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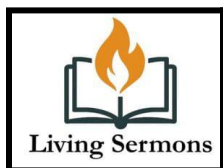
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Foreword

There are moments in the journey of the Church when heaven demands a realignment—when truth must be spoken with precision, and destinies must be called back to order. This message delivered by Bishop David Oyedepo stands as one of such divine interventions: a clear, uncompromising call to alignment, responsibility, and purposeful living.

Empowerment Conference is not merely a sermon—it is a spiritual blueprint.

With piercing clarity and apostolic authority, Bishop Oyedepo unveils the divine architecture of destiny, drawing a sharp line between ambition and vision, between self-driven pursuits and God-ordained assignments. He reminds us that true impact does not come from activity, but from alignment—being found at the very centre of God’s will.

At the heart of this message lies a profound truth:

that the world changers of our time are not merely gifted individuals, but divinely positioned visionaries—men and women who have discovered their place, embraced their calling, and committed themselves to the demands of destiny.

The emphasis on priesthood and kingship brings needed balance to the Body of Christ, correcting long-held misconceptions and restoring dignity to every God-ordained assignment. Whether in the pulpit or the marketplace, this message establishes that every believer has a strategic role in God’s end-time agenda.

Equally compelling is the charge towards spiritual authenticity. In a time when form often replaces power, and performance substitutes for presence, this message calls the Church back to fire—real fire on the altar. It confronts the subtle drift towards commercialised ministry and re-establishes the timeless truth that God remains the sole source and sustainer of His work.

This book will challenge you.

It will search you.

It will reposition you.

But more importantly, it will awaken in you a fresh hunger to discover your place in God's grand design—and to pursue it with clarity, courage, and consecration.

As you turn these pages, may you not merely read—but encounter.

May you not only understand—but align.

And may you rise, by grace, as one of those who will indeed turn their world upside down.

—Wisdom Epsi, Chief Editor

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Main Message

Begins Here:

Opening Prayer and Introduction

Hallelujah!

I count it a great privilege to be among you tonight, and I believe that we shall all leave this place transformed and transfigured, in the name of Jesus.

Father, thank You for this hour. As we spend time in Your presence, we look up to You for a definite touch upon each of our lives. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Tonight, we shall be examining what I caption:

“The Emergence of World Changers.”

We are in very strange times—the days of the emergence of a strange order of men in the Kingdom.

The Scripture says:

“For thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land;

And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts.

The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts.

The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former... and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts.”

(Haggai 2:6–9, KJV)

This points clearly to God's agenda for the end time.

The end time is a season of **divine shakings**—God shaking the nations through His Church.

“I will fill this house with glory,” saith the Lord.

This speaks of a visitation of a strange order of glorification in the Church. God will set up His Church and His people as **pace-setters, trailblazers, and pathfinders** in these last days.

The Two Dimensions of Redemption

Redemption unveils two classes of people:

“...and hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.”

(Revelation 5:10, KJV)

- The **priesthood** pertains to the Church
- The **kingship** pertains to society—our professions, careers, and fields of engagement

Both are ordained to reign.

The priests will reign, and the kings will reign—**simultaneously**.

Therefore, not everyone is called into the priesthood. We all share a common root in Christ, but our expressions differ.

Every calling in Christ—whether priesthood or kingship—is a **high calling**, because it has the same divine source.

The Army of Visionaries

This end-time army of world changers is an army of **visionaries**.

The Scripture describes them:

“...there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it... They shall run like mighty men... they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks...”

When they fall upon the sword, they shall not be wounded.”
(Joel 2:2, 7–8, KJV)

These are men and women who have discovered where God wants them to be.

They become:

- Unbeatable
- Unstoppable
- Irresistible

They command strange exploits—**each in his own path.**

Everyone has something to offer in the Body, but not everyone is called into the priesthood.

The Power of Divine Calling

The key to excelling in life is the **backing of God**.

And you only secure His backing when you are in His calling.

“...no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God...”

(Hebrews 5:4, KJV)

Priesthood is not a choice—it is a calling.

You don't choose it; you are called into it.

When you are rightly positioned:

- Your **star shines** in your calling
- Your **strength flows** from your calling
- Your **destiny is fulfilled** through your calling

To be part of this world-changing army, you must first discover where you belong.

Vision vs Ambition

There is a clear difference between:

- **Working in your calling** vs following your feelings
- **Pursuing divine vision** vs chasing personal ambition

One of the most striking Scriptures says:

“Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not?”

(Lamentations 3:37, KJV)

If God has not commanded it, the struggle will continue.

The Law of Placement

“Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.”

(1 Corinthians 7:20, KJV)

Many do not know their calling. Others know but walk away from it.

Both lead to the same outcome—struggle.

“As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so is a man that wandereth from his place.”

(Proverbs 27:8, KJV)

Your:

- Breakthrough
- Security
- Dignity
- Destiny

—are all in your place.

May no one miss his place in life, in the name of Jesus.

It Is Never Too Late to Be Right

No matter how long you have walked in error, it is never too late to correct course.

It is like submitting an exam—you can still make adjustments before final submission.

It is never too late to make necessary changes for a higher result.

The Identity of World Changers

World changers are **visionaries**—individuals operating at the centre of God’s calling for their lives.

Without His backing:

“...for without me ye can do nothing.”

(John 15:5, KJV)

The priest is not superior to the king, and the king is not superior to the priest.

Both reign—by staying in their divine assignment.

Fundamental Questions for Destiny

To function in this army of world changers, you must answer these questions:

- **Who am I?**
- **What is my mission?**
- **Where am I sent?**
- **What is God’s timing for my assignment?**
- **How am I to go about it?**

The Importance of Divine Direction

“I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.”

(Jeremiah 23:21, KJV)

Even within the same office, assignments differ.

Peter was sent to the Jews.

Paul was sent to the Gentiles.

“...he that wrought effectually in Peter... the same was mighty in me...”
(Galatians 2:8, KJV)

When you cross beyond your ordained territory, you invite struggle and humiliation.

The Danger of Being Out of Place

Abraham stepped out of his place during famine—and fear took over.

Outside your place:

- Confidence diminishes
- Strength weakens
- Dignity erodes

But when he returned, his destiny came back on course.

God Is a God of Timing

“He hath made every thing beautiful in his time...”
(Ecclesiastes 3:11, KJV)

God speaks into your future, but expects you to move according to **His timing**.

When timing is ignored, struggle begins.

When timing is honoured, things become:

- Beautiful
- Effortless
- Supernatural

Understanding How to Go About It

It is not enough to have a vision—you must know how to execute it.

Many run with visions without understanding the process.

I knew God wanted us to build a great church, so I searched for someone who had done it. I found Yonggi Cho, and I became his student through his materials.

Understanding **how** is part of the responsibility of fulfilling vision.

We are in the days of **visionaries**.

You may remain a struggler if you choose to remain an **ambition-driven individual**, doing what feels right instead of what God has ordained.

But when you locate your place:

- You enter rest
- You walk in authority
- You command exploits

May you find your place—and fulfil your destiny—in the name of Jesus.

How can the Church have 700 pastors? What are they doing with them? It sounded like too much.

But today, we have over 1,450 pastors in one church, and every one of them has enough to do.

I kept learning the nitty-gritty of growing a healthy church. I was learning and practising—learning and practising—until we began to get it right.

Before the year is over, we should have nothing less than 24,000 home cells—excited people, just on key, having fun with Jesus. Every home becoming a church.

We need the **know-how**.

If you have a ministry, you must understand how it works. You must expose yourself to materials that will help you maximise your calling.

Learning: The Pathway to Excellence

Anything that will have meaning will require learning.

I knew God spoke to me about building a university. But the question was: *How do we go about it?*

We desired to build a world-class university—one that would endure for generations.

So I studied nine world-class universities:

- Harvard
- Oxford
- Cambridge
- Princeton

I went through them exhaustively—studying their philosophies, their structures, and their sustainability systems.

From that, I reached a verdict: *We are building a new-generation Harvard.*

And it is happening.

Within ten years, unusual waves—unusual results.

The Power of Intentional Learning

It is not enough to have a calling—you must be committed to learning.

I had a brother-in-law who wanted to go into soap-making.

He went to learn it and came back after one week, saying he had finished.

I said, “No. Anything you will do for life, you cannot finish learning it in one week.”

You must learn:

- How it works
- How it does not work

So you can avoid costly errors.

He ignored the counsel. His first order became his last. The products failed on the shelf.

People toy with their lives as if they have another one in reserve.

Rejecting Common Sense Living

I have made a vow never to approach any task in life with mere common sense.

Because common sense will produce **common results**.

Many believers have genuine callings, but their **know-how is weak**.

This know-how must come through:

- Apprenticeship
- Discipleship
- Mentorship

Under those who are already established in that field.

Knowledge Brings Relevance

We are in the last days.

Without adequate knowledge in what you do, you will lose relevance cheaply.

A visionary is defined not just by calling—but by **capacity**.

Applied Knowledge: The Case of Agricultural Transformation

In establishing our second university, we focused on agricultural development.

To understand how to do it, I travelled with a team to Israel—to study how a desert nation became a food-exporting nation.

We visited:

- Agricultural research institutes
- Universities
- Development centres

We returned with volumes of knowledge.

Today, Landmark University supplies the poultry needs of Covenant University—and shortly, it will supply all its vegetable needs.

Within a few years, it will become fully self-sustaining through agricultural enterprise.

What Makes a Visionary Unique

1. God Goes Before You

“...he goeth before them...”

(John 10:4, KJV)

“I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight...”

(Isaiah 45:2, KJV)

When you are pursuing God’s ordained calling:

- He goes before you
- He levels oppositions
- He opens gates

No barrier can stand in your way.

A Testimony of Divine Leading

When God called us to Lagos in 1989, I sent someone to locate properties in a specific area I had never visited.

Everything we needed was there:

- My residence
- The church building
- Staff accommodation

All within walking distance.

Everything was secured within one week.

That is what happens when God goes before you.

2. God Goes With You

“...God was with him.”

(Acts 10:38, KJV)

“If God be for us, who can be against us?”

(Romans 8:31, KJV)

Nothing makes a difference like the presence of God.

When God sends you, He does not leave you alone—He goes with you.

3. God Walks With You

“...the Lord working with them...”

(Mark 16:20, KJV)

He is not just watching—you are not alone in the journey.

He is actively walking with you, confirming His Word with signs.

4. God Works for You

“...the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.”

(John 14:10, KJV)

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

(1 Thessalonians 5:24, KJV)

When you cannot perform, He steps in.

He gets the job done.

And the result is always **marvellous**.

5. God Works Through You

*“...God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul.”
(Acts 19:11, KJV)*

*“...it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do...”
(Philippians 2:13, KJV)*

He works through you, and men think you are the one doing it.

But it is God at work in you.

The Secret of Becoming a Wonder

These things do not happen randomly.

They happen when you are **on key**—aligned with God’s calling for your life.

That is what makes you a wonder to your world.

If you want to be part of this army of world changers:

- Stay at the centre of God’s will
- Remain sensitive to His leading
- Refuse distractions
- Stop comparing yourself with others

You are a unique individual on a unique mission.

Stay in your calling.

A Call to Alignment

In these last days, God will demonstrate His power through His people—as they reposition themselves in the centre of His plan.

Do not be ashamed of the Gospel.

Remain steadfast in your assignment.

A Sobering Reflection

There was a time I thought God wanted me in America because of the revival fire there.

But today, things have changed:

- Increased secularism
- Entertainment replacing spirituality
- Gimmicks replacing genuine power

Many churches have lost the fire.

This is not how revival was birthed.

Stay in your place.

Stay in your calling.

Stay aligned with God's plan.

That is where:

- Power flows
- Grace abounds
- Destiny is fulfilled

And that is how world changers emerge.

There is so much indiscipline and lack of spirituality today.

How will the dead rise when many ministries themselves are spiritually dead?

All kinds of games—religious entertainment.

You watch and ask, *Is this Christianity?*

No. You cannot see Christ, touch Christ, or feel Christ in it.

But the good news is this: our ministry has never depended on external support. It runs purely on Heaven's budget—and we are doing well, very comfortable, highly comfortable.

Not one thing on credit, in a multi-billion-dollar estate.

Who told you God is not able?

The Need for Fire on the Altar

There must be fire on the altar.

Until there is fire on the altar, the pews will remain frozen.

The game is up. The system is sick. Enough of the gimmicks.

There was a time when revival fire burned—when the Word pierced hearts and men trembled under God's presence.

But today, many would rather watch entertainment than encounter God.

This must change.

And the change must begin with you.

Turning the World Upside Down

"...These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also."

(Acts 17:6, KJV)

That must become our testimony.

As ministers and as priests:

- Your street must feel the fire
- Your community must feel the fire

God is not a gimmick.

The Word is real. The Bible is true.

The Reality of Salvation

Salvation is real.

“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.”

(2 Corinthians 5:17, KJV)

Yet many claim Christ without evidence of transformation.

If you keep faking it, you will be exposed.

You must become straight—genuine before God.

The Heart of True Ministers

Those who will make it in this army are not opportunists.

They are not chasing what others carry.

They are committed to **adding value to people**.

I have never gone to any meeting for financial gain.

I go with what I have—to give, not to take.

You cannot be on a **money-making mission** and a **mark-making mission** at the same time. Those who chase money rarely make impact—and they do not last.

A Warning Against Commercialising the Gospel

Jesus never charged anyone.

So where did this system come from?

If you are in ministry for gain, be careful—you may be discharged before you realise it.

Do not turn ministry into business.

The One who called you is responsible for your supplies.

The Source of True Supply

When you do it right, God has no problem supplying your needs.

We bought an aircraft—cash.

We established universities—through divine provision.

All by doing it right.

“And my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.”

(Philippians 4:19, KJV)

Stop putting pressure on the people.

They did not send you—God did.

Raise People, Not Money

God told me: *“Don’t raise money—raise men.”*

When you raise people, you will never lack resources.

Many have destroyed their churches by constant pressure for offerings.

Let people give willingly.

*“Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give... for
God loveth a cheerful giver.”*

(2 Corinthians 9:7, KJV)

A Call to Integrity in Ministry

Do not make the people look like your sponsors.

They cannot sponsor the calling of God upon your life.

Stay true. Stay pure.

Let your trust remain in God.

A Cry for Revival

We must return to God.

We must recover:

- The fire
- The presence
- The power

The early Church had 120 people—and they shook the world.

We are far more than that today.

Something must happen.

Closing Prayer and Exhortation

Prophetic Release

Your year of manifestation has come.

Your year of glory has come.

Receive fresh fire!

Fresh fire for fresh impact.

Fresh fire for fresh manifestation.

In the name of Jesus.

A Prayer for Alignment

Lift up your hands and ask God for grace to return to alignment—to fulfil your ministry fully.

Receive grace now.

A new beginning.

A new visitation.

A new fire upon your altar.

Final Exhortation

When we do it right, God has no problem supplying all that is required.

Do it right.

Trust God.

Stay in your calling.

Raise people—not money.

Let God build His work through you.

About the Speaker

Bishop David Olaniyi Oyedepo is a man sent from God, a prophet to this generation, and one of the foremost voices in advancing the frontiers of God's Kingdom on earth today. He is the Founder and Presiding Bishop of *Living Faith Church Worldwide* (also known as Winners' Chapel International), with a global network of churches spread across all continents.

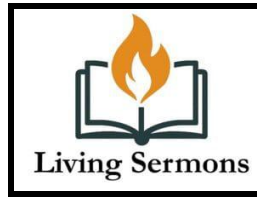
A visionary leader and apostle of faith, Bishop Oyedepo received the divine mandate in 1981 to "*liberate the world from all oppression of the devil through the preaching of the Word of Faith.*" Since that time, his ministry has remained a living proof of that commission—raising men and women of stature, excellence, and Kingdom relevance across nations.

Under his leadership, *Faith Tabernacle*, the international headquarters of the Living Faith Church in Ota, Nigeria, has become one of the largest church auditoriums in the world. He is also the visionary founder of *Covenant University* and *Landmark University*, both established to raise a new generation of leaders with a passion for excellence and divine wisdom.

Bishop Oyedepo is a prolific author whose books have transformed lives globally. Titles such as *The Winning Wisdom*, *Understanding Financial Prosperity*, *The Miracle Seed*, *Walking in Wisdom*, and *Success Systems* continue to inspire millions in their walk of faith and pursuit of purpose.

A father to many, a mentor to multitudes, and a voice of spiritual authority across nations, Bishop David Oyedepo stands as a testament to what it means to live for God with passion, discipline, and unwavering faith. His life and ministry continue to model diligence in service, love for God, and a relentless commitment to Kingdom advancement.

He is married to *Faith Abiola Oyedepo*, a dynamic teacher and co-labourer in the gospel, and together they are blessed with children and grandchildren—all serving the Lord.



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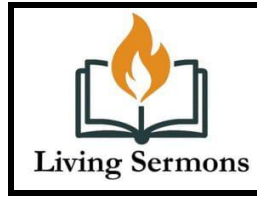
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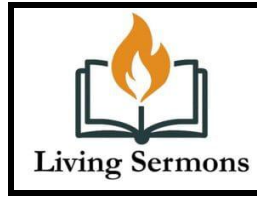
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