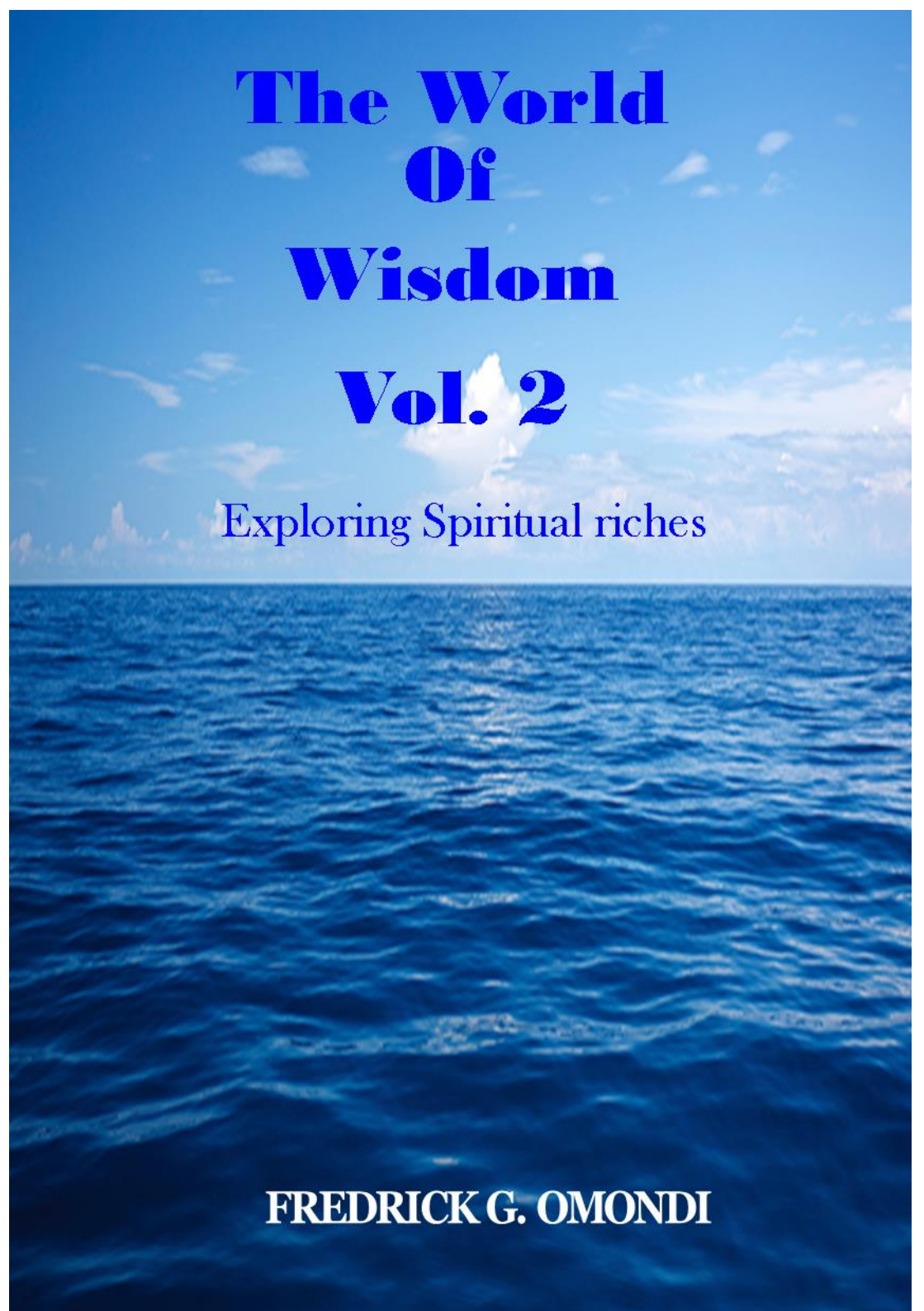




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INTRODUCTION

This book is a sequel to the first book on the world of wisdom and which dealt on the definition of wisdom, the source of wisdom, the importance of wisdom and the value of it.

In this book you are going to learn about how you can get wisdom from God, how right now wisdom is calling you and awaits your response, the fact that wisdom is attracted to wisdom, the connection between wisdom and heaven and lastly how you can shine in wisdom. I trust and believe it will be real good reading and quite invaluable to you.

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Chapter 1

How to get Wisdom

In order for one to get true wisdom one must have a right standing with God as a prerequisite and also be walking closely with God in obedience. It therefore means, one must first be born-again (saved) (1 Corinthians 2:14-16, Psalm 25:12-14, 1 Peter 2:1-3, Matthew 11:25-26, Proverbs 2:5-7). In a nutshell Christianity is the world of wisdom as in it is where one is united back to God through Christ Jesus and God being the source of all true wisdom, one is thereby disposed to an expanse of wisdom and knowledge in life.

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

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

And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the

sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:

But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

Isaiah 11:1-4

From the above scripture we find that Jesus Christ, the Messiah who was to come as prophesied by the prophet Isaiah and did come was with the spirit of wisdom and understanding and which brings about the fear of the Lord and the shunning of evil (Job 28:28) and therefore for one to have wisdom one must have Christ in one's life is he is the wisdom of God as another scripture says (1 Corinthians 1: 17-30). And so, if one looks at the life of Jesus Christ one will find that he lived a sinless life (Matthew 27: 11-24, John 8: 45-47). Now the wisdom described above does not depend on the body senses nor any logics as it is perfect and comes from God himself who is the Creator of heaven and earth and all that is therein. Now look at the

following scriptures below on the wisdom from above – the wisdom of God.

Who is **a wise man and endued with knowledge** among you? let him **shew out** of a **good conversation his works with meekness** of wisdom.

But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.

This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish.

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

But **the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits**, without hypocrisy.

James 3: 13-17

Quite an elaborate explanation on what true wisdom is that comes from God and which is available only to those who are in God. Read on.

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him:

neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

But **he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.**

For **who hath known the mind of the Lord**, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:14-16

When one is not yet born-again, one is a natural one until one is saved and becomes supernatural and one's spirit is revived by the Spirit of God and can now begin to understand and receive the things of God which are spiritual just as God is a Spirit. Apostle Paul says he has the mind of Christ and therefore can get instructions (understanding) from the Lord. Why? Because he is born-again and is now spiritual as he has Christ in his life.

What man is **he that feareth the LORD? Him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.**

His soul shall dwell at ease; and his seed shall inherit the earth.

The secret of the LORD is with them that fear him; and he will show them his covenant.

Psalm 25:12-14

The kind of person that will have wisdom is one that fears the Lord whose soul is at ease as has been redeemed by the Lord. Such a one, will have the secret of the Lord (wisdom) for the Lord will share it with such.

God will reveal his secrets to the righteous (the saved) who walk with him. (Genesis 6:9 – 22; 18:16 – 33). One has to be a friend and a servant of God in order to get God's counsel. (John 15:14 – 15, Amos 3:7).

WHEREFORE, laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

As new born babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

1 Peter 2:1-3

Let me now talk. One cannot forsake sin on one's accord unless one gets the help of God. Without God's intervention by your own acceptance, you are helpless as you are spiritually dead and sin is a spiritual issue that needs spiritual help and God is a Spirit and ever lives. (Romans 5:6; 8:1-8).

Now when one is saved (born-again, born a new) one is a spiritual babe (baby) and need the word of God the more, to grow in wisdom.

Such a one, has tasted the Lord's grace. Such is now in God and will grow in God who has all the wisdom (true wisdom).

At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee,
**O father, Lord of heaven and earth, because
thou hast hid these things from the wise and
prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.**

Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.

Matthew 11:25-26

That scripture seem to be familiar to the one we have just gone through. The wisdom of God has been hidden to those who have the wisdom of the world (education etc) but God in his wisdom has

revealed his wisdom to his children. It follows therefore, that you must be a child of God. (John 1:10-13).

Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD,
and find the knowledge of God. For **the LORD
giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh
knowledge and understanding.**

Proverbs 2:5-6

Now one can truly fear God except one be one in the Lord and learn obedience and thereby get the knowledge of God. Without God in life people have learnt only disobedience because Satan is out there and is most disobedient and rebellious as well. Out of God people learn in the classroom of Satan who is their teacher.

God only teaches wisdom, his wisdom. (Verse 6)

True wisdom is treasure held in God's throne room and is readily available for asking by the saints (the children of God) who have separated themselves from the world systems (Proverbs 18:1, James 1:5-7, 2 Corinthians 6:17-18).

THROUGH desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh and intermeddleth with all wisdom.

Proverbs 18:1

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

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

2 Corinthians 6:17-18

Unless you desire and separate yourself unto the Lord, you cannot intermeddle with the wisdom of the Lord and will worse still remain a son and a daughter of Satan, which is the worst thing ever.

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

James 1:5-7

James the half brother of Jesus Christ was by the power of the Holy Spirit writing to the children of God (The Church of Christ) in the capacity of an apostle. He was not addressing the Gentiles, so that one may attempt to ask God for wisdom. (verse 5), he talks of the faith factor in asking (verses 6-7), only the Church of Christ has faith in God and walk thereby (2 Corinthians 5:7). You cannot buy wisdom from the shops like other tangible commodities nor get it from learning Institutions. Only God knows where to get wisdom as he is the possessor of all true wisdom (Job 28:20-23, Proverbs 8:20-23).

I do believe that wisdom is not achieved overnight but is released by God to individual Christians in trickles as one continues in the word of God in fearing and obeying God. (Luke 2:52) Exception we see only in king Solomon who the Lord God was much pleased by what he asked for when he was given an opportunity and some craftsmen who

the Lord God had assigned some special task to do.
(1 Kings 3:3-13; 4:29-34, Exodus 31:1-11).

And Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of David his father: only he sacrificed and burnt incense in high places.

And the king went to Gib'-eon to sacrifice there; for that was the great high place: a thousand burnt offerings did Solomon offer upon that altar.

In Gib'-eon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.

And Solomon said, Thou hast showed unto thy servant David my father great mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; and thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne, as it is this day.

And now, O LORD my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I am but a little child: I know not how to go out or come in.

And thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude. Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?

And the speech pleased the LORD, that Solomon had asked this thing.

And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked for thyself the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment;

Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.

And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches, and honor: so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days

1 Kings 3:3-13

King Solomon asked God for wisdom and God granted him but first he had begun by loving him walking in his statutes.

And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceedingly much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the seashore. And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of the east country, and all the wisdom of Egypt.

For he was wiser than all men; than E'-than the Ez'-ra-hite, and He'-man, and Chal'-col, and Dar'-da, the sons of Ma'-hol: and his fame was in all nations round about.

And he spake three thousand proverbs: and his songs were a thousand and five.

And he spake of trees, from the cedar tree that is in Leb'-a-non even unto the hyssop that springeth out of the wall: he spake also of beasts, and of fowl, and of creeping things, and of fishes.

And there came of all people to hear the wisdom of Solomon, from all kings of the earth, which had heard of his wisdom.

1 Kings 4:29-34

King Solomon was given by God so much wisdom than all the people around him. We find that all true wisdom comes only from God.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

See, I have called by name Bez'-a-lee the son of U'-ri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah:

And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship.

To device cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,

And in cutting of stones, to set them, and in carving of timber, to work in all manner of workmanship.

And I, behold, I have given with him A'-ho'-li-ab, the son of A-his'-a-mach, of the tribe of Dan: and in the hearts of all that are wise hearted I have put wisdom, that they may make all that I have commanded thee;

The tabernacle of the congregation, and the ark of the testimony, and the mercy seat that is thereupon, and all the furniture of the tabernacle,

And the table and his furniture, and the pure
candlestick with all his furniture, and the altar of
incense,

And the altar of burnt offering with all his furniture,
and the laver and his foot,

And the clothes of service, and the holy garments
for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons,
to minister in the priest's office,

And the anointing oil, and sweet incense for the
holy place: according to all that I have commanded
them shall they do.

Exodus 31:1-11

The above people that God gave wisdom was
because he wanted to give them a special task to
accomplish for him. Others that I can see in the
book of Daniel on the case of the children of Judah,
Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah (Daniel
1:17) also Joseph the son of Jacob (Israel) (Genesis
40 & 41) and who were God fearing and wanted in
life only to please their God and not men and hence
were given wisdom.

Let me say this. It is time people come out of
religion and stop being religious but be truly godly.

Religion can be likened to a long tunnel which has small openings on both ends. Many are stuck in the tunnel which has very little light indeed. They are just standing and not moving quickly towards the other end and come out to full light and be able to explore the other side how it looks like. Religion is not an end in itself but just a small opening to lead you to salvation, in Christ Jesus. In Jesus Christ is where you will have much light to be able to explore the wondrous things of the Lord (John 5:38-40).

And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not.

Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

John 5:38-40

The Lord Jesus Christ was speaking those words to the Jews who had not believed in him for healing a man who had an infirmity (an illness) for thirty

eight years. Instead they begun to persecute him and wanted to slay (kill) him. The Lord said that the word of God was not abiding in them, why? They had no God in them as they have not believed in him. At the same time, these Jews were busy searching the scriptures thinking that by that act alone they have eternal life. But the scriptures do testify of Christ Jesus and one must come out to him in repentance and faith to be able to be in him and to have eternal life. (John 14:1-6, 1 John 5:11-12, John 3:16).

LET not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am there ye may be also.

And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

Thomas said unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**

John 14:1-6

And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life

1 John 5:11-12

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

After one has received the salvation of God one need to live smartly to be able to leave (exit) well the earth as the following scriptures suggest and encourage.

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ;

Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Titus 2:11-14

When one lives soberly, righteously and godly by being eager to do good works one is wise and should look forward to be raptured into heaven when the Lord shall appear in the sky and which is quite a blessing.

This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,

Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

But ye have not so learned Christ;

If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Ephesians 4:17-24

One need first to be in Christ Jesus and be enabled to put off the old nature and become wise in him as he is one's wisdom (1Corinthians 1:28-31).

See that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

Ephesians 5:15-17

The above are advices to those who are the true believers in Christ Jesus who need understand and do the Lord's which is that:

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

If you continue in God's doctrine being thoroughly furnished unto good works you will exit this scene (the earth) very well, remaining blessed eternally as the scriptures say in the book of Revelation (Revelation 14:13, 19:1-9; 20:6; 22:10-14) as you abided in Christ Jesus (The Vine) (John 15:1-15). Now let us see a few examples of those men who were wise.

Job

THERE was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job: and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and escheweth evil.

So went forth Satan from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat down among the ashes.

Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die.

But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.

Job 1:1; Job 2:7-10

Joseph

And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me.

But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what is with me in

the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand;

There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back anything from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?

Genesis 39:7-9

Daniel

Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hanniah, Mishael, and Azariah:

Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs gave names: for he gave unto Daniel the name of Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah, of Abed-nego.

But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

Daniel 1:6-8

Now the above three all feared God and showed it by their lifestyle of not wanting to sin against him (Job 28:28).

Chapter 2

Calls of Wisdom

Do you know that wisdom can also speak and that he has been calling all people to listen to him? I hope this has not come as a surprise to you, but sure enough wisdom speaks as we are going to see in the scriptures.

WISDOM hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars: she hath killed her beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table.

She hath sent forth her maidens: she crieth upon the highest places of the city,

Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: as for him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him,

Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine which I have mingled.

Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.

Proverbs 9:1-6

There is need for people to come to Christ Jesus to get wisdom and understanding (Matthew 11:28-30).

Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets:

She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, saying,

How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scornors delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge.

Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;

But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:

I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh;

When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.

Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer;
they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:
For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose
the fear of the LORD.

They would none of my counsel: they despised all
my reproof.

Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own
way, and be filled with their own devices.

For the turning away of the simple shall slay them,
and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely,
and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

Proverbs 1:20-23

We need to heed when wisdom calls, if not, when
we are in trouble, he will not come to rescue us. We
will reap what we have sown. (Galatians 6:7). Our
folly will kill us. But if and when we decide to
listen and follow wisdom, we shall be safe and will
have nothing to fear. (Psalms 25:1-5; 91:1-16)

UNTO thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul,
O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed,
let not mine enemies triumph over me.

Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause. Show me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths. Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

Psalms 25:1-5

If we put our trust in the Lord and desire to do his will we will not be ashamed for he is our salvation, only in him are we safe. (Matthew 5:6)

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Matthew 5:6

HE that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers and under his wings shall thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor
for the arrow that flieth by day;

Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor
for the destruction on that wasteth at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand
at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the
reward of the wicked.

Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my
refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any
plague come nigh thy dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to
keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou
dash thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young
lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore
will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because
he hath known my name.

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honor him.

With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation.

Psalms 91

We need be on the side of God, with God, trusting and loving him and knowing him and safety and victory is ours. (Luke 10:19). We will live longer. (Genesis 25:7-8; promised in Genesis 15:15 because of Genesis 12:1-5) (Job 5:26 why? Job 1:1 fulfilled in Job 42:16-17).

HO, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? And your labor for that which satisfieth not? Hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

Isaiah 55:1-2

Many are thirsty for the word of God which is pure water and is freely available. The word of God is equally spiritual food and is freely available. They have refused to take that which is good for their soul and gone to spend their money on very dirty water and rotten food in churches where there is corrupted gospel and selling of 'anointed oil' and other articles claimed to have some power. Such have ended badly spiritually malnourished and very thirsty.

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

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

John 7:37-38

In the above scripture Jesus called any man that was thirsty to come to him and drink and not to come to him buy and drink. Satan is a liar.

Jesus said to His disciples in finishing instructing them - Freely ye have received, freely give. (Matthew 10:8)

Therefore will I number you to the sword, and ye shall all bow down to the slaughter: because when I called, ye did not answer; when I spake, ye did not hear; but did evil before mine eyes, and did choose that wherein I delighted not.

Therefore this saith the Lord GOD, Behold, my servants shall eat, but ye shall be hungry: behold, my servants shall drink, but ye shall be thirsty: behold, my servants shall rejoice, but ye shall be ashamed:

Isaiah 65:12-13

Wisdom is calling everywhere but many people don't heed and are busy in their daily activities as if nothing has been said to them. Only if they knew better, they would have had their lives bettered to the best level ever. You have an opportunity if you are one of them, and probably your last opportunity, for you have not heeded for too long without responding to this voice (the worthy call) from above. Wisdom is of God and when wisdom calls, it is God calling. Take heed today as it might be too late if you don't, if you had not heeded

previously. Christ Jesus is the power and wisdom of God (1 Corinthians 1:24).

Chapter 3

Wisdom attracts Wisdom

Wisdom attracts wisdom, how true. It has been said “Birds of the same feathers flock together”. Let us look at the scriptures and see what it has to say. We are going to see this first in the form of Warnings and later followed in the form of Advices.

For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous:
but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Psalms 1:6

Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.

1 Corinthians 15:33

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communication hath light with darkness?

And what concord hath Christ with Be’-li-al? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, i will dwell in them, and walk in them; and i will be their god, and they shall be my people.

Wherefore come out from among them, and ye be separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

2 Corinthians 6: 14-18

Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.

1 Corinthians 15:34

BLESSED is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his

leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

Psalm 1:1-3

That thou mayest walk in the way of good men, and keep the paths of the righteous.

For the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it.

But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressors shall be rooted out of it.

Proverbs 2:20-22

Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men.

Proverbs 4:14

Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the Holy is understanding.

Proverbs 9:9-10

He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

Proverbs 13:20

Yes, wisdom attracts wisdom. If you move together with wise men you become wiser through learning. No wonder the scriptures has continued to advocate separation from those that are not like minded.

A reproof entereth more into a wise man than a hundred stripes into a fool

Proverbs 17:10

Do you know why a reproof enters more into a wise man? It is because he had knowledge, and knowledge will attract more knowledge and will not repel knowledge just as a fool who repels (rejects) wisdom, as it is foreign in his life and it has to be pumped in by force (a hundred stripes).

Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

Proverbs 27:17

Brush yourself by the word of God making use of it and come out sharpened. The word of God is like a hammer (iron) it will break you and you come out a refined (wise) man as impurities of life have been removed from you. The word of God is like a fire that will totally change you. (Jeremiah 23:29, Zechariah 13:9). The wisdom of God is higher.

By mixing with wise men and interacting one gets better and better as it will be wisdom with wisdom and all come out with more wisdom from the other which he didn't have before, as wisdom is unlimited. Now look at what happened when the Israelites did not separate themselves.

And the mixed multitude that was among them fell a lusting; and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?

We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic:

But now our soul is dried away; there is nothing at all, beside this man'-na, before our eyes.

Numbers 11:4-6

The children of Israel ended in conforming to the other people amongst them (Romans 12:2, 1 Corinthians 15:33-34).

It has been said that birds of the same feathers flock together. That saying is true looking at the following scripture.

Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

Amos 3:3

That question was directed to the children of Israel by God through his prophet Amos, as there was an agreement (covenant) between them and him. Likewise, for Christians comes the issue of fellowships which is the coming together, associating, intermingling which can be said to be a form of attraction of some sort and is not for fun but for serious business beneficial to all in shaping and sharpening one's spiritual life.

And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Hebrews 10:24-25

How is it then, brethren? When ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

1 Corinthians 14:26

There is also the place of Bible study and meditation on the word of God as well as acting on the same which is not a waste of time but for one's establishment in the word of God.

Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and

night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Joshua 1:8

Then there is also a place of prayer and fasting which is to make one become stronger in one's Christian walk especially in spiritual warfare to equip one to be a spiritual warrior and not a spiritual worrier or an amateur.

And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour.

Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?

And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, if ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.

Matthew 17:18-21

The above three examples are but wisdom for a Christian from God the redeemer of mankind. One must be a true believer (a born-again Christian) and be Spirit filled to be able to get wisdom (true wisdom of God).

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

1 John 2:27

The Holy Spirit enables a Christian to distinguish between the truth of God and any other false teaching by men.

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

John 14:26

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.

1 Corinthians 2:14-15

And the disciples came and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables?

He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not

understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:

for this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and i should heal them.

But blessed are your eyes for they see: and your ears, for they hear.

Matthew 13:10-16

In the above scripture we see that Jesus spoke in parables to the multitudes who stood on the sea shore as he sat in a ship at the sea side and hence the question asked by his disciples (verse 10). Jesus answered that question in verse 11 that it was given to the disciples to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven and not to any other group, Why? The disciples had believed in him and were in the family of God and were spiritual sons of God and were ready to do their Father's will and therefore need to know things in the kingdom of their Father- hence it is revealed to them.

As for the others it has happened just as per prophecy of Isaiah a prophet of God to the children of Israel who displeased God by lack of attentiveness to his messages to them by his prophets and the hardening of their hearts thereby dulling their spiritual sensibility such that they could not hear, see or understand the things of God as became spiritually sick and needed God's healing which was only possible if they repented of their sins. The multitudes had to have a sincere attentiveness, a willing heart as concerns obedience to the word of God through repentance, a truly overwhelming desire to be set free and be part in the kingdom of heaven. Yes, wisdom will attract wisdom but foolishness cannot attract wisdom unless the above conditions are met. (Verses 11-13) (1 Corinthians 1:18-21) Look further at what Jesus said to his disciples on the issue that wisdom will attract wisdom in verse 16 of our text in the book of Matthew.

Let us look at two scriptures that shows that God is both merciful and gracious and willing to save (heal) all that are ready to have a changed mindset

and heart if they purposely decide to do so in a serious note.

Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

Isaiah 1:18-20

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise

Psalms 51:17

If one obeys and does the needful in the above two scriptures, then the Lord will have mercy and heal such to begin getting wisdom.

Let me say this, because of the wisdom of the holy Church here on earth, they will attract heaven and be pulled upwards in the rapture and celebration

will be so great in heaven (Revelation 19:6-7)
Wisdom attracts wisdom - Heavenly host has been
yearning to be with God's sons and daughters there.

Chapter 4

Wisdom and Heaven

There is a relationship between wisdom and heaven and this we are going to explore widely through the holy scriptures of God.

In the beginning at creation God seemed to have given man a miniature heaven on earth when he put him in the Garden of Eden. It seems so as the word “Paradise” is a Persian word meaning a “garden” or “park” and which is synonymous with the word heaven. The word “Eden” means delight and for that matter the Garden of Eden was a delightful garden (Luke 23:43, 2 Corinthians 12:4).

In the Garden of Eden God placed the tree of life and others and I believe God intended to test man’s obedience to him and that if he was always obedient God most probably purposed man to be in the original heaven up there instead of him always coming down to earth to visit him and the wife (Genesis 3:8-9).

God had given man all the freedom necessary for good life and limited him only from taking and

eating the fruit from the tree of life (Genesis 1:26-30; 2:8-9; 15-17, Revelation 2:7; 22:2, 14).

Now there is only one true church in the world and that church is walking in the highway of holiness (Isaiah 35:8-9). That is the Church which is going to enter in the rapture when Christ comes to take His Church. Any other church that claims to be the church of Christ and does not walk in the highway of holiness need to repent and come to the fold of that other church and be part of God's true flock (John 10:1-16).

The church walking in the highway of holiness is the wise church (Matthew 25:1-4) whereas the other church is the foolish church and is walking in unrighteousness not following closely the right doctrines of Christ and busy doing its own things which go out of God's will.

God when he first created man, he intended him to fellowship with him and man to worship and adore God and man to procreate and dominate the earth. But Satan wanted to reverse all this but God knew better as the Omniscient, the Alpha and Omega and brought his only begotten Son Jesus Christ in the

picture to bring back things to order. (Genesis 1:26-31; 2:8, 15-25; 3:1-24, Psalm 147:5, 1 Timothy 1:17, Revelation 22:13).

And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to everything that creepeth upon the

earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.

And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Genesis 1:26-31

And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the Garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

And the LORD God commanded the man, saying,
Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:
But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil,
thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou
eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help meet for him.

And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would

call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof.

And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found a help meet for him.

And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

And Adam said, this is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of man.

Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

Genesis 2:8, 15-25

NOW the serpent was more subtile than any beast of the field which the LORD God has made. And

he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

And he eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the

presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

And the man said, the woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hath done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;

Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field:

In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.

Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and

now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever:

Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the Garden of Eden, to till the ground from hence he was taken.

So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cher'-u-bim, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

Genesis 3

Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite.

Psalms 147:5

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. A'-men.

1 Timothy 1:17

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

Revelation 22:13

Man was to be brought back to his original state as when was placed in the garden of Eden before his fall-pure and in a spiritual state in the image and likeness of God, before he can be brought back to God. God intended then to bring man back to spirituality by reviving his spirit with His Spirit and now to be with him in heaven after this life on earth. Man had to have the Spirit of God back in him and be wise enough as the kingdom of God is composed of wise beings in heaven - a land of wisdom. Therefore, God sent His wisdom Jesus Christ to the world (earth) to save mankind and reconcile them back to him. (Isaiah 9:6-7, Matthew 1:18-25, 1 Timothy 2:5-6, Ephesians 2:1-10)

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon

his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

Isaiah 9:6-7

Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.

But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name I-m-man'-u-el, which being interpreted is, God with us.

Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

And knew her not till she had brought forth her first-born son: and he called his name JESUS.

Matthew 1:18-25

For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

1Timothy 2:5-6

AND you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;

Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the

power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

That in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

Not of works, lest any man should boast.

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:1-10

This was to be done through the Son of God who was to offer himself to bring mankind back to God as God's children and as his Church by first offering himself as a sacrifice on the cross and his blood be used as an atonement for cleansing mankind. (Romans 3:21-26; 5:1-11; 8:1-7, Revelation 1:9-18).

But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and prophets;

Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all of them that believe: for there is no difference:

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

Romans 3:21-26

THEREFORE being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:
By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;
And patience, experience; and experience, hope:
And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

But God commandeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

Romans 5:1-11

THERE is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

Romans 8:1-7

I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,
Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and last:
and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Eph'-e-sus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Per'-ga-mos and unto Thy-a-ti'-ra, and unto Sar'-dis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto La-od-i-ce'-a.

And I turned to see the voice that spake with me.
And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;
And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like
unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down
to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden
girdle.

His head and his hairs were white like wool, as
white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;
And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned
in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many
waters.

And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of
his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword: and his
countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.

And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And
he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me,
Fear not; I am the first and the last:

I am he that liveth, and was dead; and behold, I am
alive for evermore, A'-men; and have the keys of
hell and of death.

Revelation 1:9-18

Jesus Christ the Son of God was to unite with His
Church in a marriage supper of the Lamb of God

before finally going with the Church to God the Father, all as the sons and daughters of God (Hebrews 2:9-18, Galatians 3:19-29, 2 Corinthians 6:14-18, Revelation 19:6-9).

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

For it became him, for who are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,

Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.

And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, behold I and the children which god hath given me.

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part

of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; And deliver them who through fear of death were all their life time subject to bondage.

For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham.

Wherefore in all things it behooved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.

For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted.

Hebrews 2:9-18

Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.

Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one.

Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which

could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.

But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.

Wherefore the law was our school-master to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Galatians 3:19-29

Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

And what concord hath Christ with Be'-li-al? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their god, and they shall be my people.

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and I will be a father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

2 Corinthians 6:14-18

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

And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement:

Of sin, because they believe not on me;

Of judgement, because the prince of this world is judged.

I have yet many things to say unto, but ye cannot bear them now.

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

John 16:7-13

The above scripture touches on some of the conversation Jesus had with his disciples who had believed in him and were following him. He told them those words (verse 12 and 13) because they were still naïve and lacked the Spirit of truth, the Comforter, that is, the Holy Spirit, whom they had not received although they were now believers but he had promised them that they will receive him later after he had ascended to God the Father (John 14:15-17; Luke 24:44-51; Acts 1:4-9) as he had to

be glorified first (John 20:1-17, 17:1-5) and the promise was sure (Acts 2:1-4). From the above accounts one need deduce that it is very important to be saved and it is equally important that one is filled with the Holy Spirit who can guide one into all truth and not just some pieces of truth and also show one in advance what is coming ahead of him or her so as one is wise and not among the ignorant who understand not.

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

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

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

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

And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.

And all that believed were together, and had all things common;

And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.

And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

Praising God, and having favor with all people.

And the Lord added to the Church daily such as should be saved.

Acts 2:1-4; 42-47

Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

Ephesians 2:19-20

Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into
the holiest by the blood of Jesus,
By a new and living way, which he hath
consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say,
his flesh;
And having a high priest over the house of God;
Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance
of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil
conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.
Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without
wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)
And let us consider one another to provoke unto
love and to good works: Not forsaking the
assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of
some is; but exhorting one another: and so much
the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Hebrews 10:19-25

From the above accounts, we can see that the
Church of Christ was still one in one accord and in
righteousness. They (Christians) were still
remaining in the true vine Jesus Christ (John 15:1-
17) as they were continuing in the apostles'

doctrine and fellowship and in breaking of bread
and in prayers (Acts 2:42)

I AM the true vine, and my Father is the
husbandman.

Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh
away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he
purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

Now ye are clean through the word which I have
spoken unto you.

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot
bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no
more can ye, except ye abide in me.

I am the vine, ye are the branches:

He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same
bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do
nothing.

If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a
branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and
cast them into the fire, and they are burned.

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye
shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto
you.

Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

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

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

Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that

whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name,
he may give it to you.

These things I command you, that ye love one
another.

John 15:1-17

But now that is not the case now with many
Christians in many churches across the world.

Many Christians no longer go for fellowships, or
are serious with prayers or in partaking of the Holy
Communion, or loving each other and many are no
longer continuing steadfastly in the apostles'
doctrines but in the doctrines of devils.

Still, many are still abusing the grace of God. Many
still have allowed modernism in their lives (1
Timothy 4:1-5; 2 Timothy 3:1-9, 2 Peter 2:1-3,
Galatians 3:1-5)

NOW the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the
latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving
heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;
Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience
seared with a hot iron;

Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of which believe and know the truth.

For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving.

For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

1 Timothy 4:1-5

THIS know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

Traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof; from such turn away.

For of this sort are they which creep into houses,
and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led
away with divers lusts,

Ever learning, and never able to come to the
knowledge of the truth.

Now as Jan'-nes and Jam'-bres withstood Moses,
so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt
minds, reprobate concerning the faith.

But they shall proceed no further: for their folly
shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.

2 Timothy 3:1-9

BUT there were false prophets also among the
people, even as there shall be false teachers among
you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies,
even denying the Lord that brought them, and bring
upon themselves swift destruction.

And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by
reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil
spoken of.

And covetousness shall they with feigned words
make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of

a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

2 Peter 2:1-3

Sure, we now have so many false servants who are covetous for money. If you open your T.V set at times, you hear them preach the gospel of the stomach and have their mobile phone contacts displayed on the screen with Account numbers where you can direct your 'seed' to be prayed for this or that. At one time I saw on the T.V screen another 'servant' displaying himself as a Chief Apostle, shame on him. I sent him a message that he stops blasphemy- as only Jesus Christ is the Chief Apostle. More over as I know, Christ is also The Chief Prophet, The Chief Evangelist, The Chief Shepherd (Pastor) and The Chief Teacher (Rabii). The truth may have hit him hard as he never responded via SMs as I had done nor called me, to prove me otherwise.

O FOOLISH Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes

Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

This only would I learn of you Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

Are ye so foolish? having begun in the spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?

Have ye suffered so many things in vain? If it be yet in vain.

He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he is by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

Galatians 3:1-5

I CHARGE thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine.

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. But watch out thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

2 Timothy 4:1-5

Now going by what we have just read above, we see how there was a drift in the Church of Christ as some stuck to the doctrines of apostles (actually the true doctrines of Christ) and others became ‘modern’ in their walk and began to take just any preaching or teaching even when it was not sound and deviated from the true faith. We now have a set of two groups of Christians meaning two churches literary going by what they believe and practice. We will now come to the scripture in question (Matthew 25:1-13); which talks of ten virgins, five wise virgins and five foolish virgins, all waiting for their bridegroom. Now these are the two churches. We find that this drifting away from the true faith by many Christians has been greatly contributed by the false apostles, the false prophets, the false evangelists, the false pastors and the false teachers who have being allowed in many churches to

minister and have wrongly being mistaken as the true servants of God and these have come up with a totally different gospel which is not from God in heaven but from Satan on earth, no wonder their message is earthly majoring on the things of the world and add no value to true spirituality but corrupt the soul and the mind.

THEN shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

And the foolish said to the wise, Give us of your oil, for our lamps are gone out.

But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

Matthew 25:1-13

From the above scripture we see that the wise virgins are those individual Christians in the Church of Christ that were wise in heart and the foolish virgins who were foolish in heart. The waiting on the bridegroom (Jesus Christ) the preparation is an individual responsibility on each Christian and not a group responsibility just as salvation is also an individual issue (one decides

individually that he or she want to be saved and believes and confesses Jesus as one's Lord).Therefore there is no inclusiveness just as Jesus said (Mark 8:34-35) also scripture in the book of saint John (John 3:16). That is why you can see that the wise virgins could not share their oil with the foolish virgins (Matthew 25:6-9). So be careful as Christians to prepare as an individual so that you will not be locked out by the Lord at his coming, decide now to be busy at doing it and be well prepared and ready.

And I heard, but I understood not: then said, I O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things?

And he said, Go, thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.

Daniel 12:8-10

Only the wise have the capacity to understand the signs of the times and prepare adequately in waiting for the soon coming King. Also, it is only the wise who have a good opportunity to be purified by the Lord of glory. The time we are living in is a time that the Church of Christ which is in repentance, holiness and righteousness is being purified and tested prior to her entry into heaven.

Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the saying of the prophecy of this book.

And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which showed me these things.

Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am the fellow servant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.

And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.

And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be

Revelation 22:7-12

It is only the wise who at this time are diligent enough to be able to know what is in the offing and to live responsibly as they are equipped with the true knowledge of the word of God. The sayings of the prophecy of the Bible is now being revealed to the world and is not sealed as such for the Lord of glory is just about to come and snatch away the holy Church (his bride) to be with her forever in heaven. John was shown what would happen during the end of time and as for him he was told not to seal the sayings of the prophecy. For the wise it is a time of remaining in holiness and righteousness in order to receive a good reward from the Master and therefore it is a time to live soberly and prayerfully and in the love of God despite the many trials in life (Romans 5:1-5, 1 Peter 1:3-7, 4:7-8).

And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, **Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.**

For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's the same shall save it.

Mark 8:34-35

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that **whosoever believeth in him** should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

From the above two scriptures you can see clearly that in both of them, they are touching on individuals and not a group of people - hence it is an individual decision and not an issue of a group. If one is waiting to prepare as a group one can easily miss entering. Please also read Philippians 2:12 where you will see Apostle Paul advising the brethren in the church at Philippi that each of them

should work his or her own salvation as an individual.

Now the ten virgins stand for the two churches. The five wise virgins stand for the wise church and the five foolish virgins stand for the foolish church. Jesus Christ is the bridegroom and the church is the bride. So, the church is now waiting for the marriage date by their Lord Jesus Christ. But they have waited now for quite some time and many seem to be tired, in fact all, as all slumber and go to sleep. Now there have been a cry all over the world that the Church repent and prepare the way for the Messiah is coming and the Church seem to have woken up, but do all have oil in their lamps?

Those who have (certainly the wise church) will enter into the rapture (the snatching away of the holy Church of Christ) by Jesus Christ to the marriage supper of the Lamb. The foolish church will have no oil to burn in their lamps at that midnight hour and will be left out of the rapture (verse 10- the door was shut) they will virtually be shut from the rapture. The foolish church cannot be identified as they had not been feeding on the

doctrines of Christ and therefore have not had their lives transformed to the image and likeness of Christ Jesus. Looks quite technical but that is the truth of the matter. Something to note is in verses 6 to 9. Oil cannot be shared and also preparation in waiting for the Lord (the Bridegroom) is personal and therefore one has to strive to make much effort to be ready as an individual and not necessarily as a group – only your personal effort will count and not of others as they cannot transfer their efforts to you.

The decision is yours and mine to heed this cry which has been with us now for quite some time. Now history repeats itself (Ecclesiastes 3:15) as we are going to see in the scripture on what the Lord said.

But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

For us in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in

marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,

And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

Matthew 24:36-42

Many of us now are busy with many things that don't matter much for our eternity and that is our undoing. We can easily be caught up unaware with our pants down.

AND at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be

delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to everlasting contempt.

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

Daniel 12:1-3

Those whose names shall be found written in the book of life are the righteous who were wise as they shunned evil and lived in righteousness as wisdom is to shun evil. Only those are the ones who could turn many from unrighteousness to righteousness. That lot will shine in the kingdom of the Father in heaven (Matthew 13:36-43).

Noah was wise and heeded God's advice and saved himself and the whole of his family during the flood. Why should we not heed the advice (cry) of the Messenger of God? (Genesis 6:12-22; 7:1-16). We need to be wise as Noah of old.

Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

Matthew 10:16

That was advice of Jesus Christ to his disciples then, it also applies to the Church of Christ now on earth. One need wisdom to be able to win the world for Christ as well as to overcome the enemy. We saw earlier that the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made (Genesis 3:1). Lucifer was with God in heaven in the position of an archangel in charge of worship and therefore had wisdom of God then until he began to corrupt that wisdom with pride which later culminated to rebellion and he was removed from there not to corrupt the angelic hosts, but he managed to come down with at least a third to the world. If you are not wise, you will be easy prey to him and his demons. He is now known as the old serpent or Satan, among other names.

That is why to enter heaven requires wisdom, much wisdom as the serpents. His wisdom became corrupt before his arrival in the world and could as

well be more corrupt now, as he has been disconnected from the source of true wisdom (from God) but he sure he is cunning all the same so don't underestimate him or else you will find yourself become a victim to his craftiness. Only the victors, the over comers enter heaven. Those that overcome Satan and this world. If you still hold the true faith in God, Bible faith and submit to the Lord in obedience and resist the enemy, you will finally come out victorious and enter heaven with the King of kings and the Lord of lords to be with the eternal Father in heaven for ever and ever. There is a wake up call in the scriptures for the time at hand, in which we are living in.

BUT of the times and seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that day should overtake you as a thief.

Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.

But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for a helmet, the hope of salvation.

For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.

Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable sacrifice.

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Romans 12:1-2

And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light.

Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.

But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

Romans 13:11-14

In any wedding there must be a wedding garment. For the bride, she must put on a wedding gown, have one now and in good condition.

AND Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said,
The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king,
which made a marriage for his son,
And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.
Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden,
Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage.
But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:
And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them.
But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.
Then saith he to his servants,
The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.
Go ye therefore into the highways and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.

So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.

And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment.

And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.

Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

For many are called, but few are chosen.

Matthew 22:1-14

Now what is this gown for the bride of Christ?

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

Revelation 19:7-8

The bride of Christ (his wife) to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white coming from the righteousness of saints. Simply put, your own righteousness will facilitate your fine linen, white and clean.

Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

Revelation 16:15

We need to watch and see to it that we remain in righteousness lest we are left naked and our shame is seen. We are living in a period that the foolish church is wandering here and there aimlessly hungering for spiritual food.

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of

bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD;

And they shall wonder from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and from to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find it.

Amos 8:11-12

The foolish church (foolish Christians) are moving from church to church, crusade to crusade, but only to the same places where there are false servants who feed them on un food which is of no value to them and they remain hungry and thirsty because what they receive is not from heaven but from the world-more sweet and convincing words which lack the power of God which is life. Jesus Christ said his words are spirit and life, and that he is the bread of life.

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

John 6:63

For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.

Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread.

And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

John 6:33-35

The foolish church is hungering and thirsting because they are not going to the true servants of God but to false servants who have nothing but only from the devil. We have two types of food; One for the wise church and one for the foolish church.

And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.

And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.

Revelation 6:5-6

The wise church have plenty as they have revival of the Holy Ghost. This church is the oil and wine church and are instructed by the Holy Spirit in worship, prayer and so on as is filled by the Spirit. They have the oil and wine which is the anointing of the Holy Spirit and its power. God to see to it that this church is protected. This is a: repentant, separated, holy, righteous, glorious and revived church living on the gospel of the cross and the blood of Jesus Christ, the gospel of righteousness, the gospel of repentance. Although that gospel may not be sweet but it is the healthy balanced diet that matures one to maturity in the Christian walk. The Israelites detested manna, the food the Lord God had rained down for them from heaven the angels' food and God was not pleased (Numbers 11:4-10, Psalm 78:22-25).

And the mixed multitude that was among them fell a lusting; and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?

We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic:

But now our souls is dried away: there is nothing at all, beside this man'-na, before our eyes.

And the man'-na was as coriander seed, and the color thereof as the color of bdellium.

And the people went about, and gathered it, and ground it in mills or beat it in a mortar, and baked it in pans, and made cakes of it: and the taste of it was as the taste of fresh oil.

And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the man'-na fell upon it.

Then Moses heard the people weep throughout their families, every man in the door of his tent: and the anger of the LORD was kindled greatly; Moses also was displeased.

Numbers 11:4-10

Because they believed not in God, and trusted not in his salvation:

Though he had commanded the clouds from above, and opened the doors of heaven,

And had rained down manna upon them to eat, and had given them of the corn of heaven.

Man did eat angels' food: he sent them meat to the full.

Psalm 78:22-25

The foolish church might have gotten fed up with the diet from heaven (The 66 books in the Holy Bible) and wanted an alternative that was sweet and ended in the trap of the devil being left hungry and thirsty. They are really lacking the bread of life for their growth and they have stagnated and have become sick. They became disobedient and rebellious and are reaping what they sowed. (Deuteronomy 7:12-15).

Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them, that the LORD thy God shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which he sware unto thy fathers:

And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he will also bless the fruit of thy womb, and the fruit of thy land, thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of

thy sheep, in the land which he swore unto thy fathers to give thee.

Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle.

And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all them that hate thee.

Deuteronomy 7:12-15

Because of disobedience to the word of God the foolish church is sick physically, because it is sick spiritually, because they cared not for their soul. (Proverbs 4:23).

Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life

Proverbs 4:23

They are reaping what they sowed (Galatians 6:7-8). The foolish church did not test the spirit that was ministering to them but accepted it just blindly with disastrous results.

BELOVED, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confeseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:

And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of an'-ti-Christ, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than that is in the world.

They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them.

We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

1 John 4:1-6

And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Be-re'-a who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews.

These were more noble than those in Thess-a-lo-ni'-ca, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

Therefore many of them believed; also of honorable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a Jew.

Acts 17:10-12

The Bereans did not act foolishly like the foolish church. Why? Because they heard Paul and Silas with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether the preaching was true and only after getting to know that these were preaching the true gospel of the forgiveness of sin in Christ Jesus they straight away believed unto their salvation. Don't just take in any preaching or teaching without confirming the same with the Holy Scripture in the holy Bible, Okay. Get the right food or diet, what you have been getting could as well be just junk food and sewage water, no wonder you are sick through and through. If you

don't, Amos 8:11-12 will continue to apply in your life unto your death. It is time to submit to God fully and to resist the devil and to work your own salvation with fear and trembling (James 4:7-8, Philippians 2:12).

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse you hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

James 4:7-8

You don't just draw to God without understanding. You were in disobedience and need to repent and to purify your heart from the dirt from false servants.

Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

Philippians 2:12

You obeyed before when you gotten saved, but now need to turn back to God and obey the more to make your salvation sure. Stop feeding on the kingly diet of Satan, of the world, but start feeding on the Jerusalem diet of God from heaven.

Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah refused the kingly diet straight away lest they are defiled (Daniel 1:6-20)

Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Han-a-ni'ah, Mish'-a-el and Az-a-ri'-ah:

Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs gave names: for he gave unto Daniel the name Bel-te-shaz'-zar; and to Han-a-ni'ah, of Sha'-drach; and to Mish'-a-el of Me'-shack and to Az-a-ri'-ah of A-bed'-ne-go. But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

Now God had brought Daniel into favor and tender love with the prince of the eunuchs.

And the prince of the eunuchs said unto Daniel, I fear my lord the king, who hath appointed your meat and your drink: for why should he see your faces worse liking than the children which are of your sort? Then shall ye make me endanger my head to the king.

Then said Daniel to Mel'-zar, whom the prince of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Han-a-ni'ah, Mish'-a-el and Az-a-ri'-ah,

Prove thy servants, I beseech thee, ten days; and let them give us pulse to eat, and water to drink.

Then let our countenances be looked upon before thee, and the countenance of the children that eat of the portion of the king's meat; and as thou seest, deal with thy servants. So he consented to them in this matter, and proved them ten days. And at the end of the ten days their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh than all the children which did eat the portion of the king's meat.

Thus Mel'-zar took away the portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drink, and gave them pulse.

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

Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then the prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Neb-u-chad-nez'zar.

And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Han-a-ni'ah, Mish'-a-el and Az-a-ri'-ah: therefore stood they before the king.

And in all matters of wisdom and understanding, that the king inquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm.

Daniel 1:6-20

Let the world call you names but stick to your faith and don't allow anything to defile you. You will find that you always have the favor of the Lord with you. Don't eat the diet of the world but feed on pulse and water only, which the Lord God had commanded (Genesis 1:29) Feed on the word of God only which is likened to water- The living

water. (John 4:10). You will come out better as you are wise. You will lead and others will follow because you have the wisdom of God which is superior to the wisdom of Satan and the wisdom of men. (Deuteronomy 28:1-2, 13-14).

Now on the marriage of the holy church to Christ it is going to be a spiritual wedding (Matthew 22:30) Christ Jesus is a spiritual being and so the church need to be fully spiritual. Also, if as a Christian you don't live a holy and righteous life, you will never see heaven. Remember Revelation 19:7-8 and Hebrews 12:14. So walk in wisdom (Ephesians 4:17-18).

We have found out in this chapter that wisdom is required for one to enter the kingdom of God in heaven. Here now comes the importance of the five-fold ministry in the Church of Christ. God has facilitated this to the Church as follows:

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ:

Ephesians 4:11-13

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

The Lord God in his wisdom he has appointed apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers in the Church and empowered them with wisdom to specifically build and perfect the Church by expounding on the word of God to the Church so that it becomes mature in the standard he has set for it and be finally raptured to be with the Lord forever. It is only the mature who will have qualified entry into the rapture of the church at

Christ's coming. The key to perfection is humility and obedience and that calls for wisdom, not the wisdom of this world, which is actually nothing; But the wisdom of God. May the Lord help each one of us to be obedient unto the end of our Christian walk (Philippians 2:5-9).

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

And being found in fashion as a man, **he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death**, even the death of the cross.

Wherefore God also hath exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

Philippians 2:5-9

One need to note that the issue of entering heaven is not as easy as many have thought it to be.

One must go through the wilderness. One must go through mixed experiences in life. The Israelites who were a shadow of the Church of Christ today went through it and only a few ended in the promised land (Canaan). David the son of Jesse although he was anointed to be a king in Israel, he had to encounter many hurdles before he was finally enthroned into the kingship. Job although he feared God and hated evil, had to undergo very difficult times in life before he was finally restored fully. The Lord Jesus Christ although he was and still is the anointed one, the Son of the living God, he had to go through many painful experiences including bearing the cross before God could highly exalt him. Therefore, for a Christian who seriously yearns to enter heaven there is no short cut to the wilderness experience. One must go through it and still remain established and settled in faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings and the Lord of lords' Amen.

The Church of Christ worldwide had allowed darkness to enter into it over the years and which

brought the church to the shame the world is witnessing today.

But I thank the Lord God for calling His servant and giving him a ministry at this period around to bring sanity back to the Church and an awakening and to prepare it for the coming of the Messiah.

When I encountered the Ministry of Repentance and Holiness headed by the prophet of the Lord Dr David Edward Owuor at a Repentance meeting in October in the year 2008 at Eldama Ravine, my life never remained the same, I was totally transformed, I saw a ray of light then and from henceforth have continued to see a bright lamp burning continually. At the time I resolved to join the ministry and stay put till the Lord's coming and did so come the year 2009. I have not regretted joining the ministry and don't see any need to look back but is happy to be at the right place at the right time. You can read more in my book 'A Christian and How not to backslide. 'I am not alone, many, many others can bear me witness on what I have said and what I have experienced and continue to experience, in this ministry. For those who have eyes to see, The

Lord God is using this ministry through His prophet to bring back glory and honor back to the Church of Christ worldwide, which it had lost on the way and the Church once again can truly and rightly prepare for the soon appearing of Christ the Messiah in the much awaited rapture of the holy church. Be wise wherever you are and be a partaker and not merely a spectator on all what the Lord is doing now and which is a new thing for this hour and for this generation.

Do not give way for the spirit of religion to rule your life at this time or else you will be doomed in the end of it all. If one is not awake and serious from now henceforth, one can be very sure to be very miserable soon and very soon, as life is going to turn out to be unbearable when the man of sin (the lawless one) be revealed in the tribulation period. Time to wake up and sober up and act is NOW!

Man was created on the sixth day by God and the number of man is six. Now here comes a revelation. The number of letters from the word Heaven is six. Man was therefore destined for Heaven by God as

the scriptures speak of Hell as a final destination for Satan and his angels.

Revelation: No total deliverance, no rapture as one is still bound by curses and hence continue to recycle in sin and therefore live unholy and unrighteous life. No Holy Spirit no rapture. (Romans 6:16, John 8: 34, Romans 8:9-11, Acts 1:6-11, Matthew 25:1-13, 2 Thessalonians 2:7).

All truth go hand in hand and therefore as the children of Israel were saved from death in Egypt when God was judging the Egyptians by the blood of animals which they were instructed to kill and to put the blood on the upper door post and side posts of their houses, the same is true for Christians only the blood is different.

When the Lord Jesus Christ shall come for his Church they need to be found covered by the blood of the Lamb of God just as a garment covers one's body when worn, so that he or she is not found naked (Revelation 16:15) and miss to be snatched away into heaven.

One could be wondering why it is so. But let me remind you of the first man Adam and his wife Eve who when they fell into sin they found out they were naked and made some fruitless effort to cover their nakedness but God came and intervened by slaughtering an animal (shed blood) and made coats of skins and clothed them. It was so because God operates within his laws and that law states that without the shedding of blood, there is no remission of sins. Now let me direct you to the scriptures on the same.

NOW the serpent was more subtile than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.

Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coat of skins, and clothed them.

Genesis 3:1-7, 20-21

God initiated the above blood sacrifice as a way for the remission of man's sin and it was a prefiguration of the death of Jesus on the cross which was to come and which was to be for the atonement of the sins of mankind (Romans 3:23-25).

And whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.

For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.

Leviticus 17:10-12

For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people, Saying, This is the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you.

Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry.

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

Hebrews 9:19-22

That is why in the deliverance of the children of Israel from bondage in Egypt, there was shedding of blood of animals.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,

This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you.

Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for a house:

And if the house be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.

And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until morning ye shall burn with fire.

And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD'S pass over.

For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD.

And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

Exodus 12:1-13

The children of Israel were in their houses which were covered from the outside with the blood of animals that were killed. Christians too their lives must be covered with the blood of the Lamb of God that was slain and which qualifies them to be partakers in Church's rapture and entry into heaven with the Lord. Therefore, a Christian need not underrate the blood of Christ that was shed on the cross (1 Peter 1:17-21).

Chapter 5

Shining in Wisdom

In Christianity, there is something like shining. There is shining because there is wisdom. This shining begins here on earth and ends up in heaven. Jesus Christ who is both Lord and Messiah is the light of the world and expects Christians (those who have been born from above - born a new) to shine as well, why? Because they have received the light of Christ (John 8:12, Matthew 5:14-16).

Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

John 8:12

Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid.

Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Matthew 5:13-16

In the earlier scripture above (John 8:12) Jesus said he was the light of the world and that those that follow him will not walk in darkness but shall have the light of life. Now that Jesus went back to heaven after his resurrection from the grave his followers (Christians) are the ones to shine up for Christ to lighten up the world (the souls of the unregenerate - the sinners) for them to be able to appreciate light and come to it for their salvation. The world is full of darkness and only Christians can make a difference to it. The world is rotten with all sorts of wickedness and is sick, very sick and it is only the Christians who can be able to preserve it and even heal it (serving as the salt of the earth) salt is a preservative and can preserve what has been applied to, same also salt is a sweetener and

therefore it is the Christians who can bring some sweetness to people's lives in this bitter world (earth).

This shining by Christians is essentially to do with good works, although sometimes also the face may shine as well. (Ephesians 2:10, Titus 2:11-14, Acts 6:8-15)

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:10

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our savior Jesus Christ;

Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Titus 2:11-14

Christians have been created to become new creatures, a peculiar people, who are always up to good works. (2 Corinthians 5:17). Get to know that good works in the Christian walk is righteousness which is key in entering heaven, as we saw in the previous chapter, coupled with holiness.

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

And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.

Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called the synagogue of the Li'-ber-tines, and Cy-re'-ni-ans, and Al-xe-an'-dri-ans, and of them of Ci'-li'-ci-a and of Asia, disputing with Stephen.

And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.

Then they suborned men, which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and against God.

And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and come upon him, and caught him, and brought him to the council,

And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:

For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Moses delivered us.

And all that sat in the council, looking steadfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

Acts 6:8-15

Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.

Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

Colossians 4:5- 6

But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;

But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and **be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:**

Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.

1 Peter 3:14-16

If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things

may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. A'-men.

1 Peter 4:11

Going by the three scriptures, walking in wisdom includes good, reasonable and truthful speech with meekness. If you and I do that way, then we are shining examples on this polluted and corrupted world and that, is a plus for you and I before the Lord.

As a Christian, you can begin to shine now in this dark world as you have also become the light of the world, so that you will also shine in heaven, before a holy God and his holy angels (Philippians 2:15-16). There you cannot play the chameleon, who usually changes by the environment (the flora).

There, there is no trace of hypocrisy at all. There every being and everything shines.

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise.

Proverbs 11:30

From the above scripture we find that wisdom is required even in Evangelism for one to be able to

win souls to Christ. You have to do it with a knowledge and understanding of the word of God applying it rightly. If that happens and the Lord save souls, that will make you shine the more after the rapture (Daniel 12:1-3, Matthew 13:40-43).

AND at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to everlasting contempt.

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

Daniel 12:1-3

The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Matthew 13:40-43

Christianity is a world of wisdom as Christians live in the word of God, which is wisdom. They are being moved by the Spirit of God in life and therefore they are living in a world of its own.

That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

John 3:6-8

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and **the Word** was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.

In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

John 1:1-5

Satan in the scriptures is known as the prince of the power of air and also the prince of this world (John 12:31; 14:30, Ephesians 2:1-2). But Jesus Christ is the light of the world (John 8:12; 9:5; 12:46) just as Christians are the light of the world (Matthew 5:14, 1 Thessalonians 5:5) and therefore as the world is in darkness, it follows therefore that Satan is equated to darkness and just as he comprehended not the light, that is, Jesus Christ, the same he cannot comprehend the born again Christians as well as have the Holy Spirit from God who is a Spirit (John 4:24) and God is the Omniscient One

and knows everything unlike Satan and that is why God keeps on surprising him throughout in life.

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Romans 8:14

One may not understand Christians as are born again (born a new) from above by God's spirit and are led by that Holy Spirit and are contrary to the world systems.

Now in ending and after you have received all the foregoing wisdom, if you are not yet born-again, accept the Lord Jesus Christ to save your life. Although I am the least of all the true servants of God, that, is my humble advice to you. If you do not, I can here assure you that you will get a heavier judgment from the Lord God on the judgment day. (Luke 11:30-32, Matthew 11:20-22).

For as Jonah was a sign unto the Nin'-e-vites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation.

The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them:

for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.

The men of Nin'-e-veh shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and, behold, a greater than Jonah is here.

Luke 11:30-32

Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not:

Woe unto thee, Cho-ra'-zin! Woe unto thee, Beth-sa'-i-da! For if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Si'-don, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Si'-don at the day of judgment, than for you.

Matthew 11:20-22

We have finally come to the end of this in this last chapter. What I can say is this; Although we have

explored with you the world of wisdom, we have but just covered a very small part, an introduction of it all. The wisdom of God is immense and is beyond you and me and everybody else - (Psalm 147:5). God has revealed to us just a little of it to help us know him and his will for us to live a life pleasing to him here on earth.

The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.

Deuteronomy 29:29

Wisdom is like hidden treasure which need a lot of searching before you can access it (Colossians 2:20). It is a secret, and you know it is not easy to know a secret.

It is God's secret that he reveals only to his children as is necessary. Please turn to the book of Job chapters 37 to 41 read and see for yourself for example, the point I am trying to put to you. A Christian need to shine. If not, then something is

wrong - Not saved or saved but gone back to the world.

Now let us look at more and more scriptures corroborating the fact that Christians shine for the Lord and the world also need be eye witnesses of the same fact.

The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.

Proverbs 13:9

Here we see that the light of the righteous (those in Christ Jesus) shines brightly whereas the lamp of the wicked (those without Christ) shall be put out. Why? Because it is too dim and hardly gives any noticeable and useful light and it is as if it is not there, hence putting it out altogether.

But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

Proverbs 4:18

The path of the just (that is, the righteous) is comparable to a shining light that continue to shine more and more. How wonderful!

For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.

Acts 13:47-48

The Lord commands true Christians to shine as he has already set them to be a light to the unbelieving world to get light from them and to be saved. You can see for yourself that when Paul and Barnabas the apostles of Jesus Christ uttered the words in verse 47 above, the Gentiles who were present affirmed that fact / statement and believed in Christ Jesus for their salvation and is why they were first glad, glorified the word of the Lord and finally accepted God's salvation.

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same

image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

2 Corinthians 3:18

Now look at that. We Christians are changed into the image of our Lord Jesus Christ from glory to glory by the Spirit of God in us. Remember that is what we read in the book of Proverbs (Proverbs 4:18), that our light as true Christians continue to shine more and more unto the perfect day (out rapture) into heaven by the Lord to be with him for ever and ever, how marvelous!

For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:6

God the Creator of heaven and earth at creation did command light to shine out of darkness and it was so (Genesis 1:1-5) and now the same God has shined right in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of Himself through Christ Jesus.

ARISE, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.

Isaiah 60:1

For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord. Walk as children of light:

Ephesians 5:8

We were sometimes darkness (when we were not saved and were sinners) but now are light in the Lord we have believed in and are saved and therefore need to walk uprightly shinning as the children of light.

The entrance of the words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

Psalms 119:130

When you and I heard the word of the Lord and believed in it, it entered into our hearts and brought light in our lives and also gave us wisdom and moved us from becoming simple people to becoming a peculiar / special people, by the grace of God (1 Peter 2:9-10).

I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.

They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

This poor man cries, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.

Psalm 34:4-6

I sought the Lord because he says we seek him when he is still near and that we seek him and his righteousness and it will be well and surely, he delivered me from the evil one and now stopped living in fear. Because I looked unto him for help, I was not ashamed for he heard me and saved me and gave me his light so that I can begin to shine and be rich in him. I can remember very well, tears were flowing down my cheeks and falling down that very early morning of 11th June, 1984 before dawn, and a day it was indeed!

THE LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the strength of my life; for whom shall I be afraid?

Psalms 27:1

The Lord is both my salvation and my light and I need not fear mortal men but fear him only, as he is the strength of my life and I need not tremble before men but before God.

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

Malachi 4:2

Now let us go to the scripture in the book of Matthew chapter 25 from verses 1 through to 13. We can see clearly that all the virgins had lamps but some of them had oil (the 5 wise) but the others had no oil (the 5 foolish). We know that only oil that burns and makes a lamp give its light (shine) hence we need to see to it that we tend our lamps with oil to continue getting light. That fact is evident even in the Old Testament practice.

And thou shalt command the children of Israel, that they bring thee pure olive oil beaten for the light, to cause the lamp to burn always.

In the tabernacle of the congregation without the veil, which is before the testimony, Aaron and his sons shall order it from evening to morning before the LORD: it shall be a statute for ever unto their generations on the behalf of the children of Israel.

Exodus 27:20-21

Let us all strive to have oil in our lamps and avoid having a burn out situation where we no longer get light from our lamps. Hence we need continue shine in our Christian walk to remain relevant and have occasion to enter into heaven.

Examples of some of those whose lives portrayed wisdom you can find listed in chapter 1

See you when you see me again in print next time if the Lord allows, In Jesus' name, Amen.

Notes to the reader

I do congratulate you for taking time to read this book and hope it has been quite useful to you. If you have any comments please do write to us. If you had not yet received Jesus Christ in your life as Lord and Savior then you now have another opportunity to receive him by repeating the following prayer believing in Him: ‘Lord Jesus, I come to you today as a sinner and repent of all my sins. Please come into my life and save me. I humbly request you in your holy name. Amen.’

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