death, when the supposedly pillars of the church (the Apostles), had run for their lives. The Lord commended this gesture and prophesied that wherever this gospel of the kingdom is preached, the love and total submission of women to the Lord Jesus through their husbands, or those in authority over them, will also be preached as a memorial.

The solid relationship which Mary had established with the Lord, could be clearly seen when Lazarus died, as her request or prayer was instantly heard than that of Martha whose request or prayer, did not move Jesus into action.

*“Then Martha as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house. Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee. Jesus saith unto her, thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die; believest thou this? She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world. And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, the Master is come, and calleth for thee. As soon as she heard that, she arose quickly, and came unto him. Now Jesus was not yet come*

*into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him. The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, she goeth unto the grave to weep there. Then Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, and said, where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see. Jesus wept. Then said the Jews, behold how he loved him! And some of them said, could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died? Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it. Jesus said, take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days. Jesus saith unto her, said I not unto thee, that if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God? Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou has heard me. And I know that thou heardest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it that they may believe that thou hast sent me. And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.” (Jn. 11:19-43).*

We have seen how God reacts to the prayers of those who do His will, and how He non-chalantly attends to the prayers of His people who reject His perfect will, but instead do their own will all in the name of working for God. Working for God which Martha has chosen to do, makes her a false worshipper who does not take God and His words serious. She believes that God will deliver but not now, it will be at a much later date. While Mary who has chosen the good part of working with God, became a true worshipper who loves God, submits to His will, and obeys Him. All the words spoken by Martha could not move the compassion of God in the Lord Jesus because she was a false worshipper who did not believe in the God of today, but rather God of tomorrow. Mary as a true worshipper, who works with God, could only come to God on invitation. She was actually waiting to get rhema from God before she could come, quite unlike Martha who went to the Lord uninvited. Mary therefore having received rhema, went to the Lord, and the first thing she did as a true worshipper, was to worship the Lord by falling down at the feet of our Lord Jesus Christ, in great reverence to Him. After that, she made a sentence which was a repetition of what Martha had earlier said, and began to use one of the bigger weapons of praying in the spirit which is weeping, to make her request known unto the Lord. And the Lord Jesus was moved with compassion as He, groaning and weeping, came to the grave to perform the miracle and satisfy the heart desire of Mary the true

worshipper. Contrary to the Jews statement that Jesus was weeping because of the love He has for Lazarus, He was only weeping and groaning because the weeping of Mary touched His Spirit, and He was troubled to see a true worshipper in that sorrowful mood. When He came to the grave, He was assured that God has heard Him because by His groaning and weeping, He has reminded God His covenant. He therefore lifting up His eyes, thanked God for having heard Him and that He believes He will keep on hearing Him always. Why did He make this statement? He made the statement because He knew that He groans and weeps always, thereby reminding God His covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and with all the children of FAITH. And this covenant shows that once Abraham and the children of faith walk in love (obedience to His commandments), He (God) will make them righteous and fulfil their heart desires. Therefore God has no option than to come down and deliver Him from what He is asking God to do for Him. Having said this, He howled (cried with a loud voice) and called back the spirit of Lazarus to life.

*“I am weary with my groaning; all the night make I my bed to swim, I water my couch with my tears. Mine eye is consumed because of grief; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies. Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity, for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping. The Lord hath heard my supplication, the Lord will receive my prayer.”* (Ps. 6:6-9). The workers of iniquity will depart

from me when I groan, weep, etc, because the Spirit of God will drive away the demons bringing them to come and interfere with my prayers. Anytime I see unbelievers or sinners or even believers who are not walking in righteousness pestering around me, and are not yet ready to be converted because of the lifestyle of the Lord in me, then I am not truly groaning, travailing, weeping, etc. With what David wrote here, it shows that the old testament saints groaned without the baptism of the Holy Spirit, to allay the fears of many people who believe that it is only when you have great burden, and unconsciously moved by the Holy Spirit that you can groan.

Finally, what the Lord has revealed in this chapter, indicates that every creature whether human being or not, can pray these powerful prayers, but not everyone will receive answers to such prayers. Even among the Christendom, only those who are in covenant relationship with God (see my book on Christian Race To The End{Qualification For The Throne}), and know what the will of God is, and do it like Mary, will get instant answers to these prayers.

# 5

## **ARE THE CHILDREN OF GOD EXPECTED TO HOWL?**

The animal known for howling is a wolf because this is the way it cries or expresses a feeling of pain when it is in trouble. However, in the scriptures, we have read so many things about howl or howling, and that is why we ask the question, "are the children of God expected to howl?" Before I go into a lengthy explanation of what howling is, let me give an outright answer to this question: Yes, the children of God are expected to howl because, apart from being in the Bible, the Author and Finisher of our faith (the Lord Jesus), howled as many times as possible during His days on earth, and He is our set example as to what we should do, and what we should not do. The word "howl", is yabal in Hebrew, meaning to yell, long loud cry of pain, excitement or terror, etc. It is better described in this way because, there are scriptures about howling in pain, howling in excitement and howling in terror or danger, and as the Spirit of God leads, I am going to delve into each of them as the Lord continues to unveil more facts in this chapter.

When the crown of God's creation (man) sinned against Him, the whole creation lost the bliss they were enjoying, and was thrown into a state of anarchy. This is because their head and friend, man, was no more in control, but rather the dreadful enemy called Satan. And the whole creation in the agony of what they have started going through, and still will go through, began to call on the Creator of the universe to intervene, and redeem man and the rest of the creation from the painful reign of Satan. Each was praying in a way understandable to it as Apostle Paul reported here; *"There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification."* (1Cor.14:10). Little did man who is the head of God's creation, know that God will still pass him through all these kinds of voices in the world, as means of praying, and urging Him (God) to redeem the creation from the bondage of corruption. However, among the creatures of God, the animal known for howling as means of praying, expressing pains, excitement, terror or danger, is the wolf. But Jesus Christ in His days in the flesh kept on howling as a way of expressing what He was going through.

*"As he saith also in another place, Thou art a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec. Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he*

*feared; Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered.” (Heb.5:6-8).*

Jesus Christ is that Priest after the order of Melchisedec, and the prayers and supplications which He offered with strong crying and tears unto God, were His constant howlings. The thing He feared and which God saved Him from was His death on the cross. In spite of the fact that Jesus is the Son of God, He had to suffer greatly in the flesh so as to learn obedience. Today, a large majority of believers in the Christendom, do not believe that a christian should suffer in the flesh so as to learn obedience. They believe that the Lord Jesus has done everything for us and we don't need any kind of suffering in the flesh. Let it be clearly understood, that Jesus suffered in the flesh to learn obedience, and save first of all, His own soul, and the souls of those who have agreed to drop their will and suffer with Him. He did not die to save the terrestrial flesh because, judgment and condemnation have been determined on the flesh when Adam and Eve sinned. Everybody who will be saved, must either die, or suffer in this flesh as a ransom for his or her soulish body to be redeemed.

*“For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that maketh atonement for the soul” (Lev.17:11).* The terrestrial flesh has blood, and it is this blood that God has commanded to be used to make an atonement for the soulish body upon the altar. There is no

way you can drain the blood of the terrestrial flesh, and the flesh will still be alive. Therefore the terrestrial flesh with the blood in it, is used to pay the price for the redemption of the soulish body.

Having said all these things, it is evident that howling is a way of praying and supplicating unto God for deliverance when one is in pains. And since Jesus did it to God the Father many times to save Him from the pains of death, we should also do it unto Him (Jesus) now, as many times as we can in form of prayer, so that we too will be delivered from death (i.e. spiritual death or death of the soul).

*“Howl, ye shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves in the ashes, ye principal of the flock, for the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished, and ye shall fall like a pleasant vessel.”* (Jer.25:34).

*“Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you.”* (Jas.5:1).

*“There is a voice of the howling of the shepherds; for their glory is spoiled”* (Zech.11:3).

These are some of the scriptures that talk about howling because of the judgment which is about to befall these people that have been rebelling against the Lord in one way or the other. It is a way of telling those who still have ears to hear, to run for their lives by becoming converted from their sinful ways, and obey God. This is also a way of showing them that since the determinate counsel of God

has decreed judgment, no amount of howling can save them except they repent and become totally converted.

*“Howl ye, for the day of the LORD is at hand, it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty”* (Isa.13:6).

*“Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgressions, and the house of Jacob their sins”* (Isa.58:1).

*“Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain, let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand.”* (Joel 2:1).

These are howlings that come like warning signals to the nations, people of God, sinners, etc, about their sins, and the second coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, which many refer to as a day of judgment. This kind of howling, also creates an awareness to people who are ignorant of the intending danger. How? It is because once there is an abnormal howling in the city, people will come out to inquire what is happening. We can learn from what Amos said, *“Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? Shall there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done it?”* (Amos 3:6). The trumpet here is like making a loud cry which is howling, and once such a cry is made, there will be great fear in the city that something which is frightening has happened, or is about to happen, and the people will start running helter-skelter to look for a solution.

*“Awake, ye drunkards, and weep, and howl, all ye drinkers of wine, because of the new wine, for it is cut off from your mouth” (Joel 1:5).*

*“Gird yourselves, and lament, ye priests, howl, ye ministers of the altar; come, lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God, for the meat offering and the drink offering is withholden from the house of your God” (Joel 1:13).* This is the kind of howling that moves the compassion of God on His people. The new wine represents the new anointing or new spirit. It could be noted that the early Apostles received the Holy Ghost baptism, the day Israel was celebrating their feast of new wine or new meat offering or feast of weeks or feast of Pentecost. And this was why in Acts 2:12-15, the first set of people that came after the early disciples had received the Holy Ghost baptism, believed they were drunk with new wine as this was the feast they were celebrating at that time. Peter in a quick response, told them that he and his colleagues were not drunk, because it is still third hour of the day (i.e. 9 O'clock in the morning), but they were rather fulfilling the promise of the Father spoken by prophet Joel. So in these two verses of Joel chapter 1, God said He will cut off the new wine from their mouths, which means He will not allow them to have a taste of new anointing. The meat offering and drink offering will also be likened to mean the true Word of God or divine revelations from the Holy Spirit, and also the manifestation of true gifts of the Holy Spirit that bring

spiritual healing to the needy, and God said He will withhold these offerings and the people will not receive them. However, with their howling and weeping which God commanded them to do, the compassion of God will be moved on them and He will release those anointing and cause His people to enjoy the meat and drink offerings, even as He promised in Joel 2:23. This is the same experience the people of God who have slumbered spiritually will start receiving as they move into the presence of God in waiting day and night, with fasting, howling and weeping. Howling does the same thing groaning and weeping will do, as it moves God to be compassionate on His people and save them from further punishment or suffering.

In conclusion, howling gives a warning signal to the people of God to sit up, howling draws the compassion of God on His people and He will move in to save them, and one can howl in excitement after what seemed like it was impossible, has happened to him.

# 6

## **ROARING, THE JUDGMENTAL PART OF PRAYING IN THE SPIRIT**

Without controversy, one who knows or hears the sound of roaring, will agree with me that there cannot be a better way of raining judgment through prayers against demon spirits, than roaring. If you want to have a clue of what I am saying, pause a while, and meditate on what happens when the thunder roars, or go to the Beach and watch when the sea roars, how people are terrified that they run for their lives without waiting for the waves to catch up with them. Else you can go to the Zoo or watch through the television, for an expedition on the animal kingdom, and see how other animals become afraid and run away each time the lion roars. This also is how the demon spirits operating through any vessel, will shiver and run away when confronted by an anointed man of God who is filled with the Holy Ghost as he yields to the Spirit of God to roar through his sanctified vessel. Roaring therefore is *ōshegahō* in Hebrew, and pronounced as *ōsheh-aw-gawō*, meaning a rumbling or moan. Rumbling according to Oxford dictionary, means making a deep, heavy and continuous sound like that of thunder or gunfire.

In this chapter, I will like to talk about roaring as a spiritual way of calling down the judgment of God upon the demons that operate in some people to attack God's saints. And whenever this is done, the anointing power of God will either push those demons out of those vessels, or a great fear will befall those vessels and they will flee or run for their lives.

*“The Lord shall roar from on high, and utter his voice from his holy habitation, he shall mightily roar upon his habitation, he shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth.”* (Jer. 25:30). God roaring from on high and uttering His voice from His holy habitation, means God roaring through His sanctified vessels (that is, those living a holy life unto the Lord) which are His holy temple. And as He roars, His anointing power will start to tread down all the inhabitants of the earth (that is, demons dwelling in our vessels or in the vessels of those that accuse or attack us) just the same way the lion treads upon any animal it catches, whenever it hunts for food. And the fear of God will grip those accusers and they will start running away from God's people.

*“For thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with glory saith the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts. The glory of this*

*latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts, and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts.” (Hagg. 2:6-9)*

*“Whose voice then shook the earth, but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven. And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.” (Heb. 12:26-27).*

God roaring through the vessels of His sanctified Ones, said that in a little while, He will begin to shake the heavens (believers that are walking in the spirit), and the earth (believers that are walking in the flesh), and the sea (nations and the kingdom of darkness), and the dry land (unbelievers). He also said that through this roaring, He will shake all nations (all vessels) and the desire of this people whom He is shaking shall come unto the Lord. And for this reason, God is beginning to pour down His blessings upon the true Body of Christ who are in Zion waiting on Him, so that they will be filled with His glory. When therefore the desires of this people whom the Lord is shaking will come unto the Lord, He will lead them to His people who have received His glory and they will take care of those people that are seeking refuge in the Lord. He declared that the silver and gold are His, the silver stands for redemption, while gold stands for His glory or divinity. It therefore means that the Lord redeems and He also glorifies or makes to be glorious through the liquid

fire, those that He has redeemed. The Lord also said that the glory of this end-time body of Christ shall be greater than that of the former, and that He will give His peace to this end-time body of Christ or army of God. The peace God is talking of, is the robe of righteousness which is immortality, and which the members of this end-time true body of Christ will walk in even while they are here on earth, as soon as they receive the liquid fire or the latter rain from the Lord Jesus. The early disciples did not have this opportunity because they could still die after they received the Holy Ghost baptism. The roaring will also cause everything that is not built on the Rock, or that opposes the authority of our Lord Jesus in us, to crack and be removed.

*“The Lord also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem, and the heavens (believers) and the earth (unbelievers) shall shake, but the Lord will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel. So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain, then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers (demons) pass through her anymore.” (Joel 3:16-17).*

As the Spirit of God starts roaring from the vessels of the separated ones, judgment will begin to fall upon believers that are not walking in righteousness and unbelievers, but the Lord will be the hope of His people and the strength of His children. Those separated vessels will be made holy and they will experience the presence of God in them, and

no demon will pass through their vessels again. This is understandable for nobody can walk in the holiness of God, once he still has strangers (demons) passing through his vessel. They (the demons) must defile you either in word, thought or action. And this points to why the church is patiently waiting for the latter rain because it will cause mortality to be swallowed up by immortality, and the power of Satan over the flesh must be broken, and man will have a long expected peace in his flesh.

*“And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud, so that all the people that was in the camp trembled. And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the nether part of the mount. And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the Lord descended upon it in fire, and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly. And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.” (Exo.19:16-19).*

This is a much clearer picture of what happened when God roared as His voice sounded like the trumpet which made all the people that were in the camp to be greatly afraid. Even the mountain quaked at the roaring of God's voice which sounded like that of thunder, to give an insight to how the people made of ordinary flesh and blood, and who were there at that time, felt inside them. God came down

in that way to prove them, and that His fear may be before their faces so that they will not sin against Him. With that frightening sight and sound, they were ready to do anything they were asked to do, because the spirit of rebellion and disobedience temporarily left them. And they had a great fear for God and Moses, choosing to hear from Moses whom they had many a time insulted in the past, rather than allowing God speak directly to them. Likewise when God roars through His anointed servants may be because of an impending danger coming from the enemy, the demons bringing that danger or attack through that vessel, will flee and the person being used by the devil, will shake just like the mountain quaked, and be in great fear and possibly run for his life.

*“The Lord shall go forth as a mighty man, he shall stir up jealousy like a man of war, he shall cry, yea, roar, he shall prevail against his enemies. I have long time holden my peace, I have been still, and refrained myself, now will I cry like a travailing woman, I will destroy and devour at once.”* (Isa.42:13-14). The Lord said He has risen from His throne like a mighty man of war, and He is crying and roaring from His holy habitation which is inside us. He said further, that He has been holding His peace for a very long time. He also said that He has been still and refrained Himself from dealing with His enemies, but now He will cry like a travailing woman and will destroy and devour all His enemies at once. There is no way a man can roar by

the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, without prevailing against His enemies who are ready to attack him.

*“They shall walk after the Lord, he shall roar like a lion, when he shall roar, then the children shall tremble from the west.”* (Hosh.11:10). God said He shall roar like a lion through His holy habitation which is inside our sanctified vessels. And when He begins to roar, His children will start trembling from wherever they are and they will be gathered in the west even as the sun sets in the West, after rising from the East. With this scripture and some others in the Bible, God is showing that He began gathering His armies for His new move in the East, but just as the sun sets in the West, He is also gathering them together in the West to end His move with the out-pouring of the liquid fire for His sons or armies to manifest.

*“And he said, The Lord will roar from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem, and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn (intercede), and the top of Carmel (that is mountains where they worship idols) shall wither.”* (Am.1:2).

As the Spirit of God starts roaring from the vessels of His sanctified ones who are in Zion (wilderness or in their closets), the dwelling places of shepherds (ministers) shall enter into serious intercession, and the mountains where idols are worshipped shall wither away.

Finally, looking at roaring as means of praying, and understanding both what roaring is, and how one can roar, coupled with the effect both the person praying in that

way, and the person to whom the prayer is directed to will have, one can conclude that it is truly a judgmental prayer used to instill the fear of God in the vessels of the enemy. There are so many examples of what this roaring can do or does, but let me give one instance. In 1991, when we were still in training, armed robbers invaded the house where my wife and some brethren were residing in Akpuoga Farms Emene Enugu in Nigeria. The other brethren and the tenants of that compound became gripped with fear. My wife though gripped with fear, bursted out with a loud roaring and the robbers who were forcing the door open, left everything and ran for their lives. They went to another house in that area and robbed virtually everybody in that compound. They must have believed there was the presence of a lion in the house occupied by my wife and other tenants. As this achieved a great result for my wife and others around, it can do for any who does the same thing when confronted with similar situations or any other dangerous event because my wife is not exceptional.

# 7

## WHO ARE THE CUNNING WOMEN AND WHAT ARE THEIR ROLES IN THE CHURCH ?

It is a difficult thing to understand this chapter if you fail to grasp the meaning of cunning. This is because many people will see cunning negatively, and understand it only as cleverness in deceiving, but far be it, as cunning has a greater or deeper meaning than what people think. The word ðcunning, is a Hebrew word chakam, and pronounced as khaw-kawnö, meaning wise (that is intelligent, skillful or artful), cunning, subtil. With this understanding of cunning, one can now see that when God said, “*send for the cunning women*”, He has a different view than what man knows, and understands cunning to be.

*“Thus saith the Lord of hosts, consider ye, and call for the mourning women, that they may come, and send for cunning women, that they may come. And let them make haste, and take up a wailing for us, that our eyes may run down with tears, and our eyelids gush out with waters. For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, how are we spoiled! We are greatly confounded, because we have*

*forsaken the land, because our dwellings have cast us out. Yet hear the word of the Lord, O ye women, let your ear receive the word of his mouth, and teach your daughters wailing, and every one her neighbour lamentation.”* (Jer.9:17-20).

This scripture says that God is looking for the mourning women (that is vessels who are good intercessors or vessels who know how to draw the compassion of God to themselves), who can cunningly take up a wailing (lamentable cry) for the church, so that their eyes will start running down with tears and the entire congregation will also be moved into wailing, and the compassion of God will be released. God also requires the ministers of God to teach His children that are separated from the system of the world, how to wail and how to draw His compassion on themselves in every situation. Going back to the question that makes up this chapter, “who are the cunning women?”, one can see the Lord of hosts giving out the answer in this scripture. The “cunning women” therefore, are the “mourning women”. And the mourning women as I explained earlier, does not mean only women physically, but both men and women, boys and girls who are totally dedicated to the service of the Lord and who as good intercessors, know how to draw the compassion of God to themselves or to people whom God has decreed His judgment against, so that through their wailing or lamentation, God will change His mind. The second question is, “what are their roles in the church?” They

stand in the gap to intercede for both themselves and the church. They are oftentimes moved by the Spirit of compassion and intercession each time God decides to bring judgment upon His people, that they will cunningly or wisely or intelligently, wrestle with God in prayers, so as to make God change His mind. And when you don't have them around, there is trouble because they have the anointing, the gift from God to stand in this office. Ezekiel once experienced it as God explained to him why He has decided to punish Israel.

*“And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it, but I found none. Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath, their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord God”* (Ezek.22:30-31).

What God meant by saying that He did not see anyone who will stand in the gap for the land, is that He did not find in Israel at that time, a good intercessor who knows the cunning ways of making God change His mind. Though there may be intercessors at that time, but there was no cunning or skillful intercessor who knew what wailing means, and how it touches God's heart. This is one of the most important things that the church is lacking today. Many denominations and ministries, who believe they understand this missing link, have decided to do it carnally by setting up Prayer Warriors or Intercessory

Group or Team to stand in this office of mourning women. Well they have good intentions, but they are not implementing it by the leadership of the Holy Ghost. Why? It is because for one to be in this office, he/she has to be in covenant relationship with God, and must have the anointing to do it. Talking about covenant relationship with God, (see my book on Christian Race To The End, Qualification For The Throne) it is the first step after which you will need to be taught of how to wrestle with God through wailing. Some may ask, "how do I do this when I can't even cry?" Well brother Paul knew what it meant when he said,

*"Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands."* (II Tim.1:6). When you received the Holy Ghost baptism, which made you to start speaking with new tongues, you also received unction or the gift to pray in diversities of tongues. Part of those diversities of tongues apart from the tongues of men and angels, are groaning, weeping, travailing, wailing, roaring, howling, etc. In praying, none comes by special ceremony except if you yield yourself to the Holy Ghost by stirring up the gift of praying in these spiritual ways, which you have already received. As it is in groaning, travailing and weeping, so also it is in wailing. What then is wailing? Wailing is Nehiy in Hebrew, and pronounced as Neh-hee, meaning lamentation. Lamentation therefore means showing, feeling or expression of grief, great sorrow or regret. It is a

compassionate cry of one who is in deep sorrow complaining to God in a shrill voice about his/her problems. Hannah the mother of Samuel the prophet, was an example of a cunning woman who knew how, and when to draw the compassion of God to herself, and had her heart's desire met (Ref. I Sam.1:1-20). Moses could also be seen to have played this role of a cunning woman as he stood between Israel and God, wrestling with Him to forgive Israel.

*"...Ye have sinned a great sin, and now I will go up unto the Lord, peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin. And Moses returned unto the Lord, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin, and if not blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written. And the Lord said unto Moses, whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book. Therefore now go, lead the people unto the place of which I have spoken unto thee, behold mine Angel shall go before thee, nevertheless in the day when I visit I will visit their sin upon them."* (Exo.32:30-34).

It is unbelievable, for here was Moses telling God to blot his own name from the book of Life if He cannot forgive Israel. He knew Israel had committed an unpardonable sin against God, but he had confidence in his cunning ways of getting favour from God and was ready to sacrifice his position so as to get his request granted. God on the other hand, had respect for Moses's intercession, that He told

Moses to continue to lead the children of Israel, but in the day He will visit their sin upon them, He will still visit it. The Lord said this because He knew they will continue to sin against Him, until Moses himself will start calling for judgment against them, and God will not have any other person to stop His actions like Moses did. Further efforts Moses made to save them ran thus, as he continued with his intercession.

*“And the Lord said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? And how long will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them? I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater nation mightier than they. And Moses said unto the Lord, then the Egyptians shall hear it, (for thou broughtest up this people in thy might from among them), And they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land, for they have heard that thou Lord art among this people, that thou Lord art seen face to face, and that thy cloud standeth over them, and that thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of cloud, and in a pillar of fire by night. Now if thou shalt kill all this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of thee will speak, saying, because the Lord was not able to bring this people into the land which he sware unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness. And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying, The Lord is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by*

no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation. Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now. And the Lord said, I have pardoned according to thy word." (Num.14:11-20).

I underlined these places, to bring a clearer picture of how this great cunning intercessor, stood before God to remind Him of the consequences of His decision to wipe the whole Israel for their continued rebellion against Him. Some of the consequences said Moses, is a great mockery against God by the Egyptians and the heathen nations around them, that God who brought them out of Egypt, and swore unto them to take them to the promised land, is not able to fulfill His promise. Having said this, Moses started returning God's words to Him and He was moved with compassion as He said, "I have pardoned according to thy word". Therefore Moses' lamentable words caused God to repent of His evil thoughts against Israel.

*"Therefore the Lord, the God of hosts, the Lord, saith thus; Wailing shall be in all streets, and they shall say in all the highways, Alas! alas! and they shall call the husbandman (the ministers of God) to mourning (intercession), and such as are skilful of lamentation to wailing (lamentable cry). And in all vineyards (churches) shall be wailing, for I will pass through thee, saith the Lord."* (Amos 5:16-17).

The Lord said that the ministers of God and those that are skilful of lamentation, will be called into intercession, and they will take up a lamentable cry unto the Lord when wailing shall be heard in both streets and highways. The Lord also said that all the churches or all the vessels will begin to wail when He will pass through them. The likely example of what the Lord is saying here about the lamentable cry of all the churches, could be seen in their intercession here;

*“Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen shall rule over them, wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God? Then will the Lord be jealous for his land, and pity his people.”* (Joel 2:17-18).

These are the words of lamentation from the people of God, as they began to wail unto the Lord using some heartbreaking or cunning ways, to draw the compassion of God to themselves. It is easier for them to bring God to a standstill, and make Him act quick by showing that His name and not theirs, is at stake, and that He is the One the heathen will be mocking as not being able to deliver them. David could also be regarded as a cunning woman as we can see his reaction in both II Sam.24:1-19 and I Chron.21:1-18, where his sin caused a great plague in Israel. David was deceived by the devil and he asked Joab to go and number Israel. David's sins against God were,

both the motives behind the numbering of the children of Israel, and his inability to order Joab to take half a shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary, from all those that were numbered, as commanded by God in Exodus 30:11-16. David's motive was that he wanted to know the number and strength of his army, and that would have made him to depend on human ability more than God's grace. After this error of David, he realized what he did and repented, but while God's plague was on, David went into another lamentation as he saw the Angel stretching his hand against Jerusalem.

*“And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the Lord stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and all the elders of Israel, who were clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces. And David said unto God, Is it not I that commanded the people to be numbered? Even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed, but as for these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, O Lord my God, be on me, and on my father's house, but not on my people, that they should be plagued.”* (I Chron.21:16-17).

David as a good intercessor who had compassion for his people, went into serious fasting and prayers, with a lamentable cry unto the Lord, telling God to punish him and his father's house rather than Israel. This is a very good and significant role expected of a mourning woman. He did not keep quiet because his own family and father's

house were not affected, but he felt the pains himself even more than the families of those affected. And so he told God to punish him and his father's house in the stead of Israelites. This moved the compassion of God on Israel, and He asked David to do an atonement for them.

Finally, a cunning woman as we can see in the scripture, is never selfish as we observe the intercessory groups in denominations do today, who pray only for the welfare of their family members and their churches, leaving other people who suffer ignorantly to their fate. A cunning woman or intercessor feels the impact of what his/her fellow human being or the people he/she stands in the gap for are going through.

# 8

## WARFARE PRAYERS

It will be unfair if after this long and lovely teaching on prayers, I fail to throw more light on Warfare Prayers. It may sound foolish like many may look at groaning, travailing, etc, as absolute foolishness. Some believers, even ministers of God, may think that once warfare is mentioned, you either organize for security men as escorts, or you start carrying guns, but far be it as the Holy Spirit used Brother Paul to warn the church ahead of time saying, *“For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds. Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.”* (II Cor.10:3-5).

This scripture explains it better because, what God has given us as weapons with which to fight these agents of darkness, are not carnal weapons like security agents, guns, etc, but they are mighty weapons that can pull down any strong hold of the enemy. Before I continue to unveil

this chapter, let us try to look at what warfare stands for. A better meaning of warfare could only be understood from grasping the meaning of war. War is the knowledge or art of fighting whereby weapons, strategy and tactics are used. Therefore the word "Warfare", is a Greek word "strateuomai", and pronounced as strat-yoo-om-ahay, meaning to serve in a military campaign, and which figuratively means to execute the apostolate (with arduous duties and functions), to contend with carnal inclinations (i.e. bowing or bending of the hands, head, legs or body in a way that looks as if one is into a Karate practice or competition). This is funny some may say, for how can somebody be fighting in a Karate way without hitting anybody or any object? Well, the answer is simple, some people that practice Karate, in their training or learning stage, neither hit anybody, nor any object, yet they move their hands, legs and even bodies on the air as a kind of hitting something, or in form of self defence. We should remember that Satan who introduced this game of Karate knows the law of the spirit very well, for he has been with God and the holy angels millions of years before the creation of this physical earth and man. Even after this creation, he is still there in second heaven and knows intimately about this system of warfare which he introduced to mankind through his demon spirits in form of Karate. He copies everything in the spirit realm and introduces them to humanity in a carnal way. Before I bring some biblical explanations or examples of this kind

of warfare, let me ask, to whom are we fighting with? I like asking myself some questions many intellectuals may like to ask. Yes the Holy Spirit has the answer through what He caused Apostle Paul to write to the Ephesians when he said,

*“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” (Eph.6:11-12).*

Believers and even ministers of God should realize that the time they waste in fighting marine spirits, spirits of fornication, adultery, anger, hatred, envy, bitterness, death, violence, fear, witchcraft, wizardry, echelon spirits, etc, are in vain. Why? It is because they are not the problem of people and don't even make much impact in the lives of serious minded Christians. At times, some self-righteous unbelievers are not under the influence of these small demon spirits. The main battle or warfare is against Satan and his principalities and powers living in the heavenlies. There are also dark places in this world controlled by fallen angels, which later turned to be evil angels of darkness that were sent out with Satan from third heaven. They control those bodiless demon spirits that inhabit the bodies of mankind, animals, fishes and birds and dictate what these demon spirits do from the heavenlies. And once you cast those small demons out without dealing with their masters, then the masters will send back more demons to perform the same functions. They are also

controlling continents, nations of the world, cities, towns, villages, organizations like U.N.O., O.A.U., E.E.C., E.C.O.W.A.S., etc, heads of States, Oceans, Seas, Rivers, the Planetary systems, Religious Societies, etc. I am not copying anybody, but let me make it clear to all who may read this book, that Satan has seven kingdoms from which he operates, and these kingdoms are controlled by his principalities. Inside these kingdoms, he has other sections of his demonic activities like I earlier mentioned. Let me use the scripture to buttress my point as regards this issue of the kingdoms, because some will say, where is it?

*“And there appeared another wonder in heaven, and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.” (Rev.12:3).*

The wonder in heaven is talking about the second heaven from where Satan and his agents of darkness operate. The red dragon is Satan in his nature of war, because red is a sign of blood and this is the blood of humanity which he sheds through war, etc. The seven heads talks about the seven hills of Vaticanus as it is called, where Vatican City is situated (ref. Rev.17:9). This is the city from which Satan has controlled and is still controlling the religious organizations of this world for ages. The ten horns are the ten European nations from the present European Union that will form a confederate state later. And then seven crowns are the seven kingdoms from where Satan and his agents operate. For those that may be asking, what is the essence of knowing these principalities, after all it is not

the word of God?ö My beloved brethren, you must know them, it is part of the word of God and if you fail to know them, then Satan and his agents will continue to manipulate and dominate your life and you will never grow to sonship. And for this reason, Brother Paul said, *“And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world has been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ. To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God.”* (Eph.3:9-10).

Can you now see that the mysteries surrounding these principalities and powers living in heavenly places have been hid from the beginning of the world. By who? By God and why is He hiding them? This is because mankind in his quest for knowledge and in his fallen nature, will dare fight the devil and his agents. And he (the devil) will not waste any time in crushing the person that fights him with the fallen nature of Adam. This should also sound as a note of warning to unbelievers or believers living in sin that they do not have to make the mistake of engaging Satan and his principalities and powers in this kind of warfare with their sinful life. God waited until Jesus came, dethroned the devil and changed the sinful nature of Adam which man inherited, to the nature of God for those that received Him. And that was why Paul said, *“to the intent that now”*, in that Ephesians chapter 3, indicating that now that the church has been bought with the blood of Jesus,

she can now know and war against these principalities and powers. You see the enemy you know is better than the enemy you don't know. Why? It is because you can put the enemy you know in check, but the tendency is that the enemy you don't know, but who knows and monitors you through his agents, will be feasting on you. So you must know them, though I am not into the teaching on principalities and powers, but I will rather mention just a few that you can use as a point of contact. There is the Leviathan principality discussed in Job chapter 41 and Isaiah 27:1, there is the Jezebel spirit that operated in the Old Testament and is still operating as it is mentioned in Rev.2:20-23, there is the Pharisaical spirit which operated through the Pharisees, and also operating through many men of God now. This is mentioned in the gospels. There is the spirit of Cain that operated through Cain in Gen.4:1-15 and which is tormenting a lot of believers now as they betray their fellow brethren, break the covenant they have with their brethren and speak blasphemous words against them. This act of believers who as a result of the influence of this spirit of Cain, causes them to sin against God, also makes them to receive God's curse. And they have become fugitives and vagabonds, wandering from this denomination to the other, or from this man of God to the other looking for solutions to their problems, and they can't find it. The reason is that they have broken the covenant of brotherhood between them and their brethren. And until they repent and go back to that covenant, they

are wasting their time. Why? It is because God is not a covenant breaker, and has no business with covenant breakers. There is the Harlotry spirit mentioned in Rev.17:1-6 which leads both believers and unbelievers into both spiritual and physical fornication, adultery, etc. There are so many of them, but these should stand as points of contact through which you can war against all principalities and powers.

### **HOW CAN ONE WAR?**

This is a question I will like to answer by citing or quoting some verses from the Psalmist.

*“He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms”* (Ps.18:34).

*“Blessed be the Lord my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight”* (Ps.144:1).

ōThe bow of steelö represents principalities and powers, and this is what the Psalmist is talking about, that when I use my hands to war, and my fingers to fight, in the form of Karate on the air, I will be able to break the powers, the cords, and the manipulations of those principalities and powers over the earthly bodiless spirits that inhabit mankind, and those little demons will run for their lives. Why I call these demons bodiless, is because they don’t have bodies as their soulish bodies are suffering in hell, but the principalities and powers have bodies, being fallen angels. Let me give some scriptural examples of what I

mean by cutting off the powers, cords of those principalities, and thereby making the little demons to run for their lives.

*“So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him, but there was no sword in the hand of David. Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion was dead, they fled.”* (I Sam.17:50-51).

This scripture clearly explains the point I want to make concerning the principalities and those little demons. The moment David was able to subdue and kill Goliath the leader of the Philistines' army, the rest of the armies of the Philistines, ran for their lives. Why? The answer is simple, the moment they saw that their leader has been killed, they lost direction as to what step to follow in fighting David and the armies of Israel, therefore everyone of them ran away. So will it happen to these demon spirits if anyone engages their operational commanders (i.e. the principalities and powers) in a fierce battle through warfare, and makes them to flee. This is why the Psalmist said, *“The Lord is righteous, he hath cut asunder the cords of the wicked.”* (Ps.129:4).

*“The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords, they have spread a net by the wayside, they have set gins for me.”* (Ps.40:5).

*“His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins.” (Prov.5:22).*

*“Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart rope.” (Isa.5:18).*

These cords, nets, gins and a cart rope mentioned in these scriptures by the Psalmist, Solomon and Isaiah, are talking of traps in the form of webs with which things like spiders use to trap or catch some little flies that they use for food. However, in the spirit realm, these principalities and powers use that connection to tie their victims to these elemental demons, and by that process, the lives of those helpless victims, will be controlled by these demons acting on instructions from above. And when people pray and pray, casting out these demons without attacking the principalities by cutting off those cords, nets, gins and cart ropes, the principalities will still send more demons using the same cords, etc, to operate.

Finally, in your warfare, you may pour the blood of Jesus upon these principalities, powers, rulers of the darkness of this world and spiritual wickedness living in the heavenlies, mentioning the names of the ones you know or I have earlier mentioned as points of contact. And also pour the blood of Jesus or the fire of the Holy Ghost upon the kingdoms of Satan, the thrones of these agents of darkness, and all their areas of operation, then war against them with roaring or loud groaning hitting your hands and fingers on the air in a way of practicing Karate games, and breaking their cords, nets, gins, cart ropes, and all their

operations against your life (i.e. spiritual, physical, financial, material, marital, healthwise), and the lives of those you are praying for. Then bind the little demons operating or manipulating your life and the lives of others, and cast them to the bottomless pit. Also return whatever Satan's human agents have sent to you or to the people you are praying for, back to them. This should be done daily, especially in the nights, but I warn you again, don't try this kind of warfare prayers if you are living in sin, or a sinful life, or if you are not yet born again. I will cite one biblical example to buttress this point. Apostle Paul in Acts of Apostles chapter 19, had moved into the field for his missionary work, having being anointed and commissioned to preach by the Holy Spirit, after his training in the Arabian desert. And as he was preaching, God was confirming his words with signs and wonders, and great miracles were happening. Then some Jews who thought that once you call or bind any kind of evil spirit in the name of Jesus, that demon will flee, went to try the devil, just the same way a lot of ministers of God preach today, that once you call on the name of Jesus, or bind any spirit in the name of Jesus, that demon will either flee or surrender, whether you are converted or not, it doesn't matter.

*“Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, we adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth. And there were seven sons of Sceva, a Jew, and*

*chief of the priests, which did so. And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know, but who are ye? And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded” (Acts 19:13-16).*

Can you see what I mean, that trying to bind any evil spirit in the name of Jesus when you are not yet converted, or if you have not made the Lord Jesus your personal Lord and Saviour, is a dangerous thing. I am not trying to deceive or frighten anybody, and that is why I use scriptures to make my points much clearer. Please don't copy anybody as these people tried to copy Apostle Paul, not knowing how he (Paul) was converted, what he went through in training, and how he was anointed by the Holy Spirit before being sent into the field. And all these processes that Paul went through, before he became the great Apostle of the Gentiles which the Lord made him, were known to the devil. And he acknowledged it when the demon spirit in the man the sons of Sceva were praying for said, “*Jesus I know, and Paul I know, but who are ye?*” You see the devil knows you very well, he knows the type of life you are living. And if your are not converted or you are living in sin, he knows because it is his demons that cause you to live the way you are living, and they report back to him at any point in time. Therefore as a disciple of the Lord who has been experienced for years in this kind of prayers, I am warning you seriously.

# 9

## WHAT GOD EXPECTS THE CHURCH TO BE DOING NOW

The church like I earlier mentioned in my book (Christian Race To The End (Qualification For The Throne), is a woman spiritually, given a commission by God to bring forth the seed (Word of God or manchild) that will bruise the head of Satan, and cast him (Satan) down from his throne in second heaven, to this earth. The church is also the Body and Bride of our Lord Jesus Christ who as kings and priests, will rule with Christ. In this fiery period when the whole world including the Christendom with the exception of few remnants, are moving into a great apostasy, what does God expect the church to be doing now? This important question needs a clear answer that has an understandable scriptural backing which is supposed to bring peace of mind to the heart of a true worshipper of God.

The Lord in His sermon on the Mount had told His church, *“Ye are the salt of the earth, but if the salt have lost his savour, (taste or flavour) wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.”* (Matt.5:13).

The savour of the salt is the taste or flavour and since the Lord said that the church is the Salt of the earth, therefore the savour of the church is *öloveö*. And which if a man walks in (love), he has fulfilled the law. This then means that, when the church loses the love she has for God, she becomes good for nothing, and will be cast out from the presence of God so that she will be trodden under foot by men. This also is true of a woman, when she loses the love she has for her husband. She will stop staying at home to have a fill of love with the husband, but will begin to lust after other men, and also desire to go out and have not necessarily a fill of love with other men, but to commit adultery and deal treacherously against the husband. The Lord Jesus gave a serious warning about the condition of the church in this last church age as He continued to say, *“and because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.”* (Matt.24:12).

*“.....Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?”* (Lk.18:8).

*“Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works, or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick (His Spirit) out of his place, except thou repent.”* (Rev.2:4-5).

The Lord Jesus in His days in the flesh spoke to the church how a large majority of believers will lose their faith as the period of apostasy sets in, to unleash the great iniquity

the devil has poured in the world to lead the church astray or into deception. And as the manner of the Lord is, He said that the love many believers have in obeying Him inspite of all odds, and staying in His presence to patiently wait on Him so as to commune with Him in fellowship, and receive His directions, will wax cold. And for this reason, virtually ninety percent of believers worldwide, have left their first love (which is staying in the presence of God to seek His will) and have gone to join the world and its system. And this makes them to be committing adultery with the prince of this world system, and dealing treacherously against their marriage with the Prince of Peace. The Spirit of God therefore has been crying to the people of God to go back and start doing the first works (love), or He will move out entirely from those vessels. A large majority of believers are beginning to lose their faith in the ability of our Lord Jesus Christ to deliver, because their love for the Lord has waxed cold. They cannot patiently wait on the Lord, they are not ready to suffer with the Lord. They believe that suffering with the Lord is as a result of missing God. And they make a mockery of it when they see those who agree to suffer with Christ. Once tribulation or persecution arises because of the word of God they have heard, they become offended in the Lord (ref. Matt.13:20-21), and will never be ready to do those things God has commanded. And they have followed the way of Martha, instead of the way of Mary which the Lord accepted as a good part which cannot be taken away from

any that follows it. The big question the church should answer is, what does God expect her to do now? To answer this question correctly, let us revisit events that took place between Elijah and Elisha, before Elijah was taken up to heaven.

*“And it came to pass, when the Lord would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee, for the Lord hath sent me to Bethel. And Elisha said unto him, As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they went down to Bethel. And the sons of the prophets that were at Bethel came forth to Elisha, and said unto him, knowest thou that the Lord will take away thy master from thy head today? And he said, Yea, I know it, hold ye your peace. And Elijah said unto him, Elisha, tarry here, I pray thee, for the Lord hath sent me to Jericho. And he said, As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they came to Jericho. And the sons of the prophets that were at Jericho came to Elisha, and said unto him, knowest thou that the Lord will take away thy master from thy head today? And he answered, Yea, I know it, hold ye your peace. And Elijah said unto him, Tarry, I pray thee, here; for the Lord hath sent me to Jordan. And he said, As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And they two went on. And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went, and stood to view afar off, and they two stood by Jordan. And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together, and smote the*

waters, and they were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground. And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me. And he said, Thou hast asked a hard thing, nevertheless, if thou see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee, but if not, it shall not be so. And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder, and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it and he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more, and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces. He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back and stood by the bank of Jordan.” (II Kings 2:1-13).

Elijah and Elisha could be likened as the Lord Jesus and His church. And in this chapter, Elijah was about to be taken to heaven in what looked like the Rapture. This was known to Elisha and the sons of the prophets, who as Bible students or ministers of God, were older in faith than Elisha. It was not a hidden thing to those sons of the prophets, they knew about it and could even prophesy correctly to people including Elisha. However Elisha not only knew about it, but he knew what he ought to do, and therefore did not want any distraction as he kept telling all

the sons of the prophets who were prophesying to him wherever they went, to hold their peace. The sons of the prophets like Elisha, were students under the tutelage of Elijah who as their master, was on a thank you visit to all the branches he was overseeing before his final departure. Elisha who represented the army of God, those that are separated from the camp, and are in Zion, knew that the important thing is not the Rapture of his master Elijah, but that if he could stay in the presence of God which Elijah represented, he could receive the same anointing that made it possible for his master to be taken to heaven, and he too, will be taken to heaven when he must have finished with his ministerial work. The sons of the prophets who were like believers and ministers of God in the camp, did not have this revelation of what to do so as to receive Elijah's anointing and be caught up when they will also finish their ministerial work. They only knew that Elijah will be taken away, just as both believers and denominational ministers of God know that Rapture is around the corner, but many do not know that fire baptism will precede the rapture, and what to do, to be able to receive the baptism. Why did Elisha have the knowledge of what to do which others did not have? He was totally separated, he was constantly staying in the presence of God and did not allow anything to distract his good relationship or fellowship with God. He was not only under submission to God through Elijah, but was walking in submission (see my book on Submission The Authority

Channel Of God, And The Only Way To The Kingdom Of God), therefore God has no need hiding from him what He intends to do. Elisha continued to follow or stay in the presence of God represented by Elijah, until the Lord in his master led him to Jordan (which spiritually is flesh or death). When they got to Jordan, there was a panorama as fifty sons of the prophets stood afar off to view them (i.e. an indication that they were not part of the move of God), and the power of God in Elijah did a wonderful miracle as he used his mantle to divide the river. The dividing of the waters symbolically means, the separation of the sinful or those in Adamic flesh from those in celestial or soulish body, or the departure from walking in the flesh, to walking in the spirit. The crossing over of Elijah and Elisha on to the dry ground could also be likened to the crossing over from flesh and blood where Satan and the desires of this world have dominion, to flesh and bones or the soulish body, where only the will of God is done. Immediately they came to the dry ground (symbolically referred to as flesh and bones), the Lord moved Elijah and he asked Elisha what he will do for him before he (Elijah) will be taken away. Elijah neither asked him this question in Gilgal, nor in Bethel, nor in Jericho, nor in Jordan, until they crossed over from flesh to the spirit where his (Elisha's) desire will be according to the desire of God, and where also those sons of the prophets could not come to distract them. Even the condition given by Elijah to Elisha so as to have his heart desire of receiving a double

portion of Elijah's anointing met, is very frightening to anyone who understands what it means. For Elisha it is a great task which he must meet, as this means he must not sleep, he must not rest, he must not engage himself in any kind of programme or religious activities like crusades, evangelisms, etc., until he receives this anointing. Else all his labour in following Elijah from Gilgal to Bethel, from Bethel to Jericho, from Jericho to Jordan, and from Jordan to where they were now, will be in vain. He must keep watch day and night so as not to miss it, just as the Lord said in these scriptures;

*“Watch therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. Therefore be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.”* (Matt.24:42-44).

*“Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.”* (Matt.25:13).

Even as Elijah was being taken away, there were some distractions which would have made Elisha to miss the anointing. The chariot of fire and horses of fire which parted them as it appeared, before Elijah was taken up in a whirlwind, did not stop him from seeing his master. He saw Elijah being caught up to heaven and shouted my father, my father, the chariot of Israel and the horsemen. After this, he took his own clothes, tore them, and took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, having

patiently endured till he got the double portion of Elijah's anointing. It will be noted that the sons of the prophets did not receive the anointing, because they were not under submission to Elijah, and they also were not staying in the presence of God to know what to do. The removing of his own clothes and tearing them, could be likened to the dropping of his own righteousness which is like filthy rags, and putting on of Elijah's mantle, could also be likened to being adorned with the robe of righteousness which is immortality. This is exactly what God expects the church, who are separated like Elisha, and are in submission to God and His authority channel, to be doing now as to be able to receive the double portion of Jesus' anointing which is the baptism of fire, and preach the gospel of the Kingdom before the Rapture of the saints. They are expected to drop all their programmes, religious or otherwise, drop all the ways they have been working for God which is dead works instead of working with God, and go back to their first love which is staying in the presence of God, and watching day and night, until God releases the latter rain or liquid fire which will empower them like Elisha was empowered, when he patiently waited until he received the anointing. And in this era, God by His Spirit is speaking expressly to His people;

*“Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee, hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast. For, behold, the Lord cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants*

*of the earth (demons dwelling in the flesh) for their iniquity, the earth also shall disclose her blood (the flesh or body shall reveal his will), and shall no more cover her slain.” (Isa.26:20-21).*

*“In that day the Lord with his great and strong sword (Word of God) shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent, and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea. In that day sing ye unto her, A vineyard of red wine (A church redeemed with the blood of Jesus). I the Lord do keep it, I will water it every moment, lest any hurt it, I will keep it night and day (i.e. the Lord protects the church, He gives her His word or truth every moment so that the devil will not hurt her when he attacks).” (Isa.27:1-3)*

God's instruction to His church now is, separate yourself from the system of the world, and go into your closet and shut thy doors. Stay in hiding in your closet and be praying fervently as you stay in the presence of God, waiting patiently for the Lord to deal with the demons that have occupied the flesh of His people, and hinder them from hearing and obeying God. There is a great indignation against the people of God now, and only those who agree to go into their closets, leaving all their so called programmes behind, will escape. And God said further, that from the day any who agrees to obey Him by going into his/her closet, God and not man, will use His word to deal ruthlessly with Leviathan which is the king of pride. This is the great principality that resists people

vehemently from doing the will of God. No man can deliver himself from the influence of this spirit, and that is why God demands His people to separate themselves from the system of the world, which is full of the influences of this great spirit, so that God Himself can do it.

Finally, even as Brother Peter the great Apostle of circumcision said, *“Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness.”* (II Pet.3:11).

And I want to ask the same question to the people of God, òhaving seen that there is a kind of prayer God requires from His people who are in covenant relationship with Him, what stops those who have not entered into that covenant, from entering into it?ö If you are not born again, whom will you blame if your prayer is not answered. For it is written, *“Now we know that God heareth not sinners, but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.”* (Jn.9:31).

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