

ANOINTING FOR EXPLOITS

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Introduction

In most cases, we have limited the mission of the anointing to only spiritual and physical manifestations. It is however, important to be informed about the social relevance of the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus Christ, under the anointing, did not only heal the sick and cast out devils, He also provided bread, and "battered" it with fish. He was never a beggar, but a unique distributor.

He was also socially comfortable. He would always lodge in the large upper room; ride in a special boat - "asleep on a pillow," where you cannot feel the billows; and was always moving in a convoy - "and other little ships with him."

His ministry was so socially relevant that they came to take Him by force to make Him a king, but He fled. Among the effects of the anointing, as contained in Isaiah 61, is the building of the old wastes, the raising up of the former desolation, and the repairing of the waste cities and the desolations of many generations. And then we also read:

"And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers."

Isaiah 61:5

That talks about us becoming major employers of labour.

All these point to social impacts and proven exploits by the anointing. However, every exploit is traceable to insight, and the anointing of the Holy Spirit can be likened to a rig that helps for tapping into treasures in the deep; just like Paul said in 1 Corinthians 2:10,

"But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God."

Real spiritual insight will always, command exploits, for "the people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits" (Daniel 11:32).

Apostle John also said in his epistle:

"But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him."

1 John 2:27

Come with me now, as we take a trip into a world of exploits by the anointing of the Holy Spirit. It's an adventure into a world of supernatural insights, taking you where you belong in God.

See you at the top!

Chapter 1

WHAT IS THE ANOINTING?

Perhaps it is crucial to explain what we mean by the anointing, having behind our minds that the believer can get very little done without it, particularly if he does not know what it is, it becomes impossible to flow in it.

The anointing is a divine enabling. It is a much deeper encounter with the Holy Spirit than the baptism with evidence of speaking in other tongues. It is subsequent to the baptism, and definitely more profound.

Jesus, as Acts 10:38 informs us, was also anointed. First, He was born of the Spirit (representing New Birth), then He was baptised of John and the Holy Ghost descended on Him (considered as Holy Ghost Baptism). However in spite of these two spiritual experiences, Jesus could not do miracles nor excel in His Ministry until he was led of the Spirit into the wilderness, then, anointed and equipped for exploits.

And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness ... And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.

Luke 4:1, 14

Thus Jesus began to do exploits after he returned in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Suddenly on the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came to the Upper Room where the disciples were assembled. He indwelt their spirits, but also rested upon them, granting them unction to function. Great is also the plan of God for you but you need the anointing upon you to enable you realise your destiny. Joshua was Moses' steward. His primary assignment was to minister to God's servant. He had no title and no particular office. But when the anointing came upon him, the people came and submitted to his leadership.

And Joshua the son of Nun, was full of the spirit of wisdom; For Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel hearkened unto him and did as the Lord commanded Moses.

Deuteronomy 34:9

Then appeared the man Elijah, a man with a fiery anointing, calling down fire from heaven and slaying the prophets of baal. After his departure, Elisha, his minister, took up his mantle and went forward, dividing Jordan into two. The sons of the prophets who had mocked him previously came prostrating before him. It was glaring that the Spirit upon Elijah was resting upon him and in a double measure. The anointing changed Elisha's spiritual status, unction gave him a new position.

And then David. He was "fresh-oil crazy" therefore he never lost any battle. The oil upon him never went stale throughout his lifetime.

But my horn shalt thou exalt like the horn of an unicorn: I shall be anointed with fresh oil.

Psalm 92:10

As a further proof that the anointing produces outstanding results, David enumerated in ensuing verses, his encounters with the anointing.

His eyes saw his desires on his enemies (verse 11)

He was flourishing like a palm tree, strong like the cedar of Lebanon (verse 12)

He was still productive at old age (verse 14). One translation expounds on this verse as meaning David was vital and green; rich and productive; fertile and full of growth; fresh, rich and affluent!

Also, going a step further to consider the life of Saul, one will notice that after the anointing in 1 Samuel 10, Samuel proclaimed him captain over the Lord's people. When you are anointed, you become a captain among men. Whatever you say, stands, your word will be a command. You will say to one devil "Go!" and it will go. You will say to blindness "Go!", it will go. You become enthroned captain in your field.

As a result also of the anointing, whatever had been missing in your life, whatever had been stolen from you is restored. You go forward, making satisfactory progress. Like Saul, you too will be favoured and the anointing will cause men to give to you. Halleluia!

Then came the Master, who is called JESUS! He was the most talented mortal that ever lived. Yet talent could not distinguish him. He was very gifted, He could even be called a genius, because at twelve years of age, people had already begun to marvel at his wisdom. But He needed to be endowed with power from on high before He could fulfil His commission. After the encounter with the anointing He declared:

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,
To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.*

And he closed the book ... And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

Luke 4:18-20

He closed the Book, but the people could not close their eyes, nor their ears! They could not ignore Him. They could not pin point what made His words leap up at them, but they knew there was something about Him. He had returned in the power of the Spirit (as we were told in verse 14)!

The Apostles also, after the outpouring of the Spirit, took over the temple and the Bible says "a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith." (Acts 6:7)

A little while later they gathered again to pray and the Bible says the place shook where they were assembled and they were filled with the Holy Ghost, speaking the Word with boldness and with great grace, they gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. They had been connected to the dynamic ministry of the Holy Spirit.

I don't care for how many years you have been coming to church, if you don't seek a contact with this divine source of power, you will live a meaningless life.

What Is The Anointing For?

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

Acts 10:38

The anointing is for “doing”. It is to enable you fulfil God’s eternal purpose for your life.

Friends, now is your time! You cannot fail!

Sometime ago, while I was at home, the Spirit of God told me to go back to the office. So I went. A lady met me on the staircase. I saw her coming up, so I asked her: “Young lady, what’s the matter?” With that she broke down in tears. Her mother had been diagnosed with cancer, in America.

I asked her for her mother’s picture, anointed it and cursed the foul spirit of cancer, commanding it to loose its grip over her. Then I said, “It’s over!” She left rejoicing and jumping because she had received a prophet in the name of a prophet, so she was entitled to a prophet’s reward.

Several people, like that, have come in contact with this commission and have encountered eternal rewards.

That young lady returned about a week later, reporting that her mother had been healed, absolutely made free! All the symptoms had vanished and the tests read negative.

From here in Nigeria, the anointing went on and affected someone in America! There is no distance in the world of the spirit. I see God rewarding you also with the virtues of this commission as you open your heart to the things I’ll be sharing with you in this book. God sent me, over sixteen years ago saying,

“The hour has come to liberate the world from all oppressions of the devil, through the preaching of the word of faith and I am sending you to undertake this task.”

He sent me and anointed me for the liberation of mankind. That’s why as I declare the Word of God, faith is imparted into the hearts of men and every oppression of the devil is destroyed. Therefore I declare that whatever burden you’re carrying, whatever weight you are saddled with right now, be destroyed in the name of Jesus.

The anointing is to destroy yokes.

And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.

Isaiah 10:27

That’s the essence of the anointing, not to fall men down but to cause them to rise up and take charge. It is not just for vibrating and speaking in tongues, it is to establish your dominion in the midst of opposition. (Psalm 110:3)

Chapter 2

THE LATTER RAIN

Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof ...

Proverbs 7:8

God has reserved better things for the endtime Church, the magnitude of which eyes have not seen, nor ears heard, neither has it entered into the hearts of men. These endtimes we will teach principalities and powers a lesson by the manifold wisdom of God. So, God has provided better things for us, better than He did for the Church of the past generations.

God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.

Hebrews 11:40

He has reserved better revelations, better liftings, better manifestations, better every thing for us. But Luke 5:39 discloses one reason why many members of this end time army fail to appropriate what is theirs by right; “No man also having drunk old wine straightway desireth new: for he saith, the old is better.” You may have drunk old wine for so long that your taste buds have become accustomed to it. However the old can never be better than the new.

I am going to be showing you in this chapter God’s provision for the latter day Church.

Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great things.

Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength.

Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

And I will restore.

Joel 2:21-25

God's promise for this latter day house is the latter rain. It is not going to fall, it has started falling already. When the former rain fell, Peter gave witness to it in Acts 2:16-21. But God declared that He will cause to come down for us the rain — the former rain and the latter rain in the first month. The latter rain is for the latter day Church. Whatever Peter, Paul and John the beloved saw, belongs to the former rain and God said He gave it moderately. All those amazing feats Paul did, God said it was moderate compared to what He has prepared for us of this generation. We are God's last born! The former rain was just to reach out to the lost, the latter rain is to beautify the Church.

To give unto them beauty for ashes.

Isaiah 61:3

That is, readily turning your disappointments into appointments. So, the latter rain centres on God's people. God is determined to crown Zion with a beauty so strong that multitudes will be attracted to the kingdom. Anything contrary to beauty in your life will be destroyed by the anointing.

Going further, we understand that a combination of the former and latter rain is called "*the rain*".

... for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain and the latter rain in the first month.

Joel 2:23

Then in Zechariah 10:1, we read,

Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain: so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain.

This rain is the anointing; it is the rain of God's power. As a result of these showers of rain, there will be an explosion of abundance. The Church will be super-comfortable. You too will be extremely comfortable because you are connected to the Comforter. All your prayer requests will disappear because the Holy Ghost will ensure you are made comfortable. He will destroy sickness, disease, failure and depression, and anything making life uncomfortable for you.

I wish that rather than crave for things, you will crave for Him. He is all you will ever need for successful living. He brings you fulfilment cheaply. I am yet to meet one man who operates under the fresh anointing who is not comfortable.

Let me say humbly that even when I was a sweeper in our church I was no less comfortable than I am now. Simply because He's the same Comforter today that He was yesterday. I remember I would get working right from 5:00 a.m., sweeping the floor, dusting the benches and of course, praying over them. All the while excited!

Friend, you are uncomfortable, not because you don't have things, but because you don't have the Comforter! When He comes to reside in you permanently, everything people are running around to get, by His Ministry, He makes cheaply available to you.

And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied ... and my people shall never be ashamed.

Joel 2:26

As the rain falls bringing you into super-abundance, it will also wash away every thing causing shame in your life. In your family, business, career and ministry, anything contrary to beauty will be washed away by the anointing.

It is also a rain of restoration, silencing your enemy and enforcing your dignity and nobility.

Jesus, speaking in Luke 4:18-19 quoted from Isaiah 61:1 & 2,

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

Luke 4:18-19

This is the chapter Jesus came to open. He was anointed to preach the gospel to the poor. He was sent to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and the recovering of sight to the blind. He came setting at liberty those who were bruised and preaching the acceptable year of the Lord. This was the former rain.

If you go back to Isaiah 61:1 & 2, "To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn," you would notice that Jesus quoted only a part of verse two and then He closed the book. Where He ended was, "*to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.*"

However something else follows, it is "*the day of vengeance of our God, (so as) to comfort all that mourn.*"

The latter rain begins where Jesus stopped. It begins with the day of vengeance upon the enemies of God's people. That is, whatever is tampering with your destiny in God; whatever is afflicting and

humiliating you; whatever is against your peace, against your progress or against your career, business or children, God is going to command vengeance against them.

We are right in the day of God's vengeance. We will torment our tormentors!

An 82 year old woman testified that for 18 years she had had to walk on crutches. When it was time to come for one of our services, her daughter's car in which they were, would not go any further. As if on cue, the heavens turned black preparing for a downpour. Notwithstanding, her daughter said, "We must get to church today!" And they did. They violently made their way to church.

That same old woman later stood on the rostrum lifting up her hands in praise to God, she had been delivered! The 18-year plague that made her walk on crutches vanished and her beauty was restored. Her day of mourning was truly over because we are in the days of vengeance of our God, where He comforts all that mourn.

We have stepped into the day of vengeance of our God according to His divine programme. Everything that has been humiliating the church will be addressed and arrested. This new anointing places you in a position where oppositions bow to you.

Nothing that has ever resisted you will go unpunished. No weapon formed against you can prosper, because the anointing under which you are operating has a ministry to execute vengeance on all your adversaries. It makes exploits cheap.

When Jesus was still on the earth, there was a time his disciples were forbidden to pass through Samaria. James and John said,

Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, even as Elias did?
Jesus replied,

...Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of.

Luke 9:54,55

This means under the former rain or anointing "You are not permitted to react!" However as soon as Jesus left and the Holy Ghost came, the day of vengeance began. Paul looked at Elymas the sorcerer and said:

*O full of all subtilty and all mischief, thou child of the devil, thou enemy of all righteousness ...
Thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.*

Acts 13:10, 11

If it had been Jesus, he would have ignored Elymas but not Paul, who was operating under the anointing of the latter days.

Look at Ananias and Sapphira. They told lies and Peter looked at them and pronounced the death sentence. They fell down dead!

The number one job of the Holy Ghost is to execute vengeance upon all the enemies of God's people. Nothing will escape Him! The wicked will be silenced by God's vengeance. Any noticeable work of the wicked around you will be destroyed by the anointing. (Isaiah 10:27). The time has come when there will be no record of anyone mourning in the Church again. Forget about the reason why you are mourning, despise the forces behind your grief, the Holy Ghost has come equipped to rain fire on them.

The latter rain or latter day anointing is two – dimensional. It is for vengeance, yes, but it will also refine the saints. It will give beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness, that we may be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord. That he may be glorified (Isaiah 61:3).

In essence, both in character and charisma, your life will glorify God. Sinners will see you and acknowledge that you are a righteous planting of God, a holy people. They will be able to spot you anywhere you are. When you are getting into a plane, unbelievers will want to be on the flight because they are sure of arriving with you on board.

You must be highly expectant under this great wave of revival. Expect God's vengeance upon all your enemies. Expect Him to bring all-round comfort to you in your family life, health, business and every other area! Expect Him to give you beauty in the place of ashes. Understand that under this rain, it will become impossible for you to be sad.

Do you know that I have never needed encouragement, since I came into Ministry?

Why? He has poured upon me the oil of joy and canceled every form of mourning. It is this oil that enables me overlook the negatives and focus on the positives.

Then He clothes me with the garment of praise and removes the spirit of heaviness from off my shoulders. He clears off all those depressive moods so that you are not bothered by anything.

I am not bothered by any name you call me - it's only your opinion and your opinion of me is irrelevant to God's plan for my life. Your opinion neither adds to nor reduces anything from me. I see you delivered from the spirit of heaviness right now.

The spirit of heaviness is a wicked spirit from the devil. It's mission is to disconnect you from God, for God only inhabits the praises of His people. He can't stand a joyless, praiseless temple!

That they might be called trees of righteousness ...

verse 3

Meaning under this rain, you will be called a tree of righteousness by others. They will readily identify you as a righteous man. Your fruits will speak for you!

You need to pray that the waves of the fear of the Lord will come on you so that God will be glorified in your life. May every filthiness of the body and spirit clear off from you!

And they shall build the old wastes ...

verse 4

So you are a builder, called to build the old wastes and raise the former desolations. If you are to occupy that position, you cannot be down yourself - else how can a man who is down raise another? Nothing goes down in your life anymore.

For your shame you shall have double; ...

verse 7

Please expect the latter rain to bring you into your double portion: double honour, double promotions, double blessings upon you, in Jesus name.

The latter rain is like two sides of a coin. On one hand it will bring liftings for God's people but on the other hand, frustration for the sinners.

Very soon, no unbeliever on this earth will command your attention. Simply because the latter rain will be selective. It will be like the days of Israel in Egypt, where God separated between the Israelites in Goshen and the rest of Egypt.

And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; ...

And I will put a division between my people and thy people ...

Exodus 8:22,23

Even in the natural, there are times while travelling, you get to a certain place and there's a downpour.

Then you wind up your glass thinking it will rain all through the duration of your trip. Lo and behold, a few kilometres ahead you enter into very dry territory. Not a sign of it having rained at all!

At the same time when God's people will be entering their most glorious age, sinners will be experiencing the greatest suffering since creation. The Bible says,

For behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

Malachi 4:1,2

I have been proclaiming the arrival of these events since 1978, twenty-two years now. There is no unbeliever who can pretend to be fulfilled at this time. They are running to Jesus because He is the ultimate! You must congratulate yourself for establishing a relationship with Him, and for being alive to witness this great move. The greatest glory ever seen is upon the church right now. The church has come out of obscurity to limelight. Jesus is Lord!

Chapter 3

THE PERSONALITY BEHIND THE ANOINTING

God has destined the last day's church to be a pacesetter for all creation. The whole of creation is groaning and travailing in pain, suffering under the bondage of corruption, awaiting the hour of the manifestation of the sons of God. This manifestation can only become possible by the operations of the Holy Spirit. He is in charge of the affairs of the kingdom of God on earth today.

Prophets Isaiah and Joel prophesied at divers times:

For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring.

Isaiah 44:3

*And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:
And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those will I pour out my spirit.*

Joel 2:28,29

These prophecies found fulfilment in the book of Acts.

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Acts 2:1-4

God had been pouring the Holy Spirit out in drizzles upon prophets, pastors, priests and kings in old testament times, enabling them to function in their offices. For instance until Saul was anointed as king of Israel, he could not ascend the throne (1 Samuel 10:1). Elisha also could not stand in the office of prophet until Elijah anointed him (1 Kings 19:16), neither could Aaron and his sons minister unto the Lord in the priests office until Moses had anointed them (exodus 18:41). But in the mind of God He never intended to give only a few people the gift of the Spirit. So he spoke through the prophets that a time would come when His Spirit would be poured out, not in drizzles or sprinkles, but in His fullness, upon all flesh. No longer will the Holy Spirit be upon a few but upon all who desire Him.

In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying 'If any man thirst, let come unto me, and drink.

He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

(But this spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

John 7:37-39

So until Jesus was glorified not everyone who desired the Holy Spirit could have Him. On the day of Pentecost as the disciples tarried in Jerusalem (according to the Master's instruction), suddenly there came a mighty, rushing wind from heaven (God was in a hurry to usher the Church into the next phase of His prophetic agenda); and filled all the house. Then they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak in tongues.

WHO IS THE HOLY GHOST?

The Holy Ghost has a number of names, titles and symbols by which He is known, all of which portray his character and personality. The most popular names being the Holy Spirit and Holy Ghost.

The Holy Spirit is the third person of the trinity. Equal to God the Father and God the Son but different in function. In Acts 5:3,4 He is referred to as God because He is a part of the godhead, and just as every part of a lion is called lion, similarly as a member of the godhead, He is God.

Like every other member of the trinity, the Holy Spirit is eternal (Hebrews 9:14), Omnipotent (Luke 1:35), Omniscient (1 Corinthians 2:10,13), Omnipresent (Psalm 139:7-13), Sovereign - with a will (1 Corinthians 12:6, 11); and a Creator (Genesis 1:2). All these pointing to Him as God.

The Holy Ghost is also a unique person, not an "it" but a "He". For instance He speaks (Acts 28:25), teaches (John 14:26), can be grieved and resisted (Ephesians 4:30; Acts 7:51). All of which are traits describing a person.

Knowing who He is should encourage you to recognise, acknowledge and fellowship with Him. I believe He still comes walking in the garden of your heart seeking to have fellowship with you. Paul closed the second epistle to the Saints at Corinth with these words:

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of god, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

2 Corinthians 13:14

Paul in essence acknowledged that by maintaining your communion with the Holy Ghost, the love of God is further shed abroad in your heart, and grace to fulfil your mission is released to you. You need to know the Holy Spirit in a personal intimate way to flow in His anointing.

Let's look at some titles He goes by, to fully understand His personality and ministry.

HE IS THE SPIRIT OF HOLINESS

Jesus, we were told, was declared to be the Son of God with power (Romans 1:4).

By His very nature, the Holy Spirit hates sin. He has His source in the thrice Holy God. His name means a Spirit that is Holy. He is Holy and cannot behold sin. That was why He dealt with Ananias and Sapphira.

They lied and He destroyed them. When you give Him a chance, He enables you live clean. You find that you have a total distaste for sin.

He is out to ensure that *"the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit"* (Romans 8:4). So what the law demands is made possible by the operations of the law of the Spirit. The law on its own is helpless to bring you to a place of sanctity, but when you operate the law of the spirit you are able to fulfil automatically the righteousness of the law. We will revisit this topic some more later in this book.

HE IS THE QUICKENER

But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Romans 8:11

To quicken means to revive; to inject life into something. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of life, according to Romans 8:2, He also has a mission to preserve your body from death by quickening it. That is, He removes every killer disease from your mortal body and also rescues you from the sin nature which leads to the second death.

Of Him Luke 3:17 says,

Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.

So, if you are born again and filled with the Holy Spirit, then understand that He who indwells you has a fan in His hand and will thoroughly purge the floors of your body, soul and spirit, sweeping them clean. Whatever does not glorify God in you, whether sickness or other sin - related problems, He will sweep it all up and burn that chaff with unquenchable fire (Matthew 3:11-12). Where the Holy Spirit dwells sin cannot co-inhabit; sickness should be afraid to come close.

HE IS THE COMFORTER

Nevertheless I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you, but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

John 16:5-7

Every parent wants his children to be comfortable. God is our heavenly Father. He also desires that we are comfortable and healthy. That is why He made available to us His Holy Spirit. It is a connection with Him that brings us into comfortable living.

If there is any discomfort in your body, invite the Holy Ghost, and all your discomforts will vanish. The Comforter is the power for the hour, embrace Him! Whatever is against your comfort, I see the Comforter destroying it right now. He lives up to His name.

If Jesus said *"It is expedient (meaning profitable) for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you ..."*, then it means that the Holy Ghost's coming had a lot to offer the disciples.

Their lives became more comfortable.

Remember that while Jesus was with them, they enjoyed a good measure of comfort. That was why after they returned from Missions, He asked them, *"When I sent you without purse, and script, and shoes, lacked ye anything? And they said, Nothing."* (Luke 22:35) They never had lack of anything.

When the Holy Ghost arrived in Acts 2, one of the effects of His coming was all-round comfort.

Neither was there any that lacked; for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold.

Acts 4:34

The Comforter is the true name of the Holy Spirit and His ministry is to make living comfortable for us.

HE IS THE GOOD GIFT

Repent, and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 2:38

The Holy Ghost is the gift. That you are born again is good, but your place cannot be secured until you receive unction. Haven't you heard it said in Proverbs 18:16 that *"The gift of a man maketh room for him and bringeth him before great men"*?

By virtue of your new birth, you are a new personality, a city set upon the hill that cannot be hid. But until you receive the gift of God, the Holy Spirit, you remain hidden in the valley. It takes the Holy Spirit to push you to limelight.

By destiny, the last days' Church is a pacesetter. All nations shall flow into her (Micah 4:1&2). She will be so exalted that she will be the envy of men. If you want to have your portion in the outpouring and your place in the kingdom, you must embrace the good Gift.

The disciples had been under the tutelage of the most anointed man on earth, Jesus. They had heard the most life-transforming teachings in all creation, yet, they were in hiding, their calling being frustrated, until the gift was given to them. Until He came, they could not secure their position. You can never have a larger room than the unction upon your life.

In the kingdom of God, nothing is possible by power or by might. Every accomplishment, every exploit, is made possible by the operation of the Spirit of God who is the good gift.

If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit (the good gift) to them that ask him?

Luke 11:13

In these days in which we live, God will make room for His people. We will command respect in the society.

Multitudes will run after you, saying, "We have heard that God is with you. Teach us His ways, and we will walk in His path." God will distinguish Zion these last days by His good Gift at work in us. It has nothing to do with education, just revelation.

Look at half-illiterates like D. L. Moody and Smith Wigglesworth, they were unlearned, yet they made history. Generations yet unborn will still read of them.

When the Gift arrives, He creates a large room for you and gives you licence for profiting.

HE IS THE MESSENGER OF THE COVENANT

Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts.

Malachi 3:1

One other ministry of the Holy Ghost which you need so much these end times is that of the Messenger of the Covenant. He is sent to communicate the mysteries of the covenant to you. He comes to enlighten your understanding and to reveal the truth contained in the Word of God. He is the Spirit of Truth who guides you into all truth (John 16:12-13).

The Holy Spirit unfolds the intricacies of the covenant until light dawns on you and life eases up. This is understanding, and it can be likened to light. The problems of life are darkness, so when light comes, darkness gives way. There is a level of understanding you walk in that every hierarchy of the kingdom of darkness gives way at your appearance. This is the work of the Holy Spirit; He reveals secrets ahead of time, thus preparing you to triumph over oppositions.

... He will shew you things to come

John 16:13

The Holy Ghost revealed secrets to Joseph concerning Pharaoh's dream. He intimated Daniel on hidden things. He spoke to Peter about Ananias and Sapphira.

The Messenger of the Covenant will open your eyes to truths on Divine Health, Prosperity, Victorious Living and whatever you need to know. Also when you are face to face with opposition, he will bring to your remembrance what the Word of God says concerning your circumstance (John 14:26).

The secret of the Lord is with them that fear Him; and He will show them His covenant.

Psalm 25:14

HE REPROVES THE WORLD OF SIN, RIGHTEOUSNESS AND JUDGEMENT

By the Holy Ghost, sinners are convicted of sin and impending judgement. He has the ministry of World Evangelism through human vessels. By the power of the Holy Spirit, your words are given life, thereby convicting men of their sins and pointing out their need of a Saviour.

And when He is come, He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness and of judgement.

John 16:8

Chapter 4

PROOFS OF HIS PRESENCE

It is vital to locate the proof of the presence of the Holy Spirit in you. He is not a dormant unannounced guest of the inside as evangelicals believe. No, He is a vibrant Senior Partner and His presence is announced primarily by tongues. Look at Acts 2:4,

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Until you speak with other tongues, the Holy Spirit is not there. The siren that heralds the arrival of the Chief Executive of the day into your mortal body is, speaking with other tongues.

I have never seen my biological heart before, but that I'm hale and hearty, is a sure proof that it is functioning properly. Neither have I seen my kidneys before, yet, because I can go to the toilet without discomfort, I am certain they are in top shape.

Similarly, you have never seen the Holy Ghost before, so how can you convince anyone that He is in you? It is by speaking with other tongues.

While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word ... For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God .

Acts 10:44,46

Speaking in tongues is not a Church doctrine. It does not belong to just the Pentecostals. Speaking in tongues is God's own method of announcing the presence of His Spirit in you. Even on the day of Pentecost, no one saw Him. You may argue "but there were cloven tongues of fire sitting on them. Isn't that enough evidence of His presence?" Thank God for the mighty rushing wind, and the cloven tongues of fire, but until they spoke in other tongues they did not have an assurance of the Holy Spirit's divine presence. 1 Corinthians 3:16 says

Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

So until you burst out in tongues, you are an empty temple.

Apollos was a preacher. He was an eloquent man, mighty in the Scriptures and fervent in the Spirit, and one who spoke boldly in the Lord. The Bible says, "*he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord.*" But there was one snag: "*knowing only the baptism of John*". Meaning in essence that although he was a diligent student of the Word of God, a zealous believer, a soul winner and an orator, as long as he did not have the baptism of the Holy Ghost, all he was doing was mere religion.

Thank God for Aquila and Priscilla. When they heard him speak, immediately they knew something was wrong. So they called him to themselves and "*expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.*" (Acts 18:24-25). After that Apollos became an asset "*who when he was come, helped them much which had believed through grace.*" We are in a great age of exploits, only your encounter and operation in the Holy Ghost will give you your own place in it.

NO NEED TO TARRY

Now that the Holy Ghost has arrived, please understand that you do not need to tarry to receive Him. The disciples were the only ones to whom Jesus said "*Tarry ye in Jerusalem ...*" After His arrival on the day of Pentecost He has never had cause to return to heaven. He is resident here on earth, attending to whosoever desires Him!

He said to them, have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed.

And when Paul laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues and prophesied.

Acts 19:2, 6

There was no tarrying. They believed and received.

There are people who spoke in tongues a long time ago, but now the tongues have ceased. I Corinthians 13:8 says

... whether there be tongues they shall cease ...

Which brings me to the conclusion that tongues are ceaseable! How? Sin dries up the fountain and chokes up the tongues. When tongues cease, we know that the Holy Ghost has departed. May He not depart from you. If He leaves you, what will you do in times of conflict. You're powerless. This is the day of His power, it is dangerous to be powerless. If you are, you will be a cheap victim of Satan's wickedness.

But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you ...

Acts 1:8

Friends we're talking about power that is brought about by the Holy Ghost. If you're not in this power wave, the devil will deal with you. When we were children, we had no toys, so fighting was our game. If

somebody stronger than you beats you up, you plan, to catch somebody you can beat up in his family. Don't let the devil catch you and make a victim of you!

THE GREAT BENEFITS OF TONGUES

There is so much to speaking in tongues. The benefits it offers include:

It helps you pray according to the will of God.

When you pray in the Holy Ghost, (that is, in tongues), you are praying according to the will of God.

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.

Romans 8:27

This is therefore an "Answer Guaranteed Prayer System (A.G.P.S.)" When you pray according to the will of God, you can be confident that God has not only heard you but granted you your desire. Praying in tongues holds a guarantee for answered prayer.

You Engage The Intercessory Ministry Of The Holy Ghost

There are times you are confronted with issues, you know things are not right but you can't put a finger on what is amiss. You try to ignore the signal but it keeps re-occurring. That's the time to switch on to Holy Ghost language and begin to blast your way through.

These are the last days and the wicked is set to do more wickedly, because he knows his time is short. So you find that you have diversities of attacks you cannot naturally diagnose. Plug into the Holy Ghost and engage His intercessory ministry to quell the hideous attacks on your life and destiny as you pray in tongues.

Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities; for we know no what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

Romans 8:26

Hagin says, at such times, pray until the prayer is converted to praise, then you're through, you're victorious!

Many years ago, before the Ogunpa Flood occurred in Ibadan (Western Nigeria), I had a very serious burden for my uncle living in Ibadan. I was then in the North. So I began to pray in the Spirit, By the night of the same day, we learnt that so many shops had been washed away by the flood but not a pin in my uncle's shop was lost. Right in the midst of that danger, the Holy Ghost alerted me to intercede for him. If you're not baptised in the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues, you can not effectively stand in the gap for anyone in prayer. Your prayer life will be very shallow.

This is the day of His power, it's risky to stay powerless!

You Give Thanks Well

For thou verily givest thanks well...

1 Corinthians 14:17

When you give thanks in the Spirit you are giving thanks well. And when your thanksgiving is 'well' it gives birth to miracles.

Jesus gave thanks, food multiplied and he fed 5,000. He gave thanks again, Lazarus came out of the grave. So by giving thanks in the Spirit, you are giving birth to miracles at will.

There are supernatural additions you see in your life and you can't really tell when you asked for them, yet you see them arriving. They are miracle products of thanksgiving done in the spirit. Friends, it becomes well with you as you learn to give thanks well.

It Sanctifies Your Tongue

For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind:

But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

James 3:7,8

The tongue is an unruly member of the body. With it we bless God and with it, we backbite and gossip. No "gossiper" can be a gossiper! However, when the tongue is yielded to God, all manner of filth and corruption is flushed out.

When you are speaking in tongues a coal of fire is deposited on your tongue, as it were, purifying it of every impurity. The tongue can only be tamed if you through the Spirit mortify the deeds of the flesh (Romans 8:132).

By speaking in tongues you sanctify your tongue and this brings all other areas of your life under control.

Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth ...

Proverbs 6:2

A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth ...

Proverbs 13:2

When you say "Rice is finished", it finishes. But you can eat good in the face of lack if you can control your tongue to speak what you want. Most of the problems between husbands and wives are caused by an unruly tongue. Purify your tongue by speaking in tongues.

It Charges You Up

He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself ...

1 Corinthians 14:4

"Edify" means "to charge up". As you speak in tongues, your spiritman is charged and you're ready to take charge. Until you are charged, you don't take charge.

About 13 years ago in the North, a Director of a Polytechnic where we were holding our meeting, sent a note to me. He said he was withdrawing the permission to use the facility. I told one of our men, "let me go and speak to that fox."

When I entered his office, he said, "I don't want to see anybody." I answered him, "Do you know who is talking to you?"

Then I grabbed his hand and spoke in fiery tongues. He was shaking like a leaf!

Then I said, "All the forces that put you here can't move us out." He sneaked out like a lizard.

I was in charge. The Holy Ghost charges you to take charge.

You can finish off any devil any day, when you are charged in the spirit.

HOW TO RECEIVE THE HOLY GHOST

Here are distinct steps to follow to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Be Born Again

Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 2:38

Thirst for Him

Oh God ... my soul thirsteth for thee ...

Psalm 63:1

Believe that the baptism is for all believers.

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Acts 2:4

Identify the right source of the baptism — it's Jesus, not your pastor, that baptises.

...He shall baptise you with the Holy Ghost and with fire...

Matthew 3:11

Trust Him to keep His Word

He that believeth on me, as the scripture had said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

John 7:38

Ask Him. If you will ask right now, as a seeker, you will be filled with the Holy Spirit.

If ye being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children; how much more shall your heavenly father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him.

Luke 11:13

Look up to Him in love and just pour out your love for Him, and he will manifest Himself to you.

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

John 14:21

Continue to exercise yourself in your new prayer language.

You are speaking mysteries to God and communicating without the interference of the enemy.

Chapter 5

THE MYSTERY OF THE SEVEN SPIRITS OF GOD

God always sends His Word through men to affect nations and generations.

The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel.

Isaiah 9:8

God has opened my eyes to certain mysteries to affect my generation. Many of those things, no man taught me, but the Holy Ghost. He put these mysteries into my hands to turn on a new phase in the Christian world.

These secrets are not new, just relevant for this generation. God sought for men to send His Word through and He chose me by the grace of election.

God hands dispensations to men. He has sent me with a powerful word of faith and delivered into my hands mysteries to establish liberty, provoke success, command favour and enthrone Zion. He sent His Word into me and it has lighted upon a generation of saints. You can be a part of it too.

The Lord said to me, *"The Words I have given you, commit the same into writing and I will cause the same fire, the same anointing that is on your spoken word to rest on your written word."*

Multitudes have received outstanding miracles just reading our books. You can contact yours right now.

For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,

If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:

How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery ... whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge of the mystery of Christ.

Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his Holy Apostles and Prophets by the Spirits.

Ephesians 3:1-5

God sent me, and put certain mysteries into my hands for a new dispensation. It is one of such mysteries that I'm going to share with you from this point.

UNDERSTANDING THE SEVEN SPIRITS OF GOD

And unto the angel of the Church in Sardis write; These things saith He that had the Seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars: I know thy works that thou has a name that thou livest, and art dead.

Revelations 3:1

He who has the Seven Spirits of God is Jesus

"And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: and the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of Wisdom, ... Understanding, ... Counsel, ... Might, ... Knowledge, ... and the fear of the Lord."

Isaiah 11:2

So Jesus is the one talking to the Seven churches. He is the One in possession of the Seven Spirits of God. These spirits were at work in Him, that was why He did great works.

Jesus in John 14:12 declared that if any one believes in Him, greater works than He has done will that person do.

We are destined for exploits but we must discover how to connect with the source of power for it.

In three and a half years, Jesus shook all the known world of that time because of the forces at work in Him.

As I identify these forces, have a burning desire to have them inside you. Until you have access to the Seven Spirits of God, you cannot do the works He did let alone do greater works.

And out of the throne proceedeth lightnings and thunderings and voices and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne which are the Seven Spirits of God.

Revelation 4:5

Comparing this passage of scripture with Joel 2:3, where the Bible is talking about the endtime army, the Word says:

A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.

This means that the army of the endtime will have operating in them, the Seven Spirits of God, Proceeding also from the throne are lightnings and thunderings and voices and the seven lamps of fire burning which are the Seven Spirits of God; signifying that as the endtime army glows in the Seven Spirits of God, the land before them will become like the garden of Eden and behind them a desolate wilderness.

And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the Seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

Revelations 5:6

The Lamb is Jesus. And, yes, He has made the Seven Spirits of God available right now to the inhabitants of the earth. Truly we are in the age of mysteries. So follow closely. When the Holy Ghost came, He came as the power from on high.

But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you ...

Acts 1:8

This implies that the Spirit of the Lord is the Spirit of Power. If you go further in Acts 1:8 you will notice that the power was for performance.

... and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem ...

Similarly Jesus was anointed with the Holy Ghost and with power and He went about healing all that were oppressed of the devil. (Acts 10:38). The Holy Ghost came as the power from on high. God is omnipotent. Inside Him must be a force that generates power; that force is the spirit of power.

Looking at Isaiah 11:2 we see the Seven Spirits of God in their various entities.

And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch out of his roots.

And the Spirit of the Lord will rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

From Revelation Chapters 3, 4 and 5, we see "the Seven Spirits of God", therefore enumerated in Isaiah 11:2 are those Seven Spirits.

On the surface they appear to be just six: wisdom, understanding, counsel, might, knowledge and the fear of the Lord. Where is the seventh spirit? It is the Spirit of the Lord. You will notice that the first phrase in verse two says,

And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him,

Repeating this verse in Luke 4:18, Jesus said,

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed ...

He was anointed with the Spirit of power (Acts 10:38). This is where the first chapter of the former rain opened, with the Spirit of the Lord. Jesus never mentioned the other six forces highlighted in Isaiah 11:2, only the first. Because the other six are reserved for the last days.

Therefore when Revelation 3:1 says, "These things saith he that hath the Seven Spirits of God," comprised in these Seven Spirits is one, the Spirit of the Lord (the Spirit of Power), second the spirit of wisdom, then understanding, counsel, might knowledge and the spirit of the fear of the Lord.

It is interesting to know that when the former rain came, there were gifts in operation.

Wherefore he saith, when he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

Ephesians 4:8

When Jesus ascended up on high, He sent the Holy Ghost who is the Comforter to the world. When He came, He began to divide these gifts "severally as he will" (1 Corinthians 12:11). It is the Spirit of the Lord in Isaiah 11:2, the same which was upon Jesus that is the distributor of the gifts. So all the gifts, like the Word of Wisdom, the Word of Knowledge, Faith, Healing, Working of Miracles, Tongues, Interpretation of Tongues, Prophecy, Discerning Of Spirits; all nine are the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4). No where among the nine gifts is the spirit of wisdom or knowledge or counsel or might mentioned. They are not gifts they are spirits reserved for the last days church. The operation of these spirits will deliver us from every form of shame "And my people shall never be ashamed."

The Seven Spirits of God gave Jesus His throne:

And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the Seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

Revelations 5:6

Operating under the Seven Spirits of God will also enthrone you. When the former rain was to come, He said,

Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

Luke 24:49

It was the rain of power. But He promised in Joel 3:23 to give us both the former and the latter rain in the first month. Therefore not only will we be enabled to do the works that Jesus did by the Spirit of power, but also we will do greater, by the other spirits in practical manifestation.

The anointing for this end time is seven times stronger. It's loaded with power, wisdom, understanding, counsel, might, knowledge and the fear of the Lord. This anointing will turn you 360 degrees around. You will become another man entirely! A wonder to your generation. A marvel to your contemporaries! These seven forces are the forces of exploits. You can be distinguished by them. Here is a brother's testimony.

“About a week to my wedding, I got to the office late, at about 11:00 a.m. I came in very thirsty and headed straight for the laboratory, to drink from the de-ionised water (a chemically treated water), not knowing that the water had been tested acidic.

I took a cup and was already drinking it when the Chemist in charge of the Laboratory screamed, ‘Acid! Acid! You are drinking acid.’

It immediately occurred to me that I was face-to-face with death, and I remembered the scripture that says, ‘*Declare thou, that thou mayest be justified*’ (Isaiah 43:26). I knew right away that my declaration at that time was the only thing that would save me.

I immediately shouted, ‘No! It cannot be acid. It is water!’

To convince me of what he was saying, the chemist tested the contents of my cup and it was negative! But on testing the remnant in the container, the test was positive. Confirming that it was acidic! Everybody was surprised and they said, ‘This is not an ordinary man!’”

You too are not ordinary. You are anointed with the Seven Spirits of God, to do feats and outstanding accomplishments!

Charles Price prophesied way back in 1916:

“For as a virgin woman brought forth Christ after the flesh, so shall a virgin church bring forth the first born after the spirit, who shall be endowed with the Seven Spirits of God.”

From this you see that the things you have read about had been prophesied by men of God who saw into the programme of God and spoke them out.

I am therefore saying that the former rain only had one segment of what God has reserved for the Church.

The former rain stopped at the manifestation of power, but the latter rain is the manifestation of wisdom.

The former rain cannot be compared with the latter rain; it’s far below it. No matter what you saw in the

Acts of the Apostles, you haven’t seen anything yet. We are the generation the world is waiting for.

By virtue of the manifestation of the Seven Spirits of God, we will far outrun the Church of the first century.

Chapter 6

THE ROOT OF EXPLOITS: THE SPIRIT OF THE FEAR OF THE LORD

Trees have roots. They are the hidden part of the tree, but without them, regardless of the beauty of the leaves and fruits, the tree is as good as dead.

There is something hidden which gives birth to unprecedented exploits. This same component was found in every man in Biblical history who ever did exploits. For instance, Joseph, a man discreet and wise, who through his wisdom, saved Egypt in the time of famine, said concerning himself:

For I fear God.

Genesis 42:18

Job too, a man described as the greatest of all men of the East, was acknowledged by Satan as possessing one outstanding quality: the fear of the Lord.

Doth Job fear God for nought?

Job 1:9

Looking at the Seven Spirits of God listed in Isaiah 11:2, we observe that the root of this latter rain is the Fear of the Lord. It is at the bottom rung of the ladder and just as every ladder is climbed from the bottom, you climb into the fullness of the Seven Spirits from the spirit of the fear of the Lord.

And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and Might, the Spirit of Knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

Isaiah 11:2

The Spirit of the Fear of the Lord is what gives birth to the spirit of Knowledge:

The Fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge.

Proverbs 1:7

Knowledge then brings you into Might, which is inner strength:

A man of knowledge, increaseth strength.

Proverbs 24:5

From Might you graduate to Counsel

*... My strength is made perfect in weakness ...
I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord.*

1 Corinthians 12:9, 1

From counsel to understanding, then to wisdom which culminates in the manifestation of power. The Spirit of the Fear of the Lord is what Apostle Paul refers to as the Spirit of Holiness. *And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.*

Romans 1:4

Jesus was declared to be the Son of God with power because the spirit of holiness was at work in Him. He was tempted in all points yet was without sin, so He qualified to be anointed without measure. Jesus knew no sin, no wonder He knew no defeat. He was in touch with heaven. As He walked in purity the Father always responded to Him. In fact Jesus was dedicated to doing the things that pleased God. Not just preaching those things, but actually doing them!

And He that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.

John 8:29

God's eyes are purer than to behold evil. He is angry at the wicked everyday (Psalm 7:11). How could Jesus walk together with God if He was sinful? God is the thrice Holy God, so for Jesus to walk with Him, He too had to maintain a Holy life. That's why Jesus said,

I do always the things that please Him.

When Jesus carried the sins of the world, the Father forsook Him. How much more when you carry your own sins. But when holiness is in place the Father becomes proud of His Son and declares:

This is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased.

Matthew 3:17

If God is holy, you can't walk with Him except you are holy.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in his holy place?

He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity nor sworn deceitfully.

Psalms 24:3,4

When you walk with God, you have a guarantee of automatic exploits. His presence commands exploits — the sea gives way to him and Jordan is driven back for Him; the mountains skip like rams before Him (Psalm 114). But sin repels God's presence. So, when sin disappears, God's presence is made manifest and exploits are inevitable.

The barrier between man and the flow of the spirit of the fear of the Lord is sin. Until the sin barrier is broken down, man's separation from God remains. When you become free from sin, you become a friend of God and you have access to all things that the Father has shown Jesus. When this happens, Friends, you begin to operate at the level Jesus was operating in, you begin to do the type of exploits Jesus did here, and even greater.

Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.

Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.

John 15:14,15

Become a friend of God. Leave sin alone, despise and humiliate it. Tell yourself "I am now the friend of Jesus."

Malachi, a prophet of restoration, told the people,

Look, Israel, you don't have to suffer the way you're suffering. This is the Word of the Lord: the fear of God is no longer in your hearts, that's why your offerings are polluted in the sight of the Lord. That's why those who are outside the Church look better than you!

And God said,

I will send you a messenger of the covenant who will purify you as silver and purge you as gold; then your offerings will be acceptable unto God.

Malachi 3:1-5, paraphrased

What is the effect of this?

And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts

Malachi 3:12

Meaning your profiting shall appear to all; when you are purged of all filthiness of spirit and body. That is why God is purging the Church now of spot, wrinkle and every such thing. He wants to present to Himself a glorious Church. Until those wrinkles are ironed out, the glory of the Church will not emerge. You know, when your dress is clean but wrinkled you cannot wear it, or you will be regarded as indecent or even off-balance mentally. What you do is you settle down with a hot iron to smoothen the wrinkles, then the beauty of the dress emerges.

Jesus came to baptise you with the Holy Ghost and with fire (Matthew 3:11,12). The Holy Ghost is the spiritual iron God will use to iron out the wrinkles in the body of Christ. He is the Spirit of Holiness.

The Holy Spirit is the Messenger of the Covenant (Malachi 3:1). He will purge the church of spots. He is like the refiner's fire and like fuller's soap — The Living Bible translates fuller's soap as bleach. And you know what bleach does to stains on white clothes, don't you? It erases the stains. The Spirit of holiness will purge you of every filth.

God is raising an army of stainless saints, not an army of church goers. This generation of saints will be the envy of the world by virtue of their glory, honour and dignity. But the price to pay is HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD!

A young woman shared this challenging testimony:

"When there was no knowledge, I thank God, who through the Bishop imparted knowledge to me. I was living with a man, who proposed marriage to me. But one Sunday morning, I was here and the Bishop said, 'If you're living with a man ...' In fact, fear gripped me where I was seating. I said, 'That's me!' That same day, I went and packed all my things from the man's house and left.

I collected one of Bishop's message tapes from a friend and was listening to it one morning in school. The tape was titled '*Purifying fire, to clear everything off!*' That morning, I slotted it in and I was listening to it. My room mates were sleeping, but I didn't know when they woke up and joined me in listening to the tape, I was crying, saying, 'God, you just have to clear everything today,' My room mates were also crying on their beds, saying, 'so the devil had been toying with our lives all these days.'

Since that day, we've all been living in peace and harmony. Anger is gone and all things associated with the devil. I praise the name of the Lord!"

Your glory will not manifest until the wrinkles go off! Say an eternal 'No!' to sin, so everything you desire will come down for you before you ever ask for it!

The day of His jewels has come. God is making up His jewels before the coming of the Lord. Everything needed to make things happen - like wealth, are being deposited in the Church right now. But God is a righteous God. Except you receive a baptism of righteousness, you will have no access to your inheritance.

A great day is ahead of the Church, Sir! You cannot afford to miss your place in it. Enough of sin. It's a destroyer of destiny. It's a hindrance to exploits. God is about to visit the holy among His people so:

Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

And I will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

2 Corinthians 6:17,18

The whole world is waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God. Carnal Christians are babies not sons, they cannot salvage the world from its calamities. The world is groaning, waiting for solution carriers. May you be worthy to be part of that Army.

And when he (the Spirit of Holiness) is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement.

John 16:8

The Spirit of God begins His work by convicting the world of sin. For you to be a part of this current move of the Spirit, you must receive His ministry of conviction first. Until you are convicted of sin, you cannot walk in righteousness. Conviction brings a man to confession, and confession is what leads to a restoration of the relationship between God and man. When that restoration is maintained, it is called righteousness. Righteousness then releases you to manifest power.

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

1 Peter 2:9

Every one that yields himself a vessel unto honour will be among the manifestors this end time. They will destroy the works of darkness in the land. They will punish the devil!

Jesus was manifested to be the Son of God on the ticket of holiness. He was highly exalted on the ground of purity:

*Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.
Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil
of gladness above thy fellows.*

Psalm 45:6,7

If you must perform as He did, you must have the same composition as he had. He loved righteousness, you must love righteousness. He hated wickedness, you must abhor it; then and only then will your own throne be established and your desired promotion come to pass.

The devil operates by spirits. He has by him, the spirit of fear, adultery, fornication, lying spirits, et cetera. In actual fact, the whole world lies in a magnetic field of wickedness (1 John 5:19). Satan using his demonic spirits, carries out wicked acts by remote control. Disease, uncleanness and all manner of shameful habits originate from the negative side of the supernatural world. A satanic influence is almost always behind shameful acts like theft, adultery, cheating, et cetera.

However by His death and resurrection, Jesus brought an eternal defeat to Satan. Satan was stripped of all power and left with deception, tricks. All who believe in Jesus and are conscious of this fact, cannot be trapped by the evil spirits behind sinful acts. You now belong to the superior positive side of the supernatural. You are an overcomer by New Birth.

*For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world,
even our faith.*

1 John 5:4

Now that you are born-again, you have access to a superior Helper. For it is impossible to be truly liberated from sin without the help of the Spirit of God

...and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

2 Corinthians 3:17

By the help of the Holy Spirit, you subdue all other impure spirits. The rod of the Holy Spirit is superior to the rod of impure spirits. Filled with the Holy Spirit, He cheaply "swallows up" the rod of the impure spirits afflicting you.

Are you tormented by impure thoughts? Are you fighting sinful habits? Enlist the help of the Spirit of Holiness. Remember "*by strength shall no man prevail*" (1 Samuel 2:9).

When the enemy comes like a flood, bringing temptations of diverse sorts to stop you from manifesting your sonship, let the rivers of living water flow out of your belly (John 7:38) and consume the flood of evil. Burst out in tongues. The Holy Ghost in you has a fan in His Hand; he will thoroughly purge the floor of your being, gathering that which is good together, charging it to perform better. But that which is impure (the chaff) He will burn with unquenchable fire.

Chapter 7

THE TRIGGER FOR EXPLOITS: THE SPIRIT OF REVELATION

Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women, there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

Matthew 11:11

Exploits in the kingdom is a function of perspective. You should have the right mentality towards exploits. You are not born to live the ordinary life. You are created to live a wonderful life, to continue in mediocrity

is a slight on your Creator. Jesus paid a dear price to bring you out of darkness into His marvellous light. You must crucify mediocrity.

Jesus said of all born of women, there is none as great as John the Baptist but he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. Meaning that by destiny, you are designed to be greater than Job. You are supposed to excel more than Joseph; to display more wisdom than Daniel and subdue more kingdoms than Gideon. Jesus is waiting for you to do greater works than He did!

You belong to a higher place than where you are right now. But you need brighter light to get there. Jesus said:

... and greater works than these shall ye do: because I go to my Father.

Jesus is presently at the right hand of majesty on high so we have been released into destinies of exploits. Destinies of greatness and prominence.

THE SPIRIT OF REVELATION

And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and Might, the Spirit of Knowledge and of the Fear of the Lord.

Isaiah 11:2

The Spirit of Knowledge is the same as the Spirit of Revelation described by Apostle Paul in Ephesians 1:17,

That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation in the Knowledge of him.

The Spirit of Revelation is the unfolder of the mysteries of the kingdom of God. Every kingdom mystery you grasp makes you gain mastery. When you have insight into a particular mystery, you become a man of authority in that area. I am through with sickness all my life and I've been shouting it for the past 30 years. And I believe that I'll still be shouting it 40 years to come. Why? I have gained mastery by reason of insight into the mystery of divine health.

By insight we become men of authority. Saying to one mountain, "Go!" and it goes; and to blessings "Come!" and they come. By virtue of masteries we have gained through knowledge and understanding.

... For out of Zion shall go forth the Law, and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

Isaiah 2:3

It is not enough to read, Sir, but like Phillip asked the Ethiopian Eunuch,
Understandeth thou what thou readest?

The Ethiopian Eunuch said,

How can I, except some man should guide me?

Acts 8:30,31

In essence he was only being religious, reading because he was asked to read. Until you catch a revelation of what you are reading and what you are hearing, you're just in religion.

Oh how we need the Spirit of Revelation in the Body of Christ! So that it will not just be reading for the sake of it, but receiving instructions for manifestation. The Spirit of Revelation cheaply commands the miraculous.

One day, in John Chapter two, the wine ran out in a wedding ceremony where Jesus was present. He did not need to run helter skelter. The Spirit of Revelation gave Him insight that produced an "out-sign", and Jesus said,

Fill the waterpots with water ...

John 2:2

And the impending shame was averted. Whatever instruction the Spirit of Revelation gives, take it, it guarantees a manifestation.

There is a spirit called the Spirit of Revelation. It will be in great operation this endtime, because the Bible says,

For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 11:9

When you encounter the revelation knowledge of the Lord on any issue, you become a man of exploits in that area. The Church is in her season of exploits, so we need the ministry of the Spirit of Revelation in order to join the army God is raising.

...but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.

Daniel 11:32

It is no longer just enough to read. Stop priding yourself on how many books you have read, and how many times you have gone through the entire Bible: "Understandeth thou what thou readeest?" The only authentic proof of knowledge is liberty, for

Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.

John 8:32

Desire to catch a revelation of what you are reading. That is what will make the difference.

God had spoken once; twice have I heard ...

Psalm 62:11

It is that second hearing that is called revelation – that you have read what the Book of John said, but now this is what God is saying to you as an individual. That's revelation. Revelations make God's Word become personal. It turns the general Word into a personal word. The Charismatics call it Rhema: God saying something to you as a person, from His Word.

Oh, God has spoken so many things to me that no man could have taught me. When God teaches, it is an instruction. When you receive it, it brings a manifestation in your life. Revelation is power!

You are not suffering because there is a great devil somewhere. No! You're suffering because of your great ignorance! God told me a few years ago, "*There's no mountain anywhere. Every man's ignorance is his mountain!*"

I don't mean to slight anybody, but with the knowledge I have, if I were a woman needing the fruit of the womb, I will be pregnant with or without a man! In 1985, I assembled five women who were called barren, and taught them for one hour each week for four weeks. By the end of the drill, three of them were pregnant already!

Revelation is power. I had contacted insight into how to dissolve barrenness that I have gained mastery over it. So many barren women are now joyful mothers of children, by the same light.

A woman had had a fibroid operation before she even met her husband. As a result of the surgery, her right ovary was removed and the left one was turned inside out - because the fibroid had started affecting it. The doctor informed her that it would take the grace of God for her to have a child.

After her wedding she did not conceive immediately and she did not worry about it - she had completely forgotten about her operation years earlier. But years later, the pregnancy was not coming forth. She endured all sorts of mockery that pushed her to her knees in tears before God. But one day as she sat under a teaching, during the eighth anniversary celebration of the church; I said, by the Spirit of God, that as they touch my garment they would receive whatever miracle they desired of the Lord. I removed the flowing garment I had on, anointed it and passed it round. By the time it arrived where this woman was, she placed the garment on her stomach and that was it! Barrenness was swallowed up. Exactly nine months later, a bouncing baby boy was born.

As if that was not enough when the boy was six months old at a dinner for pastors and their wives, I held her hand and asked her when she wanted her next baby. She replied that she was not yet ready; but I said, "This year you are having another one." That was it! Nine months later her daughter was born. Barrenness has been humiliated thoroughly in our congregation, by light. When light challenges darkness, darkness gives up.

And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God, they shall be strong, and do exploits.

Daniel 11:32

Revelation is the bedrock of every revolution. It is the greatest asset to a life of exploits. The glory of the endtime Church will centre around the revelations of God made available to her. There is a better way to do what you are doing now. When God shows it to you, you are sure of better results. Think about this: if Christ is physically in your business, will any government policy or annual budget affect it? If Jesus was running your ministry would He have a location problem? Would the church have just two to three people in attendance every Sunday?

Jesus ran to the wilderness, the multitude pursued Him. He crossed to the other side of the river, they chattered a speed boat and arrived there before Him. Why? He had operational in Him the Seven Spirits of God So you don't have a location problem sir, just a problem of insight.

It is impossible to imagine that we can arrive at the fullness of the measure of the stature of Christ without the forces that worked in Him being at work in us too. Jesus triumphed by the Spirit of Revelation. He was a master of situations. He was never stranded. You too can excel by the Spirit of Revelation.

IT TAKES THE SPIRIT

For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? Even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

1 Corinthians 2:11,12

It takes the Spirit of God to know the things of God. Without Him the knowledge of God is impossible. When the Spirit of Revelation takes over, one scripture will give you one million interpretations. With Him at work in you, you develop equations for outstanding solutions to life's issues from scriptures. For instance, sickness is tired of making me sick! When I work hard and get tired, I take the bottle of oil and say, "Thank you Lord for the Comforter. He's glorious and wonderful. There's no one like you, Lord." I drink out of it and go back to bed. When I wake up in the morning, a new lion has emerged, full of energy to devour any devil! That's a product of revelation, Sir! I knew I can not be poor, long time ago. Not that God appeared to me in a dream, or that somebody prophesied it to me. No, I saw it in the Book, and I knew it. When God reveals a thing to you, you cannot be confused about it!

There are things that are freely given to you of God, but it will take the Spirit of God to deliver them to you. Many things have been freely given to you yet you are still freely suffering. Divine health for instance has been freely given, yet you are still falling sick and being hospitalized on the narrow hospital bed! No! God is raising an army that will disturb the kingdom of darkness and punish Satan thoroughly. But you must know what God is saying and how to lay hold on it.

Engage the searching ministry of the Spirit of God. Cry out: "*Oh, Spirit of Revelation, open my eyes. There are things in this Book that are freely given to me in God. I am hear to take delivery of them. So take over now, in the name of Jesus.*"

You need the help of the Holy Spirit to understand the things of God. That is why one may be intellectually sound and still be a spiritual dummy, because

... 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.

1 Corinthians 2:14

This golden age of the Church includes you by destiny, but you only enter into it by the anointing of the Holy Spirit. You cannot have access to all things that the Father has given until the Holy Spirit teaches you. There is really no intelligent Christian, we are simply displaying the intelligence of the Holy Spirit. Jesus said,

But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

John 14:26

Whatever light you have received from the Word of God, He taught you. I am not an intelligent person. It is the ministry of the Holy Spirit I am drawing from. You have access to Him too. There is no extraordinary person in the kingdom, we are all drawing help from above. The men who turned the world "right-side-up" for Jesus were unschooled men. They were called "ignorant and unlearned". They didn't go to school. It was the Holy Ghost that gave them unusual insight.

We have gone to too many schools, we need to go to the school of the Spirit now. May I say this to you: I took instructions on how to run the ministry from the Word; how to manage finances from the Book; how to run my home; how to develop an ever-growing ministry and grow a big church, all from the Bible. The Bible is full of instructions, those who miss it suffer devastations.

O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgements, and his ways past finding out!

Romans 11:33

You can do far greater than Paul did, for you have the help of the Spirit of God revealing to you how to fulfil His plan for your life.

Chapter 8

THE SPIRIT OF MIGHT, FOR EXPLOITS

God is delivering unusual strength to the end time Church. True, the Church is destined for exploits but she must discover how to connect to the source of power for a release of strength. Locating mysteries is

crucial but no principle can produce without a force being applied to it. From Joel 2, we can conclude that the end time Church is a Church of unique strength.

...A great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations ...

The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses; and as horsemen, so shall they run. Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array.

Joel 2:2,3-5

Horses are creatures of tremendous strength. You often hear a term like 'horsepower'. It is used to describe a measure of power equal to that which is necessary to life. Of course it is a derivative of the enormous strength of a horse. God uses horsepower to describe the unique strength of the endtime army. They cannot be up today, down tomorrow like a yoyo. You need strength to do exploits ("the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits."). And that strength is supplied by the Spirit of Might.

And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and Might, the Spirit of Knowledge and of the Fear of the Lord.

Isaiah 11:2

There is a Spirit of Might released to the latter day Church to bring God's glorious vision of her to light.

And the Lord answered me and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

Habakkuk 2:2

No vision produces without strength,

...that he may run that readeth it.

You don't walk with any vision, Sir, you run. You run fast, you run hard, you run to obtain an incorruptible crown. But you cannot pursue a heavenly vision with natural strength. You need the Spirit of Might.

The Bible says when the Spirit of God came upon Samson, he used the jawbone of an ass to win a battle. He uprooted the gate of a city, carrying the gate and posts together, up a mountain. As long as the Spirit of Might was upon him, nobody had power enough to handle him.

Paul stayed in the deep one night. Another time he was stoned and left for dead but he jerked back to life. The man of war stood up. He had very strange strength. You need that kind of strength too. I see all the weakness in your life die right now!

Jesus also had this supernatural strength so he told his disciples, when they marvelled at His stamina,

...I have meat to eat that ye know not of

John 4:32

That "meat" made Him tirelessly progressive. It was the Spirit of Might that kept energizing Him.

Every great accomplishment requires heavenly strength to bring it to pass. There are many things your spirit is willing to do but your flesh is weak to accomplish. That's why you see some men at 30 already stooping, walking like old men, or the ancient locomotive trains grinding their way uphill! No! Jesus taught for three days at a stretch - morning and evening. He never broke down. His motto was "I must work!" But you need strength to work, Sir!

Paul writing to the Church at Ephesus described the Spirit of Might and its operation thus:

That he would grant you according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man.

Ephesians 3:16

God grants you the Spirit of Might to strengthen you in your inner man. It is what makes you tirelessly progressive. It energises and strengthens you. It makes you rock-solid!

After teaching two services in one evening service, I say "Goodnight" to my staff at about 10:00 p.m., but that's the time I say "Good evening" to God. And I may stay with him for three hours, and in the morning I'm still myself. That is possible only by the Spirit of Might. If you do that in the flesh, you'll just die for free.

You need to be strengthened with might in your inner man, not spineless like an amoeba or a vegetable!

HIS OPERATIONAL ROOT

One of the descriptions of the Holy Spirit is the Oil of Joy. It is this oil of joy that releases the Spirit of Might.

To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of Joy for mourning ...

And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations!

Isaiah 61:3, 4

The might of heaven needed to build up old wastes and raise up former desolations (talking about restoration), is released through joy – the Oil of Joy. Show me a man that is never broken hearted, that's a man of unique strength.

... neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the Lord is your strength.

Nehemiah 8:10

Everybody needs the Oil of Joy in his life. An inflow of it into your spirit man will do a strange work in your life. I have never had a sleepless night on this ministry once! I have never needed to be encouraged. No not any day! I'm in touch with the Oil of gladness. He strengthens my inner man to do unusual exploits in God's kingdom.

Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.

Isaiah 12:3

That's talking about revelation. It takes joy to draw. And a "wise man is strong, yea a man of knowledge increaseth strength." (Proverbs 24:5). So the Oil of Joy connects you to unlimited revelation, and unlimited revelation connects you to unusual strength! You become registered for exploits.

The Holy Ghost imparts to you Joy unspeakable, full of glory, described by Peter in 1 Peter 1:8,

... though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory.

This is the joy you can't explain in natural terms. You are just on top, even when things are not working out as you expect. You refuse to be moved.

Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield now meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls:

Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

The (joy of the) Lord God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places.

Habakkuk 3:17-19 (emphasis added)

Only the Holy Ghost can give you joy when things are not working, when you stick your life to His joy, God releases some unique strength to you that will take you from the valley and catapult you into your high places in life.

For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but Righteousness, and Peace and Joy in the Holy Ghost.

Romans 17:17

Receive joy in the Holy Ghost, this minute, in the name of Jesus!

You should be tired of being up today, down tomorrow, depressed today, oppressed tomorrow. That's not the way up. I was a weakling before, up today, down tomorrow. I was also a victim of tuberculosis. But 28 years ago, Jesus healed me, and released upon me the Spirit of Might. Now I am turned into another man. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. If you work with me, you must lose weight. Because you'll be baptized into labour when you arrive, no matter where you're coming from. Our motto is "I must work!"

Jesus had unique strength that made for the exploits He recorded in ministry. He was energized in His spirit man, because He was anointed with the Oil of gladness.

Thou lovest righteousness and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

Psalms 45:7

So, the mystery of the Spirit of Might is packaged in the oil of joy and gladness. Jesus had more of the Oil of Gladness than anybody. No wonder He demonstrated more strength than anyone else. He was "above (his) fellows."

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.

Proverbs 17:22

Most sicknesses come out of a broken heart. It is a broken heart that results in a broken body. Somebody has a financial accident and his heart is broken, then his body breaks along – high blood pressure or hypertension or stroke steps in. Once you are broken inside, you will be broken outside. When the inner man is strengthened, the outer man will be strong, but when you see a man complaining, "Do you know what I'm facing? Last year, nothing worked ..." He has a sickness of the spiritual heart which weakens the body.

Everything is working together for my good. If it's not working for you, check it, it's because your oil tank is dry. You need to refill it with the Oil of joy; joy unspeakable that produces glory.

How we came to Lagos is a mystery. We were on our way to London and America, but for three days, the flight was not ready, and we were stranded in Lagos. So I changed my mind about the trip and headed home. When we got to Kaduna, we couldn't find my luggage. All I said was "Thank God it was not my wife's box. If it was, I would have felt sorry for her." As for me, I don't have feelings for myself. My wife wanted to make a list of the missing items. I told her not to bother, because the box has already switched ownership! It belonged to me, now it belongs to somebody else. When one of the pastors learnt of it later, he said, "You mean you lost a box on that trip?", I said humorously, "No, somebody took it, I didn't throw it away!" The Oil of joy! The day following, God spoke to me, "*My son, arise, get out to Lagos and raise me a people.*" Every time your spirit is heavy, the enemy wants to steal your blessing. A box would have erased the mission to Lagos! Don't destroy your destiny in God. Every broken heart breaks destiny. Stop the devil from breaking your destiny and disconnecting you from the source of your help. The Oil of joy helps you enter into the knowledge of God, and knowledge guarantees strength, making you a man of exploits. Leave those depressive thoughts alone. Say to the Oil of joy, "I want an encounter with you this day!" and to the Spirit of Might, "Strengthen me with might in my inner man."

Chapter 9

A SURETY FOR EXPLOITS — THE SPIRIT OF COUNSEL

There is a vision of God for your life. If you catch it, it will make all the difference in your life. There is a plan for your life, a glorious wonderful plan, but you need to discover it to profit by it.

... I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

Jeremiah 29:10,11

The endtime Church is a visionary Church. Anyone that does not have vision will not experience distinction. You belong somewhere, you must find it now! Your life will never have colour until you uncover the plan of God for your life. We are in the golden age of the Church, only vision will give you a part in it.

God wants to beautify you.

Without the power of the Holy Spirit, you cannot function, He is our surety for exploits.

There is a mystery behind the exploits that Jesus did:

And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and Might, the Spirit of Knowledge and of the Fear of the Lord.

Isaiah 11:2

Jesus had operating at full frequency in His life, the Spirit of Counsel. It made such a difference in His life and ministry. The Spirit of Counsel led Him into the path of excellence. He was perfectly directed, so He made perfect impact everywhere He went. That's how He made it so great.

I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgement is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

John 5:30

The Spirit of Counsel is the force behind visions in life. He offers guidance and direction, so that God's purpose for your life is not lost. May I say this therefore, that the endtime Church will experience the release of visions by the outpouring of the Spirit of Counsel.

Howbeit when He, the Spirit of Truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for he will not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

John 16:13

He is a guiding Spirit that brings you into the realms of visions. He guides you on the path of truth. He speaks whatever He hears from God to you, so as to offer you direction. And when God is your Shepherd, forget about your enemies; He renders them helpless.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

*He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.*

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Psalm 23:1-6

By virtue of divine presence, your enemies are subdued. He locates a place of comfort for you and makes you to lie down in green pastures. When He leads you, every turbulence becomes still waters. In the process of the journey he restores all that you lost and enables you to walk in righteousness. He spots the valleys of the shadow of death before you arrive there and commands death to lie down while you walk triumphantly over it.

He is the rod and staff that comforts you. He is the one who prepares a table of fat things before you while your enemies are starving, looking at you with envy. He places the seal of the Holy Ghost upon your forehead and declares

Touch not mine anointed and do my prophet no harm!

Then He calls goodness and mercy by name and orders them to accompany you every step. That is what happens when the Lord is your shepherd.

You need the Spirit of Counsel in order to do exploits. You require His guidance to have manifestations. With Him supervising your life, you become an economic giant in the midst of economic crisis. With Him operational in your life you will be bursting forth in great health in the presence of epidemics. While others are experiencing crisis in their families, yours is becoming more harmonious, more peaceful.

Where there is no vision, the people perish ...

Proverbs 29:18

God has an expectation of you (Jeremiah 29:11), that expectation is what we call vision. But He who imparts visions is the Spirit of Counsel. He is the One that says to you *"This is the way, walk ye in it"* (Isaiah 30:21)

So you become unbeatable because you have located the path God has ordained for you. The endtime army is an army of visionaries: men who have found where they belong and have staked their lives on it. Joel 2:8-9 says,

They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks:

Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk everyone in his path: and when they fall upon the sword, they shall not be wounded.

Joel 2:8,9

Friends, this is what happens: when God sends you, no devil can stop you. When God raises you for a particular assignment, no enemy can withstand you. When God lifts you and places you on a particular job, no devil can frustrate you. You suffer frustrations because you lack vision. Many don't know where they belong, that's why they don't belong anywhere.

You belong somewhere! This is the golden age of the Church, but you need vision to be properly positioned. When God sends you, He commits His presence to go along with you. Moses cried out:

If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence.

Exodus 33:15

His presence makes all the difference! God's presence makes a reality of whatever He sends you to do.

Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.

1 Thessalonians 5:24

Every time you're on course, you are free from all the curses of hell. This is because God commits Himself to whatever He commissions. It is my prayer that you locate where you belong!

The guidance of the Holy spirit is undoubtedly one of my greatest assets in Ministry. As I saw the crowds gather in Kampala and Dar-es-Salam, I said, "We couldn't have gathered these people except that we are sent." It was the largest gathering together of people in the history of Kampala's International Conference Centre. All manner of ministers from Europe and America had visited Kampala, but it had never been filled to capacity like that. But people were sitting on the floor. About 400 chairs were brought in from our office in addition to the chairs in the hall; yet many were still standing.

When God sends, He backs up. It is one of the mysteries behind exploits. God said to Gideon,

Go in this thy might, and thou shalt save Israel from the hand of the Midianites: have not I sent thee?

Judges 6:14

The sending forth of God imparts the grace for exploits, when the Almighty sent Gideon, he became "a mighty man of valour" (Judges 6:12).

When God sends you, He imparts might, to make you a man of might and valour.

The Spirit of Counsel is the mother of visions and guidance. He is one of the Seven Spirits of God sent to guide your steps. For instance, the explosion in our Lagos Church is a function of the ministry of the Spirit of Counsel. He said to me, "Arise, get down to Lagos, raise Me a people."

When He sends you, His presence is committed. You begin to do extraordinary things and you think you're actually extraordinary. No, Sir! It's only that you caught a vision and God's presence with you is making it extraordinary. When He sends you, He also makes adequate provision available.

And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.

Luke 22:35

Any business you did and failed, know that it's because He didn't direct you into it.

Jesus knew what He came for, but He enjoyed the ministry of the Spirit of Counsel throughout His life; and that made all the difference, Sir! He was told that Lazarus was dead; yet He stayed on two days extra. He arose to go only when the Spirit of Counsel gave him a signal. If He had moved earlier, Lazarus would probably not have woken up!

The Spirit of Counsel will always lead you into the region of exploits! How we need Him today.

A sister escorted somebody to the church in Lagos last year and looking around, left the premises not believing she was in a church (our premises definitely doesn't look like a traditional church site!). But she moved into the area later and prayed to God to help her locate a church to attend. After praying, the Spirit of Counsel spoke to her to come to our church. The moment she arrived, an unusual joy flooded her inner man.

Before that time, she had been married for four years and had been having series of miscarriages.

According to her, whenever she's about a month pregnant, she would feel a hand entering her womb and squeezing the foetus. Shortly after she would miscarry. This continued until she came to the church. She now has a child. God supernaturally sustained the pregnancy. What would have happened if this sister had not heard the voice of the Spirit of Counsel or responded to it?

David the king in his days always received counsel from God before any battle, and every advice he received produced. When you allow the Spirit of Counsel to guide you, He leads you into greatness and prominence.

Many times we cry out for the Holy Spirit, not understanding what we are calling for. He is not empty tongues! He is the gift of God for our dignity on the earth. He is the very beauty of Zion! The apostles never had colour until He came. Your life cannot have colour until He anoints you.

Because of the savour of thy good ointments, thy name is as ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee.

Songs of Solomon 1:3

So God makes you command attention when His unction is upon you. As long as you are guided by the Spirit of Counsel, you will command the attention of men. You will not walk anyhow anymore, every step you take will be "resultful".

Somebody asked me how I get results. I said, "I don't do anything until it is commanded." God spoke to me about the mission to the African nations in 1979, but He did not give me the mandate to step out until 1994. However between 1994 and now, the things that have taken place beat the imagination. Who would have thought we could put an aircraft in the air to accomplish the job? How? Because God sent us. The African Gospel Invasion Program is a product of vision and guidance.

MAKING VISION PRODUCE

To make vision work, it must be coupled with instruction. Jesus excelled not just because He had a vision, but because His ears were tuned to hear God.

The Lord God hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary: he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned.

The Lord God hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back.

Isaiah 50:4,5

Jesus was tuned in to hear the Father morning by morning. He was able to pick every instruction from heaven, so he committed the Father's presence, and exploits became inevitable. That's all we need, Sir!

Jesus could dare to say we shall do greater works than He did even when we didn't have any landmarks to show yet. Why? Because the Spirit of Counsel by opening your ear to hear from heaven, guides you into improving on existing results. I command your ears to be opened to the Spirit of Counsel, so that daily, you will hear a voice saying *"this is the way, walk ye in it."*

In Isaiah 42:18, 22, we read:

Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that ye may see...

But this is a people robbed and spoiled; they are all of them snared in holes, and they are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey, and none delivereth; for a spoil, and none saith Restore.

When you are blind and deaf, you are snared in holes. Your dignity and honour are locked up somewhere. Your beauty and glory are buried deep in dungeons, because you are hard of hearing.

There are business men and women who just one bit of instruction from heaven will bring to the realm of the explosion they have been awaiting.

You don't have to die doing little mediocre things, there's something more in store for you. God wants to deliver it to you, but it will come by the Spirit of Counsel.

One morning God told me, "Get out of Ilorin." We left. And that's what gave birth to the great work in Kaduna. Then on another day, while I was thinking "This is our resting place, O Lord ..." He said, *"Arise, get out to Lagos, and raise me a people."*

That's how the Spirit of Counsel operates. In forty days, our Bible School took off with 330 people! There was no special publicity, just a signboard erected outside. Testifying, one of the students said, "I saw the signboard and the Lord just spoke to me that that's where I ought to be!" It was amazing. They came, not knowing who the teachers were or the syllabus! That's why if He tells me tomorrow to move to Benin Republic, believe me, I won't wait to say, "Goodbye" to anyone.

To put the Spirit of Counsel to work, constantly inquire of the Lord. Before you take a step, ask: "Spirit of God, this is what I'm thinking, what are you saying? And the Spirit of Counsel will respond, *"No, don't do that. Look at this and that. But I have this for you, go ahead and do it, my son."* If you're thus led, even if you fall upon a sword, you will not be wounded.

When I travelled out sometime ago, I guess I ate something that did not agree with my system – it was as if something had upset my stomach. As soon as I had an idea that it could be as a result of the food we ate, I just went back to Mark 16:18,

... and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them ...

Because God sent me, even if I had taken food poison, I am covered.

When I do anything He tells me to do, all the forces of heaven stand at attention to bring a confirmation to it. There's something about guidance, it's a gift of the Spirit of Counsel. You can't learn it in school. No. *"When He is come, He will guide you into all truth."*

Chapter 10

OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS BY THE SPIRIT OF UNDERSTANDING

A hilltop is one of the most conspicuous places to build a house. Nothing on a hill is hidden. As long as the house remains on the hill, it is elevated, it is an ensign. It is outstanding. For kilometres, the building can still be spotted out.

Jesus said,

...you are a city set upon a hill that cannot be hid.

Matthew 5:14

It means you are created to be outstanding. An outstanding accomplishment is what is called an exploit. So you are designed for exploits. However you need to locate instructions to pave the way to the top for you.

And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments ... that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth.

Deuteronomy 28:1

Daniel was one man who made an unforgettable mark in his generation. He possessed a Spirit that distinguished him in the land of captivity.

As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.

Daniel 1:17

The unusual understanding that Daniel displayed was a gift from God: "God gave them ...", we are told. That gift then made room for Daniel, bringing him before great men (Proverbs 18:16). God is still giving as many as desire, this unique gift.

*And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;
And shall make him of quick understanding...*

Isaiah 11:2,3

The Spirit of Understanding is the most outstanding of the Seven Spirits of God, because after all the Spirits were listed, God said

And shall make him of a quick understanding ...

Why? It is outstanding.

The understanding that comes from God can be likened to light; while the problems of life are darkness. When light comes, darkness gives way. There is a level of understanding you can display that every hierarchy of darkness gives way, when you appear. By the same understanding you disarm those occultic forces, triumphing in every area of life as if they never existed.

There is a man in thy kingdom, in whom is the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of thy father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found in him; whom the king Nebuchadnezzar thy father, the king, I say, thy father, made master of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, and soothsayers;

Daniel 5:11

Daniel was rated ten times higher than all the magicians. Understanding made him outstanding. Until you understand you cannot 'out-stand'. Nothing is outstanding without understanding.

See how Daniel took over – interpreting dreams, showing hard sentences and dissolving doubts, all in a strange land! Now you are in a freeland, the same Spirit of Understanding will most certainly distinguish you.

He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him.

Daniel 2:22

The Spirit of Understanding knows what is in darkness, and light dwells with him. That is, unusual insight – the same was found in Joseph and Jesus.

IT IS AN EXCELLENT SPIRIT

The Spirit of Understanding is the excellent Spirit. It causes men to cheaply excel. It is the supernatural ability to intelligibly diagnose situations, put solutions together and carry through those solutions to the ultimate end of practical results.

A brother had been participating in so many international poetry competitions without any success. He was almost giving up after the eighth attempt. One day he heard a teaching on continuity. So he pressed on. He submitted two poems, anointed them and sent them to the same panel of judges in the United States who had been adjudging his poems as not being award-winning.

This time around, his poem made it. A hotel room was reserved for him in Washington, and a dinner party and a gala night were scheduled for him!

That's the excellent spirit at work. You must crave for it. Enough of mediocrity. Salvation is superior to education.

Daniel became "the man in the kingdom" operating by this Spirit of Excellence. He always knew what to do to put situations under arrest.

Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of dreams, and shewing of hard sentences and dissolving of doubts, were found in the same Daniel ...

Daniel 5:12

The king sent for Daniel and the gift of God in him answered. All the exploits he did were traceable to this unique spirit.

Everybody has problems, but those who know the answer appear as if they didn't write the exam. I often say that the exams of life have no time table. If you have the answer to that problematic family relationship, or that dwindling business, or unfulfilling career, you cannot be said to have a problem. Those who have the answer don't have a problem.

And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.

Luke 2:47

Jesus had ready-made answers to every question of the Jews. As the questions arose, the answers were waiting. He had the Spirit of excellence operating in Him. You have access to the same spirit of excellence, so there shouldn't be any problem you don't have an answer to. In fact, as the problem arises it is solved already, because you have at work in you, the Spirit of Excellence.

You know there's 'average', 'good', and 'very good' – all before 'excellent'. When you get 100% in school, you hear "Excellent!" meaning you got it all. You will get it all from now on!

TWO LEVELS OF UNDERSTANDING

For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding.

Colossians 1:9

There are two levels of understanding. One has to do with your spiritual understanding; the other one has to do with skillfulness.

When you understand what God has planned for you from the beginning, that is spiritual understanding (2 Peter 1:3,4); while skill is the knowledge or ability that enables you do something (such as a job) very well.

*And Moses said unto the children of Israel, See, the Lord hath called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri ...;
And he hath filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in all manner of
workmanship;*

And to devise curious works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass.

Exodus 35:30-32

Bezaleel was skilful, but a combination of skill and spiritual understanding made him supernaturally skilful. You need to lay hold on supernatural skills to handle whatever assignment has been placed in your hands. When you have it, others will learn from you.

*Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit was in him;
and the king thought to set him over the whole realm.*

Daniel 6:3

There is a level of intelligence that a student will have, that he won't need to look for a job all his life. Jobs will be looking for him. The Excellent Spirit just distinguishes you.

This Spirit brought out a prisoner and put him in the palace overnight. Pharaoh said to Joseph,

... there is none so discreet and wise as thou art.

Genesis 41:39

Wisdom plus discretion equals excellence. That's a heavenly equation! The Excellent Spirit enthroned this young man in a foreign country. It will enthrone you among white, yellow or grey people anywhere, any day.

That business you're doing, an Excellent Spirit will gradually motivate and mobilize you until it becomes 'The business'.

Most heavyweight accomplisners made it in their thirties. Quite a number made it in their forties. Very few make it in their fifties. That goes to show it's not by experience but by the Spirit of Excellence.

There's something you are bound to create in your lifetime, it is that Spirit of Understanding that stirs creativity. Men like Michael Faraday, were men that had the Spirit of Understanding operating in them.

That's why although he had only primary school education, by forty-four, he was recognised by all as the leading man of science! Yet he was a devoted Christian, and a celebrated preacher in his congregation.

He was one of the physicists that greatly advanced the work on electricity.

Chapter 11

THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM

I read the story of a young man called Ben Carson. A renowned Neuro-Surgeon today. When he was in High School, he was the class dummy; but his mother kept saying to him, "Ben, if anybody can do anything, you can do it better."

Today he is recognised as the man who successfully separated siamese twins joined skull to skull. That operation took them twenty - two hours, with a team of seventy surgeons. Ben Carson was the head of the team. He is also the head of John Hopkins in U.S.A. A young man. At 32, he is making rounds around the world, filled with Holy Ghost smiles.

It will also interest you to know that Ben is a black American. He said, "God endows with wisdom." Wow! you haven't seen anything yet. The endtime church will gain prominence by the many-sided complicated wisdom of God - which only the Holy Ghost endows.

To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God.

Ephesians 3:10

There is a wisdom which the Holy Ghost teaches. That wisdom makes you creatively productive. It enlightens your understanding to know what God has in store for you. It educates your mind to enter into productivity. It imparts you with creative abilities for exploits.

The Lord by wisdom has founded the earth and by understanding has He established the heavens.

Proverbs 3:19

How manifold are thy works Oh Lord In wisdom hast thou made them all. The earth also is full of thy riches.

Psalms 104:24

So, all the exploits of our Father, God, is tied to the wisdom operational in Him. For you too to be a candidate for exploits, you must be connected to that kind of wisdom. You must have access to it. Look at Ben Carson. A young man. At 32 years, doing exploits in the area of his domain.

Wisdom offers you strange skills in the area God has placed you.

Nobody is against you or your colour. It's the quality of your results that determines whether you're up or down. Every man with results automatically gains respect. There is definitely a better way to doing whatever job or assignment you are engaged in presently. There is a better approach to it than you have given it hitherto. The better way is the way of wisdom and the Spirit of God is the one who makes that wisdom available to natural man.

For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man, save the spirit of man which is in him? Even so, the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

1 Corinthians 2:11

So it is the Spirit of Wisdom that delivers to you the wisdom of God. When you gain access to Him, you become a star. That's why the Bible says in Daniel 12:3,

They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament.

The wise shine as the brightness of the firmament, and command attraction. They will shine as the stars of heaven forever and ever. That's where wisdom places us.

And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and Might, the spirit of Knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

Isaiah 11:2

The Spirit of Wisdom is most crucial among the seven others, for no one has an encounter with it without making outstanding marks in life. It was by it that Joseph took over government in Egypt. The Spirit of Wisdom established his prominence among his enemies. That wisdom came from God.

We are not talking about the wisdom of this world, or intellectual wisdom; nor are we referring to technological or scientific wisdom. No, we are talking about the wisdom of God in a mystery, the kind the Holy Ghost (not universities and colleges) imparts.

Jesus never went to any school, yet philosophers, psychologists and doctors of law of His days called Him, "Master!" He had the Spirit of Wisdom operating in Him.

And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

Luke 4:22

Before Luke 4:22, in verse 14, Jesus had returned unto Galilee in the power of the Spirit. So the Spirit of Wisdom was behind the gracious words that proceeded out of His mouth.

To further prove that it's not education that imparts wisdom, look at the Frenchman R. G. Le Tourneau. He was a mechanic with only primary school education, yet he developed a digger that could carry 200 tonnes of earth, combining two huge mobile diesel engines, and supplying electricity to a small town. All that in an age when people were using mules and colts to move earth to construction sites. In his own words he said,

"I am just a mechanic who the Lord has blessed, but I am in active relationship with God. I am a searcher out of things that I know not. I am a seeker of light from heaven, therefore there is no limit to what could be achieved in my life ...

In my thoughts, along with the statement that I am just a mechanic who the Lord has blessed, I have frequently heard that He (God) uses the weak to confound the mighty. There is no logical explanation in the world to account for the development of this digger."

There may not be a logical explanation, but there's a spiritual one—wisdom—which the Holy Ghost teaches. It brings men who are in active partnership with it to limelight without sweat! That is why there are many intellectually sound people who are spiritual dummies!

The ability to travel from Revelation back to Malachi, forming equations that will bring you amazing solutions, and cause you to enter into the realm of strange manifestations, is from the Spirit of Wisdom.

But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:

Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory.

1 Corinthians 2:7,8

We are going to have waves of inventions from now until Jesus comes—waves of ingenuity. Things will just be happening. People will simply be laying hold of hidden wisdom for outstanding exploits. You can't have it and not be heavily innovative. Everywhere you find yourself, heaven will set you on mysterious frequencies to improve on what you are doing.

I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.

Proverbs 8:12

The wisdom of God will explode in witty inventions.

You remember Ben Carson? He is fondly described as the man that has given so many people a chance to live! So, he's like a "deputy God" in his field - opening the brain, rearranging it, and still the person is able to use it to think! Witty inventions!

Get ready! The forces of wisdom will be bursting forth in your life, bringing heavy innovations! This wisdom is creative in nature. You will have the ability to form and reform, create and re-create, do and undo.

THE OPERATIONS OF THE SPIRIT OF WISDOM

It is the Spirit of God that connects us to the wisdom of God.

And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and Might, the Spirit of Knowledge and of the Fear of the Lord;

And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears.

Isaiah 11:2,3

It is the Holy Spirit that quickens your understanding. When He comes upon you, the fire in Him refines your flesh, blood, bones, and all the organs of your body (Romans 8:11). Your mind is also touched for soundness. So, without the Spirit of Wisdom, you have no access to the wisdom of God.

The Holy Spirit connects you to this wisdom by teaching and opening you up to the deep things of God. He helps you in your quest for knowledge and reveals truths to your spiritman. As He teaches, He quickens

your understanding to grasp the things He is revealing to you. The Holy Spirit can't teach you and you won't understand what He is saying. His ministry is to guide you into all truth (John 16:13). Anyone who has been touched by the Holy Ghost is mentally sound. God has redeemed us as kings and priests to reign on the earth. So whether you are a priest in the temple or a Christian on the street, you are supposed to reign (Revelations 5:10) and the only way to reign is by wisdom.

By me (wisdom) kings reign, and princes decree justice.

Proverbs 8:15

You don't have a place in the endtime army without the Spirit of Wisdom. It is a reigning army, and by wisdom kings reign. Let's go for it!

IT'S A GIFT

Please understand that this Spirit of Wisdom is a gift. You cannot purchase it with money. It comes from heaven:

*But where shall wisdom be found? ...
God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.*

Job 28:12,23

This wisdom is not found among the living. It is a gift from God and you are entitled to it. Paul said,
That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation in the knowledge of him.

Ephesians 1:17

God is the giver.

IT IS SEARCHED OUT

The Spirit of Wisdom cannot release wisdom to non-searchers. If you want to flow in God's wisdom, you must be prepared to embark on a desperate search for it.

I wisdom dwell with prudence and find out knowledge of witty inventions.

Proverbs 8:12

Did you see that? "And find out." Wisdom is searched out. No matter how anointed you are, until you become a seeker, you never become a finder (Matthew 7:8); and until you find, the struggle continues. God said,

My people, (my very own people) perish for lack of knowledge.

Hosea 4:6

If something is not working in your life, go to the bookshop and find out whether there are materials available on such topics. Maybe poverty keeps knocking on your door, you're borrowing to eat and struggling to cater for your family's basic needs, go to the bookshop, lay your hands on *Breaking Financial Hardship* and learn the best way to handle financial hardship. Poverty is not a sin, it's a weight. And every weight can be laid aside.

Daniel was so gifted, but he contacted it by reading. God gave him wisdom in all learning and skill yet he needed to read, he needed to learn. If you're not a learner you will never become a leader.

I Daniel understood by books ...

Daniel 9:2

Every wise man must be a genuine searcher. Readers are leaders. Look at Timothy. He was a very gifted man (2 Timothy 1:6,7), but Paul still said to him, "(Timothy, don't let your gift destroy you), study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15, paraphrased).

Timothy was a gifted person, yet he was admonished to study or he would be ashamed. Paul, the most anointed man of his time, was an ardent learner. The Holy Spirit helps you in your search, connecting you to the deep things of God.

ASK FOR IT

Ask ye of the Lord rain, in the time of the latter rain; so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.

Zechariah 10:4

Friends, I spent 26 months making demands for the Spirit of Wisdom before this ministry started. My only prayer request was for wisdom. Oh, it answered from heaven! That's why we have never had a crisis in this ministry since its inception.

In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, if any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.

John 7:37

Let's establish a thirst that will place a demand on God for the release of the Spirit of Wisdom upon our lives. If He comes once, you will tell the story for a life time. I believe you are worth much more than where you are now. Where you are is not your highest place. You are of great worth. Look at every character of the Bible: Abraham, David, Elijah, all of them, we are supposed to be an improvement on them (Hebrews 11:40). Meaning, if Job was said to be the greatest in all the East, then the greatest men in business, government, et cetera should emerge from the Church. Whatever anybody did in the Bible, God has ordained us to do better so that we can get better results. Those extraordinary men of heavily productive wisdom like Daniel and Joseph had no eternal life how much more you, born-again and filled with the Holy Ghost! One of our ambassadors said to me, "I'm so happy that Ugandans have value for the wisdom that God has given you. I saw the crowd on the television." Those were his exact words. And you know what? He is a muslim! Wisdom is going to differentiate the endtime Church from the natural world!

Chapter 12

EXPLODING INTO THE REALMS OF EXPLOITS: THE SPIRIT OF POWER

One of the key manifestations of the Holy Ghost in the last days is power.
But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Acts 1:8

The essence of the Holy Ghost is: the enduement of power. What happened to the disciples in the Upper Room was an initiation into the power dimension of the Spirit. When you are endued with power from on high, you become Jesus' representative. Whatever He did you do, and greater. The boldness with which He spoke you manifest also. You demonstrate the same dominion He had.

Power is the essence of the outpouring of the Holy Ghost. Minus power, He has no mission.

And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

Luke 24:49

The endtime army is a conglomeration of a strong people set in battle array—men who will run like horses, leap like fire, climb walls like men of war; men that if they fall on the sword cannot be wounded. They will be men like iron. Sickness and disease will be so far from their dwelling places. They won't know the meaning of pain at all, but will enjoy heavy immunity by the presence of the Holy Ghost.

BE CONSCIOUS OF THE POWER

The enduement of power from on high started with the baptism of the Holy Ghost (Acts 2:4). As I said earlier, I have never seen the Holy Ghost before but I am told how to know if He is in somebody—tongues. The proof of his presence in tongues is also a proof that the powers of heaven are resident on your inside.

But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you ...

Acts 1:8

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Acts 2:4

The Holy Ghost announces his arrival by giving utterance in other tongues. It is God's chosen way for announcing the enduement of power from on high. The Holy Ghost's residence inside you is a proclamation that you are now a power candidate in the kingdom.

However you must be conscious of the fact that you are loaded with power from on high—power from heaven. It's the same power that was at work in Peter, Paul and other great men that resides in you, if you are baptised in the Holy Ghost. But until you become conscious of His indwelling presence, you will not be set for exploits.

...tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

Luke 24:49

Meaning, what is resident in you is from on high, it is above every other type of power at work on the earth.

He that cometh from above is above all ...

John 3:31

It is above witches and wizards. So it's nonsense to be running around looking for who to pray for you because of one tiny witch that's pursuing you. What you carry inside is power that can tread upon serpents and scorpions and is above all the power of the enemy (Luke 10:19)! Every time you are challenged, speak in tongues to awaken your spiritual consciousness and bring Satan under judgement.

*And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement ...
Of judgement, because the prince of this world is judged.*

John 16:8,11

So when the Holy Spirit is in operation, Satan is judged. Therefore everywhere you see the devil trying to make noise, step in and shut him up in the name of Jesus. As you step in, he steps out, because the power of heaven (the Holy Ghost himself) is resident in you.

The earnest expectation of the creature is waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God. That is, the whole creation is groaning and travailing in pains waiting for the sons of God to show up and bring about their deliverance.

It takes power however, to make the enemy surrender and bring liberty to the whole of creation.

Say unto God, How terrible art thou in thy works! through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies submit themselves unto thee.

Psalm 66:3

By the Spirit of Power there will be a total disarming of wickedness and establishment of peaceful dominion of the Church. Friend, I would like you to be thirsty for the impartation of power.

And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit (or in the Spirit of Power) into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.

Luke 4:14

He returned in the Spirit of Power and then announced:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor ...

Luke 4:18

To anoint means to empower. Therefore Jesus was in essence saying, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has empowered me to preach the gospel to the poor ..." So when Jesus came, He came in the Spirit of Power to deliver the captives.

The Spirit of Power enables you to subdue the enemy, and dominate in the region of darkness. He cannot bring sickness or failure over you; he cannot put a roadblock on your way; he cannot stop your progress or challenge your destiny or frustrate you. That's the essence of power.

*The Lord shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.
Thy people shall be willing the day of thy power ...*

Psalm 110:2,3

Jesus will not return until all his enemies are made His footstool (Psalm 110:1). Therefore, God will pour out His power in these last days, in such a dimension as has never been before, so that we will disarm completely, all wickedness.

The power is released when the Holy Ghost comes. "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you ..." (Acts 1:8). It takes the whole of your being to encounter that power. When you see your hopelessness, you'll be able to go with all your heart for His help. With this power breaking out on you, you'll be a recognised master anywhere you are found. In these last days, there will be strange manifestations of the sons of God empowered by the Spirit of God. You have an Omnipotent God, an all-powerful Father, you cannot afford to be a weakling!

*I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High.
But ye shall die like men and fall like one of the princes.*

Psalm 82:6,7

One of our men had an uncle who died. When he got home, he met everyone crying. The corpse had been stuffed with cotton wool. He brought out his mantle and began to strike the dead man, saying, "In the name of Jesus!" Suddenly, the dead man jerked back to life and demanded, "Why are you beating me?" He beat the dead back to life! That is the demonstration of power.

For the Lord shall rise up as in mount Perazim, he shall be wroth as in the valley of Gibeon, that he may do his work; and bring to pass his act, his strange act.

Isaiah 28:21

By the enabling of the Spirit of Power, we shall do strange works that will totally subdue the enemies of God. Therefore:

...be ye not mockers, lest your band be made strong...

Verse 22

Refuse to be among the mockers, else your bands will be made strong and you'll be in bondage, while others are enjoying glorious liberty.

Chapter 13

PROVOKING THE FORCES TO PRODUCE

Every object assumes a state of rest until a relevant force is applied to it. The forces of power, wisdom, excellence, counsel, might, revelation and holiness need to be provoked to produce in your life. If you have a cup of tea before you and you put some sugar and milk inside it, you would need to use your teaspoon to stir it, else you will drink a tasteless concoction! All that is needed to brew an excellent cup of tea is inside the teacup, but until the contents are stirred, you'll be drinking, and frowning your face! Similarly when you put some salt in a pot of soup but you forget to stir it, you may have an oversalted part and a saltless section. So what do you do? Stir it.

You are loaded with the Seven Spirits of God, but you need a stirring or they remain dormant in you.

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptised every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 3:38

The Holy Ghost is God's gift for man after repentance. But He must be stirred up into action.

Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

2 Timothy 1:6

So the gift is powerless until it is stirred up. Then it produces. When you successfully provoke the gift in you, it makes room for you - it establishes a domain for you on the earth.

A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.

Proverbs 18:16

When the Holy Ghost came, He made room for Peter on the earth. Peter had no place here, but upon His arrival, Peter became the main man in the city of Jerusalem.

Jesus also was a carpenter's son, but after the Holy Ghost, the good gift, came, his messianic office was established. I see God establishing your destiny also.

But how do we stir up the gift?

BY THE ROD

And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:

And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and Might, the Spirit of Knowledge and of the Fear of the Lord ...

They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 11:1-2,9

The rod is the stirrer up of the Seven Spirits of God deposited in you, and the rod is Jesus, who is also the Word.

For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are One.

1 John 5:7

It is with the Word that you stir the spirits of Wisdom, Counsel, Might, et cetera into producing for you. The Word of God at work in you is your guarantee for a life of signs and wonders (Exodus 4:17).

In Luke 5:17, Jesus was teaching and the power of God was present to heal. Meaning, as He was teaching, the Word was stirring the power and the power went into operation to bring about their healing. Therefore, God's Word is the stirrer up of power. The power within lies dormant until the Word stirs it into operation.

Remember the account in John 5? There was a pool at Bethsaida, and the angel came down at certain points to stir the waters. Anyone who jumped into it while it was being stirred was made perfectly whole of

his disease. Similarly, God's Word goes into the rivers of living water, the Spirit of God, and causes a stir for the release of power.

At another instance in Matthew 8:16, we read,

When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick.

His Word was stirring the power within Him into manifestation.

For instance, the Spirit of Revelation cannot operate without the Word of God being loaded in you, for *"When he, the Spirit of Truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth ..."* (John 16:13).

His Ministry is to teach you all things: how to prosper, how to keep the home, raise the children; He will teach you how to make progress, have good success, He will teach you ALL THINGS!

Light is supreme in every conflict of life. Illumination from the Word of God. I have not once prayed for peace in my home. It's there, because the Spirit of Revelation taught me. Even before I was married, He showed me how to maintain a consistent peace in my home.

I have not needed to pray for money since I came into Ministry, not once! Yet I have seen my finances shoot up tremendously. All because He taught me from the Word how to maintain financial flow based on the Covenant.

When the Spirit of Revelation teaches you on any subject, it sticks and makes you thick (solid)! I don't mean mere intellectual exercises. No, I mean encounters with depths of His Word.

For instance, He taught me how to stay healthy, and for over 30 years I have been displaying health in the presence of my enemies, and my health cup runneth over. Surely, though I pass through the valley of the shadow of sickness, I shall fear no sickness, for what He taught me has stuck to me and has made me thick in health! Halleluia!

Every operation of the Holy Spirit, is traceable to the discovery made in the Word of God. In this great time of revival, you need to gain deeper access into the Word for greater exploits. No one can ever have a greater experience than his depth in the Word. It is the Word that provokes the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes (Romans 1:16).

Every Word of God discovered and applied compels the Seven Spirits of God at work in you to act. If you require counsel, go to the Word, study it, meditate on it, then the Spirit of Counsel tells you what next step to take.

Another instance is when you discover that *"by his stripes ye were healed"*, it sinks into your spiritman, then the Holy Ghost goes into operation, destroying every yoke of sickness in your body. Why? He cannot deny the Word of God. He does not speak of Himself, whatsoever He hears from Jesus, He declares. So only what God says matters to the Holy Ghost. And when you lay hold on what God says, you have compelled Him to act.

When wisdom and understanding is needed, He comes to bring them to you; when you need might, He readily supplies it - but on the ticket of knowledge.

So, when you find out something from the Word, take supernatural help from the Holy Ghost to manifest the reality of that discovery.

Friend, no lazy Christian has a future; it's your discoveries that make you.

I gave an illustration sometime ago that I believe will help explain my point. Perhaps I hand a box of matches to you. That box represents the multi-faceted Ministry of the Holy Spirit. It will warm you up when the weather is cold. It will give light in the midst of darkness; it will guide you when others don't know where to go. That is a multi-purpose matchbox. But, listen, without the "rod" (the sticks of matches supposed to be within the box), the effect of the box cannot be felt. The rod is the Word of God. When it strikes the box, fire comes forth!

Many have been carrying dormant boxes about, with nothing to ignite the fire, so it looks like an empty worthless box. But lying within is enough fire power to destroy a whole city. You will never know the effect until you bring the rod for a strike. In the midst of darkness, you can carry this box without a ray of light to subdue the darkness. But when you are "rodded", you can strike up and humiliate darkness.

So, the matchsticks are discoveries you have made. You ignite the power within by striking it on the Spirit and your dominion over darkness is established. Don't wait for power to manifest just like that, every discovered Word gives the Holy Spirit a responsibility to perform, to act.

RELEASE IT THROUGH YOUR MOUTH

You are a loaded gun – full of ammunition, your mouth is your trigger. God has ordained power in your tongue.

Death and Life are in the power of the tongue ...

Proverbs 18:21

The Word of God in you is powerful and the Holy Ghost is power from on high and your tongue is power on its own. That's a three-fold cord already that cannot be easily broken. You are unbeatable when these three forces are working harmoniously. In every conflict of life, put your mouth to work, force it to speak only the Word of God.

All the words Moses spoke before Pharaoh were what brought him to victory. He kept saying, "Let my people go" until they left. You don't stop speaking until what you want is effected. Moses only stopped when they left.

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

Hebrews 11:3

If God spoke everything created into existence, you must consecrate and dedicate your tongue to God. Speak defeat no more; speak sorrow, failure, poverty no more. For God's Word in your mouth is the provoker of the power of God resident in you. That marriage will work, that business will thrive, those children will succeed; that proposal will produce. As you say it you see it, in Jesus Name.

MAINTAIN IT BY PRAYER

But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the Word.

Acts 6:4

One way to maintain the anointing is by continuous prayer. You will need to stand strong in prayer to maintain the oil of the Spirit. To stop the enemy from corrupting your life and shifting your focus from your goal, you need a strong prayer life. In Luke 9:28, Jesus left the multitudes and climbed up the mountain to "refuel". He had discharged a lot of virtue, healing and ministering to the needs of the people, so he needed to recharge his "batteries"!

And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glistening.

Luke 9:29

He went up to recharge, and as He prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered and his garment was white and dazzling. And they saw his glory. It doesn't matter the activity you are involved in, if you are not in touch with the Word and prayer, you soon lose your colour. They saw His glory so they purposed to dedicate their lives to prayer and the ministry of the Word. You must ensure you're on the mountain of transfiguration with God. It maintains the flow of the anointing. It keeps you aglow!

Charge yourself up in the language of the Holy Ghost (Jude 20). Demand for a flow; ask for a glow. That way, you are ever fresh. That way, every obstacle is readily converted to a miracle. May the Lord give you understanding!

POSTSCRIPT

And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

Isaiah 11:10

With the Seven Spirits at work in you, your "rest shall be glorious", your victory becomes enviable, and you become more than a conqueror in the conflicts of life. The moment you lay hold on each of these Spirits your life becomes automatically colourful.

It is time to leave the elementary principles and move on to perfection.

Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection;

For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,

*And have tasted the good Word and the powers of the world to come,
If they fall away, to renew them again unto repentance ...*

Hebrews 6:1, 5 & 6

When you get to this realm, you lose taste for anything else, you taste of the powers of the world to come. By the operations of the Seven Spirits of God, you gain unusual entrance into the things behind the veil; you enter the holiest of all and partake of the manna in the golden pot.

It is definitely time to leave the elementary principles of Christ and go unto perfection. You can desire to be a partaker of the heavenly gift - which is the Holy Ghost, which is the Seven Spirits of God. You can seek enlightenment and crave for the good Word of God and yearn for the powers of the world to come. When you do, you are set for exploits.

From today, I see you laying hold on the Spirit of Power, Wisdom, Excellence, Counsel, Might, Revelation and the Fear of the Lord. I see you stepping into your own position now. In Jesus Name!