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Foreword

*There are messages that inform the mind, and there are messages that awaken a person to action. **Occupying Through Health and Strength** belongs to the second kind.*

In this powerful teaching, Dr. Paul Enenche brings attention to a subject that is often overlooked in discussions about kingdom assignment: the importance of maintaining the health, strength, energy, and spiritual vitality required to fulfill God-given purpose.

*The central burden of this message is simple but weighty: **there is an assignment to fulfill, territories to occupy, lives to impact, and a race to run—and strength is required for the journey.***

Throughout Scripture, we see men and women who did not merely begin well; they continued until their assignments were fulfilled. Moses reached the end of his journey with his natural strength undiminished. Caleb, at eighty-five, still possessed the strength to claim his mountain. The apostle Paul described his life as a race that had to be completed.

This book calls the reader to that same consciousness.

Dr. Enenche does not present health and strength merely as personal advantages. He presents them as instruments for kingdom service. Strength is needed to preach, to serve, to travel, to fight spiritual battles, to take territories, to raise others, and to complete the work God has committed to our hands.

*One of the striking lessons in this message is the relationship between **vision and strength**. When a person has something worth living for, something worth pursuing, and something worth accomplishing, there is a reason to rise, run, and keep moving. Vision gives energy to assignment.*

The message also exposes several spiritual pathways through which strength is sustained: living in the presence of God, feeding continually on His Word, walking in joy, living free from bitterness, maintaining the fear of God, and walking by faith.

These truths are not presented as abstract principles. They are communicated through Scripture, personal experiences, ministry encounters, testimonies, and practical observations from years of kingdom service.

*As the Chief Editor of this LivingSermons edition, I have approached this work with one primary responsibility: **to preserve the voice and burden of the preacher while making the message accessible to readers in book form.***

This is not intended to replace the atmosphere of the original preaching session. Rather, it is an opportunity to encounter the message again—slowly, personally, and prayerfully.

My hope is that these pages will do more than give you information.

May they awaken fresh vision. May they restore strength where strength has been depleted. May they stir you to pursue your assignment with renewed urgency. May they remind you that your life carries a divine purpose and that you must steward the strength God has given you.

And above all, may this message help you live, run, serve, and occupy until the Master returns.

Do not merely start the race.

Run it with strength.

Run it with vision.

Run it with faith.

And finish your assignment.

— Wisdom Epsi

Chief Editor, LivingSermons.com

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Main Message

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Opening Worship and Thanksgiving

Father, we give You the honor. Father, we give You the adoration. We give You the worship. Thank You, and thank You, and thank You.

Thank You. Adonai, be glorified in Jesus' precious name. The presence of God is so thick, so heavy. One of our greatest strengths in these meetings, in these conferences, and in this commission particularly, is the presence of God.

When the Word of God is spoken inside that presence, it ignites into fire. And I believe that today, someone is face to face with destiny. You can't leave here the same way you came, in Jesus' precious name.

Occupying Through Health And Strength

The Way of the Eagle

“Occupy till I come.”

The Way of the Eagle.

This morning is a healing and deliverance service segment.

So, I'm going to be speaking with the mind that interpreters are interpreting, so that you can have the time to interpret.

This is the healing and deliverance service segment of the convention.

So, I am going to quickly speak on the subject: **Occupying through health and strength.**

Objective

- To understand the place of health and strength in occupying our territories for God.
- And then, the second objective will be to understand the way of health and strength.

The Place of Health and Strength

Without a doubt, one of the greatest assets of our lives, apart from life itself—mean asset number one, I mean the highest—is God and His presence.

And then, apart from life itself, is health and strength.

In Deuteronomy chapter 34 and in verse 7, it said:

“Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.”

He lived to be 120 years with sharpness of sight and without a dimness, a reduction in strength. One of the greatest characteristics of the eagle is strength and health. No wonder Isaiah 40:31 said:

“But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles;

They shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.”

No wonder the eagle occupies the air, occupies the sky as the king of the birds.

The eagle is able to carry weights that are three times its own size and fly miles with the weight by the power of strength and health.

The Secret of Caleb's Impact

The secret of the impact of Caleb was strength.

It was held in Joshua chapter 14, and in verse 10 to verse 12.

Look at what Caleb said. He occupied his territory. He said:

“And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years...”

Even since the Lord spake this word unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness:

“And now, lo, I am this day fourscore and five years old.”

Eighty-five years old.

“As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses sent me.”

“As my strength was then, even so is my strength now for war.”

Both to Go Out and to Come In for War

Caleb said:

“Both to go out, and to come in for war.”

Therefore, give me this mountain.

You say the Anakims are there? Leave that for me. Just give me the mountain. I will drive them out.

Strength was the secret of Caleb and health.

Strength and health were the secret of Moses. We just saw that in Deuteronomy chapter 34 and in verse 7.

When Your Strength Is Gone, but Your Work Is Not Done

One of the saddest Scriptures—not as sad as Samson's own, but one sad Scripture I read some time ago—was Joshua chapter 13 and verse 1. It was the account of Joshua.

Now Joshua was old and stricken in years.

Meaning that Joshua had come to the point where, apart from age, he was weary, tired, exhausted.

And the Lord said to him:

“Thou art old and stricken in years.”

You are about to expire.

Yet there remained very much land to be possessed. Your energy is gone. Your strength is gone. Your capability is gone. But your work is not done.

And it was not anybody telling him. It was God talking to him. You are about to expire, but you have not finished your chapters. It was the opposite of what Paul the apostle said:

“For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.”

God is telling Joshua, “Your time of departure is at hand, but you are not ready to go.”

You can't say that you are set to go, but you have to go because your strength is expired. Your energy is gone. And when He began to mention the lands—not one, no, not two—maybe give us a little of those lands that God mentioned.

Can you proceed down a bit?

And He began to mention all the lands. May you never come to the end of your life where you have so much work but no more time. So much work but no more energy, in the name of Jesus Christ.

In the name of Jesus Christ!

In the name of Jesus Christ!

Anyone who is here today that is weary, that is tired, that is weak and sick, I announce today: the sickness, the weakness, the tiredness shall expire!

They must expire today!

They must expire today!

They must expire today!

You believe that?

Shout the loudest amen!

Why Do We Need Strength and Health?

1. To Fulfill Our Life's Assignment Within Our Time Allotment

Number one, we need strength and health to fulfill our life's assignment within our time allotment. To fulfill our life's assignment within our time allotment—the time allotted to us.

We need the strength and the health to fulfill our life's assignment within our time allotment. That was what happened to Moses in Deuteronomy 34 and in verse 7. By the time he was old, he had also finished what he was meant to do.

Apart from the situation of rebellion that cost him the Promised Land, but that's another subject.

2. For Kingdom Exploits

Why do we need strength and health?

Number two, we need strength and health for Kingdom exploit. The people that do know their God, they shall be strong and they shall do exploits.

Daniel 11:32b.

Weak people can't do exploit.

Tired people can't do exploits.

Sick people can't do exploits. I was talking to Pastor George Zuma when I went to dedicate his church, the new church that he built. He said something very funny to me. And he said, "Sir, I'd like you to pray for me for energy.

"Pray for me for strength. Pray for me for energy."

He said, because God bears me witness, that if it is zeal, I don't lack. If it is passion for God, I'm not lacking it. What I'm looking for now is energy and strength. Look at the number of crusades you just saw. This is 2026.

Let's pray for him. That's the church dedication. What was the last thing on the crusade there?

This is 2026. That is United States of America open-air stadium crusade two weeks ago.

Open-air stadium crusade, not Abuja, two weeks ago.

That's Prague in Czech Republic. The same week. The two programs were the same week.

Flew from here to Europe, flew from Europe to America, and then flew back to catch Sunday service.

All of these crusades this year, not one Sunday service has been missed anywhere.

And at times, we arrive at home 4:00 a.m., 5:00 a.m. on Sunday morning from the airport, straight to the altar here.

I appreciate God.

Rush to go and shower and refresh and come back for 6:30 a.m. first service and preach a message that is like you had holiday for the last one week.

One of our pastors, one of our men from the South-South part of this country, said going around the world and ministering is intense enough.

But what confuses him the most is the kind of message that is preached on Sunday morning after you return from such a journey.

Where was the time for the intensity of the preparation that could produce such a ministration?

You are going to have it.

Somebody say a louder amen!

Somebody say a louder amen!

Somebody shout the loudest amen!

So, whenever the devil is attacking your strength, he's attacking your exploit.

He targets your strength in order to puncture your exploits.

He targets your energy.

He targets your health in order to affect your Kingdom exploit.

So, you must understand that there are some that are not sick, but they are not strong.

You can't trace the sickness, but there is no strength.

3. To Keep the Enemy Out of Our Space

Why do we need our strength and our health?

Number three, we need our strength and our health to keep the enemy out of our space.

“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.”

“For we wrestle...” Ephesians chapter 6, from verse 10 all the way to verse 18, to keep the enemy.

Caleb said, “Give me my portion and leave the enemy for me to deal with.”

There is a time when you need to pray, to scream on the devil.

There is a time when you need to pray with brutality and fire and force.

There Is a Dimension of Fire and Force

See that girl that came to church that you watched in that documentary.

She was brought in here on that wheelchair.

And then when she came out and they said she was healed, she was still walking like this.

And they pushed out the wheelchair.

I rushed at her with the flame that was burning in my heart against that devil.

“Kick the devil out! And then let's go. Let's take a walk.”

Before you can say, “Praise the Lord,” they took off running.

When she returned back, the first thing she did was to kick the wheelchair.

Do you understand what I'm talking about?

There is a dimension of fire and force.

The wheelchair was the first target.

There is a dimension of fire and force that you cannot deploy with weakness.

There is a dimension of fire, a dimension of force.

In fact, you want to move, the devil says, “Sit down. You weak, sick person. Heal yourself first.”

Deal with yourself first.

So, it is very, very important.

You need a strong body, and then you need a sound mind, and then you need a spirit on fire to deal adequately with the devil.

Let me say that again.

A strong body.

A sound mind.

A fireful spirit.

A body that is strong, a mind that is sound, a spirit on fire to adequately deal with the devil and keep him where he belongs.

A Body Prepared for the Assignment

Jesus said:

“Sacrifice and offering thou wouldst not, but a body hast thou prepared me.”

You gave me a body—a tireless body, a sickless body, a weariness-less body, a body that can preach for 72 hours nonstop.

I'm sure you remember that.

He preached one day for 72 hours nonstop, and they said he said, “Give them food to eat.”

They said, “Why?”

I said, “They have been with me for 72 hours,” for three days.

Seventy-two hours on your feet with a voice that is not cracking.

One of the pastors that I knew when we were young in 1978–79, when the Lord was raising us—Bishop Piggot, now old man—he said, “I listen to you and I watch you all the time.”

He said, “My greatest miracle about you is that your voice does not crack.”

He said, “How can you preach in the morning, preach in the night, pray?”

And then you do that every day from Monday till Saturday.

One young girl said to me the other day after the youth conference—she was an usher, ushering people. She lost her voice.

Strength for the Assignment

She said, “I was doing a work. I lost my voice.”

He said, “I don't know how you did it. How do you do it?”

She said, “I didn't preach. I didn't sing. I didn't do anything. Just, ‘Sit down here. Move there.’”

She lost her voice for a one-week program.

And then, after finishing preaching and stressing the voice, I said, “Can you soprano hit the sixth octave? Let me hear C6.”

“I don't know. I cannot eat it. I can hit it.”

A body hast Thou prepared me.

Jesus was conscious that He needed a prepared body—a body that was equal to the task, a body that was equal to the assignment, a body that was equal to the demands on His life.

And that is why I'm here this morning, because I believe that somebody—the way the devil is making you sick every week, you won't be able to fulfill your destiny.

In the name that is above every name, everything in your body and in your system right now that is not planted by my God, I command it cleared out, cleaned out!

Shout yes!

Give the Lord the praise as you take your seat.

4. To Take Our Portion and Hold Our Ground in God

We need strength to keep the enemy out of our space. Number four, we need strength to take our portion and hold our ground in God. To take our portion and hold our ground.

That was what Caleb did in Joshua 14, from verse 10 all the way to verse 12.

You say, “Give me. Just give me my possession.”

We need strength to occupy our space, to take our portion and hold our ground.

We need strength.

Somebody say amen!

Somebody say louder amen!

Somebody shout, “Believer, say amen!”

Energy for Kingdom Assignment

One day, we finished an all-night that was in Area 1, 9:00 p.m. till 6:00 a.m.

By the time we were leaving at 6:00 a.m. in the morning, I told Dr. Mensah, I said, “I feel so much energy. I feel like going on for another six hours.”

She said, “Really?”

“Well, you can go ahead and do your preaching. Let those of us normal human beings go home and sleep.”

“Let those of us normal human beings go home and sleep.”

I said, “What are you talking about? Are you accusing me of abnormality?”

“I'm not normal.”

He said, “Let's be normal.”

And that was the truth. I wasn't pretending.

By virtue of His energy.

I came from Europe one time, straight. British Airways landed on Sunday morning about 5:00 a.m.

Went straight home, showered, back to church by 6:00 a.m., first service, Area 1.

First service, second service, third service, fourth service, fifth service.

Finished the fifth service, went back home, dressed up, flew out in the evening of the same day to South America.

Energy, energy, energy, energy!

It's coming upon somebody right now!

If you are saying amen, you are saying it like a believer.

Health is coming.

Strength is coming.

Capacity is coming.

Capability is coming.

Peter says:

“Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.”

Something is coming upon somebody here today.

Something is coming upon someone here.

You believe it?

Shout yes!

Give the Lord the praise.

Strength for a Global Assignment

Apostle Omar from Nicaragua is here and his wife.

Give the Lord the praise for them.

Big, big, big mega assignment they are doing in Nicaragua.

They were our hosts in Nicaragua when we went for the Nicaragua crusade.

The wife told me and Dr. Mensah yesterday, she said, “Do you sleep at all?”

I said, “Yes, we sleep.”

She said, “Are you sure you sleep at all? How do you know?”

Pastor Eddie, please—Bishop Eddie, please interpret to them.

Yes, he's doing that.

Okay, he's doing that.

Hallelujah!

Beloved brothers and sisters, why do we need health and strength?

5. To Run With the Required Speed for Impact

Number five, we need health and strength to run with the required speed for impact.

To run with the required speed.

The Bible says we should run the race that is set before us.

When it comes to faith, you walk the walk of faith.

But when it comes to impact, you run the race.

You run the race that is set before us.

Vision Requires Running

Vision requires running.

Habakkuk 2:2–3 says:

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

There is no vision that is qualified to be called a vision that requires crawling.

No vision is qualified to be called vision that requires walking.

Vision places the demand of running on the visionary. So visionaries are runners, and you don't run with weakness. They that wait on the Lord, they shall renew their strength.

They shall mount up with wings as eagles.

They shall run.

Run.

Strength to run.

The Demand of Vision

What have I done this month? What have we done this month?

I was to go to preach in the East.

I preached to them from here in the East. The same Thursday, I was to go to Ghana. We were at the airport, and then our plane arrived much later than the time it should have arrived.

So, my preaching was to be 7:00 to 8:00 in Ghana, and then we were meant to leave here by 9:00, which would make us reach Ghana around 10-something.

So, that cancelled that day's schedule, but that did not cancel my preaching here at home each day, with commanding-the-day midnight prayer.

Then finished that and went the following week to Czech Republic, and then from Czech Republic to United States of America.

Commanding the day happening every day. Then returned back to Children's Convention, where I participated and also preached full blast, almost two hours, to children. Can you show us a clip of the Children's Convention?

We had about 20,000 children. They fed them for three days, free of charge, for three days.

The children did everything. They played the sack race, played the drums, played the instruments, coordinated, conducted their services, and all of that.

Preaching now and illustrating to them at their level for almost an hour and a half, preaching to the children.

Do you understand what it means to preach for a three-year-old to understand, and you are preaching for one and a half hours?

And finish with that one.

And here we are.

There Must Be a Sense of Urgency

International ministers.

This is August.

The very August which has not yet expired. Book writing is inside this.

Music and worship production is inside this.

Seats of Destiny is inside this.

I am not saying anything to impress nobody, but once there is a vision, you must be a runner.

You must run.

You must run.

You must run the race.

You must proceed with a sense of urgency.

John G. Lake said, “I run as I walk. I walk as I run. I run as I pray. I pray as I run.”

I run as I pray.

I pray as I run.

Hallelujah!

We need—and to run, you need energy.

Strength to Run the Race

That was what the Bible said in Psalm 19 and in verse 5.

It says:

“Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.”

There is the need for strength to run.

There is the need for health to run.

We need that.

6. To Live Out Our Days

Number six, because of time, to round off: we need strength and health to live out our days so that our days are not cut short.

To live out our days.

Moses lived out his days.

Deuteronomy 34:7.

To live out our days so that our days are not cut short.

We are not cut short by sickness and not cut short by any activity of the enemy from any realm.

So, we are talking about spiritual strength, physical strength; talking about spiritual energy, physical energy.

Hallelujah!

Everyone trusting the Lord today that you are going to move back to—and I'm specifically trusting the Lord for every liability in your body.

Diabetes. Hypertension.

Easy fatigability.

In the name of Jesus Christ, that shall be no more!

The Way of Health and Strength

1. Living in the Glory of His Presence

That was where Moses lived. The glory saturated his body until strength was the outcome. Living in His glorious presence. Living in the glory of His presence. Living in His glory and in His presence is the same thing. They go from strength to strength.

“They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.”

Before God, what you get is strength.

It says:

“Honour and majesty are before him: strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.”

They are before Him, living in His glory and in His presence.

2. Living in the Word

We are pastors. We preach the Word, but it's a different thing when you use the Word therapeutically on yourself.

Proverbs 4:20–22 says:

“My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.

Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.

For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.”

Every time you get a fresh revelation from the Word, you are getting a fresh injection of life.

A fresh injection of life.

John 6:63:

“It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing; the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.”

Ezekiel 2 and verse 2:

“And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet.”

Don't forget this.

Every time you get a fresh insight from the Word, you are getting a fresh injection of life, a fresh injection of strength, a fresh injection of health, a fresh injection of Zoe.

So, as busy as we are, let us endeavor to maintain contact with a fresh flow of the Word.

The Word we hear.

The Word we eat.

The Word we feast on.

Let's endeavor and trust the Lord for that.

Nobody is too busy to eat physical food.

Nobody is ever too busy to have a bath.

So, we must never be too busy to get light from the Word.

I believe maybe that was why Tozer would always open the Bible before he eats physical food.

He would break from the Bread of Life before he ate physical food.

Hallelujah!

3. Living in Joy

Freedom from depression. Nehemiah 8:10b says:

“The joy of the LORD is your strength.”

Depression deprives you of health. “Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice.”

Make that choice for joy.

Rejoice.

Rejoice.

Rejoicing is a choice. Joy is a choice.

It's not a gift.

I made the choice to enjoy life and not endure it. You can make the choice to enjoy it and not endure it.

Enjoy Life, Don't Endure It

If you ask my wife sitting there, we just woke up and we came straight to church.

Tell them yesterday, how many times did I make them laugh?

They will tell you.

They may not remember the number, but it just flows permanently like a tonic.

Pastor John and his wife, they came all the way.

Can you wave your hands, Pastor John and your wife?

Can you stand and just wave? Let's see you.

They are doing very, very great work—Americans, but now in the United Arab Emirates.

And you said, after I laid hands on him, “I would like you to share that testimony.”

I laid hands on him. I was in Houston, and then things exploded.

Things began to happen.

They are now ministering and impacting people all the way to Pakistan.

Glory!

Where terrorists are repenting, being baptized, and being filled with the Holy Ghost.

They now came and said, “We want to come so you can help us. Come out and show us how to do it more.”

People are getting exploded.

The wife told me yesterday, she said, “You carry joy everywhere.”

I said, “How do you know?”

“It's all over you.”

You say you and your wife anywhere, and that is the truth.

Anywhere, any meeting or program, we will show up by God's mercies.

The atmosphere explodes with an unusual tonic of excitement.

It's right in the air.

Thank you, John.

I'll pray for you in the course of the service.

Hallelujah!

Are you hearing what I'm saying here today?

There is just an explosion.

You have just one life to live.

Enjoy it.

You have just one life to live.

You may have a spare tire, but you don't have a spare life.

This life has no rehearsal.

We are not rehearsing for another life.

We are in the reality of life now.

Enjoy it.

Enjoy it.

Don't endure it.

Enjoy it.

Don't endure it.

Enjoy it.

And you know that merriment is medicinal. A merry heart doeth good like medicine.

Proverbs 17:22 says:

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

Joy is therapeutic.

Hallelujah!

Chemotherapy, radiotherapy, geotherapy...

I heard about a man who, I was told, was given a diagnosis—a terminal diagnosis.

He had about six weeks or something to live. And when he thought very well, he said, “Well, before I die, let me at least rejoice.”

So, he began to watch things that made him laugh. He laughed out that devil under six weeks, and it was gone.

Diagnosis disappeared.

Life restored.

Am I communicating?

Every time the devil puts your joy under pressure, he's putting your life under pressure. When your joy is at risk, your life is at stake. Somebody say a loud amen!

Somebody say a louder amen! Somebody shout aloud, say amen!

Protect Your Joy

As pastors, we can come under a lot of pressure—a lot of people, a lot of things.

People you are helping are attacking you, all manner.

Do you understand what I'm saying?

And I preached on Sunday: Don't allow anybody bring you bad report from somebody who hates you.

Don't.

They say, “Do you know what so-and-so person was saying against you?”

And he's someone that is confirmed who wants you dead.

Tell him, “I'm not interested.”

Because there is nothing he's going to say about me that is correct, that is accurate.

So, why do I want to hear it?

In Ministers' Conference some time ago—this will be like about 20 years ago—one of our pastors said, “Daddy, people are bad.”

I said, “What happened?”

He said, “As we just left the Ministers' Conference now and went outside, a pastor who was right inside the same Ministers' Conference was speaking against you.”

Bitterly.

You know what I said?

I said, “So, God bless you. So, we'll see later till tomorrow.”

I did not ask him who he is.

“Till tomorrow. What did he say?”

It will not help me.

Because if I know who he is and I know what he said, it will so corrupt my mind that anytime I see him coming...

Because I know how to frown if I want to.

You don't even want to see my frown.

Sorry.

So, that will just corrupt my mind for nothing.

Corrupt my mind.

So, let me be laughing for him despite what he said.

Let me not know he is the one.

Let me still be smiling for him.

Let it be heaping coals of fire on his head.

Let God deal with him for me.

Let me protect my heart.

Let me protect my joy.

Let me protect my excitement.

Am I speaking to somebody here?

So, stop looking for what they are saying about you.

Stop looking, except if it is for the sake of assessment.

Like Jesus said, “What do men say that I am?” when He wanted to assess His impact.

That was a different matter.

But where people—you know they are confirmed, they are not pretending...

If you kill yourself for them, you say, “Die there.”

You say, “You wanted to die for me; you didn't even die.”

There is nothing under heaven you will do that makes any sense.

So, stop trying.

Face your life.

Face your life.

Go very, very far.

A time will come when they will not be able to see your brake light.

Hey!

If God is speaking to you, shout the loudest amen!

By all means, protect your joy.

Protect the joy of people around you—your wife, your husband, your children.

Protect their joy.

There are times when you just deflate the tension by just a statement.

Protect Your Heart Before You Step to the Altar

Pastors, don't let everybody tell you everything before you go to the altar.

“Uh! You're about to step... We just heard the news...”

Which news?

Let the news wait until I finish delivering.

Protect the Fountain

Am I communicating?

So, don't let them—don't ever branch near me with negative news before I step on the altar.

It doesn't matter what the news is.

If it is a fact, it can wait.

A problem can be solved.

A fact is to be accepted, and it can wait.

If nothing can be done about it now, why do you want to pollute my heart?

This is a fountain.

This is the fountain I have.

It must flow with sweet waters.

Don't color the message I'm about to preach with depression.

Yes, sir.

Don't color it with depression.

Don't color it with bad news.

Don't color it with hatred and bitterness and malice.

Don't call...

Just help me lift my heart.

Let it be free.

Somebody say loud amen!

Somebody shout the loudest amen!

Give the Lord a praise and take your seat.

Don't Be a Signboard

These are very—they might look little or tiny, but there are people who are destroying their own lives by this joyless operation.

Live in His glory and presence.

Live in the Word.

Endeavor.

And one thing I want to tell pastors here today:

Please, every time you have the opportunity to prepare a message, let it be your opportunity as well to get a light that you never had before, even on that same message.

So that you are not a preacher that is giving people food and dying of hunger yourself.

So that every opportunity of your life is maximized.

You have your personal study of the Word, but even the study to minister, let it be a study that enriched your own life.

Yes, sir.

After this message, I'll write down action points from this particular message for myself.

If you did not learn anything from what yourself is teaching, you are a signboard, not a sign.

The signboard is pointing people to where he did not enter.

Hallelujah!

Don't live like a signboard.

Don't be pointing people somewhere.

Let what you are saying give yourself proofs.

The proofs you had before and the proofs after what you have preached.

I learned so heavily during the youth convention while I was teaching.

I was—I was, listen, I was hearing.

I was receiving.

Hallelujah!

Living in Love, Free from Bitterness

Number three, you live in joy, and then you live in love, free of bitterness.

Hebrews 12:15 says:

“Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled.”

The two of them are connected most times.

People who are bitter most times are also depressed, and vice versa.

People who are depressed at times are bitter also.

They see everybody as the cause of their problem.

I have seen bitterness unto sickness.

I have seen bitterness unto madness.

Bitterness unto madness.

So bitter until they ran crazy.

I've seen not one, not two. I'm remembering about three now.

T. L. Osborn mentioned one that he experienced. I believe it was in Uganda.

Bitterness.

Unforgiveness and the Ministry of Tormentors

Bitterness invites the ministry of tormentors. In Luke—I believe chapter 18—I think verse 35, where He said a particular servant did not forgive.

Okay, Matthew 18:35.

I think 35.

A particular servant did not forgive.

And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors.

Matthew 18:34–35 says:

“And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.

So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.”

So, unforgiveness and bitterness invite the ministry of tormentors.

There are people whose systems are being tormented because of things that they have held and they have not released.

Unforgiveness.

Bitterness.

Pastor steal your member or so and so forth.

Somebody left the church and he's talking against you.

Well, you leave them for God.

I don't know of any church in this world that somebody did not leave.

I don't know one.

Don't Be Troubled When People Leave

They said when they went to Kenneth Hagin's place and they started—some people came and said the place is too far; they cannot come.

People who have been there said, “It is too far. Why did our church come to this place?”

He told them, he said, “You know what? Are there nearby churches where you are?”

“Yes.”

“Find one nearby. Just find one near there and just feel free.”

So, just feel free.

Do you understand what I'm saying?

There is nobody that a relationship will not end.

A friend you had that you thought was a friend that later became a devil.

If you doubt me, ask Jesus Christ about Judas Iscariot.

The Bible says Satan entered Judas.

He said in Psalm:

“Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.”

It was a prophetic Psalm talking about Judas.

So, Judas was not just a treasurer.

He was a familiar friend.

“Mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted.”

I trusted him until I gave him the bag of the money to hold.

He ate of my bread.

The one I'm giving the bread to is the one that will crucify me.

He has lifted up his heel against me.

That is a Messianic Psalm.

Messianic Psalms are Psalms that spoke about Jesus Christ before He arrived.

Are you hearing what I'm saying here today?

That was Judas.

The One Who Must Never Leave You

The only Person that must not leave you or leave church is God. If God has not left you and God has not left church, you are in a good place.

It doesn't matter who is present. If God is absent, you are wasting your life. You are wasting your life. It doesn't matter who is present. Whether he's a rich man or a poor man, whether he's an influencer, it doesn't matter who is present.

If God is absent, you are a goner.

And it doesn't matter who is absent.

If God is present, calm down.

Don't Despise Small Beginnings

You know, people have a way of looking down and despising people.

When we came to town newly, they looked at us and said, "Small children church. Small church of small people."

They called it church of small people.

Church of little, little children.

One woman, her sister was attending our church.

She told the sister, "Is it that small children's church you are going?"

That one has since looked for help here.

Another time they said it was poor people's church, that it is just for the masses.

The classes attend other places.

The masses are coming.

Some are using it as an explanation for why they are not seeing the crowd.

They say, “Oh no, it's just masses—market people, roadside people. Those are the kind of people that fill the place. If you are looking for millionaires and billionaires, look elsewhere.”

Later on, they changed their mind.

They say, “We are producing money somewhere. There is something we are doing that they don't understand.”

“How can you do all those crusades and you didn't take offering, and flying everywhere around the world right at will?”

When we went to Togo and Ghana, two private planes were moving in the air like this.

You see what happened when we were going for the crusade.

Three planes were available for our use.

So, I said, “My P.A., you and this group follow this plane. You, you are the leader in this other plane.”

“You will sit on my seat where I should have sat there.”

That's why you gave him. He said, “I gave him one to follow.”

And Cameroon too. You were with us in Cameroon. Cameroon was the beneficiary of one of them. Now, inside this place are camera holders, church workers. That is how the place is a poor place?

Instrumentalists. Where are some of them?

When we were coming from—somebody was angry. He said, “You followed our own. Can we—can you follow our own?”

“Now, you came with this other one. Can you go with our own back?”

Listen, in the name of Jesus, it doesn't matter what anybody is saying to you. All that you need is just focus on God.

The only person that must not be absent from your life is God.

Ensure that God is present. And don't give allowance for any trace of bitterness.

If you are here, shout the loudest amen.

Look at your neighbor. Say, **“There is no time to be bitter. There is too much work to do.”**

Take your seat.

I quoted Nelson Mandela verbatim when he came out of prison. They said, “How do you feel about those who imprisoned you? Are you bitter?”

He said, **“Bitter? There is no time to be bitter. There is work to do.”**

It is because you don't have work to do that you are taking notice of who is talking against you, who is after you.

Bury yourself in assignment. You won't have the time to hear what they say.

Are you hearing what I'm saying here today?

Bury yourself in the assignment. You will not have the time to hear what people are saying, and you will not have the time to be bitter.

If there is anyone you are bitter against today, just release them. Release them to God.

There are those who feel that they deserve judgment. Let vengeance, let God judge them. Let the judgment happen for them.

Living in love, free of bitterness, is key.

Living in the Light of Vision

That is what I just explained: in the light of vision.

When you flood yourself with vision, vision produces restoration and transformation within you.

Vision is a thought for life.

That was why he said, **“Where there is no vision, the people perish”** in Proverbs 29:18.

You can saturate yourself with the things that you keep in front of you, the things that your eyes see.

Those things energize you, they strengthen you, they give you capacity to run.

That was why I said, “Write the vision, make it plain,” that he may run. The visioner is a runner, and you need strength to run.

You see, the vision supplies both the strength and the health to run. It supplies both the strength and the health.

Ensure that your mind is sufficiently occupied with what to do, sufficiently saturated with what needs to be done, the next step to take, the next level to step into.

My wife and I, I think it was three days ago or four, she said, “So, what is your plan concerning this crusade impact?”

I said, “I am trusting God that, yes, it's a plan for next year. Whether there shall be a slight modification or reduction or something about next year—”

I said, “Oh, no, no, no. It's not likely to come down.”

And I must commend her. No woman can walk the way she's walking or run the way she's running or follow a man like this and not break down.

Do you understand what I'm talking about?

Now, apart from the stress, the jet lag, time difference—in India, 12 is 7:00 a.m. when it is 12 midnight here.

When you say we're doing Commanding the Day midnight prayer by 6:00 a.m. there to 7:00, by the time you need to sleep, the day has started and there was a morning session.

So it was the time difference, apart from that, the stress of flight.

The stress of flight—17 hours, 16 hours. One day we were flying, and I had drank water from this bottled water like this. It was empty by the time we arrived at our destination. It had squeezed, collapsed like this from pressure and altitude.

So I said, “Really?” You can imagine what it is doing to the body.

You can imagine what it is doing to the body. It is doing something to your body, but you are not aware.

It squeezed. The water bottle squeezed before we reached the destination. It was just squeezed like this. Nobody touched it. It just locked.

So, the stress of flying—and for those who enjoy flying, in quote, when the plane shakes small—do you understand what I'm talking about?

So I'm actually saying she must be commended. That's true.

Because I'm a boy. She's a girl.

And boys can play rough play, but not girls. Praise the Lord.

But she's so—she said, “So, how is it?”

I said, “No, I'm not sure if it is going to relax, but let's see how it goes. But I'm trusting the Lord that we should be able to cover so-and-so level of ground around this time.”

So I gave her that we should be able to go to about these kinds of places.

Spread the fire. Set the lands on fire.

For me, beyond the crusade is setting the ministers on fire. Ministers' conference, set them on fire. Leave them to overrun their land. So I'm trusting for us to go to about this kind of number of countries. When we looked, the number I mentioned was more than the number of countries in the world.

She said, “Ah, it is already more than the—should more countries be created?”

And I said it out of—I didn't—it just came spontaneously. I said we should be able to visit so-and-so number and set them on fire, set the lands on fire. So no, that is far more than the number of countries in the whole world.

I started laughing.

That is over-vision.

But it's better to have more vision than to have no vision and to have too little vision. Just charge your mind. Go before God. The territory where you are, let every square inch of it be overrun.

Am I communicating at all?

Don't let your mind run out of vision, otherwise you may run into transgression. The Bible said when Solomon finished all that was in his heart, that was when he started marrying more wives and concubines.

He finished all.

Don't let work finish in your heart.

Don't let assignment finish in your heart.

Don't let vision finish in your heart.

Don't Let Vision Run Out of Your Heart

They brought a pastor to me from Canada the other day, last year.

I said, "What is your vision?"

He said, "Nothing."

That is almost 60 years now. Church is not growing. Nothing is happening. So he's just trying to see.

I said, "60?"

He said, "No vision."

I said, "Moses started at 80."

He started at 80. Burning bush was at age 80.

I've not reached the age where Moses started.

Abraham started at age 75.

That means you have 15 more years to the starting point of Abraham.

I'm talking about a vision that was injected.

Hands were laid on him. He ran back to Canada, routed the place.

Today he's running multiple services. He said he's going to come and testify.

He said, **"That anointing is too contagious."**

He said he was at the point where he had accepted where he was. Everything was at a standstill.

They said, "Can you imagine? People run, coming to church. Church is overflowing."

They sent me the pictures this morning. Church is overflowing, and they are running multiple services.

He told a friend who brought him, he said at the point he was, he had retired.

It was to maintain whatever he had till the end of his life. Just maintain whatever you are. Just maintenance.

I don't care what age you are, what you have seen.

Don't let vision run out of your heart.

Don't let vision run.

Don't let work run out in your heart.

Don't let assignment run out in your heart.

It will rejuvenate your life. It will reinvigorate your life. It will re-energize your life.

You are hearing me. Shout the loudest amen. Shout the loudest amen.

Take your seat in the presence of the Lord.

There Is a Time to Rest

This practical example at dinner. Were you the pastor in Enugu at that time when we had that crusade in the university?

We had a big crusade, and I was to go after the healing and deliverance service on Tuesday like this. By the time—and the whole week had been very busy—I was tired. I needed rest. I mean, no matter who you are, there is a time to rest.

I needed rest.

So I called him. I said, “How is the crusade going?”

He said, “Fine. Things are moving very fine.”

I said, “You know what? I will not be able to come today. I'm very, very tired. I need to rest. But first thing tomorrow morning, I will hit the road.

“So help me anchor the service tonight at the crusade ground.”

He said, “Yes, sir.”

But people started coming since morning.

He said the place is filled with crippled people, blind people, afflicted people. He said they are everywhere.

There Is a Time to Rest

He said the place is filled with crippled people, blind people, afflicted people. He said they are everywhere.

I said, “Really?” He said they came since morning, and we were talking around 1:00 p.m.

Now, before I called him, I couldn't imagine myself entering the car from here to Gwagwalada, Gwagwalada to Lokoja, Lokoja to Ajokuta. That journey that was meant to be 25 minutes was one hour, one hour, one hour.

I imagined the road, then you finish at Ajokuta, enter the road, and then come, and then enter the bridge. I imagined all of that and concluded that I was not going today. Let me rest and come tomorrow.

But when I heard that the sick and the afflicted had been there since morning, tiredness disappeared.

I told him, “I'll see you shortly.”

I jumped into the car.

Healing and deliverance services in those days would end around 3:00 in the afternoon. I jumped into the car. I didn't feel any road. The road became smooth. The road became smooth. Tiredness died.

When I arrived straight at the crusade ground, healing was like water—blind, deaf, crippled, all manner of afflictions.

And I appreciated God that I made that journey.

You are tired because you are not seeing enough. You are not feeling enough. You are exhausted. You are weary because there is something you haven't seen.

You haven't caught some vision.

You are doing overtime on the bed in the morning because there is nothing that gives you a reason to wake up, wake up on time, wake up with energy, and wake up and hit the road.

There is nothing that fills you. There is nothing driving you.

And where there is no drive, there is no destination.

Praise the Lord!

There is no drive. You are not going anywhere without a drive.

It will re-energize you. It will make you young.

They are telling me that I'm looking younger than my age, and I'm looking younger every time. It has not started yet because what we feel here is plenty, plenty, plenty.

We will overrun this place plenty times until there is—

Let me stop there.

Somebody say a loud amen!

Somebody say a loud amen!

Somebody shout the loudest amen!

Lift your hands. Say:

I shall fulfill my days.

I shall proceed with strength.

**I shall proceed with energy,
in the name of Jesus!**

Take your seat. Let me round up.

Living in the Fear of God

The fear of God, which is to abstain from evil.

Proverbs 19:23 says:

“The fear of the LORD tendeth to life: and he that hath it shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.”

The fear of the Lord is a channel to life. When you don't fear God, you revel in evil.

Proverbs 8:13 says:

“The fear of the LORD is to hate evil...”

The fear of God makes you not touch the abominable. It makes you escape defilement. That is the fear of the Lord.

Psalms 119:67 says:

“Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.”

So, if I am not going to be afflicted, I must stay on track. “Before I was afflicted, I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.”

Church money is not the pastor's money. It is God's money.

When you touch it, you open the door for destruction and disaster. When you touch corruption, you open the door. When you give your strength out in another direction, you remember what King Lemuel's mother told him: "Give not thy strength."

When you give your strength out in another direction, you cannot have the strength you need for the assignment. You can't have health apart from having your life jeopardized for eternal hell.

Living in the fear of God prolongs life.

Living in Faith

Habakkuk 2:4 says:

"The just shall live by his faith."

Faith in God that says, "My life cannot be cut short before my time."

Romans 4:20 says Abraham was:

"Strong in faith, giving glory to God."

He was strong in faith. He was strong in faith.

Faith in God.

Hebrews 11, concerning Sarah, says:

"Through faith also Sara herself received strength..."

So, faith is a channel of strength.

Faith connects us with health. It connects us with life.

Living faith in God.

Hebrews 2:9 says:

“But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.”

That is, Jesus tasted the death that should have been your death.

He died the death that you should have died.

It is as simple as that.

He died young—33 and a half. Very brutal death, tragic death, painful death. That excuses you from that type of death.

They can't be pulling you from under the car.

That charges up your faith. That charges up your faith.

You can't be a victim of a stray bullet.

They pushed the nails into His hands. They pushed the spear into His chest.

You can't be a victim of such.

Do you understand what I'm talking about?

The devil may not understand any language, but he understands the language of faith.

It is in your mind. It is in your steps. It is in your speech. It is in your behaviour.

Jesus died young. He died tragically. He died in the hands of wicked men.

That excuses me from dying in the hands of wicked men.

That excuses me from dying tragically.

“Every weapon that is formed” cannot prevail against me. That excuses me and you from dying before time.

That is what faith is.

You get the light from Scripture, and you use that light to charge your life.

Job 5:24–26 says:

“And thou shalt know that thy tabernacle shall be in peace; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and shalt not sin.

Thou shalt know also that thy seed shall be great, and thine offspring as the grass of the earth.

Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season.”

Look at the Living Bible version. Let us use it to charge your life.

Now read it.

One to go:

“You shall live a long good life. Like standing grain, you will not be harvested until it is time.”

Stand on your feet with a shout of praise!

Going nowhere!

I'm going nowhere.

Look at your neighbour and say, “You are going nowhere!”

I'd like you to read it again from that Living Bible version.

Did it do anything to you?

One to go.

I'd like you to make it personal. Make it personal.

Make it:

**I shall live a long good life,
like standing grain.
I shall not be harvested until it is time.**

Sinking boat can't harvest you.

Plane crash can't harvest you.

Road traffic accident can't harvest you.

Terrorist can't harvest you.

Kidnapper can't harvest you.

Satan the devil can't harvest you.

You are not due for harvest until it is time.

And when it is time, you will be harvested by the right person—Almighty God.

He says:

“Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.”

I want you to sing that song, and let us sing with brutality.

In Christ Alone

While we sing this song, miracles will happen.

In Christ alone, sing.

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.



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