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# Foreword

This sermon is a call to consciousness.

Many believers speak about the Holy Spirit, yet few walk in an intimate awareness of His Person. In this message, Pastor Ibiyeomie brings us back to the foundation: the Holy Spirit is not a force, not an emotion, not a religious symbol. He is a Person — present, powerful, and purposeful. The teaching moves beyond theology into living reality. It challenges the reader to shift from knowing about Him to living consciously with Him.

What makes this message especially significant is its clarity and practicality. The preacher does not remain in abstraction. He shows us how the Word must be empowered by the Spirit. He reveals how worship creates spiritual atmosphere. He exposes how disobedience silences divine guidance. He emphasises that soul winning is the primary reason for empowerment. And above all, he presses the urgency of personal encounter over borrowed revelation.

This is not a sermon for casual reading. It is a manual for spiritual awakening.

As you read, approach these pages prayerfully. Pause over the Scriptures. Reflect on the questions raised. Allow the Holy Spirit to expand the Word in your own heart. The same Spirit who moved at creation, who raised Christ from the dead, and who empowers the Church today is present with you as you turn these pages.

May this “Hour of Visitation” become your own hour of visitation. And may the Person of the Holy Spirit become your daily reality.

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*- Chief Editor, LivingSermons*

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## Opening Charge

Now join me and welcome to this next session of Shiloh, a beloved son in the Gospel, Pastor David Ibiyeomie. Amen.

Hallelujah.

For him to give me his microphone, my miracle has started. This is not my microphone; it is his own. So you should know what it means.

From the depth of our heart, thank you, my father. Thank you, Heavenly Father. We thank You for this moment. We vow to give You every glory as we speak about the Holy Spirit. You are a Person. Reveal Yourself to Your precious people by Your Word. At the end of the day, each one will testify to Your glory.

In Jesus' mighty name.

Give that hand to Jesus. You may be seated.

## *Chapter One*

# **The Holy Spirit Is a Person**

The Holy Spirit is a Person. He is not a feeling. He is not a fire. He is not a dove. He is a Person with a Presence. From the beginning, God involved Him in creation.

*“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.*

*And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.”*

— Genesis 1:1–2 (KJV)

Creation was chaotic—no beauty, formless, void. But God Almighty introduced Him, and the Spirit of God began to move upon the face of the waters before the Word came: *“Let there be light.”*

No matter how hopeless and formless your life has been, as God’s Word is coming right now, something great will happen in your life.

Without Him, there would not have been any shape.

## **One God, Three Manifestations**

Many do not know the Holy Spirit. Some of you call Him “it.” He is a Person.

There are three—God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit. We do not worship multiple gods. We worship one God. If you do not know, you think we are worshipping three gods. God is one; it depends on how He manifests.

One man can be a husband, the same man can be a son, and the same man can be a father. To his children he is a father; to his wife he is a husband; to his father he is a son—but one man.

So when we say God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit, it depends on how He manifests Himself. The Holy Spirit is God's Presence in the life of a believer. Who Jesus was to the disciples is who the Holy Spirit is to us who believe.

The easiest way to describe Him is **Jesus unlimited**.

Jesus was in one place. He said, "I am going to leave you, but not without a Comforter." If it were the time of Jesus physically, He would not have been in Nigeria; He would have been in Israel. But now, everywhere you are, He is with you.

## **He Speaks, He Thinks, He Authors Scripture**

He speaks.

*"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly..."*

— 1 Timothy 4:1 (KJV)

He has a mind. He thinks.

*"...what is the mind of the Spirit..."*

— Romans 8:27 (KJV)

He is the Author of the Bible.

*"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:*

*That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."*

— 2 Timothy 3:16–17 (KJV)

## Why the Word Produces for Some and Not for Others

Have you ever wondered?

Someone testified just now and said, “Our father said, ‘Tyre, leave,’ and the growth left.” If you say, “Tyre, leave,” will it go?

The Holy Spirit is given to all of us. Then how come you are not profiting?

There is no bigger Holy Spirit for anybody. The Holy Spirit is constant. It is power that varies. You cannot have more of God. God is constant. You cannot have Him more or less. But power can vary from one level to another. The same Word of God you preach is the same Word others preach—and they get results, you do not.

Somebody can quote a scripture and nothing happens. Another person quotes the same scripture and something happens. The difference is the Holy Spirit.

## The Word Must Be Empowered

*“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 (KJV)

The Word existed before Jesus came.

*“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us...”*

— John 1:14 (KJV)

How did the Word become flesh? By the Holy Ghost.

*“...she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.”*

— Matthew 1:18 (KJV)

The Word in Mary did not become flesh until it was empowered by the Holy Ghost.

In the same way, any Word of God you quote without the empowerment of the Holy Spirit will not produce. You can say, “*By His stripes I am healed*” (Isaiah 53:5), and never be healed—if that Word is not empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Any Word of God the Holy Ghost does not empower will never produce. The Word without the Holy Spirit is powerless. Everything about Christianity revolves around Him.

## **The Personality Behind Resurrection**

The Holy Spirit is the Personality behind resurrection.

*“But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he... shall also quicken your mortal bodies...”*

— Romans 8:11 (KJV)

Somebody’s body will be quickened right now. If you are a believer, say Amen.

## *Chapter Two*

# **Three Conscious Realities**

To enjoy the power of the Holy Spirit, you must be conscious of three things:

1. The Holy Spirit in you
2. The Holy Spirit with you
3. The Holy Spirit for you

## **1. The Holy Spirit in You**

Be conscious that He is in you. When we say, “Talk to the Holy Spirit,” many of you look up. You think He is somewhere in the sky. You know the Scripture, but you are not conscious. Consciousness is different from knowing.

*“...he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.”*

— John 14:16–17 (KJV)

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

— 1 Corinthians 3:16 (KJV)

*“...your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you...”*

— 1 Corinthians 6:19 (KJV)

When you are conscious of His Presence, your behaviour changes.

If our father is in church, you are cautious. If you want to misbehave, you remember he is around. But when he is not around, you may be careless. When you are conscious of the Holy Spirit in you, your behaviour will change.

He lives inside believers.

## 2. The Holy Spirit with You

He is with you. You do not need to feel Him or see Him. He is there. Have you ever travelled and become afraid on a plane? You say, “Will it land?”

How can He be with you and you still fear?

*“I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.”*

— Hebrews 13:5 (KJV)

Never say, “I am alone.” You grieve Him when you say that. You can never be alone. All through Jesus’ earthly ministry, He was conscious of the Holy Spirit.

*“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...”*

— Acts 10:38 (KJV)

Paul said:

*“At my first answer no man stood with me... Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me...”*

— 2 Timothy 4:16–17 (KJV)

He is with us to defend us and protect us. From today, no evil shall befall you.

*“...When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.”*

— Isaiah 59:19 (KJV)

### 3. The Holy Spirit for You

He is for you.

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

— Romans 8:31 (KJV)

You go for an interview and say, “Nobody is with me.” He is with you there. His Presence gives you advantage. Know this: He is in you. He is with you. He is for you. With that consciousness, you will move with authority and power. You must have a personal encounter with Him—not somebody’s testimony.

You cannot use another man’s experience to pass your exam. Until you have a personal revelation of Him, you will be limited in Christianity.

#### 1. Worship and Praise

The Holy Spirit loves worship and praise.

*“...teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”*

— Colossians 3:16 (KJV)

You do not sing to entertain people. You sing to the Lord. There is no neutral ground in worship. You either worship God or you bow to the devil. Nebuchadnezzar used music to conquer Babylon.

*“...at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship...”*

— Daniel 3:5 (KJV)

Music has power. When worship is directed to God, it triggers the move of the Holy Spirit.

Be conscious:

- He is in you.
- He is with you.
- He is for you.

And when you worship Him in Spirit and in truth, you activate His move in your life. Pray one prayer at home:

“Holy Spirit, reveal Yourself to me.”

Until you have a personal revelation of Him, you will remain limited. But when He unveils Himself to you, your Christianity will move from ordinary to supernatural.

Shout Hallelujah.

Every music has a source—either from God or from the devil.

*“Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.”*

— Ephesians 5:19 (KJV)

Especially young people, hear me. Do not ever think that when you are singing worldly music it is normal. When you sing worldly music, you grieve Him. And most of you do not know.

You just carry it and say, “I like that music.” He will just say, “Okay, go ahead.” But that music you are playing—you are bowing to the devil. And you grieve Him.

When you grieve Him, you cannot operate in the supernatural. He moves on the wings of worship and praise.

Every time we worship and praise, those who are used to Him just step up and begin to speak—and things happen. That is why, in every atmosphere, we first worship and praise before the Word of God comes. God does nothing without understanding.

## *Chapter Three*

### **The Spirit Behind the Song**

Music carries a spirit.

When my biological father was alive, before he was born again, he used to play music by a man called Rex Lawson. Those from Rivers State will know him. He said every time he played the music, he would see himself swimming inside water.

Later, we understood why. Rex Lawson dedicated his music to a deity—a water deity. So every time he sang, the spirit of that deity manifested. Every time you sing a worldly song, the spirit behind that song manifests in your life.

That is why a child of God must stop singing worldly songs. Otherwise, you will never operate in the power of the Holy Spirit. Play blues in your house—what you call soft music—and you will see what begins to stir. Music has a spirit. When we worship in church, the atmosphere changes. The Holy Spirit manifests. In the same way, when you sing songs that do not glorify God, you see another spirit manifest.

In Africa, when people want to do demonic things in villages, they play drums. As they beat the drums, demons begin to manifest. Satan imitates what God does. There is no demonic manifestation without music. So when you begin to dance to certain songs, you are telling the Holy Spirit, “Bye-bye.”

## Obedience Triggers His Move

The second way to trigger the move of the Holy Spirit is by obedience. Many Christians have never heard the voice of the Holy Spirit. And even when they hear, they refuse to obey. When you disobey the voice of the Holy Spirit, you deny yourself His help.

When we finished Bible school, God told me specifically to go to Port Harcourt. I heard Him clearly: “I am sending you to Port Harcourt.”

Naturally, I loved Lagos. So I refused to move. I said, “Lord, let me start in Lagos. Later I can go.”

Every prayer I prayed after that—He kept quiet. Deep down, I knew I was disobeying. Do you know why God has not spoken to some of you? The last instruction He gave you, you did not obey.

*“...the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.”*

— Acts 5:32 (KJV)

*“He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them... I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.”*

— John 14:21 (KJV)

You want Him to manifest? Obey Him.

The easiest way to secure divine help from the Holy Spirit is to obey His voice and leading—no matter how irrational it may look. I did not like Port Harcourt. Today, I see why He sent me.

What has God told you that you have not obeyed? Go and obey.

# The Primary Purpose of Power

Soul winning is the primary reason for the empowerment of the Holy Spirit.

*“But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me...”*

— Acts 1:8 (KJV)

The power is not for speaking in tongues alone. The power is to be a witness. The first miracle I ever experienced was during evangelism here. We were given handbills and told to go out. I went to a place called Mile Two. I saw a man on crutches. I heard the Holy Spirit say, “Go and pray for him.”

I said, “What if it does not work?” I had never done that before. Faith is in degrees. At that time, my degree was small. So I moved him to a corner—just in case. I heard clearly, “Tell him to drop his crutches.”

With boldness, I said, “Drop your crutches.” He dropped them—and he walked. Mile Two exploded. I did not preach again. They grabbed the handbills. All I said was, “Say after me...”

The easiest way to preach the Gospel is to demonstrate the power of the Holy Spirit. What a long sermon cannot do, two minutes of demonstration can do. But the Holy Spirit will not work with you if you are not a soul winner.

The Holy Ghost cannot operate without the Word. Everyone who operates at a high level in the supernatural is Word-based—because He is the Author of the Bible. Your Word level determines your flow level.

*“...I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance...”*

— Acts 20:32 (KJV)

He will bring to your remembrance what you know. He cannot bring to remembrance what you have not read.

You must be addicted to the Word for Him to flow with you.

*“But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he... shall also quicken your mortal bodies...”*

— Romans 8:11 (KJV)

If that Spirit dwells in you, you are not permitted to say, “My kidneys have packed up.” He will vitalise your mortal body. One Word understood can short-circuit sickness.

## *Chapter Four*

# **Do Not Grieve the Holy Spirit**

*“And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.”*

— Ephesians 4:30 (KJV)

You can grieve Him.

Five simple things grieve Him:

- Unforgiveness
- Sin
- Disobedience
- Unbelief and doubt
- Bitterness

He is a Person.

## **The Giver of Life**

One day I asked Him, “Jesus, if You were here when HIV was killing people, would they have died?”

He said, “You are praying for them as sick. Pray for them as people who have died.”

Light came from Scripture.

*“Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same...”*

— Hebrews 2:14–15 (KJV)

He interprets the Word to you.

*“The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.”*

— Job 33:4 (KJV)

Who made you? The Spirit of God. Without the Holy Spirit, there would be no living man. He is the breath of life.

*“It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing...”*

— John 6:63 (KJV)

*“...the Spirit is life because of righteousness.”*

— Romans 8:10–11 (KJV)

Today, every part of anyone that is dead shall come back alive in the name of Jesus.

## **The Spirit of Liberty**

The Holy Spirit brings liberty.

*“...they had no comforter...”*

— Ecclesiastes 4:1 (KJV)

Who is the Comforter?

*“Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.”*

— 2 Corinthians 3:17 (KJV)

No matter how you have been bound, the Holy Ghost can set you free. Where is the Holy Spirit?

He is in you. Then you cannot be oppressed by the devil. Say: “No oppression. I am set free by the power of the Holy Ghost.”

Rise to your feet and pray that prayer. “I am set free.” In Jesus’ mighty name we have prayed. Amen.

# 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.

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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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