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A very rich man had only one daughter. When the daughter was of marriage age, the father sent news around downtown that all the eligible young men should come to compete in a test which would determine who was fit to marry his daughter. On that day, all the able-bodied young men came out. Some came with paper and pens and others with cutlasses and swords.

The rich man took them to his swimming pool and addressed the men: "Any of you who can swim from one end of this swimming pool to the other, will qualify to marry my daughter. In addition, I'll give him three wishes; 15 million dollars, a car or a house so they can start life well. I shall be waiting to meet my son-in-law at the other side. Good luck!" As young men, all very excited at the prospect of winning, started taking off their shirts, a helicopter came over the pool and downloaded snakes and crocodiles into the pool.

Immediately, all the men turned back and started wearing their shirts again. Disappointed, some of them said, "That is crazy, let's see who can marry that girl, no one will'. All of a sudden, they heard a splash in the pool. Everybody watched in amazement as one gentleman struggled his way across,

absconding and avoiding the snakes and crocodiles. Finally, he made it to the other side. The rich man could not believe it. He asked the young man to make a wish of anything he wanted but the man was still panting uncontrollably. Finally, he got himself back and made a request saying,*" Show me the person who pushed me inside this pool*!"

You don't know what you are capable of doing, until you are *pushed*! Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to give credit to a number of people, who really *pushed* me inside the swimming pool of greatness and my success.

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Dedication

I dedicate this book to my beautiful wife Martha Muwanguzi, whose life, commitment and service has been such an encouragement to me, every single day of my life ever since I married her.

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I also dedicate this manuscript to the generation after me; to Kingdom Glory Faith Ministries family and to all my fellow pilgrims, holding valid passports and visas on an expedition to the pearly mansions. See you there!!!

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Foreword

I met Pr. Muwanguzi at a crusade in Mbale on 21st June of 2017. I sat for coffee one morning at Mbale Resort Hotel, randomly setting at a table next to his. As he engaged me in conversation, I knew that this was the answer to a prayer and the beginning of an amazing friendship. Not really even a friendship per-say but a mentor-mentee relationship. And mind you he was a 28-year-old man mentoring a 58-year-old woman from the USA!

Let me back up and say that on the plane from USA to East Africa for my missionary trip, I prayed to God that He would give me a divine connection with someone GREAT in Africa.

I was blowing all the sojourns out of my plans on this trip and asking God to give me a divine connection with someone who was going to be a regent of change in his own neighborhood, community and for the world."*Let me be built up by an African rather than the other way around"* was my prayer. *"Let me humble myself and see the Glory of GOD in the Ugandan citizens this time around, Lord."*

God answered my prayer by allowing me to meet Richard Muwanguzi. He started to talk of things like purpose, the 'Re's'

of GOD (you'll have to ask him), the principles of kingdom living, Illegal vs legal residents of heaven, Passports to living, kingdom and God's government in Heaven. I tell you it was like honey to my soul. A soothing balm to my spirit.

I couldn't believe I was in the presence of such an amazing teacher! I truly was learning right then and there about things I had never heard before about God and Heaven. An hour passed and we both realized we were late for other engagements and guess what? He was going to the same event I was and was one of my interpreters for the evening! Now that was God's amazing creative glory on full pageant just in that one encounter!

Headlong to 2020 and Mr. Muwanguzi is not just my teacher, but my friend, chum and companion in advancing the Kingdom Glory Faith Ministries into the USA. We have joined efforts to bring these valuable books back to America.

Have your Bibles (and a dictionary) with you as you go through this book. His vocabulary is stellar. It has become an integral part of our group study to increase our own vocabulary by looking up words we have never heard of here in the USA!

I did ask him one day about his amazing vocabulary and he said "I exceedingly paid, with struggle, for every word I learned in school, so I am going to use them regularly and often!" AH HA! Another reason I call him my teacher!

God, you are amazing and so creative as to the breadth, depth, height, and width of your Glory! From two ends of the world you bring two people together that have hearts that beat

the same for your kingdom. I declare and decree as a daughter of Kingdom royalty that we shall experience kingdom living here on earth in your name. I am always in Awe of You my God. In Advancement of YOUR KINGDOM, we serve together, AMEN!

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Introduction

The concept of "kingdom" and "Citizenship" was not invented by mankind but was the first form of government introduced by the Creator. This concept appears first in the Book of Genesis at the creation of man. Man's original assignment from God was a Kingdom assignment: "*Let them have dominion over…the earth*." God's plan for man was to extend His Heavenly Kingdom to the earth through the principle of colonization. Man's assignment was to establish the influence and culture of heaven on earth by representing the nature, values, and morality of God in the earth.

In this way, God's heavenly rule would manifest itself on earth through His extended image in mankind. This was the first Kingdom: Yahweh, the King, extending His heavenly Kingdom to earth through His offspring, man. This is the wonderful story and message of the Bible—not a religion, but a royal family.

Ever since the fall of man, he has tried to imitate this concept of kingdom; but throughout history, man's every attempt to establish a heavenly kingdom on earth has failed. This is why religious governments always fail, whether Christian, Muslim, Hindu, or any other form. It is for this

reason that God Himself had to come to earth to bring the heavenly Kingdom back to this planet. The earth cannot give rise to the Kingdom of Heaven independently; the Kingdom of heaven must issue forth from heaven. Man lost a kingdom, and a kingdom is what he is looking for. For us to briskly fathom what we lost, we have to study what Jesus brought. Jesus came to bring the Kingdom of Heaven back to the earth, not to establish a religion. And mankind seeks not a religion but the Kingdom we lost so long ago. This is why religion cannot satisfy or fulfill man's spirit. The Kingdom of Heaven has top priority by virtue of its role in the original purpose of man's creation. As such, the Kingdom was the first form of government on earth.

But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you ***(Matthew 6:33 NKJV,*** *emphasis added).*

According to my pundit, a kingdom is the governing influence of a king over his territory, impacting it with his personal will, purpose, and intent, producing a culture, values, morals, and lifestyle that reflect the king's desires and nature for his citizens.

For the last 15 years, this simple mandate laid down by Jesus Christ has been my life's mission. And it continues to standardize my life decisions to this day. The benefits that have come from this commitment have been beyond my expectations, which is one reason why I am wholeheartedly committed to assisting the Children and the Youth all over the world in understanding this wonderful reality of Kingdom and citizenship living. Below I have laid out the practical process of

securing your kingdom citizenship so that you can see clearly that this is one priority we must restructure.

According to Brother Matthew chapter six, our first instruction from Jesus is to *seek*. This means to pursue, study, explore, understand, learn, and consider. Seekers must have a desire to know, and possess a craving for the object of their search. To seek means to give meticulous dedication to and to preoccupy one's self with that which one is seeking. The Kingdom of God must be pursued, studied, understood, and learned.

Second, Jesus tells us to make the Kingdom first. In other words, the Kingdom must be our top priority, the principal thing to place before all others as most important. We must place the highest value on the Kingdom of God, setting it above everything as our primary focus. The Kingdom must be placed above everything else and should have no competition. It must be our highest priority.

It is important to understand that because a kingdom is not a religion, the priority of mankind should not be to seek a religion or some form of ritual. The word for "kingdom" in this verse is *Basileia (Strong's 923),* the Greek equivalent of the Hebrew *Mamlakah (Strong's 4467),* translated in Genesis 1:26 as "dominion." Both words mean dominion, sovereign rule, kingdom, reign, or royal power.

In practical terms, a kingdom may be defined as "the sovereign rule of a king over territory (domain), impacting it with his will, purpose, and intent." In this biblical text, the word "kingdom" as used by Jesus refers to God's government,

God's rulership, God's dominion over the earth. The Kingdom of God means God's will executed, Gods' jurisdiction, Heaven's influence, God's administration, and God's impact and influence.

Jesus' final instruction to us in this verse is to seek also the righteousness of the Kingdom. This is another vitally important notion that has been diluted in the waters of religion and must be recuperated if we are to understand the Kingdom and experience the abundant life all humans deserve. The word righteousness is actually from the discipline of law, not religion, and implies right positioning. To be righteous means to be in alignment with authority, to be in right standing with authority, to have correct fellowship with authority, to be in right relationship with authority, to be in legal or lawful alignment, and to be in correct standing with the law or regulations (principles) of and to fulfill the requirements of authority.

In crux, righteousness describes the maintenance of the rightly aligned relationship with a governing authority so as to qualify for the right to receive governmental privileges. This is why Jesus emphasizes the Kingdom and the need to be righteous so that you can receive "all things added unto you." This promise includes all your physical needs, all your social needs, all your emotional needs, all your psychological needs, all your financial needs, and all your security needs, as well as your need for self-significance and a sense of self-worth and purpose.

God established only two priorities for mankind: The

Kingdom of God and the righteousness of God. Kingdom refers to the governing influence of Heaven on earth and righteousness refers to right alignment and positioning with that government authority. Our highest priorities and greatest desires should be to enter the Kingdom of God and thirst for a right relationship with God's heavenly government. The question is? How does one enter.

Chapter 1

Kingdom Travel Preparations

In olden times, kings often had jokers. They were at court to make the king laugh, to keep him amused, so that the difficult affairs he had to deal with would not make him too sad or serious. This comedian was sometimes called a fool because he said and did foolish things to make the king laugh. There was this particular king who had a very foolish comedian indeed. The king one day handed him a staff saying, "Take this and keep it until you find a bigger fool than yourself." Well, some years later, the king was dying and called for his family and servants.

He said, "I am going on a long journey and shall never return. So I have called you all to say 'Goodbye' ". Then the comedian stepped forward and said, "Your majesty always made many preparations for going on journeys. What preparations have you made for this one?" "Alas", said the king. "I have made none." "Then", said the comedian, "Take this staff with you for at least I have found a bigger fool than myself."

People travel because they have important things to fix

and do such as work, business, education, accessing medical care or for adventure; visiting places and people. Whatever the case, there is always a captivating reason and motivation to travel no matter how inconsequential it may appear such as keeping an appointment which is of consequence to their present and future lives.

The purpose as to why we have to prepare to travel from our earthly destinations someday is because we have to meet up our appointment with the Almighty God, the creator of the cosmos. There is a scheduled appointment for each of us, whether we like it or not, whether we believe it or not, whether we know it or not, that is inconsequential.

"And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." ***(Hebrews 9:27).***

This appointment will take place outside your present country and so you need to prepare someday to meet up with this appointment. In my book; *Discovering the purpose of your existence*, I wrote a chapter about death, an appointment that every human must keep regardless of how young or old you are. No postponing, no delay, no denial, no excuse, no procrastination. That means, death is the only thing who does not respect humanity. Rich people die, poor people die, politicians die, ministers die, pastors die, reverends die, old people die and young people die. And I have come to a conclusion that death is not the end of everything as we like to put.

It is just the end of this side but the beginning of the other. This is why you need kingdom documents to help you navigate

border controls to meet with the Almighty God, the creator, whose residence and throne is in heaven. To travel from one country to another far away country, from one continent to another continent, preparations must be made before the start of such a journey. For all countries on this earth, a passport is the official document in which your government introduces you to the host country you are intending to travel to. A passport allows you to safely traverse your way with dignity.

A Passport is a legitimate travel document issued by your country of citizenship. By law, every citizen is entitled to a passport issued by their home country. The process of acquiring a passport is sometimes a lengthy one involving a lot of paperwork and hopping from one office to another. Application forms must be filled, verified and endorsed. The first piece of evidence required is proof of citizenship right from the grassroots level to the municipality. When all the paperwork has been done and recommendations for travel made, then the lodging process includes submitting photographs, official signature and application fees. A description of your personal physical features is also captured including your height, color of eyes and hair, complexion and so on.

Finally, fingerprints are also taken and stored on the Immigration and passport control database. All relevant information required to identify you in unique terms is sought. A passport is valid for travel for a specified period of time usually ten years with an issue date and an expiry date clearly indicated. On the expiry of a passport, a renewal process must be initiated afresh; otherwise the passport is rendered to have expired and cannot be used for any further subsequent travel.

Why all the hurdles in acquiring a passport? This was my question after three-time-failed attempt to acquire my passport. I figured it out why. The main reason why you go through what you go through to acquire a passport in your country is *proof of citizenship*. All this process is set up so that it is extremely difficult for a foreigner to acquire a passport of another country, except with valid reasons. So, citizens are entitled to passports by their home countries for travel; that is how it works. If you are a citizen of Uganda, the Ugandan government has the responsibility of assisting you to acquire a valid Ugandan passport for your travel requirements. If you are a heavenly kingdom citizen, then heavenly Kingdom government will process a passport for you. *Citizenship* is the key word that has the power to trigger a successful acquisition of a passport from your country, nothing else.

Again despite passports being for travel to outside countries, passports come in different classes yet carrying out the same function of assisting the traveler conduct his trip without encumbrances in another country. First, there are Local passports sometimes known as travel documents issued for quick travel to neighboring countries. I got these more often when I used to travel to Nairobi for my studies. Then there are the International passports which are issued for travel to all destinations of the world. This is the standard class of travel passport in the world over. These take a longer time to process than the Local passports, with a different color and allowed continental travel to proceed.

However, when one obtains an International passport, the local passport is to be returned to the Immigration

offices and cancelled because the International passport has then subsumed the functions of the local passport. Usually local passports are sought by local citizens going about their business, whereas the International passports are sought by the wealthy folks in the society.

Finally, there are the diplomatic passports which are the preserve of a select few citizens, the so called movers and shakers of the nations. These are the high ranking government dignitaries such as the executive, the diplomatic corps, the high court jury, permanent secretaries, ambassadors and High commissioners to name but a few. This class of passports has a status quo attached to them and affects even the travel mode of the holder and formalities involved. These passport holders enjoy what is chattered diplomatic immunity, rest in VIP lounges during flight schedules and have lesser security checks than the common mortals. However, I noticed from experience that to travel abroad, a citizen has to possess a passport, no matter the destination of travel requested.

An ordinary letter from the Local Council cannot do; an introduction letter from your Bishop is a waste of time. It makes sense to acquire a passport to travel to your destination as quickly and as reasonably as possible.

All passport application processes, though sometimes decentralized are kept in one central national depository, the registry which houses the Immigration department and a data base is kept of all issued passports with a unique filing system to facilitate easy renewal in succeeding applications. This means that though the local offices scattered throughout your

country may quickly process and issue passports to you, all this is monitored by a central data base. In fact, in most countries all the local offices do, is to capture the essential details and complete the application process and send these to the central registry for issue of the passports with an official signatory identified at a particular time to reduce on forgeries. Efficiency then is about transport logistics and frequency to and from the central registration office.

A visa on the other hand is simply a legal authorization from your country of intended travel welcoming you to visit it. Neighboring countries and those with pacts such as economic or political treaties sometimes relinquish off this requirement to member countries within those concords. However, for far away destinations and continental travel a visa is required prior to entry into your desired destinations. A visa is issued by the country you want to visit through their embassies in your home country or country of residence. A visa is an endorsement, usually an immigration stamp or sticker placed inside one of the pages of your passport. It is issued after the validity of your passport has been ascertained and the visa is issued for a particular period of travel.

In fact, most countries receive visa applications only when the passport has an expiry of at least six months within the scheduled travel date, otherwise the application is rejected on the basis of an invalid passport. When a visa application is made through the embassies in your country, your passport must be deposited at the designated embassy to kick start the visa application process. Application forms are filled with strict instructions of completion procedures. For instance, some

embassies may insist that you use black ink to fill in their forms or that you print on the forms. The embassy may also insist you attach copies of current bank statements or a letter from your current employer and such like hurdles.

Visas also come in different categories. The most basic are the single entry visas. This type of visa is given to first timers as the general rule. These allow the traveler into the host country only once within the endorsement period on it. When the traveler wants to return to this country in a future date the visa application process must be started afresh. Any overstay in the country hosting you on a single entry visa attracts a penalty including a cash fine or even imprisonment and deportation as an illegal immigrant. However, there is also what is called the multiple entry visas which entitle the holder in and out within the specified period without a penalty. This is usually given to regular travelers to that country or those whose interest in that country is of a longer duration like business people or students.

After all routine checks and verifications and ascertaining reasons for required travel, a visa is endorsed on your passport. Sometimes, a visa may be denied and in each case the passport is returned to the respective applicant. When a visa has been secured and air-tickets purchased, the journey is set to commence. Sometimes a yellow fever certificate or other such document may also be required by the embassy prior to issuing of the visa. On arrival at your departure airport, a number of checks are carried out before you embark your journey to the far away country.

First there is the security check for any unauthorized

baggage such as ammunitions, explosives and illegal imports. An electronic scanner checks each passenger's baggage and the traveler also passes a scanner for a body check. In these days of terror alerts, this procedure includes removing jackets, shoes and belts among others, sometimes so embarrassing bearing the fact that travelers are a mix of people.

The baggage is then weighed and hand luggage verified before the immigration control clears you for travel. Here, at the immigration exit control counter, the passports are stamped with exit stamps and visas may be checked but not validated. *Please note this*: All genuine visas and fake visas may pass through this control point despite the carrier airlines' attempts to weed off fake visa and non-visa holders. This is because of the burden of expelling such immigrants back to their original countries at the airline's expense, since entry will have been denied and the carrier stuck with the traveler.

I want you to be sure of this one fact, that without a passport, a visa cannot be issued and that without a passport and a visa the journey cannot be successful. This is how it works in our earthly institutions, and the parallels are true in the spiritual kingdom.

On arrival to your destination country of travel, the immigration staff checks each passenger for validity of passport and visa clearance. It is at this Immigration checkpoint that entry can be allowed or denied despite having left your country and having reached this far. If entry is granted you are welcomed else you are denied entry and sent back to your country where travel was made and the burden falls on the

airline that brought you this far to airlift you back home. This is the reason most airlines take the added burden of scrutinizing visas at exit points to avoid additional deportation expenses in case fake visas are identified by immigration control during arrivals. Notice that the Immigration officials do not inspect visas in isolation of passports.

First they check the passport credentials before embarking on the visa scan. So you see that at takeoff, it is passport and visa and at arrival again it is passport and visa. The chances of fake documents being busted are extremely very high and so it makes perfect sense to secure the proper documents for safe arrival to your destination. No need to take chances, today all the verification is done by computer scans linking data bases of one country to another and so it takes a naive mind to try to do otherwise.

Should you happen to misplace your passport after commencing international travel, what then? Logically you report the circumstances of your lost passport to the police in that country, and then you get in touch with your nearest embassy to seek consular assistance. Your embassy will commence a passport application process for you. In the meantime, all international travel from this point will be suspended until your passport has been replaced. You cannot travel without a passport. This is exactly what happens when your passport expires when you are abroad. Either you travel back to your home country before it expires to commence a renewal process or you contact your nearest embassy to assist in the renewal process. No passport, no journey outside the country. Under very special cases your embassy may grant you

a one-way travel pass to help you move out from where you are holed up back to your home country and nowhere else.

Look, without a passport you cannot travel from one country to another, no matter the peculiar circumstances. Let me illustrate with examples to such peculiarities. Firstly, supposing you travelled to another country with your wife and with the passage of time as a bona fide resident of that country, your family increased with new members being born. Those new members added to your family cannot commence any international travel from where they were born unless one of the two things happens. Either these minors will have to be endorsed on the passports of either or both of the parents or each minor will have to apply for a separate passport. So you will need to consult your nearest embassy with valid passports and residence permits for assistance to do this.

The second peculiarity is when you travelled to another country and died there. For your corpse to be ousted back to your home country, it must be accompanied by a valid passport stamped one last time at departure and one last time at arrival home even though the corpse is ferried as cargo. Dead or Alive, a passport is needed for international travel in this present world, do not forget this fact all the time.

The advantage of having a valid passport and visa is that you are allowed entry to your host country and you can now report to your embassy in this country to announce your arrival and be accorded the protection and assistance such as may be needed in the host country. Without a valid passport and visa you are considered an illegal immigrant and cannot secure

help in time of need, save help to be repatriated back to your home country after prosecution and maybe a prison sentence.

The further the country of travel from your departure point or home country the heavier the penalty imposed. Notice that if I travelled from Nigeria to Chad and gained entrance without a valid visa, it is likely that my sentence would not be as heavy as one who travelled from Uganda to Canada without a proper visa. Why? Logically the distances involved are large and repatriation costs involved differ. So now let's just browse this one fact.

To travel to heaven from any earthly destination cannot be compared to any continental travel in this world, for which if penalties were proportionate to distances involved, the penalty of false documents would be very austere if caught on the wrong side at Heaven's immigration office. This is using human calculations to make judgment and there is a sense in which you must take this as a somber reasoning, absolutely. Prepare well beloved, there is a journey we all have to make from here either way.

I put it to you that don't just spend much time packing your bags and trying to purchase air tickets. Do the nitty-gritties (essentials, basics) first. Secure a genuine passport and visa if indeed you intend to travel to heaven, the process must commence now. Do not wait any longer because you may be pushed into a flight you never bargained for because you cared less, then what? Do not wish away this appointed trip, it must be made in your life time and in my life time. Do all you can to make it comfortable and that is the reason I write to you to get

up and start the passport and visa bid.

Remember also that this is a fundamental process because expired documents will be rejected without any petition and second chance.

Chapter 2

Heavenly Kingdom - A desirable End

Heavenly Kingdom is the ultimate destination of a genuine child of God. It is the final resting place and yet the present possession of the saints of God. Heaven is not the fantasy of the imagination of the church cleric but it is a place like the present earth which is a physical entity. Eye has not seen, nor ear heard of its ambivalence except through Jesus Christ, the only one person who came from heaven to this earth and then returned to heaven where he is seated at the right hand of God's throne.

So we can learn a lot about heaven through the teachings of Jesus Christ and also from the revelations of the Word of God. Heaven is a place like this earth. It is in fact a very beautiful place unequalled to any earthly location. Heaven is as real as this present earth is. If you believe in this present world then you should believe in heaven as well because "*In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth*" ***(Genesis 1:1).***

Heaven is a place that can be located as surely as the city

of Kampala can be located in Uganda or Washington DC can be located in United States of America. Even if you do not believe in heaven yet but surely you must be guessing what happened to your loved ones that have since departed and you must be trying to imagine life beyond the grave. Now this is not an imagination but the honest truth that you need to know about heaven. The location of heaven in relation to our present earth can be gained from these insightful scriptures.

"For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward those who fear Him" ***(Psalms 103:11).***

"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your way, and my thoughts than your thoughts". ***(Isaiah 55:9).***

"Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your son, that your son also may glorify you" ***(John 17:1).***

"And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel: which also said, ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." ***(Acts 1:10–11).***

"But he being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into Heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God." ***(Acts 7:55).***

*"The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God."****(Psalms 14:2).***

The saints of old knew heaven to be a place above the earth; Jesus and the angels lent credence to this fact and the early church understood this reality. No wonder when we pray we look up in reverence to the creator, our father who art in heaven. Heaven is the official residence of God the creator. It is where His throne is the center of his kingdom and no doubt it depicts his glory and majesty. It is in heaven where the handiwork of creation began and all knowledge is perfected by the ever perfect God.

> *"I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens' and all their host have I commanded."* ***(Isaiah 45:12).***
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> *"Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands?"* ***(Psalms 102:15).***
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> *"And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord and said, Lord thou art God, which has made the heaven and the earth, and the sea, and all that in them is."* ***(Acts 4:24).***

Heaven is large and wide enough to accommodate all travelers with indispensable and valid documents. Moreover, expansion works are ongoing daily to ready the place for new arrivals. Every bona-fide holder of a current passport and valid visa is assured of a place in heaven. Already John the beloved by revelation assures us that the occupants in heaven are innumerable. That should give you a clue of the enormous size of heaven and the possibility of you also entering into heaven.

> *"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 to prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there you may be also." ***(John 14:1–3).***

*"After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindred's, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands: And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God, which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell upon the throne on their faces, and worshipped God."****(Revelation 7:9-11).***

Let me attempt to picture the size of heaven for you by starting with God's revelation and then doing my finite human calculations to help you make sensible conclusions about the size of heaven and this might help you see why there is still a chance for you to make it.

*"And I saw the new heaven and a new earth: for the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."****(Revelation 21:1–2)***.

"*And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain and showed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God… And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb…. And the city lieth four square, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with a reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it*

*are equal."**(Revelation 21:10, 14, 16).***

Now this is part of heaven. Look it is made of twelve foundations and the length is just as long as the breadth and the width, twelve thousand furlongs long which is equivalent to fifteen hundred miles in length, width and breadth by our current measurements.

(One furlong is one eighth of a mile). My natural question to you is how many earthly mansions can be erected in such space by our human architects and civil engineers. Let the mathematics role out a possible number of humanely imagined mansions for a heavenly paradise that no one has seen. One floor is fifteen hundred times fifteen hundred miles or two and a quarter million square miles each housing one thousand six hundred mansions translates to nearly four billion mansions.

Ask any engineer in your locality for a better quote and do the analysis on your small calculator for your own understanding. Then now allow the same space to be constructed by divine architects for an informed picture. Please use a good calculator otherwise it may suffer a number shock and time out! If you are still doubting numbers compare this with our current world population of merely eight billion people.

Get to the records and find out how many deaths have occurred since creation and remember there are two destinations – heaven the narrow way and hell the wide way. I do not need any more quantitative evidence that heaven is large enough to take each and every aspiring traveler from Adam to the last man. This number game is imprudent because we

do not know heaven's architectural design at all but we can only speculate with this kind of thinking that heaven is very expansive and can surely accommodate all qualifying pilgrims.

Here is the danger of quantifying the infinite heaven with a finite mind. All this number game is irrational and only serves to show the finite mind of the possibility that you can make it. Here is why it is naïve.

> *"Thus says the Lord, if heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath.* ***(Jeremiah 31:37).***
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> *As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, neither the sand of the sea measured: so will I multiply the seed of David my servant, and the Levites the priests, my ministers."* ***(Jeremiah 33:22).***

There is room; fellow Pastors, evangelists, teachers, I urge you to encourage the passport and visa application process to continue full blast. Heaven is bigger than we can ever imagine! Heaven is not a desolate place but is inhabited by God the father, Jesus Christ his Son and the Holy Spirit. Moreover, there are elders round about the throne of God in heaven and a host of angels and saints that were allowed entry after fulfilling immigration requirements –passport and visa. This is the host in heaven that worship God.

> *"Thou, even thou, art Lord alone: thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas and all that is therein, and thou preserves them all: and the host of heaven worship thee."* ***(Nehemiah 9:6).***
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> *"A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten*

thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and books were opened." ***(Daniel 7:10).***

"But ye are come into mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels." ***(Hebrews 12:22).***

"And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands." ***(Revelation 5:11).***

"And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thundering, saying, Alleluia; for the Lord God omnipotent reigns. Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the lamb is come, and her wife has 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 the saints". ***(Revelation 19:6–8).***

This seemingly future reality is actually already being consummated; saints are already making their way to heaven. Stand up to be counted among these men and women, it is not yet too late if you get up and do something about it right now.

*"And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: The rich man also died and was buried."****(Luke 16:22).***

Passport and visa holders are daily making their way into heaven at last. Earthly beggars with valid passports and visas make it, sick folk with passports and visas make it, poor

mortals with passports and visas make it. What is your excuse? As long as one meets the requirements; passport and visa, they automatically qualify no matter how they have been and lived on this planet. Heaven is a beautiful place. It cannot be compared to any of man's creation here on earth; it is the creator's workmanship that designed and created it. Everything in heaven is new. This is what gives heaven its distinctive beauty. ***(Revelation 21:1–5).***

Heaven is a place with its own constitutional legal frame work just like any other place in this world has its own legislative frame work. The constitutional framework in heaven is different from the one found in this present earth. For instance, in heaven there is no marriage and no death any more. On earth we marry to multiply because of the consequence of death where a sin heaven we shall live forever and ever. Also our position in relation to the angels changes when we get to heaven. Presently we are a little lower than the angels, but in heaven we shall be equal to angels; in wisdom, understanding, glory, majesty, power and all such attributes.

> *"But they that shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage: Neither can they die anymore: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection."* ***(Luke 20:35–36).***
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> *"What is man, that thou art mindful of him? And the son of man, that you visit him? For you have made him a little lower than the angels, and has crowned him with glory and honor."****(Psalms8:4-5).***

In heaven, there is no time. Time is an interruption in eternity. As I excavated deep in my book about purpose, I discovered that God created time and put us in it but He does not live in it. This is because God is eternal and eternity is time without measure. You are a Spirit, possessing a soul but living in a timed body. In others words, God got your beginning and your end and put in a body and trapped it in time. We were placed in time to fulfill purpose. Here is a definition that has worked for me down the years about Time.

Time is an invisible reality created by the eternal God as a vehicle in which we fulfill His will on earth while travelling through life.

Finally, heaven is God's kingdom headquarters and He alone has the prerogative of entry. God is the sovereign ruler in heaven and the Centre of worship, and all heavenly residents recognize this. Old Testament saints knew this and testified, ancient kings recognized God's preeminence and paid attention thereby. You better pay attention as well.

> *"The Lord is in his holy temple, the Lord's throne is in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men. "(**Psalms11:4).***
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> *"The Lord has prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom rules over all." **(Psalms 103:19).***
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> *"But there is a God in heaven that reveals secrets, and makes known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days."**(Daniel 2:28).***
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> *"Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter anything before God: for God is in heaven, and thou upon*

the earth: therefore, let thy words be few." ***(Ecclesiastes 5:2).***

Heaven is indeed a desirable destination for which a passport and a visa are worth securing now, because there are no accidental arrivals in heaven nor is gate crushing ever possible. We human beings take chances but heaven is not for gamblers but for the prepared pilgrims. Preparation is absolutely necessary and my prayer as you read through the pages of this book is that you will make the necessary preparations and not relax down but be current in your entry document preparations to heaven.

Should there be problems with your documents at the gates of heaven, remember there are no courts of appeal and expired documents are invalid in heaven.

Chapter 3

Kingdom Passport Revealed

Kingdom Passports are issued from kingdom headquarters, subject to you meeting travel requirements as earlier discussed in chapter one. I can only try to annotate to you what these requirements are and you have to make up your mind to meet them if you want to get to heaven.

One day, a religious man came to Jesus at night for fear of being seen by his congregation and he made inquiry before Jesus about the way to heaven. Jesus without mincing words, declared to Nicodemus the passport requirements for heaven for a Reverend, a Bishop, a Pastor, a Prophet, an Apostle, a Gospel artist or indeed any one aspiring to enter the Kingdom of heaven, which is God's headquarters.

> "*There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou does, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.*

Nicodemus said unto him, how can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb and be born again? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. 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". ***(John 3:1–7).***

That is, it beloved. You must be born again to enter heaven the kingdom of God. Jesus repeated it for emphasis, in fact he was telling Nicodemus; do not be surprised it is not religion or religious activity no matter how long it has been observed but being born again. Religion is Man's attempt to find God. But you see; no one can find God. He is too far but also too near. He is so big that heavens and earth cannot contain Him, but He is also too tiny that He can live in man's heart.

It takes the water of the Word of God and the conviction of the Holy Spirit to bring the new birth experience in your life. That is why we preach this gospel message to you.

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." ***(Romans 3:23)***

"*The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ."* ***(Romans 6:23)***.

The eternal life that Jesus gives you is spent in heaven, God's kingdom. There must be a spiritual birth for you to qualify for heaven; a change of life must surely take place from the natural man to the spiritual man. I thank Elder Nicodemus that as old as he was; he got the message and started processing his passport to heaven. I will shake his hands when I meet

him there. In fact, the new birth experience is also called the salvation experience and comes through repentance. In other words, to receive a passport to heaven you must be born again or be saved or have repented of your sins. Whether in the Old Testament, early church or contemporary church times, the requirement is the same.

> *"In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea. And saying, Repent for the kingdom of God is at hand."* ***(Matthew 3:1-2).***
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> *"Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the Gospel of the kingdom of God. And saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent, and believe the Gospel."* ***(Mark 1:14–15).***
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> "*Repent ye therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord."* ***(Acts 3:19****).*
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> *"And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commands all men everywhere to repent."* ***(Acts 17:30).***
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> *"I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."* ***(Luke 13:3).***

How then do you repent? What does it take? Where do I begin from? It is as simple as the first three letters of the English alphabet ABC.

A. **Admit that you are a sinner:** When Adam sinned, every one born after him is a sinner by nature. He is born with a 'want to' to do wrong. In your own strength or wisdom, you

cannot disentangle from sin. Every human being of natural origin is a sinner except when the new birth experience has taken place irrespective of their age, ethnicity, family background, religious activity or even economic or social status.

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." ***(Romans 3:23)****.*

Even if you should now forsake your evil deeds whether fighting, stealing or immoral practice, that does not qualify you for heaven because you are still a sinner. Haven't you ever seen sinners who don't fight, don't steal, are humanly as harmless as doves, do not drink, yet any attempt to climb up the morality ladder does not wash away sin from their lives? What can wash away sin? Only the blood of Jesus can wash away sin.

"Come now and let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." ***(Isaiah 1:18).***

B. **Believe that God loved you and sent His only son Jesus to take away the punishment you deserved:** After all he created you for a purpose. You are not a bastard or a fatherless child. God is your source and sustainer. He is your Abba. He has good plans for you and Jesus Christ his son is the essence of his love plan for you.

Proverbs 19:**21** is a simple pronouncement that changed my life forever. God says, in essence, you have many plenty

of plans in your heart but only my purpose for your life will prevail.

C. **Confess your sins and confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and savior:** The word confess is a direct translation from the Greek language meaning to agree. Whenever God calls anything sin, ours is to agree with him. No more, no less. No wonder David, the greatest murderer and adulterer was known as a man after God's heart. The secret is simple. David always agreed his failings. Unlike Saul who brought in reasoning and shielding.

"For whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." ***Romans 10:13.***

A vocal expression with your mouth is required to seal your belief of Jesus as Lord and savior in your heart! That is why when you hear the Gospel message and believe it in your heart, you speak to Jesus to forgive you all sins you have committed and invite him to come into your life. You must communicate with Jesus your intentions to make your ways right, that is the way.

There is no short cut and there are no middlemen in this exercise, you communicate with Jesus directly on your own behalf according to your odd circumstances. That is how it works. So how then do I know that I have secured a passport to heaven? It is not a secret plan of God but it is public knowledge– you will know it, your family will see it, and everybody around you will notice because there will be verifiable evidence.

No wonder when John the Baptist's ministry was in the silage days, he demanded of his hearers" *Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance."**(Mathew 3:8).***

An apple tree gives birth to apples as surely as an orange tree produces oranges. The tree points to the fruits and the fruits testify about the tree. When repentance is genuine in the life of anyone who comes to Jesus evidence is seen in the following areas simultaneously. It is not a process but rather a crisis. It is not a progressive experience but an instantaneous one.

Firstly, the works of the flesh are renounced. The repentant soul cannot continue to indulge in any one of them, because by them, men and women are disqualified from entering the kingdom of God.

> *"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, and heresies. Envying, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God."**(Galatians 5:19–21).***

In other words, all external appearances of the flesh must be cut down in your life as the first evidence of genuine repentance. If you see any of these in your life or others see them in your life and you say you are born again or saved, please return to Calvary for a genuine total experience that has the power to terminate the works of the flesh.

Secondly, the world together with all its systems that contradict the word of God must be forsaken. For instance, the

world dresses to uncover its nakedness, but you now dress to cover your nakedness. The music of this world predominantly arouses the base desires of the flesh, you now engage yourself with music that edifies your soul and honors God. What about the systems of this world in say contracting a marriage? Or business transactions involving bribes, corruption, falsifications of documents or unholy friendships such as boyfriend and girlfriend relationships, homosexuality or lesbianism must be forsaken. Your attitude towards the world must change beloved; you cannot have the world and have Jesus!

> *"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever".* ***(1 John 2:15–17).***
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> *"Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that friendship with this world is enmity with God?"****(James 4: 4).***

Thirdly, all evil communication must cease. Do you know your mouth does not publish its own agenda but merely reflects what is stored in your heart? It enlightens the condition of your heart to the world outside. It is like a tap of water which is a conduit for bringing water from the tank or reservoir to the world outside. If the water in the tank is dirty, you will see this by the water flowing from the tap and likewise if the water tank is clean so will be the water flowing out of the tap.

If repentance has affected your heart, your words to men will show. All gossiping, jesting, arguing, backbiting,

rumormongering and such like cannot continue to flow from are generated heart. In other words, you mind your language because it is the evidence of your new found faith to the world.

> *"If any man among you seems to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain."* ***(James 1:26).***
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> *Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace to the hearers.* ***(Ephesians 4:29).***
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> *"Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person."* ***(Colossians 4:6)***

Finally, the remarkable evidence of genuine repentance is that all unequal yokes must be broken or rather dismantled. Any ungodly business practices and relations must be decimated. All unholy marriage relationships such as polygamy, cohabitation, sex before marriage must be set apart.

> *Can two walk together except they be agreed?* ***Amos 3:3, 2 Corinthians 6:14–18.***

All outward sin is dealt a fatal blow where there is genuine repentance. The visible tree of sin in your life is cut down by the new birth experience. This is the passport required to travel to heaven, a journey that must be made at last by the careful and watchful traveler. Do not ever think to be allowed on the flight to heaven without this passport, you will not arrive. If you cannot be allowed to travel to America from Entebbe without a passport, why would you ever think you can make it

to heaven without a passport? Wake up and start the passport application process, it is possible.

I applied for my own passport on 07th April 2002, at age 12 while in Primary school. I thank God I did, because I knew one day I would need this passport for travel to the land of my dreams.

Chapter 4

A Visa Endorsement to Heaven Necessary

A visa endorsement on your current passport allows you entry into your destination country subject to immigration checks by your host country. In a like manner your visa to heaven secure sentry into heaven at last. In a nutshell, your visa endorsement to heaven is holiness or righteousness and this is secured by the experience called sanctification, the second work of grace in your life after salvation.

In the fall of humanity, man lost a number of things. But for us to understand what man lost, we first need to understand what he did not lose. First and foremost, there are five things that man did not lose. Heaven, the earth, his spirit, his body, his soul and his potential. These are well annotated in my other book. But my focus here is what man lost?

1. ***Man lost his holiness***.

This word conveys the idea of cleanliness, of being without spot, stain, or blemish. A related idea is that of *transparency*,

meaning "no cloud or shadow of deception or falsehood." What was the first thing Adam and Eve did after they disobeyed God? They lied and tried to cover up their actions. They also tried to "pass the buck." Adam blamed Eve for giving him the fruit, and even implied that God was at fault for giving Eve to him in the first place. This was the birth of domestic violence. Eve blamed the serpent for conning her. Loss of holiness means loss of honesty and openness. It means a life characterized by lies and deception. Adam and Eve tried to shield up their sin, and since then, humanity has been a race of "cover-ups".

In contrast, holiness and purity have to do with integrity. The word *integrity*, which means "complete or undivided," is related to the word *integrate*, which means "to unite or to form into a unified whole." In other words, integrity has to do with "oneness."

Holiness and purity mean that what we say and what we do are the same thing; there is no difference between our public life and our private life. That's integrity. Another word for purity, holiness, and integrity is *glory*. That's what Adam and Eve lost. Impurity breeds hypocrisy. Before the fall, they enjoyed perfect openness and trust in their relationships. Afterward, they were unable to be honest with God, with each other, or even with themselves.

2. ***Man lost the Holy Spirit.***

When Adam and Eve sinned, the personal presence of the Lord in their lives—the Holy Spirit—departed. His absence handicapped them because the knowledge, wisdom, power,

gifts, and fruit that He provided, and which they had taken for granted, were gone. It became impossible for them to function properly, or to understand fully who and what they were and what they were capable of. This reality is still with us today. Without the Holy Spirit, man can never experience his full glory.

3. ***Man lost Eden (the delightful presence of God).***

After God drove out Adam and Eve, "He placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life" (Gen. 3:24b). The word cherubim is plural. The way back into Eden was guarded by at least two angels, and possibly an entire host of them. With this eviction, God accomplished two things: He protected His holy environment from sinful man's contaminating presence, and He protected sinful man from eating of the tree of life and thereby living forever in his fallen condition. By protecting them from the tree of life He protected them from eternal damnation. If man had eaten from the tree of life in his fallen, contaminated state, it would have rendered him a permanent, eternal sinner.

God in His perfect wisdom and grace protected man from his own eternal damnation and gave hope for the redemption of future generations in Adam's loins. The immediate and long-term consequence of the Fall was that man, spiritually impaired by sin, had to try to function in an environment he was not designed for. In the Gar- den, life was purposeful. Even the work of tending the Garden was not laborious

because Adam and Eve were fulfilling their natural glory. Outside, however, the environment was hostile and resistant. Life became a continuing cycle of blood, tears, toil, and sweat.

4. ***Man lost the fullness of the glory of God.***

Without the covering presence of God, and without His Indwelling Spirit, Adam and Eve could not even fully express their own glory, much less the glory of God. Despite sin, man still had the image of God, although it was marred and distorted. The latent glory of God in them could not come out because it was buried under the sinfulness of their fleshly nature.

5. ***Man lost dominion over the earth.***

Satan used trickery and deception to induce Adam and Eve to disobey God. By their own choice they surrendered their dominion over the created order. Those who were created to rule took their crown and seal of authority and handed them over to an unemployed cherub. The true glory of the sons of men has since been buried under the confusion, ignorance, and frustration of the Fall.

6. ***Man lost his sense of purpose.***

As the generations passed, man quickly forgot who he was, why he was here, where he came from, and where he was going. Life became a daily grind of fear, despair, and hopelessness. Having lost Eden, man was out of his element and malfunctioned. We have been malfunctioning ever since,

struggling hard to answer those questions and to find a way back to where we once belonged. The presence of God conceals the purpose of man. Without God's presence man has no purpose, and without purpose, life is an experiment.

This requirement of holiness has been demanded of all generations that have ever lived and is not a new Biblical subject for the inquisitive pilgrim. No man or woman ever made it to heaven without this visa endorsement, in fact Jesus the forerunner to heaven was holy and blameless as our perfect example "*but as he who has called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; because it is written, be ye holy; for I am holy.* ***(1 Peter 1:15–16).***

> *Follow peace with all men and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord.* ***(Hebrews 12:14****).*
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> *That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.* ***(Luke 1:74–75).***
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> *And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thundering, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife has 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 19:6–8).***

This visa endorsement is called by many names all referring to the same experience. Additional visa names include

holiness, sanctification, righteousness and being perfect. A current experience of salvation commences the holiness experience.

In other words, without salvation you cannot attain holiness. Therefore, salvation is a pre-requisite for holiness.

> *Know you that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulteresses, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but you are washed, but you are sanctified, but you are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the spirit of God.* ***(1 Corinthians 6:9–11).***

At holiness, inward sin is dealt with. That hidden anger, wrath, malice, jealousy, covetousness, pride and a host of other non– desirables must be dealt with in the life of a child of God. This is what sanctification or holiness addresses in your life. It removes all rivalry in your heart for God's love. Holiness affects our actions, attitudes, dispositions and motives. It is therefore only possible to gauge the holiness experience in one's life through what can be seen – this is practical holiness observed by a change in our actions. Practical holiness can be seen in the following areas.

First we develop a consistent character and walk with God. We stop living Christian lives of rising and falling to sin, but we constantly live above sin despite prevailing circumstances, trials and temptations.

Lord, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? Who shall dwell in thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart. He that back biteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh are proach against his neighbor. In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoureth them that fear the Lord. He that's weareth to his own hurt, and changeth not. He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved. ***(Psalms 15:1–5).***

A second indicator to practical holiness is we allow the spirit of God to guide us in all life's decisions we take. Our dependency on the spirit of God becomes very pronounced in personal life, family life, church service and ministry. The spirit of God guides predominantly through the agency of the word of God, so conformity to the word of God becomes our hallmark.

"*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 does he meditate day and night.* ***(Psalms 1:1–2)***.

Thirdly practical holiness is gleaned from our desire to have a conscience free of guilt before God and before men. We approach the cross of Calvary for forgiveness of past, present and future sins and make up our mind by God's grace to stay free from sin. Then we do to fellow men what we would want them to do to us, this is the golden law of love. That is why we make amends for all wrongs committed against fellowmen, we do our restitutions. We pay back lawful debts, return borrowed

items duly; we make amends for items stolen in our possession and ask for forgiveness from whomsoever we have offended or slandered. And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence towards God and towards man. (Acts 24:16).

Fourthly we are consistent with our vow keeping. A vow is a voluntary pledge we make by word of mouth binding us to fulfill certain obligations to God or indeed to fellow men on condition of a benefit received. A vow is weightier than a promise which can be violated on the basis of good reasons being advanced.

A vow is an unenforceable agreement between two parties. This may include your tithes and offerings, your service to the Lord among others. The "*God if you do this for me"* statements that we pray are vows which we must make good when God fulfills his part. Promises can be changed but vows never change.

> *"I will go to thy house with burnt offerings: I will pay my vows."**(Isaiah 66:13).***
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> *When thou vowest a vow to God, defer not to pay it: for he has no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed. Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay. **(Ecclesiastes 5:4-5).***
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> *It is a snare to man who devoureth that which is holy, and after vows to make inquiry. (**Proverbs 20:25**).*

Furthermore, practical holiness leads to purity in communication, we become considerate with our language

desiring to edify and bless as the natural course of our speech. We develop a monotone pure speech every day of our lives irrespective of the challenges we face, we quench evil with good.

> *Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace to the hearers.* ***(Ephesians 4:9).***
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> *Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work. To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but gentle, showing all meekness unto all men.* ***(Titus 3:1–2).***
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> *"Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each persons."* ***(Colossians 4:6)***

The disciples of Jesus Christ had secured passports to heaven yet Jesus had to pray for them to secure visas to enable the mat last enter heaven, he prayed;

> "Thus *I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of this world even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth, thy word is truth.* ***(John 17:15–17).***

Why then did Jesus pray for his disciples to be sanctified or made holy? Or made righteous? After all their names were in heaven already as we read that from Jesus words to them.

> *Notwithstanding; in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.* ***(Luke 10:20).***

Jesus understood the kingdom requirements, after all he came down to this earth from heaven. Salvation and holiness are required to enter heaven. What did Jesus see in the lives of his disciples to warrant a prayer of holiness for them? First we see among the disciples of Jesus self being exalted rather than meekness or lowliness, this led to a dispute among them.

> *Then there arose a reasoning among them, which of them should be the greatest.* ***(Luke 9:46).***

Secondly we see a denominational attitude creeping in among them. They were under the illusion that only them were qualified to serve and demonstrate God's power.

> *And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out devils and we forbade him, because he followeth not with us. And Jesus said unto him, forbid him not: for he that is not against us is for us.* ***(Luke 9:49–50).***

Thirdly we see a spirit of retaliation and revenge among his disciples. Basically, they demonstrated an unforgiving spirit in calling down fire to consume the Samaritans because they had denied Jesus entry through their city earlier on.

> *"And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he steadfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem. And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into the village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him. And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem. And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elijah did? But he turned and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of.* ***(Luke9:51–55).***

Finally, we see among Jesus' disciples position seeking and self-centeredness.

> *And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come unto him, saying, Master, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire. And he said unto them, what would ye that I should do for you? They said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand, in thy glory.* ***(Mark 10:35–37).***

That is the reason Jesus was compelled to start a visa application process for his disciples and he rendered prayer to heaven to that effect. That prayer is still binding for you if we come down to Jesus by faith now. Holiness is an instantaneous experience of total freedom from outward and inherited sin. What are the expectations of a holy lifestyle and not just practical holiness which must characterize this experience?

> *There is inner rest and heart victory; we are meek and lowly in Spirit. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh.* ***(Ezekiel 36:26)***

> *Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.* ***(Matthew 5:8, 48).***

> *And you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free. If the Son therefore shall make you free, you shall be free indeed.* ***(John 8:32, 36).***

Then we see pureness of motive, wanting always to please our master, Jesus Christ.

"Let this mind be in you; which was also in Jesus Christ." ***(Philippians 2:5).***

We possess unity with the word of God.

But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel: After those days saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. ***(Jeremiah 31:33).***

There will be joy, abundant joy as a result of this experience for you shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing and all trees of the field shall clap their hands. ***(Isaiah55:12).***

*Then there will be unity with the body of Christ that they all may be one; as thou Father, art in me, and I in thee that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou has sent me.****(John 17:21). (1 John 4:17–18)***

Chapter 5

Visa Requirement Immutable

God requires every traveler to heaven to possess a valid visa before entry can be granted. God's requirement began right from the time he called man to fellowship with him and will only expire when heaven's doors will at last be closed to anymore pilgrims. Let us look at God's dealing with Abraham as an early pilgrim to heaven in the Old Testament dispensation.

> *"Now the Lord had said to Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will show thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shall be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed. So Abram departed, as the Lord had spoken unto him: and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.* ***(Genesis 12:1–4).***

This was the call of promise to Abram demanding separation from the idolatry of Haran to a land God would show him where he would serve God. Abram obeyed and started off towards Canaan. This call can be likened to the

call to salvation for a sinner and the beginning of a new walk with God forsaking old lifestyles, sinful customs and all the idolatrous worship of the past. It is a walk into newness.

> *Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new.* ***(2Corinthian 5:17).***

However, after Abram set off and five chapters later, God appeared to Abram with this message. Notice that twenty-four years have already passed since he started this journey.

> *"And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared unto Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect. And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.* ***(Genesis 17:1–2).***

There is also a life of self-management and cover up in Abraham's life. A lie is hatched, discussed, perfected and executed by God's pilgrim!

What has happened to God's promises of making Abram a great nation? Where is the total dependence on God, for provision, protection and peace? Besides, God in calling Abram promised to make him a great nation for which all the nations of the earth would be blessed. God knew Sarai was barren and God also knew that both Abram and Sarai were fast aging, however due to impatience with God they devised a plan to help God make Abram a great nation, what a shame. This was a proving or a test to the pilgrim. You and I cannot help God. God does not need your help. Here are the scriptures. God said '*I will'* not '*we will'*.

"Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will show thee: And I will make thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing. ***(Genesis 12:1–2).***

Now Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had a handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name was Hagar. And Sarai said unto Abram, behold now, the Lord has restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children by her. And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai. And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife. And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in here yes. ***(Genesis 16:1-4).***

God was not consulted in the first place but instead the yoke of polygamy was invited into the family with its attendant problems.

When Abram settled the issue of righteousness with God, he received a higher commendation, being called a friend of God. Also barrenness was taken away from Sarai and Abram and Sarai's natures were changed, symbolized by new names given to them now called henceforth, Abraham and Sarah. And by the way, there is an important principle to understand here about the name changes.

In the patriarch's time, the covenant- making ceremony involved a number of steps. It was an agreement between two people that was normally made in an open field before the

witness of people. Among the steps, was an exchange of names. The partners stood facing each other in an open field and each partner would take each other's name and put it in the middle of theirs. So, every time their name was pronounced, it would automatically tell who their covenant partner was.

This is exactly what happened when God made a covenant with Abram. The guy's name changed from Abram to Abr*AH*am. The two letters which are added are "*AH*" which come from Yahweh, (YAH-way), the name of God that appears over 6,800 times in the Bible. God doesn't stop there. True to covenant, he takes Abraham's name. From this point, he calls himself "The God of Abraham."

Let me explain to you how incredible this is. In the ancient Hebrew, there were no vowels-only consonants. The letter "a" in the "Yahweh" was a pronunciation aid that was added later. But originally, God's name was simply four letters; "YHWH". When he made a covenant with Abram, he put the "H" from his name into Abraham's name and changed Sarai's name to Sarah. The letter "H" is a Hebrew sound of breath generally signifying the presence of God. No wonder why my name is Ric*H*ard. No wonder why my wife's name is Mart*H*a.

Whether individually as Abram or as a nation Israel, God's standard is the same. After delivering Israel from the Egyptian captivity, God still demanded holiness from Israel on their way to the Promised Land. It was part of God's law given to Israel.

> *And the Lord spoke unto Moses saying, speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, ye shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy.* ***(Leviticus 19:12).***

*For I am the Lord your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. For I am the Lord that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy. (**Leviticus 11:44–45**).*

Dear friend when God brings you out of your captivity of sin he requires you to be holy to receive of his good treasure and promises. As an individual, family or church God's standard remains the same.

In the modern church today, God's demand is still unbending as it was at the time of Abraham, Israel and the early church.

Follow peace with all men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord. ***(Hebrews 12:14).***

Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God. ***(Matthew5:8).***

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and the spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. ***(2 Corinthian 7:1).***

Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness.

(2 Peter 3:11).

But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.
(1Timothy 6:11).

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world. ***(Titus 2:11–12).***

As obedient children, not fashioning ourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance; But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, be ye holy: for I am holy. ***(1 Peter 1:15–16).***

Holiness is not an option but rather it is God's requirement for his children today. God does not make demands that are impossible to fulfill, it is possible to live a holy, righteous and perfect life today in this present evil world.

And when you are holy you will know it by the spirit's inner witness. How come I hear quite a lot of preachers today tell their congregations that it is not possible to live a holy life, and that nobody can claim to be holy, they continue to say that we shall only know when we get to heaven's gates. That is a pessimistic gospel, it is not for me, I am seeking after righteousness every day because it is possible by God's grace and revelation to obtain it today, here on earth as Christ professed to encourage us. Holiness is possible today, actually demanded by God today and the antidote to holiness is here.

"*All scripture is given by the 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)***

That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the

hand of our enemies might serve him without fear, In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life. ***(Luke 1:74–75).***

I want to assure you that my Christian journey will only be profitable if I am able to go past all the criticisms of friends, relatives and men around and get to heaven's gates and most importantly be allowed entry inside the pearly gate to attend the greatest summit ever known to mankind.

I will strive for this holiness experience to be current in my life at all times. If I ignore this visa aspect, then I have lost a significant part of God's word to me. Remove all holiness teachings from the Bible and you have no Bible left, in size and in weight. This is the unpopular truth, yet the lifeline to heaven at last.

Chapter 6

The Body of Christ at Risk

Except the visible church wakes up to the realities of heaven's requirements to all its arrivals, the church today will just be a noisy, powerless and irrelevant embassy in sending men and women to heaven. Moreover, there will be much noise raised against the church worldwide from the residents of hell, because of a failed co-mission.

After travelling to many countries in Africa and around the world, I came to a discovery and a conclusion that the church is God's embassy on earth to assist travelers get to heaven as they prepare in this short time on earth. If it fails to do this, it will just be a social forum lacking the validation capacity to aid the heaven application process for voyagers. Whether it is the outmoded church, Pentecostal church, Evangelical church or Charismatic church, there is a danger of a failed mission either by design or by ignorance or by presumption.

I have said this a thousand times or more and I will say it again here. The greatest enemy of man is not sin or Satan; it is ignorance. Firstly, it is not sin because sin was solved long even

before man sinned. God was not flabbergasted or go into shock when man sinned. He had already made pre-arrangements and was ready for that. Secondly, it is not Satan because, Satan, who is called Lucifer, is the most insignificant, predictable and manipulated spirit, that was fired from the company because of insubordination.

Therefore, he is an unemployed cherub. So Satan is angry at the boss and due to that, he hates the boss' kids simply because they are made in the boss' image. In fact, I didn't know the devil years back; but now I know him well and he knows me well too. I and him are best enemies and worst friends. Here is the key; any spirit that comes on planet earth without a body is illegal. Satan is illegal on planet earth. And whenever something is illegal, that means those who are legal have rights and powers over them.

So the only Spirit that has legal rights on planet earth is a spirit in a body; and that is a human. Human is two Latin words put together; Humus meaning dust and man meaning the spirit. Combine the two you get humus-man; human.

My prayer to you is that; take a look at the dangers in the visible church today and jump out of a sinking ship. To the ship captains, kindly change course for the sake of humanity on board your ships. It is possible, God's grace is still available to avoid an imminent shipwreck ahead if you change course now! To the passengers who have woken up to the reality of non-arrival on board their ships, sound an alarm for help in the high seas, send the SOS distress signal, help is coming.

Jesus Christ will not abandon you. Get your life jackets

ready. Let us peak at the dangers in our ships today. Pedaling religion without righteousness cannot guarantee arrival in heaven, despite a nice visible time here, in this present earth with all religious rites observed. Religiosity is all about noise, action, gimmicks, and number games. That is why Jesus never preached religion. As a matter of fact; Jesus' number one opposition didn't come from sinners; it came from 'Religious' people. ***Matthew 13:24-30, (2 Timothy 2:11***.

Can you ship captains recognize these men and women in your church ships? How come they are not changed and are not willing to process passports and visas for the expedition? Either, the gospel they are fed with is powerless and is a diluted gospel or else these numbers would not be on the rise in your ships. Religion without heaven in view is a waste of time, money and resources and lives in the long run.

As a ship captain, I would return to dock and off load all these kind of passengers who are not willing to meet the conditions of travel and replace them with diligent passengers. Announce a new voyage plan and make the conditions plain clear like the chocolate bar no child would miss out. Fellow ship captains, tell the passengers that the ship will sail with or without passengers, do not beg them. That is not your business. Tell them your ship's program and let them hop in or wait for another ship. As a sole overseer, you can steer that ship in the high seas, do not be afraid, roll out and surely you will dock safely.

Noah at the time of the flood was a preacher of righteousness and for one hundred years he ceased not to

warn men and women of the flood, they kept at it mocking crazy Noah until the day arrived and a crazy departure took place. Mr. and Mrs. Noah, three sons and their wives and the animal kingdom left. So what is that to me if nobody jumps into my ship, so long as it has a clearance certificate to sail, I am gone into the high seas. Advocating prosperity without righteousness can never guarantee arrival in heaven despite the short term earthly benefits dangled void of eternal guarantees.

Many churches have become departments of Economics and the world at large. The prosperity gospel is sucking in millions into an endless pejorative eternity.

Church, your encouragement to the world ought to be Jesus our savior from sin, sickness, Satan's afflictions and stunted lifestyles. Heaven has got a prosperity package for only its pilgrims for both the present and future exemptions. Heaven's prosperity plan for the pilgrim is *'beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health even as thy soul prospers'* ***(3John 2)***. This is much shorter than all the prosperity seminars, conferences, crusades and conventions we have become accustomed to.

All these are sucking in more sinners and passport holders to multiply sin, what a tragedy! I thought that if the prosperity gospel was of any use then it would help bring sin down. This syndrome has weakened the church's resolve to head-on take the world of materialism around it.

Pastor, if you must write, do you not see that this focus of entering heaven is more important than all riches and the good life? After all Lazarus made it, do not forget, the rest is history.

Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me not because you saw the miracles, but because you did eat of the loaves, and were filled. Labor not for them eat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the father sealed. ***(John 6:26–27).***

Many therefore of his disciples, when they had heard this, said. This is a hard saying; who can hear it. From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. ***(John6:60, 66).***

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some have coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. ***(1 Timothy 6:5–10).***

Are you in the church for what you can get here on this earth or what you can give God and others? Hold the possessions of this world with loose hands if the reality of heaven must come true for you.

The other danger is the church practicing healing without holiness. Do not forget the imitation gospel of the seven sons of Sceva and the recoil that followed an attempted healing mission. This is a danger to heaven's program. Biblical healing runs hand in hand with biblical salvation everywhere in the pages of scriptures. See what Jesus said about this to the man

he healed.

> *Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take thy bed and walk. Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto you.* ***(John 5:8, 14).***

You see friend that is the correct practice, God heals you to serve him, simple.

> *But seek ye first the kingdom of God. And his righteousness; and all these things shall be added to you.* ***(Matthew 6:33).***

All things include healing and health.

> *And said, if thou will diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and will do that which is right in his sight, and will give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statues, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee.* ***(Exodus 15:26).***

How come that church today has become continuous hospital clinics and not referral centers? Every service is a healing service from January to December. The clinics continue. I read about the nation of Israel in the wilderness, about three million people travelling in harsh conditions to a land of promise yet without any remarkable sicknesses because as they obeyed God, he took care of them.

There was none feeble among them, without a health care system as we know today and yet how come in our technologically advanced society, the church is full of sick

folks every day? Could it be the gospel is not brushing the root of the sore and offering external remedy or what? Doctor preacher, change the rules and pay more attention to sin and abandon direct treatment for a season and see whether you will not get some rest from all this flimflam.

No point taking healthy church folks to hell. Healed to die at last, where is the fun consultant preacher? Professing success without separation from sin is another danger to the church world. Systems of this world and societal demands have corrupted the church of the living God to a compromising, backslidden state.

> *Ye adulterers and adulteresses know ye not that the friendship of this world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. (James 4:4).*
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> *Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the father, but is of the world. And the world passes away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abides forever.* ***(1 John2:15–17).***
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> *Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, says 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, says the Lord Almighty.* ***(2 Corinthian6:17–18****).*

The world's tested methods are no good for God's divine project. All your MBA projects about church growth are just numbers on paper. Look up God's strategy no matter how

foolish and fire on; it doesn't have to be popular. And don't you forget that God changes strategies for us depending on the demands on ground. When Jericho was to be attacked, despite the numerical strength of Israel, God prescribed a march past and a final shout festival to tear down that city.

However, when Ai was confronted self-management came in among the generals. They reasoned, this city is smaller than Jericho, let us send just three thousand footmen and the rest of us relax. They were chased like little kids and had to come back to the drawing board to seek guidance. When fault was pointed out and corrected the method of battle was also changed, this time a tactical ambush operation was given to them by God.

Do you understand church that the methods that worked yester years may not necessarily rake in the desired today's results? On your knees you will discover the method to demolish your foes and let God's people go, not on the microphone so to speak. On your knees behind your bedroom door, then walk to the microphone and it shall come to pass.

Gideon, a judge of old appointed by God in Israel discovered this secret to great advantage. God called him to lead the Israel army of thirty two thousand men against a combined Midianite enemy force of one hundred thirty five thousand men. They were like grasshoppers before the enemy yet when Gideon consulted God about strategy for battle, God instructed Gideon to send the cowards home. Those who were so much taken up by their new wives, ongoing projects and earthly possessions to be of any help were identified.

Twenty two thousand cowards volunteered for immediate leave, save for ten thousand warriors. God insisted that the army was still large lest the people boast that they secured victory in their own strength. God then set a divine exam for the army with Gideon as chief invigilator and eventually only three hundred warriors passed the war exam. All said and done an army of three hundred over run that of one hundred thirty-five thousand! The cowards were only invited to pursue the fleeing enemy and to secure loot. You see God's method always has the winning streak despite its seeming unreasonableness. Pronouncing blessings without a birth-right are fatal and a danger to God's church. The birth-right for enjoying God's blessings is being a child of God through repentance of your sins.

> *For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God* ***(Romans 3:23).***
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> *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).***
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> *And because ye are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of his son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ. (****Galatians 4:6–7).***
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> *Lest there be a fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright. For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited a blessing, he was rejected; for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.* ***(Hebrews 12:16–17)****.*

Do not waste time pronouncing blessings to swine, it is no good. The swine goes back into the mud and makes itself messy and back to you again, this is a vicious circle of tragedy.

Get the swine out of the mud secure them first and then do something permanently helpful. Blessings will surely swell figures, but for who's good? First things must come first. The birthright comes first then you make your claim for an inheritance and not the other way round. Not popular but the commendable way from heaven nonetheless. Promoting Pentecostalism without purging, a tragedy of church life.

Do you know that on the day of Pentecost, the believers had an experience of sanctification? Jesus had already prayed for this experience for them earlier on, and they were in one accord in one place and suddenly…*Suddenly...* The Holy Ghost came upon all the one hundred and twenty believers gathered together in the upper room of prayer.

The initial evidence was that they spoke in an unlearned tongue as the spirit gave them utterance but the ultimate evidence was that they became more effective, fruitful and bold witnesses of Jesus Christ. This is evidenced by the numerical growth of the church that resulted after this experience and the level of spiritual maturity that ensued, many category of leaders are mentioned after this experience such as prophets, apostles and evangelists in the church.

> *"If a man therefore purges himself from these, he shall be a vessel of honor, sanctified, and meet for the masters' use, and prepared unto every good work."* ***(2 Timothy 2:21).***

Without necessary purging and sanctification, we shall have a boom of noisy, powerless and eternally fruitless churches, some of whose pilgrims may nonetheless arrive at the gates of heaven, but only to be denied entry inside.

> *"Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many shall say unto me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name, and in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you; depart from me, ye that work iniquity.* ***"Matthew 7:21-23***

Church of God, are you preparing travelers to start a journey to enter into heaven and not just end at the pearly gate of heaven? Temporary church documents for travelers to heaven will be rejected in heaven, fake passports will be busted; passports with no visas will only take the traveler to the gate of heaven and then back to hell, what a waste. Here is my last word as I benedict this chapter. Church, Pastor, Bishop, remember to prepare the pilgrim for heaven as much as lies in you, and be sure you march along with the pilgrims you prepare to heaven.

Chapter 7

Immigration Control in the Kingdom Headquarters

Unlike passports issued here in this world which are a colorful booklet design, with blank visa pages, with details of the holder clearly designated and visas which are special stickers placed onto the blank visa passport pages, passports and visas to heaven are a life – Jesus Christ living in you and not lifeless legal documents and stamps. That is the blue print reality now. So then it is the life of Christ in you that is under investigation in order to enter heaven. No wonder the beloved Paul said that Christ might increase in me and I may decrease.

So pilgrims, have more of Jesus in your life, actions, thoughts and dreams. This is the sweetest way to be sure your entry will be delay-free. These credentials are available for public inspection by the whole world and in heaven and in hell unlike our earthly documents which are only shown to titled officials. Let the world read the passport and visa details in your life with minimum effort. That is true Christianity at its best.

Passports and visas to heaven are issued from heaven, God's kingdom through the office of the Lord Jesus Christ as the issuing authority. However, God's embassies, the visible churches in the world have been delegated with the responsibility of assisting travelers to heaven acquire valid passports and visas. The ambassadors of Christ here in this world are the contact officers with God's heavenly kingdom, showing travelers to heaven, the requirements and how these can be secured for travel to heaven.

> *"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."**(2 Corinthians 5:20).***
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> *"For which I am an ambassador in bonds; that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak**." (Ephesians 6:20).***

Looking for God's embassies and ambassadors here on earth? When you see an ambassador, there is a nearby embassy around you. I, am an ambassador of Christ by the grace of God, Paul the apostle declares in his writings to the church that he is an ambassador of Christ. As a matter of fact, you will discover that in a nearby embassy there will be several ambassadors because of the attention and urgency required to prepare the travel documents. That is why Paul says 'we' are ambassadors. An ambassador is a representative of his country in another country. He shows cases of his country to the outside world, and enlightens the world of his country. To be an ambassador of God, you must belong to God's kingdom, a spiritual kingdom by birth.

"Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto you, except a man be born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God." **(John 3:5).**

An ambassador must be born again by the agency of the water of the word of God and the conviction of the Holy Spirit. This is the beginning of the spiritual life. Furthermore, an ambassador is led by the Spirit of God in his actions, thoughts, words and deeds.

"That the righteousness of the law may be fulfilled in us; who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit…For to be carnally minded is death: but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." ***(Romans 8:4,6).***

An ambassador has grown from being carnal to being spiritual through the exercise of the word of God. An ambassador is not a babe but his spiritual diet is strong meat of the word of God.

"*For every one that uses milk is unskillful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongs to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil."* ***(Hebrews 5:13–14).***

An ambassador is skilled in the word of righteousness and this is what helps him or her assist travelers to heaven process their passports and visas. I am saying every genuine ambassador of Christ possesses the salvation experience obtained through repentance and is living a righteous life in this present world.

These are the men and women delegated to assist you process travel documents to heaven. Open your eyes and

ears wide, you will see them around you, perhaps in the local church or streets or crusade grounds or neighborhoods around you. They may even come and knock on your doors to invite you to start the application process. Unluckily, they do not all have badges on their chests written *AMBASSADOR*.

You will need spiritual eyes to see them. Pray for such a vision that God will open your eyes to see them and help you out. Be a prurient traveler to get the best my friend. All passport applicants to heaven whose passport applications have been processed and approved have their names written in heaven. An official record is kept in heaven of all qualified travelers to heaven. Your name should be found in the book of life to be sure of arrival into heaven. You can appeal when your name has been removed from the register through sin. This is what a backslider does through restoration to have his name back on heavens' immigration database. Entrance to heaven carries a conditional security article of obedience to God's word always.

> *"And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."* ***(Revelation 20:15).***
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> *"To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect."* ***(Hebrews 12:23).***
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> *And I entreat thee also, true yoke yellow, help those women who labored with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other fellow laborers, whose names are in the book of life. (Philippians 4:3). Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous* ***(Psalms 69:28).***

And Moses returned unto the Lord, and said, oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and made them gods of gold. Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin ..: and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written. And the Lord said unto Moses, whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of the book of life. ***(Exodus 32:31–33).***

And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defiles, neither whatsoever works abomination or makes a lie; but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life. ***(Revelation21:27).***

All the embassies here on earth are linked up with heaven's immigration data base for storage of all passport and visa data.

Heaven is the clearing house coordinating all these embassies down these sides. So when a data search is instituted in heaven's data base and information is not available it simply suggests there were anomalies that were not rectified during the application process, in fact some files are shifted to the pending trays because of unforeseen changes in the traveler's details. The passport and visa checks in heaven are thorough and no mistakes can ever be made about entry into heaven.

The documentation is excellent and the filing system is efficient, that as soon as a traveler is at the pearly gate of heaven, records are retrieved and there is no waiting time. Do you not see this in the case of Lazarus, as soon as he died he was carried into heaven; that is efficiency brother.

*"Blessed are they which do his commandments that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city."****(Revelation 22:14).***

And a highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it is for those; the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not enter therein. ***(Isaiah 35:8).***

The final visa check is carried out by the angels at the gates of heaven despite the fact that the travelers left earthly countries.

Entry can only now be secured at one Immigration office in heaven, the gate of heaven. Despite the large number of arrivals from various International destinations, only one database is used to process entry. It is one thing to travel to the gates of heaven, but another to be allowed entry through these gates into heaven, remember this warning in scripture my brother, my sister.

Always remember; "*Not everyone that says unto me Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven;* ***(Matthew 7:21–23)***.

Jesus spoke a parable to us to alert us of the need to be watchful as travelers to heaven and to have current travel documents to heaven – salvation and holiness. No use travelling all the way to the gates of heaven, only to be denied entry, what a shame! ***(Mathew 25:1–12).***

At the rapture, all saints that have slept (died) with current passports and visas and living saints qualify to enter heaven, because a saint is somebody whose sins have been forgiven by Jesus Christ and is living a holy life!***(1 Thessalonians 4:16–17)***.

Please pilgrim, passports and visas must be sought for prior to departure, as the safest assurance that arrival will be

possible. Do not depend on securing a visa at the gates of heaven, suppose it is rejected? I know in special cases visas can be issued at the ports of entry this side of the world provided there is an immigration protocol between those countries.

It is rare to see foreigners applying for entry visas at the counters of international airports on arrival from their countries of origin. Some countries in the world operate what is called reciprocate immigration agreements. That means that if a particular foreign country demands visas from your citizens then your country will also demand visas from their citizens.

The only difference is that they can apply for the visas at the points of entry into your country. Uganda is a member of such an agreement. All Ugandans intending for example to travel to the United States or the United Kingdom must apply for entry visas before departure through the respective embassies in their countries.

In the same spirit, all nationals from these countries intending to visit Uganda must apply for Ugandan visas. The only difference is that they have an option to apply for it at the point of entry, do you understand? Because of such past experiences many could be bold and say we shall apply for visas when we get there. I can assure you it may be too late; the chances are too slim as only one is recorded in the Bible under peculiar circumstances. Take a look at the case file.

> *"And one of the male factors which were hanged railed on him, saying, if thou be the Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost thou not fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we*

receive the due rewards of our deeds: but this man has done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, verily I say unto thee, Today, shalt thou be we me in paradise. ***(Luke 23:39–43).***

Both criminals, as they were led to be crucified for their dreadful deeds against God and humanity, they did not have passports and visas to heaven. One of them recognized who Jesus was, woke up and began processing his passport to heaven knowing that the clock of time was fast ticking against him. Fortunately for him heaven's Chief Immigration Officer, Jesus Christ was on the cross beside him to receive and approve his passport.

Only a verbal assurance was given to him by Jesus Christ. There is no record of him having obtained a visa here on earth and he certainly procured his visa at the gates of heaven as he was travelling on the same flight with heaven's Chief Executive Immigration officer, a waiver was granted through the pearly gates. Well, we shall link up with him later in heaven to review the details of this special case of mercy. I tell you my brother and my sister, at the pearly gates of heaven, only one of the two words will be uttered to you depending on your immigration status. It will either be ***welcome*** or ***sorry***!

Chapter 8

Free Passport and Visa

Passports and visas are free because the Bible says so. As a matter of fact, all the things that God gives His children are free right from the seemingly palpable gifts such as life, health, food, rain, water to the less unaware like salvation, sanctification, Holy Spirit baptism and heaven at last.

> *"Take a look I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for my anger is turned away from him."* ***(Hosea 14:4).***
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> "*Heal the sick, cleanse the leper, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely have you received, freely give."* (***Mathew 10:8)***.
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> *He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?* ***(Romans 8:32***).
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> "*And the Spirit and the bride say, come. And let him that hears say, come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will let him take the water of life freely."* (***Revelation 22:17****).*

Just submit your passport and visa application forms with the help of the embassy staff around you with supporting

evidence, that is all and the application process kicks off. I submitted mine on 07th, April, 2002 at age twelve. I was just a little kid, born in a humble background as well as confused about my purpose as to why I am on planet earth. Passports and visas to heaven are God's unmerited promise for you. The promise indicates the terms involved, absolutely free of any material costs, but what this secures you is more than money can buy. The passport and visa is your ticket to abundant provision of God's promises.

> *"Ho, every one that thirsts, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy wine and milk without money and without price."**(Isaiah 55:1).***
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> *"I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment that thou may be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thy eyes with eye salve, that thou mayest see."**(Revelation 3:18).***
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> *"And he said unto me, it is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely."**(Revelation 21:6).***

Most pertinently is the fact that the price has already been paid for us at the cross of Calvary over two thousand years ago. At the cross Christ died to secure your salvation and sanctification, all at once. Salvation takes away your sins while sanctification safeguards your holiness or righteousness in this present life.

> *The next day John saw Jesus coming unto him, and said, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.* ***(John 1:29).***

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many, and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation. ***(Hebrews 9:22; 28).***

For as much as you know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. ***(1 Peter 1:18–19).***

And from Jesus Christ who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood. ***(Revelation 1:5).***

Here is how your visa was paid for, so that you can live above sin in this present world.

Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. ***(Hebrews 13:12).***

By which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. ***(Hebrews 10:10****).*

And then the assurance for our sanctification is endorsed by God the Father in heaven. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ***(1 Thessalonians5:23–24).***

*Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. (****I Corinthians1:8).***

Passports and visas are God's gift to you. Gifts are free. Take the gift my brother, take the gift my sister! It is absolutely free. The hands from heaven are fraught out to you without any pre-conditions, arise take and be glad.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***(Romans 6:23).***

*For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God?****(Ephesians 2:8).***

Passports and visas are God's love gesture to us. Gestures are free to my knowledge unless times have changed! I learnt this when I was pursuing my Diploma in children's ministry in Nairobi. A gesture is a pointer usually in speech clarification for better comprehension and fathoming of the message being conveyed. A gesture makes the message being conversed clearer, comprehensible and easily understood without much ado.

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****).*

But because the Lord loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh, King of Egypt. ***(Deuteronomy 7:8).***

God commends his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. ***(Romans 5:8).***

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. ***(Ephesians 2:4–6).***

Behold, what manner of love the father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore, the world knows us not, because it knew him not. ***(1 John 3:1).***

A great invitation has been sent out throughout the ends of the earth to all men and women to come and partake of the feast in heaven. Today the invitations have been sent out to America, to Canada, to Europe, to Australia, to New Zealand, to Asia, to the Middle East, to Africa, to China and to all the island nations dotted in our vast water bodies including the Eskimos in the Tundra. Indeed, the great invitation is in response to the great commission by all embassy staff to:

Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen. ***(Matthew 28:19–20).***

Come now, and let us reason together says the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as 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. ***(Isaiah 1:18–19).***

Come unto me, ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ***(Matthew 11:28).***

Take a look at this scenario in ***Mathew 22:1-13.*** Invited but not prepared. Invited but arrogant and careless to benefit from the king's offer. Invited but without proper documents. Why take things for granted when passports and visas are free? Naturally, free things this side of the planet are considered cheap especially by those with the world's goods.

However, the passports and visas to heaven are different, they are free but expensive! You see when you have it; gold becomes your floor mat as you walk on golden roads every day in the streets of heaven. That is expensive sister, more expensive than your Prado, Harrier, Rav4, Ipsum or TX that rides on earthly tarred stones, that is more expensive than the torment of hells flames at last. That is the catchword for you my brother ***free but expensive.*** Will you not give it a try today for the sake of your soul?

Chapter 9

No Passport; No Visa; No Heaven

Hell is a very fearful place of eternal punishment for all who do not give God due glory and honor. Whether you call it hell, sheol, Hades or the lake of fire, the overriding picture is that it depicts eternal suffering for the eternally damned soul. All mortals that ever lived in this world and made no preparations to travel to heaven will eventually find themselves here.

Similarly, all mortals who started off to heaven but cared less about their visas will find themselves in hell as well. It is a place of everlasting unquenchable fire. This is the one fact mortal men need to understand, that there is life beyond the grave either in heaven or in hell. Hell is for those that have missed out on heaven either by rebellion or assumption.

Believe this report my friend about the reality and the agony of hell simply because it is a land of no return for us mortals.

> "*Whose fan is in his hand, and he shall thoroughly purge the floor, and gather the wheat to a garner; but will burn up the chaff with*

unquenchable fire. ***(Matthew 3:12).***

And shall cast them in a furnace of fire: there will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. ***(Matthew 13:42).***

Hell was meant for Satan and his fallen angels, as a place of eternal torment for their rebellion against God. Those mortals in hell are really partaking of what belongs to Satan by their own choice. Why force yourself into a place of suffering not prepared for you my friend? What wisdom is that? Hell is the residence of fools because;

"*The fool has said in his heart, there is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that does good.* ***(Psalms 14:1)****.*

*How art thou fallen, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above he stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. (****Isaiah 14:12–15).***

For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment. ***(2 Peter 2:4).***

And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever. ***(Revelation 20:10).***

Then shall he say also unto them on his left hand, depart from

*me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels. (**Matthew 25:41**).*

Do you notice that hell is a place God prepared for Satan and his fallen angels when they were cast down from heaven? And that finally they will all be locked up in this haven for eternity? But for the present moment some of Satan's hosts are here with us and some are already in hell locked up.

Those of Satan's host in hell already is because God sent them there when they rebelled and also because of God's children who have understood the word of God and decreed demons and evil spirits into hell, they are not in hell by choice but because somebody sent them there by decree of the word of God and that person could be you.

When God created this cosmos, He said heaven is His throne and the earth the habitation of man while Satan and his host were driven away from heaven pending a final settlement in the lake of fire. Satan then has no legal right to share this habitation with us. If he does so, it is by our own choice and not God's will. His forces must be driven by applying God's word to where they belong so that their effect on the human race might be mitigated, and that takes you and me. We ought to drive them down under our feet, after all Jesus said to you and me;

*Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. (**Luke 10:19**).*

And the angels that kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness

unto the judgment of the great day. ***(Jude 6).***

Show Satan and his host where they belong. Remember you are the king this side and in the word of the king there is power. Kings are not presidents nor prime ministers, nor senates nor parliamentarians. As a matter of fact, presidents are found in democracies but only kings are found in kingdoms.

Characteristics of a King

1. A king is never voted into power.
2. A king is a king by birthright.
3. A king's presence is the presence of his authority.
4. A king embodies the government of his kingdom.
5. A king chooses who will be a citizen.
6. A king's decree is unchanging.
7. A king personally owns everything in his domain.
8. A king's word is law.
9. A king's authority is absolute.
10. A king cannot be voted out of power.

All those characteristics define you. God created you a ruler in his divine plan of creation and Jesus re-echoed God's plan for you to be king, prince and priest while in this present world, don't let Satan fool you, speak the word of command. This particular verse tickles me about who we are in reality of God's divine purpose for humanity.

"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 creeps upon the earth. (**Genesis 1:26**).*

Hell is large enough to accommodate all that qualify to be there because broad is the gate and wide is the way leading to hell that it accommodates all together with their baggage of religion, theology, philosophy, atheism and a host of other cargo. There is space for all travelers on this way with all luggage carried, moreover the gates that lead to hell's pit are so wide that there is no congestion at the gates of hell. Moreover, hell can accommodate individual travelers, family entourages, denominational groups or even whole nations.

*Enter ye at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and many there be which go in there at. (**Matthew 7:13**).*

*The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God. (**Psalms 9:17**).*

*Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you to pieces, and there be none to deliver. **(Psalms 50:22)**.*

*So are the paths of all that forget God; and the hypocrite's hope shall perish. **(Job 8:13)**.*

No preparation is required for hell. Just a casual worldly living qualifies you to enter hell. Ignore God's plan of redemption and you find yourself here, it is that simple. Hell swallows kings, queens, princes, presidents, ministers, governors, professors, generals, Industrialists, engineers, students, market women and even bankrupts. There is no more social class distinction in hell once entry has been granted.

What a shame a president crying next to a beggar in hell forever and ever? So why didn't you consider this before Mr. President? There is none to wait on you anymore, except the fire and flames of hell. What a shame to this kind of wisdom. You wasted so much time stashing away riches to safety and securing an earthly inheritance but forgot your soul?

Here is a story of a Sierra Leonean woman, Linda Kumba Isatu Ngaujah, who recounts how she died on Friday, February 15, 2013 and went to hell where she had encounters with demons and the Devil (Satan). She also visited heaven and had a divine encounter with Jesus Christ. She came back with specific messages from Gaddafi, Whitney Houston and former President of Guinea, Lansana Conte. She was also sent back with specific warnings from Jesus Christ to popular Ministers of the Gospel in Sierra Leone and Nigeria.

Here is her story; "Jesus went with me to hell this time. When I was with Jesus, the brightness of Jesus was very glorious. Jesus has light all over His body. When we entered that dark place (Hell), I was seeing. I could see, this time, the people in hell because of the bright light on Jesus (Jesus walks with a bright light, a glorious light).

And then, Jesus opened my eyes to see some of these men and women in hell. Jesus gave me a message to Sierra Leone. He said if I should have come in December to January, only five people in Sierra Leone would have ruptured, five only. That includes the three righteous pastors and five other people in and out of the church. When I communicated this in Sierra Leone, people thought it was deceit.

Jesus said Sierra Leone is polluted; that the shepherds He gave the Word to preach to His people in Sierra Leone are dying to meet God, but majority are in hell. So Jesus sent me to Sierra Leone.

When we were in hell, Jesus showed me a glass-like aquarium with people inside it, the souls of human who are still on earth are in that glass inside hell. These are people on earth who are working for the devil. We have some people on earth who don't believe anything, they are on their own, doing all sorts of bad things, even pastors who know the truth but are bowing down to Satan. They are partakers of Satan's communion; their souls are in that place.

Muammar Gaddafi in Hell

And Jesus pulled out a man from the fire and he introduced himself to me. He said, "I am Gaddafi" (You wouldn't recognize him because the fire had destroyed him). He said, "I am Gaddafi, former Libyan president." Gaddafi said, "*Tell my Libyan people to worship Jesus*." He said, "*Tell my people to believe in Jesus*." He said, "*Ah Jesus, have mercy, I never knew you are the right way, have mercy on me.*"

He said, he doesn't want even the people who killed him on earth to come to hell. He said, "*Tell my people to believe that Jesus is the right way.*" He also gave me another message. (Why he gave me this message is because, he said, the entire mosques he built on earth should be destroyed and turned into churches so that people will glorify Jesus and maybe the punishment

on him in hell will decrease). Because anything here on earth that you build that does not glorify Jesus Christ, that does not glorify God, that does not make people to come to their right Father (hotels, bars, etc.), anything sinful in the world that you build (when you die, you leave these things on earth).

People will be there doing all sorts of evil things and as far as people are enjoying these places, or practicing all sorts of evil things, in the place that doesn't glorify Jesus Christ, the demons will increase the pain on you in hell.

So he said, "*Please, I know if people will worship in my mosque, if they will call Jesus there, maybe the pain will decrease.*" And Jesus said, "It is too late."

I saw another president (Former president of Guinea). Why Jesus showed me these presidents is because He gave me a message for Sierra Leone presiding president. When I met my Sierra Leone president, he loves God. He obeyed the message. I thank God for his life, because men of God were saying all sorts of things, but the president obeyed the message of God.

President Lansana Conte, former president of Guinea, showed up from hell and said, "*Tell my people in Guinea, let them have Jesus over Guinea, and let them turn to Jesus because Jesus is the only way.*" He said where he is, he doesn't want anyone to be there. He said, "*Tell my people to believe and trust in Jesus*." He said he started a cult that he was sponsoring and he was also in the cult. He said he wants the people to destroy that cult and let them come to Jesus.

Then I saw one famous Lawyer that died: Usher

Williams. He was the deputy speaker of House of Parliament in Sierra Leone House of Parliament. He was in one cult, they call the cult in Sierra Leone "Louch" and he was in devil business, ordaining devils. He said I should tell his "Louch" brothers that they are heading to hell, all his cult brothers that died before him, he saw them in hell. He said, "Please destroy Louch, and destroy these devils." He said, "*Turn to Jesus, He is the only way, hell is real.*"

I saw one prophet: Prophet Mani. He was the owner of the Burning Bush. That man said he would die and would also rise up after three days. And when he died, they took his body to the mortuary, his congregation said that they should not bury him. After three days he did not rise again, he was there for one month until the mortuary people said they should come and take their corpse away.

I saw this man in hell. He said, "*Tell the people that I did miracles and signs and wonders with communions. These communions, those anointing oil, I ordained them and dedicate them to the demons.*" He said, tell them to go to a church where they can be delivered or else if they die they will go to hell because I ordained them for Satan. Satan was the one giving me all these powers." "And tell them to destroy my church because the foundation is from Satan, everything up to the roof is from Satan."

Whitney Houston in Hell

I saw one woman - a musician I liked so much - I always listened to her music when I was in the world - Whitney

Houston. She said, "Tell my mother to take my only daughter to church, that all the finances I left behind should be used to support God's work. Let them support Jesus' ministry, let them support holiness ministries, let them support God's work. Let them support Christians - the right Christians. She said she wants her child to grow in Christ and know Jesus. "Please tell my mother." "Jesus, please have mercy! Let me go back to the world and tell people that you are real! Let me tell these musicians!" And Jesus said, "It is too late!" I saw my biological parents in hell. My mother, my father and even my grandmother that just died this January (I don't like talking about them) - sobs - it is very painful.

It is only the grace of God, I don't like talking about hell, some times when I am asked to come and give testimony, I don't like to, because I know I will reach this part. And one day, Jesus said, if I stopped preaching His word, He will destroy me. So I always pray to Jesus, whenever I stand to give this testimony, to give me the boldness and strength, because any time I think of my parents, I loved my mother so much but she didn't know Jesus. She was crying; she said, "Please I miss you guys, tell your sister to follow Jesus, I don't want you people to come here."

Please mothers, don't leave your children behind, you know the truth right now, take your children along the way of the Lord Jesus Christ. I didn't recognize my mother anymore. I don't want to go to hell (I love my mother so much). I used to say anywhere my mother is, I want to go. When Jesus showed me my mother- I don't want to go to hell, I don't want to be with her there.

Don't go to hell, hell is not a place for people like us. And Jesus showed me a young boy, about five or six years old, because of witchcraft, God say I will judge all men. When Pastor Ken Paul said a child can go to hell, I argued in my mind that God would not do something like that, but God showed me this boy, a small boy, because of witchcraft.

Satan is wicked, now if you go to crusades in Sierra Leone and they say witches should come out, you will see small children.

When you are coming for a program like this, don't leave your children behind; come with them so that Jesus will deliver them. If you leave them and they die, they will go to hell, no matter how small they are; as long as they have sense and know what is bad and good.

I saw another woman who was in Thailand when she died. She was a believer in Jesus but married to a Muslim, then backslid. She said I should tell her daughters, "*I loved their father so much and trusted him, not knowing that this man was in occultism.*" He sacrificed his wife. She said, tell them to go out and stand firm in the church, in Jesus who is the only way. She gave me the man's name and address."

Hope you have seen the reality of hell from Linda's familiarity.

How come dear professor that you are next to that mad man in hell? What became of all that great learning? Is it now time to educate the mad man in hell? I doubt if he is interested in listening to you.

The flame is mocking him as well. It is too late. He is asking you how come you read all the books of wisdom and knowledge in the world but forgot to read God's book. Actually he is mocking you for choosing him as a roommate in hell. Shut up it is too late! ***(Revelations 20:11–15).*** All those in hell were born once, the natural birth and die twice. First they die the natural death, then after that there is the resurrection of the dead for judgment, where they face the second death in the lake of fire. This second death is eternal separation from God the father forever and ever. The heavenly saints on the other hand are born twice and die only once.

They are first born naturally and then secondly they are born spiritually yet they die only once, or not at all if they meet up with the rapture. They are partakers of the first resurrection, the resurrection unto life and will reign with God forever and ever. Death to a saint is a glorious translation into heaven; it is a blessed change of address. Many there are in hell, who secured passports to heaven, the salvation experience but neglected to get a visa endorsement of righteousness on their passports. These are the promoters of the once saved and forever saved philosophy, with no much care on how they animate their lives on earth.

They read their big Bibles, attended Sunday or Saturday services and conventions, had spectacular earthly crusades and even fought Satan's kingdom, so they thought, but regrettably! As fate has it, they must now spend eternity here in hell. They began a trip to heaven and may even have managed to reach the gates of heaven, only to find the gate of heaven closed and the angel sat the gate diligently scrutinizing all arrivals here.

No petitions, No negotiations, No discussions, No question.

My friends, if you are reading the pages of this book; and you have a false hope of heaven because you got saved yesteryears and cannot deal with sin in your life, now please reconsider my plea to you. Drop on your knees and pray the prayer of repentance and confess all besetting sin and make up your mind that holiness and purity of life every day is the answer to heaven. Do not be foolish to make partial efforts to get to the gate of heaven, then what? Are you a spiritual tourist?

> *"Not everyone that says to me Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my father in heaven.* ***(Matthew 7:21; 25:1–12***).

From the onset of life here on earth, no one knows the times ahead, so good counsel is that fellow pilgrim prepare adequately. Righteousness or holiness enables you to overcome the hurdles on your journey to heaven. Despite the manifold trials, temptations, tests and afflictions still keep heaven in view. Holiness is your reserve tank in case of spiritual emergencies on your flight to heaven! Be not deceived, hell is real and the body and soul are conscious of the agony of hell not just for a moment but for all eternity.

How come that you gave birth to your children and spent all these years educating them up to the end of the school system, and yet you forgot to educate your soul to heaven? You fed your family all these years up to the last moment your time was up, but forgot to feed your soul with spiritual food? Ignorance of this mystery is no defense. You went to school and read, studied several books day and night and how come

that you forgot to read and study the one and only important book that has the keys to the kingdom of heaven? Always going to church to wait for the preacher's version of heaven instead of checking it out yourself for the first hand snippet.

If you are still reading this book, the gate of heaven has not closed yet, make up your mind with sincerity and trust in Jesus Christ to secure your kingdom citizenship, then determine to live a holy life by God's grace and my prayer and desire for you is to– See you in heaven.

Chapter 10

Others may, I Cannot

I couldn't wait to make my preparations sure into the land of my dreams; the kingdom of heaven. Every single day of my life, I make sure the vision to heaven becomes clearer and clearer to me. I make sure it is so because my time on earth is very short. I don't have much time on this planet earth, so one of the things I am so much conscious about is time.

My consciousness of this has disciplined the way I live. The value of life is not in its duration but in its donation. It doesn't matter how long you live. What matters is how effective you live. The oldest man in the Bible was Methuselah. He lived 969 years and the only thing the Bible talks about him is; "*and he died"* Let me tell you, others may, I cannot until I have done all I can to get to the Kingdom Headquarters. Yes, I know it is not by works but by faith in Jesus Christ that I am saved. But I also know that faith without works is dead. So I understand that there is a divine part involved and also a human responsibility on my part.

Others may do as they please because that is the example

and pattern of the majority. Others may follow the majority in all matters of living and worship, I cannot. I must allow the Bible, which is my manufacturer's manual to regulate my life, actions, words, thoughts and service at all times.

I am convinced that Jesus came to atone our transgression. To atone means, he came to put us '*at one*' with God and that is where I want to belong because straight is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leads unto life, and few there be that find it. ***(Matthew 7:13***).I am careful how much baggage is on me because the way is narrow, much weight raises the possibility of slipping, and I will take no chances of avoidable accidents having been educated about the terrain ahead.

At frequent intervals I review my baggage size to make sure that any unnecessary weight is off-loaded whether these be personal habits, unprofitable lifestyles, philosophy of life or just good traditions of men that are slowing my travel. These must be trashed because the narrow way requires focus to navigate through and all encumbrances must be eliminated. Better is this than to follow the paths of contention because of the majority, even if I may be overly strict with myself, what do I have to lose if I make it to heaven at last? For me, that settles it.

Others may use their wisdom, education, knowledge and understanding to interpret the scriptures, I cannot. When the Bible declares a pointed matter that plainly settles the matter. Whether I understand fully or not, no suggestion about scriptures, never, never, leave scriptures alone! Who am I to try to make proposals of what God intended to say? I am a

creature; God is my creator. When the Bible says fornication is sin, that is final; when the Bible says adultery is prohibited, that is it. When the Bible says tithes and offerings, that's it. I am not an English professor to match words looking for personal justification or being let off the hook, never.

If I am caught in the hook of God's word, I settle the matter with humility and strive to be detached by Jesus Christ. I must depend on the Holy Ghost to reveal scripture mysteries to me especially in areas of disagreement because of modernization, civilization or whatever trends men advance to suggest times have changed. Today, whenever I am invited to teach or speak in summits and on the radio stations, people usually think I have a different Bible.

Yes, times have changed but God has not changed, nor has His Word changed. I will stick to that unchanging Word all the time despite changing times. Others may love the world with its systems of operation, I cannot. The world and the highway to heaven are opposite roads that cannot meet by design. Others may pursue a lethargic attitude, I cannot. The broad way and the narrow way do not cross, never. I must clearly be identifiable on the highway to heaven, both by other pilgrims and also by those on the broad way. I do not care what adjectives men might use to describe my journey; the difference must be in the public domain of society. If I am a lone pathetic traveler on the highway, so let it be! I am in this world but I am not of this world and surely I need a balancing act to tread on this path, my feet are on the earth but my affection is on spiritual things.

James 4:4. Why should I court enmity with God and expect to spend eternity in heaven with him? Unless I am insane! The Bible regulates explicitly and by principle the lifestyle of heaven's pilgrims in relation to the world. Make no mistake, if I cannot show you the explicit Bible passage, I will show you the Bible principle because out of the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established. I do not waste time with semantics. The Bible regulates and throws light on my appearance to the world and the appearance of my heart. A change of heart must necessarily bring a change in my whole life and living pattern. No excuse about Jesus living in my heart, in the inside of me, so I can do as I please on the outside.

> "*Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which you have of God, and you are not your own. (**2 Corinthians 6:19***).

How dare you convince me that it does not matter how I dress, what I eat, and my personal habits when the whole world is watching my life and reading Christ in my life? It is the Holy Ghost on show in my life, I must be aware of this all the time.

One day, a former army sergeant was telling his friend how he became a Christian. When he joined the army, he was not a Christian, but when he left he was. "How did that happen?" one of his friends asked. "It happened one night in the army barracks", replied the sergeant. "There was a soldier in our company who was a Christian and we gave him an awful time. One night, we came in after having marched through

terrible rain.

All of us were very wet and tired, and all we wanted to do was get into bed. But this Christian soldier took time to kneel down to pray and talk with the Lord. This made me so angry and I picked up one of my muddy boots and threw it at him. It hit him on the side of the head, but this did not stop him from praying. I picked up my other boot and threw it in his direction. I hit him again but he continued to pray. The next morning, beside my bed, stood my boots-beautifully cleaned and polished. I was so impressed with this young soldier's bravery and kindness that in my heart I said, '*I want to be a man like that*' and I trusted Jesus Christ as my savior and became a Christian."

The world dresses to uncover its nakedness, the pilgrims must dress to cover their nakedness. There is no middle ground about that, I cannot have a bit of each, and I could be disqualified for home. Moreover, I read in the Bible that God expects to see a difference between His saints in their outward adornment.

> *"The woman shall not wear that which pertains to a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the Lord thy God.* ***(Deuteronomy22:15).***

Others may propound arguments and counter arguments; I want to be simple hearted. I take God's word for what it literally means. Save me your personal opinion. Moreover, I read in my Bible that God had a hullabaloo with the daughters of Zion, presumably daughters of God's kingdom. God promised them punishment and chastisement because the

daughters of Zion did not portray kingdom life to the world by their external appearance. Hear this controversy for yourself.

> *Moreover, the Lord saith, because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and want one yes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet: Therefore, the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the Lord will discover their secret parts. In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinkling ornaments about their feet and their calls, and round tires like the moon, The chains, and the bracelets, and the mufflers, The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands, and the tablets, and the earrings, The rings, and nose jewels, The changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins, The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the veils. And it shall come to pass, that instead of sweet smell there shall be a stink; and instead of a girdle a rent; and instead of well-set hair baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girding of sackcloth and burning instead of beauty.* ***(Isaiah 3:16–24).***

Anything that makes God angry, troubles me whether I understand or not. That is irrelevant; the journey to heaven is worth my concentration. That God can get angry by the way I dress, especially when I am making a claim that I am heaven's pilgrim. Today we call it the party spirit, vacation time or just relaxing. I cannot sit down because it is not permissible to stop on a highway without attracting a penalty, I must keep moving.

I am careful and cautious because the journey ahead demands my all. Others may read the Bible when they feel

like or when problems strike or duty demands or it is Sunday morning, I Cannot. I must read the Bible, study the word of God daily, whether it is convenient or not. No Bible, No Breakfast; is my slogan and I am now reading that phrase in front of me as I type this sentence out for you. I must eat the bread of life first hand as much as possible instead of solely depending on tinned Bible food by my local pastor to satisfy me. I used to wonder why whenever I opened my Bible while teaching in conferences and my church, people thought I had a different Bible from theirs. There are many Preachers who preach information but not revelation. I teach principles and revelations. That is the difference.

I must soon graduate from Bible milk to Bible meat if I am going to extinguish the fires of false doctrines of many false brethren and false prophets and false teachers around me and if I am going to excel over temptations, trials and tests crossing my path always.

> *As new born babes, desire the sincere milk of the word; that ye may grow thereby.* ***(1 Peter 2:2).***
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> *For every one that uses milk is unskillful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongs to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.* ***(Hebrews 5:13–14****).*
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> *Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.* ***(2 Timothy 2:15).***
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> *All scripture is given by the 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**).*

*This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shall meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shall make thy way prosperous, and then thou shall have good success. **(Joshua 1:8**).*

Others complain that some books in the Bible are beyond their capacity to read and grasp. I will read and read and read. I will understand some; I may not understand some but I keep on reading and studying. My work is not to understand or remember. That is someone's job; The Holy Spirit. My work is to read and study. That is why, I read through the whole Bible, back to back every year. There are folks today, who want to enter into ministry and they have never even read a quarter of the whole Bible. Some of you are fifty, forty, sixty years old and all you know is John 3:16. There are people, more over Christians, who can name all the players in a football match but cannot name the 12 disciples of Jesus. This is enigmatic to me!

A missionary lady was very discouraged one day and said to a poor Hindu woman, "You forget all I teach you from the Bible. Your head is just like a sieve! As fast as I pour water in, it runs out again." The Hindu woman bowed her head humbly and said, "Yeah, you are right. My head is like a sieve, I forget so much-but then you know, when you pour water into the sieve, though it all runs out again, yet it makes the sieve clean.

I am so sorry I have forgotten so much for what you told me last week but what you told me has made me cleaner and so I keep coming to hear more." You see, the Bible is like water and helps Christians to be clean. ***Ephesians 5:26.***

At the second reading and study it becomes much clearer than before and at the third study it is getting progressively better, enjoyable with each successive attempt to read the Bible through and this is how faith develops. I never give up; I hang in there every moment tearing a pebble of thought from scriptures into my personal domain every time. Who told you that you cannot read through the whole Bible once every year? I have done that before and I do it every single year. I have heard of ministers of yester years who read the Bible six times each year, not kidding. Not just reading promises but commands, warnings and demands of lifestyle.

> *So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.* ***(Romans 10:17).***

Others may be satisfied by salvation and righteousness, I cannot because my savior demands fruitfulness from me as well.

> *"I am the vine, ye are the branches; He that abides in me and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me you can do nothing.* ***(John 15:5).***

Now the secret of fruitfulness in my life and ministry is the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit in me. He is my teacher, my guide, my comforter, my overseer, my all in all.

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come

*upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth. (**Acts 1:8**).*

So because fruitfulness is important, I will sojourn in my Jerusalem until I receive this promise for fruitfulness.

*And behold I send you the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. **(Luke 24:49).***

Paul the apostle understood the demand for fruitfulness for heaven's pilgrims and his major inquisition whenever he met believers was; *"Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed**? (Acts19:2).***

There are many rewards for soul winning especially under the anointing of the Holy Ghost.

*The fruit of righteousness is the tree of life; and he that wins souls is wise. **(Proverbs 11:30).***

*And they that shall be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever. (**Daniel 12:3).***

Others may forget their children, spouses and families in a mad rush to enter heaven, but I cannot. How come that I make every effort to process passports and visas for others and forget my own children, my family and spouse, what wisdom is this? I will pay the price of any patience required on my family, any negotiation, any encouragement, any support to get their visas to heaven processed.

I made an effort to process the passport and visa for my Dad; Mr. James Masaba before he navigated his way to heaven in 2014. I did process for my siblings Wetaka Jude, Mafabi Kevin and Muduwa Becky. I have and still processing for millions of children globally through the organization of Child Evangelism Fellowship, Zion African Children's Ministries and Kingdom Glory Faith Ministries. Does the word of God not say?

> *"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it.* ***(Proverbs 22:6).***

Do not assume my brother, my sister that your children will automatically follow you, human nature dictates otherwise, put your foot down if need be. Here is the reason;

> *"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?* ***(Jeremiah 17:9).***

Eli the priest of old and Samuel the national prophet of Israel were not so careful in this respect, paying more attention outside their cradles to the detriment of their own households and Israel as a nation at last.*(**1 Samuel 2:12, 22–23**).*

Talking without training will not change matters, I will put my foot down, children are children, I am an adult, and I press my foot down if need be until sanity prevails right from infancy, do not wait for talking time and hearing time, put your own ears on the ground and act, don't wait to be told. It will be too late!

Press on because the time is shorter than when we first begun. Beloved, the day is far spent and the night is coming

when no man can work. Begin doing what you ought and want to do now. We are not living in eternity. We have only this moment sparking like stars in our hands and melting like a snowflake.

Chapter 11

Death-Free Transport to Heaven

Death was walking toward a city and a man stopped death and asked, "What are you going to do?" Death said, "I am going to kill 10,000 people." The man said, "That is horrible." Death said, "That is the way it is. That is what I do." So the day passed. The man met death coming back and he said, "You said you were going to kill 10,000 people but 70,000 were killed." Death said, "I only killed 10,000. Worry and fear killed the others". I draw a deduction from this scenario that the fear of death is worse than death itself.

Psalms 116:15… Hebrews 9:27... Revelation 21:4...

What is death? Death is the lasting permanent, irreversible cessation of the vital functions of the body. But not all functions stop at the same time.

Someone asked much-loved Episcopal Bishop Warren Chandler, "Please tell me frankly, do you dread crossing the river of death?" He replied, "Why should I be afraid? My father owns the land on both sides of the river." Death came into the world as a result of sin. And ever since it entered the

world it has enslaved men in fear. Why should we be afraid of death? Because we have sinned and we are aware of it. We do not want to face God in judgment. Like Adam, when we sin, we try to hide. And we cry out, "I was afraid."

It is because one is not prepared that he has fears. The Bible says that "the sting of death is sin" (***1 Corinthians. 15:56***), and until we settle the sin problem, death remains something to be properly feared.

The fear of death keeps persons from living, not from dying. The Lord knows that and that's why a part of the mission of Jesus was to deliver us from the fear of death.

The author of Hebrews writes,

> "*For so much 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 lifetime subject to bondage*" ***(Heb. 2:14-15).***

Destroy and deliver! That is what Jesus came to do. He came first to destroy the works of the devil. The Greek word translated "destroy" ***(1 John 3:8***) is the same word used at Lazarus' grave when Jesus said to "unloose him" and let him go. It is the same word used by Jesus when he said, "*Destroy the temple and I will build it back in three days*." It is the same word used of the ship in the book of Acts that was about to break up in a storm. Jesus came to unravel, to break up, to tear down the works of the devil. And, in so doing, he "delivered" us from the fear of death.

We cannot, of course, escape the experience of death but we can prepare for it. And because of Christ we no longer have to be intimidated by it.

Why does death frighten us so? Dr. Felix Martin Ibanez, M.D., who was once editor of the American Medical Association Journal, said the fear of death is rooted in three things: fear of pain; fear of separation; and fear of the unknown.

How then does Jesus deliver us from these things and thus the fear of death? In three ways:

(a) He gives us a new concept of death.

(b) He gives us the prospects of a glad reunion.

(c) He gives us an understanding of the life beyond.

It is Easy to Die

First, Jesus delivers us from the fear of pain associated with death by giving us a new concept of death.

Before Jesus came, death had a fearful, penal aspect to it. But Jesus' favorite word, indeed the favorite word of the entire New Testament for death of a Christian changed all that. It is the word "***sleep***." It is used 13 times in scripture.

What's it like for a Christian to die? It is like going to sleep. Imagine a man coming home at the end of a hard day's work, tired, exhausted. He washes up, takes off his shoes, leans back in his recliner to rest before supper, and nods off to sleep. There is nothing fearful about that, is there? No! Sleep, to a tired person, is a welcome friend. And that's what it's like for

a Christian to die.

Eddie Rickenbacker was an authentic American hero. He first entered the spotlight as a dare-devil race driver. Then he became a legend as America's top flying ace and a recipient of the medal of honor in World War I. Later he became a pioneer in the manufacturing and development of automobiles and airplanes. He endured the most dramatic survival epic of World War II when his plane went down in the Pacific and he and six other men survived 24 days on a raft.

In his dramatic career he had many brushes with death. Seven times, he said, his toes were inside the pearly gates. Rickenbacker was a devout Christian. He was raised in a godly home. He said he had no fear of death because of his confidence that God had led him in life and had prepared a place for him in heaven.

On February 26, 1941, while flying over Atlanta, his plane crashed. For several hours he lay pinned by the wreckage in the cold rain. When he was taken to the hospital he was close to death. He held on for three days, encased in plaster from chin to toe. "But," he said, "I began to die. I felt the presence of death, and I knew that I was going. You may have heard that dying is unpleasant, but don't you believe it. Dying is the sweetest, affectionate, most esthetic sensation I have ever experienced. Death comes disguised as a sympathetic friend. All was serene and calm. How wonderful it would be simply to float out of this world. It is easy to die. You have to fight to live."

Why be afraid of death when the fear of pain is gone? And

Jesus delivered us from that fear by giving us a new concept of death.

I'll See You in the Morning

Second, Jesus delivers us from the fear of separation by giving us the prospects of a glad reunion.

In this world we quickly get attached to people and we don't want to be separated from them. That is normal. Death represents separation.

We fear death because we dread leaving our loved ones behind.

But Jesus gave us the hope of a glad reunion and a greater work to do in the life to come. And that hope keeps us from being afraid.

In Catherine Marshall's classic biography of her husband, *A Man Called Peter*, she eloquently describes how dark the night of grief can be—and how bright the new dawn of faith.

During the summer after Dr. Marshall's death she returned to the summer cottage at Cape Cod, where everything from the boat in the yard to his old shoes under the bed spoke of him.

Seeking the solace of the sea, she headed beach ward that first turbulent, lonely evening. As she gazed across the water, she suddenly remembered the last words she had spoken to him. The scene was stamped clearly in her mind. Peter was lying on the stretcher just inside the front door, waiting to be put in the ambulance. She leaned over him and he whispered

reassuringly, "Darling, I'll see you in the morning."

Her last line is the best: "And as I stood looking out toward that far horizon, I knew that those words would go singing in my heart down all the years …'see you, darling, see you in the morning…'"

That is our confidence. When two people are Christians they never say good-bye for the last time. Our Lord gives us the hope of a glad reunion. Why should we be afraid of death?

I Have the Keys

Third, Jesus delivers us from the fear of death by giving us a new understanding of the life beyond.

Before Jesus came, death was a mystery. We wondered what lay beyond the grave. What was out there? Would we know one another? What would we do? We would never have known, except the strong son of God walked into the grave and shined the searchlight of God into every nook and corner and came out and said, "*Fear not, I am the first and the last. I am he that lived and was dead; and behold, I am alive forevermore, amen; I have the keys of hell and death"* ***(Rev. 1:17-18).***

The one with the keys is the one who has control. Jesus wrestled the keys of death from Satan and now he tells us not to be afraid.

What is the life to come like? He said to the thief on the cross, "*Today thou shalt be with me in paradise."* He said to all of us, "Out beyond is the father's house." There is still much

unknown. Why didn't God tell us more? No words in any language can convey a true picture of the next life. Can you make a blind person understand what a sunset is like? Or a deaf person what great music is like? Besides, it would utterly spoil this life for us. If we could see it in all of its glory, we would never be happy here again.

But we know enough. There will be no tears there. No death there. No sorrow or pain there. No curse there. Former things will have passed away. It is the world we have dreamed of. With this assurance, why should we be afraid?

Many years ago, Benjamin Harrison who later became the twenty third president of the United States, was asked to deliver an address at a funeral service. When he arose to speak he said, "Last night I was awakened by my little daughter who had arisen from her bed and made her way across the room and was stroking my face with her heavy hands. When I asked what she wanted, she said, 'Papa, in the great big dark of the night I am lonely and afraid unless I can touch you'. In the great big dark of the night of life's bereavement, we are afraid unless we can reach out and touch God."

The land beyond the grave is dark and we would be afraid if we could not, by faith in Jesus, reach out and touch the father. But we can. And when we do, we no longer are afraid

When you leave this earth at last, understand clearly that one of the two likely destinations is possible: Heaven or Hell and that is by personal choice. The world has many things to offer but death has only two things to offer; Hell or Heaven.

To finally arrive into heaven there are two possible routes, death called sleep for a believer or rapture, the catching up of living and dead saints.

Death must be defeated to get to heaven, in fact it is the last enemy of our soul as we march on to heaven, so no need to be terrified because it must surely bow down to you if you have a passport and a visa. Look at life support to encourage you as you press on.

> *The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.* ***(1 Corinthians15:26).***
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> *He shall swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the Lord hath spoken it.* ***(Isaiah 25:8)***
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> *But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.* ***(2 Tim 2:10****).*
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> *So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.* ***(1 Corinthians 15:54).***

The last chapter in my book; ***Discovering the purpose of your existence,*** will give insights about death. Let's take a review:

- **Death is the common denominator of humanity.**

  You may never speak to your neighbor in your life time but they will be at your funeral when you die. Death does not segregate anyone. It doesn't care who you are. Politicians die, Policemen die, Fishermen die, rich people die, poor people die, old people die, young people die, teenagers die, ministers die, presidents die… The list is endless. Death is the only guy who does not care who you are.

- **Death is the utmost equalizer of man.**

  Don't be jealousy of millionaires because they will die. Money cannot bribe death. It puts everybody on the same level, whether rich or poor. It is the only guy who treats everyone equally.

- **Death is the only thing man cannot stop, avoid, postponed or delay.**

  Death is the only guy who does not respect humanity. You can postpone an appointment with someone; you can delay in attending a meeting, you can avoid a person to whom you owe money but you cannot do such to death.

- **Death is the final solution.**

  No matter how people don't like you, you don't need to care because death will get them. As long as you like you. And no one will like you if you don't like you. I discovered that the solution to dictatorship and violence is death. Some people just live too long. In countries where there is violence, death will solve the problem.

There are people who are glad in Uganda that Iddi Amin was taken by death. There are people who are very happy in Libya that death took care of Muammar Gaddafi.

- **Death is the only appointment every human must keep.**

  Death is the ultimate fear of mankind. You don't have a choice. Death kills all people no matter how old they are. That is why it is very important that, if you are reading this book and you have not established your personal relationship with God; at the end of this book, I am going to declare an altar call, you need to respond to that call, regardless of how old you are.

- **Death is permanent.**

  There is nothing more permanent like death. I remember looking at my father's dead body when he died. I spoke to it but there was no answer at all.

- **Nothing makes you more helpless like death.**

  You can no longer do what you used to do. You can no longer sing, you cannot eat, and you cannot speak to anyone. I mean, you become totally helpless. Death separates us from familiar people, places and things. We enter into a journey in which there is no hope of a return visit. We cannot write, phone call or come back. We are fearful because the time of death is uncertain.

- **The only thing you can do with death is to prepare for it.**

  The only control or solution you have over death is ***preparation***. God had a response to death and his response was to send His son.

  *Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was, and the spirit shall return to God who gave it. (**Ecclesiastes 12:7**).*

  *And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus receive my spirit. **(Acts 7:59).***

  *The soul that sins, it shall die (**Ezekiel 18:20**).*

Here, death refers to separation from God. The soul of the sinner is forever separated from God while the soul of the repentant is in God's eternal presence.***(Luke 16:19-24).***

Do you notice that the soul of man never ceases from consciousness either in Heaven or in Hell? Where then is the erroneous teaching of the soul's annihilation that when the soul of a sinner is cast into hell because of the heat of hells flame, it is burnt to ashes. What a shame, that is Satan's lie. What about purgatory, the false teaching that every departed soul goes to a transit camp, where sins are first purged.

The fewer the sins the shorter the time spent in this transit camp while the heavier your sins are, the longer the time that you must spend here being purged. Then eventually after this purging all souls are promoted to heaven. This is another lie from the pit of hell! Be not deceived only a passport and a visa will secure eternal rest for your soul. Hell is a pit of consuming

fire where the worms will never die.

Death therefore is a reality, which we cannot run away from, brush away or ignore. More so is the fact that life here on earth is succinct (short), on average between seventy and eighty years is the time accorded to man by God to prepare for eternity.

> *And as it is appointed unto man once to die, but after that the judgment*. **(*Hebrews 9:27)*.**
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> *For he seeth that wise men die; likewise the fool and the brutish person perish; and leave their wealth to others.* ***(Psalms 49:10*).**
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> *There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death: and there is no discharge in that war, neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.* ***(Ecclesiastes 8:8)*.**
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> *The days of our years are three score years and ten, and if by reason of strength they be four score years, yet is their strength labor and sorrow, for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.* ***(Psalms90:10*).**

Let me educate you a little about King James Bible language arithmetic here. I studied this at the University of Christian Life World Mission Frontiers while understudying my Masters in Divinity. A score refers to twenty. So three score and ten years is three times twenty and ten or seventy years or four score years is four times twenty or eighty years! You got it! This is the time allotted you to educate your soul to heaven while on this earth before death comes to glorify the spiritually educated soul.

The death of the righteous is precious in God's sight

because it exemplifies hope, gain and victory and is to be greatly desired by anyone intending to make heaven at last. What then? The short time we spend on earth needs to be used for earnest preparation of a glorious eternity. Who can count the dust of Jacob, and the number of the fourth part of Israel? Let me die the death of righteous, and let my last end be like his! ***(Numbers 23:10).***

> *Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.* ***(Psalms 116:15).***
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> *And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labor and their works do follow them.* ***(Revelations 14:13).***
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> *For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.* ***(Philippians 1:21).***
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> *The wicked is driven away in his wickedness, but the righteous has hope in his death.* ***(Proverbs 14:32).***

Now, rapture on the other hand is a theological term describing the catching away of saints from this earth to meet the Lord Jesus in the air and being taken to heaven. It is a change of address for the saints. It is one of the end time events yet to be fulfilled, just before the great tribulation, the time of Jacob's trouble and before Christ's second advent to this earth. It is the eagerly awaited and anticipated event for every Bible believing and sober Christian today. It can occur at any moment, in the twinkling of an eye and involves both dead saints and living saints who possess valid passports and visas to heaven. ***1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, 1 Corinthians 15:51-54***

Rapture is not a strange event because we see glimpses of it among Old Testament saints like Enoch and Elijah and at Jesus time, it was recorded. The possibility of this event at a scale envisaged to remove the church age saints from this present world is real from the glimpses we have of old.

And Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him. ***(Genesis 5:24).***

By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had translated him, for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. ***(Hebrews 11:5).***

And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and passed them both asunder, and Elijah went up a whirlwind into heaven. ***(2kings 2:11).***

And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold two men stood by them in white apparel, which also said, ye men of Galilee, why stand you gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner have seen him go into heaven. ***(Acts1:9-11).***

Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And Behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom, and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent, and the graves were opened, and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after his resurrection and went into the Holy city, and appeared unto many. ***(John 27:50-53).***

That reveals the rapture; it is a possible event judging from the past Biblical accounts. We see men taken straight from this earth into heaven without testing death and we also see graves releasing bodies to life again. This is the essence of rapture involving both living and sleeping saints on an unprecedented scale.

> *For the Son of Man shall come in the glory of the Father and with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.* ***(Matthew 16:27).***
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> *For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.* ***(2 Corinthians 5:10).***

The church age interrupted Daniel's seventieth week, which will resume when the church is raptured. Notice that in Daniel's prophecy a week refers to a time frame of seven years. To qualify for rapture, salvation and righteousness or holiness are the key requirements rightly so your passport and visa to heaven! Whether death or rapture comes my way first, I have hope and I am not afraid of tomorrow because in fact it is the ushering in of a goldmine experience in my life. I am glad that I have known the truth about a subject many wish to hush up fearing that any talk about death is to invite it around you, forewarned is forearmed and so I am not afraid to examine this subject anytime and anywhere.

The paranoia about this subject is Satan's strategy to keep you locked out of God's divine plan of redemption and heaven at last. When you are ignorant of other choices around you, you make choices with whatever is available. And remember

the available choices are not all there is to make. ***(Daniel 9:25-27).***

Death is the fiery chariot, the gentle voice of the King, the invitation to non-stop passage into the banquet house of the world of glory.

Why we fear death.

We fear physical pain and suffering. We fear the unknown, we fear leaving loved ones and friends. Today, 80% of the people die from home or familiar surroundings. This in itself creates fear because we do not want to be alone. Cyrus L. Sulzberger in his book, *my brother death,* says, "Men fear death because they refuse to understand it." And in order to understand death, we must deal with our fear of death. Personally, I used to fear death until I discovered its medicine.

Today, I am determined to face death with fearless confidence because I have studied about it in depth and I am no longer ignorant about it anymore. When my father; Mr. James Masaba (RIP) died in 2014, that was enough to drive me study about death. Of course, while as Christians, I know Christ has removed the sting of death and death cannot kill me for eternity-but death still exits. It is still fearfully ugly and repulsive.

I probably will never be able to regard, imagine death to be a loving friend. Nevertheless, one thing I know is that death became my great motivator. When I think about my death, it makes me work very hard. It motivates me to work very hard

because I don't want to die full of my potential or pregnant. I want to utilize all my potential that when I die, I die empty.

Whenever and wherever death and dying connects with us, no matter how strong we are prepared for it, it still slides and slithers into our lives and freezes us with fear. Such is the nature of death. Death separates us from familiar people, places and things. We enter into a journey in which there is no hope of a return visit. We cannot write, phone call or come back. We are fearful because the time of death is uncertain. I bring you a dependable choice for a secure future, begin the passport and visa application process and you will thank God you did.

The wonderful welcome back home

I believe that death can be really beautiful. I have actually come to look forward to it, to just anticipate it with joy and expectation. No wonder the Bible says,

> *"Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his saints." (**Psalms 116:15**.)*
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> No wonder David said, *"Even though I walk through the valleys of the shadows of death, I shall fear no evil, for you are with me." (**Psalms 23:4.**)*

You may be filled with dread at the thought of death. I want you to remember that at one moment, you may be suffering, but in another moment, you will be instantly transformed into the glorious likeness of our savior. The wonders, the beauties, the splendors, the grandeurs of heaven will be yours. You will be surrounded by the angels sent by God to bring you home

where you may rest from your labors, though the honor of your works will follow you***(1 Corinthians 15:58)***.

Are you ready to face life? Are you ready to face death? You are not ready to die if you have not learned to live for the glory of God. You can put your confidence in Jesus Christ because He died for you, and in that last moment-the greatest crisis of all-He will have His angles gather you in their arms to carry you gloriously, wonderfully into heaven and it will mean "Everlasting life."

Chapter 12

Arrivals and Non-arrivals in Heaven

Arrivals into the heavenly kingdom headquarters are taking place daily from time immemorial and this will continue with the last arrivals being the tribulation saints. The greatest exodus to heaven unprecedented in Bible times will be at the time of the rapture of the saints. Space will not permit but we now give testimonies of arrivals and non-arrivals into heaven as documented of the Old Testament saints, early church saints and we the contemporary church saints and also the tribulation saints before the pearly gates of heaven are forever closed to any more traffic from this side of the world. The list is in exhaustive but to give you a clue that the pearly gates opened way back and are still open for you to hurry up your application process to heaven. We give a glimpse of the current scenario in heaven.

Let us begin with the father of faith, Abraham. His passport and visa application process is stated again for your benefit and what New Testament writers recorded about him. Remember the rich man saw him in heaven when Lazarus was

taken up by the Angels, so yes he arrived and was recognized even by hell's occupants as recorded in the Bible thus;

> *"And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abrahams bosom; the rich man also died, and was buried; And in hell he lifted up his eyes being in torment, and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy life time receives thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. (**Luke 16:22–25**).*

Take a glimpse of Abraham's journey to heaven and the breakthroughs on this journey as captured in the scriptures to convince yourself of passport and visa requirements for entry into this glorious paradise.

> *Now the Lord said to Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house. Unto a land that I will show thee: So Abram departed as the Lord had spoken unto him: and Lot went with him; and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran. (**Genesis 12:1,3).***
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> *And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk thou before me and be perfect. (**Genesis 17:1**).*
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> *And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called a friend of God. (**James 2:23).***

Thank God Abraham found that city of comfort and dwells in the land beyond even unto this day, will you my brother, my sister, also find this city of comfort at last? Moses that man of God of old also made it into heaven and there is evidence of his arrival in heaven.

> *So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD. And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Beth–peor: but no man knoweth of his sepulcher unto this day. And Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural face abated. (**Deuteronomy 34:5–7).***

Moses certainly arrived in heaven, then came back to testify to the church with Jesus the reality of heaven. Notice he entered heaven by death, a beautiful death indeed in which God Almighty officiated during his burial and his grave hid from man to this date. Elijah the prophet of fire, sure to his reputation went up into heaven in a chariot of fire. Prophet of Fire was fired to heaven, wonderful. He was translated, he did not see death, there was no funeral ceremony because his visa was processed and approved before death could notice. He returned with Jesus to testify that heaven is real and that Jesus has the keys to the pearly gates.

> *And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. **(2 Kings 2:11).***

Enoch an ordinary Old Testament saint defied all odds and entered heaven grave-less. Here is the reason he did this.

*And Enoch walked with God after He begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years. And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.(**Genesis 5:22–24**).*

*By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and he was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. (**Hebrews 11:5**).*

Without a modicum of doubt, many prophets, kings, priests or just ordinary men and women have already arrived and are in heaven, hope to link up with them later! The Old Testament is also dotted with documentaries of non-arrivals. Achan is one such case whose arrival in heaven is not documented. ***Joshua 7:1, 12, 20–21, 25.***

At the time of the early church Stephen, a church leader, Lazarus a nobody in this world and the thief on the cross, a last minute arrival made it. For the thief on the cross, Jesus who searches the hearts of all men, processed and approved his passport and visa application at a single last minute submission. Here are the testimonies of each of them for us to consider. ***Acts 7:55–60.***

Do you know that Jesus is seated on the right hand side of God in heaven? When he stands up it is to welcome a saint home, halleluiah!

*And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died and was buried. **(Luke 16:22)**.*

*And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be the Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost thou not fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due rewards of our deeds: but this man has done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, verily I say unto thee, Today, shalt thou be we me in paradise.(**Luke 23:39–43).***

Of the non-arrivals during this time, the rich man who had no passport to heaven is a case for us.

*And there was a certain rich man; which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, And desiring to be fed with the crumbs from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died and was buried: And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. **(Luke 16:19–23)**.*

Others like Ananias and his wife Saphira, Judas Iscariot and Demas despite having secured passports to heaven had no current visas, so did not make it at last. Ananias and Saphira's visa denials were instant. *(**Acts 5:1–10**)*.

Only a small lie can wipe away all prospects of heaven despite good grades in other areas. This is God's standard; it is permanently high. It is a waste of time trying to lower God's standard, rather reach out for it. See the danger. It is possible to be in a living church for many years and still fail to secure a

visa to heaven. Judas Iscariot was among the twelve disciples of Jesus, more than that he was the keeper of the money bag. Actually, I call him the minister of finance. That is, he was the treasurer in Jesus earthly ministry, despite all this, covetousness script into his life. That is why my Bible rightly says let him that thinks he stands, take heed lest he fall. An apostle having fellowship with Jesus every day for about three years failed to secure a visa to heaven?

> *Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, what is that to us? See thee to that. And he cast down the pieces in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. (**Matthew 27:3–5).***

My friend, when you take your own life, then you have closed all doors of eternal hope for yourself. Anyone who commits suicide automatically books a ticket to hell. Let us not negotiate. Even if they called a Bishop to pray during the funeral, that prayer is only good enough for us, but too late for the corpse. Life is in the blood and God hates murderers, there place is reserved in the lake of fire whether self-murderers, professional murderers or career murderers.

Today, many glorious arrivals to heaven are taking place widely unnoticed by the general public. Paul the apostle gives us his own testimony. Today personal testimonies abound around us of men and women that have had glimpses of heaven and revealed them to us as they passed on. Also there are several

death bed experiences of children of God that indicate even to the in experienced eye that heaven is real, heaven is beautiful and heaven is welcoming to those with valid visas. You can join the happy throng of new arrivals into Gods kingdom. Make no mistake about the requirements, a valid salvation experience and a current holiness experience!

Finally, the chronology of non-arrivals today is so vast involving individuals, families and even whole nations, and the list is ever growing. Because of the nature of this subject and bias likely to arise in naming contemporary cases with overwhelming evidence, we will give the general principle of all those qualifying for hell presently.

> *The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.* ***(Psalms 9:17).***
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> *Salvation is far from the wicked: for they seek not my statues.* ***(Psalms 119:155).***

When the rapture takes place then the period of the great tribulation will be ushered in this present world, also referred to as the time of Jacob's troubles. The tribulation saints are the last community to heaven before the gates of heaven are finally closed to any more immigration activity from this side of the world.

The great tribulation will take place immediately after the rapture and will be a time of wrath, indignation and sorrows on the inhabitants of this planet. The antichrist will be revealed together with his host of contemporaries and a cashless society will be instituted in exchange to loyalty and submission to

the antichrist. However, a number of saints will defy this prerogative and will be beheaded in defiance to prevailing customs; these are the tribulation saints, precisely tribulation martyrs. This is what the beast will do in the then prevailing world order. ***Revelation 13:16–18, 20:4, 15:2-3.***

Brothers and sisters, have no doubt about this one fact. The international stage is being prepared for a cashless society all around us, signifying that we are living in the last days and the time is now shorter than we think. It is not about technological advances, identification numbers, mobile money, e-money, wire transfers, offshore accounting, swipe and go, click and pay but it is most importantly fulfillment of Bible prophecy.

Do you not see it coming wherever you are in this world! Numbers are gradually replacing visible legal tender coins and papers and systems are being designed to effect this transition. Let me just tell you a little secret about these tribulation saints the last community to be gathered into heaven from here. When the rapture takes place either of the two will be their condition. They will be carrying expired passports, in other words will be backslidden Christians or they did not have visas even though they had valid passports. At rapture the period of grace closes to the human race as the visible church is taken away with all preachers, pastors, evangelists, prophets, apostles and ordinary men and women with valid passports and visas to heaven.

This will be a wakeup call for some of those who missed the flight to heaven to get back to the old gospel they had

previously taken for granted and pay the cost with their lives – being beheaded. Do you need to live a careless Christian life now before you wake up to stake your life for heaven? No need, get out of your covered sin and live right and make the rapture. Tribulation saints will be depending on their residual gospel tanks to make it, because the period of God's grace for salvation will have ended with the church age.

The preachers of grace will be gone! My dear friend you see from Abraham's time till now, some are making it into heaven, yet others are misfiring by carelessness and God's will is for you and I to make it. You cannot mock God. There are vast of people who mocked God thinking that they are on the same level with Him. Here is a list of some of them!

- **John Lennon (Singer)**

  Some years ago, during his interview with an American Magazine, he said: 'Christianity will end, it will disappear. I do not have to argue about that. I am certain. Jesus was ok, but his subjects were too simple, today we are more famous than Him' (1966). Lennon, after saying that the Beatles were more famous than Jesus Christ, was shot six times.

- **Tancredo Neves (President of Brazil)**

  During the Presidential campaign, he said if he got 500,000 votes from his party, not even God would remove him from Presidency. Sure he got the votes, but he got sick a day before his inauguration as President and he died.

- **Cazuza (Bi-sexual Brazilian composer, singer and poet):**

  During A show in Canecio (Rio de Janeiro), while smoking his cigarette, he puffed out some smoke into the air and said: 'God, that's for you.' He died at the age of 32 of lung cancer in a horrible manner.

- **The man who built the Titanic**

  After the construction of the Cruise Ship, Titanic, a reporter asked him how safe the Titanic would be. With an ironic tone he said: 'Not even God can sink it' the result: I think you all know what happened to the Titanic.

- **Marilyn Monroe (Actress)**

  She was visited by Billy Graham during a presentation of a show. He said the Spirit of God had sent him to preach to her. After hearing what the Preacher had to say, she said: 'I don't need your Jesus'. A week later, she was found dead in her apartment.

- **Bon Scott (Singer)**

  The ex-vocalist of the AC/DC. On one of his 1979 songs he sang: 'Don't stop me; I'm going down all the way, down the highway to hell'. On the 19th of February 1980, Bon Scott was found dead, he had been choked by his own vomit.

- **Campinas (in 2005)**

  In Campinas, Brazil, a group of friends, drunk, went to pick up a friend. The mother accompanied her to the car and was so worried about the drunkenness of her friends and she said to the daughter holding her hand, who was already seated in the car: 'My Daughter, Go with God and May He Protect You.' She responded: 'Only If He (God) Travels in the Trunk, 'Cause Inside here, It's Already Full'.

  Hours later, news came that they had been involved in a fatal accident, everyone had died. The car could not be recognized what type of car it had been, but surprisingly, the trunk was intact. The police said there was no way the trunk could have remained unharmed.

  To their surprise, inside the trunk was a crate of eggs, none was broken.

- **Christine Hewitt**

  (Jamaican Journalist and entertainer) said the Bible (Word of God) was the worst book ever written. In June 2006 she was found burnt beyond recognition in her motor vehicle.

  Many more important people have forgotten that there is no other name that was given so much authority as the name of Jesus.

Many have died, but only Jesus died and He rose again. Jesus said: 'If you are embarrassed about me, I will also be embarrassed about you before my father.' He has given us all it takes to link up with Abraham, Moses, Lazarus, Apostles and a host of pilgrims whose rest is now eternal; my prayer is that you will be there as well.

Chapter 13

Religion cannot issue Passports and Visas

There came a ruler of the Jews - a spiritual leader, a Bishop in his church perhaps, and he came to Jesus. He was told except he is born again, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That includes you the Bishop, Pastor, Deacon, Evangelist, Gospel Artist, the standard is the same. The word of God symbolized by water and the spirit brings the experience in your life. Not the word of your church, word of your theology, but the Word of God.

The Holy Spirit uses that revealed Word to bring conviction of sin in your life, resulting into regeneration. I thank God; Bishop Nicodemus heard the clear remedy and started off in the right direction, as old as he was.

> *"Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, how can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb and be born? Jesus answered verily, verily; I say unto thee, except a man*

is born of water and of the spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." ***(John 3:3-5).***

"And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pound weight." (John 19:39). "Jesus answered and said unto her, if thou knew the gift of God, and who it is that saith unto thee, Give me to drink, thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living." ***(John 4:10).***

Church has a duty to point men and women to the fountain of living water, Jesus Christ. Even before the advent of the early church, John the Baptist by revelation declared.

"*Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world"* ***(John 1:29).***

A good church needs to have good signposts to heaven for all aspiring travelers. These billboards must be read from their message of heaven to the world, their lifestyle as travelers to heaven. Their activities as seen by the world are the signboards they are hanging out to the pilgrims; say does all this point men and women to heaven? If not then perhaps the billboards need a better design, strategic locations and clear directions for the weary pilgrim. This is first the personal responsibility of each member of the church but also a corporate responsibility of the larger church body. The sum total of this personal and corporate responsibility is the strength of the church's signboards to the weary pilgrims. Visible church numbers area poor signboard if not matched with personal and corporate responsibility no matter the noise and charisma.

These are carnal standards used here on earth. Do you remember Noah? That old preacher of righteousness who for a hundred years preached and built the ark with daily warning and was wished away as a dreamer until the flood came and Noah's church of only eight was saved? I believe there were many religious assemblies with parallel religious messages at the time of Noah which were jam-packed, yet certainly that was of no significance in Gods agenda.

The leadership of a church group has a significant responsibility in allowing the signboards to heaven to be read through it. Lackadaisical and incoherent leadership will dull the signboards, that is why as churches are growing numerically, the need for cohesion and overall guidance becomes paramount on the key leaders, and not just wash away this by rationalizing that God gives each servant his anointing – guidance, discipline and sound teaching must match numerical growth if the signboards are to stay relevant.

> "*Let no man despise your youth, but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."* ***(1Timothy 4:12).***
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> *"Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evil doers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation."* ***(1 Peter 2:12).***

As heaven appointed consular representatives on earth, church can only point out the heavenly requirements and help aspiring travelers meet these requirements by prayer, preaching and power. These are the essentials on which valid

documents can be secured and must be the primary concern of the churches that assist in the passport and visa application process. A prayer-less church is a powerless church and the numerical size of any church is better grasped by the number of men and women who congregate to pray rather than those who attend Sunday worship service. I am not talking about personal prayer agenda meetings but those who meet to pray constantly that the will of God be done. I am not talking about the "God I need a miracle meeting", but "God move in your majesty prayer meetings".

> *For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness, but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.* ***(1 Corinthians 1:17).***
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> *Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Ghost has made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he has purchased with his own blood* ***(Acts 20:28).***
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> *Preach the word, be instant in season, out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.* ***(2 Timothy 4:22).***
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> *Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.* ***(Matthew 28:19-20).***
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> *Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions,*

and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. ***(Luke 10:19).***

Passport and visa applications are a personal responsibility of the aiming pilgrim. The church can only encourage, show and persuade the pilgrim that this is the way on the basis of revealed truths. The church acts like a watchman to warn of danger and alert men of undesirable threats. If the watchman makes the alarm as a result of a threat, he is cleared from any further consequences because he is not a guard. The owner must take the personal initiative to respond to the watchman's warning or else he has himself to blame for the consequences. That is the precarious position of the church in relation to the emigration process to heaven. It is the word of God in the hands of the church that will persuade men rather than music, dancing and casting out demons.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be damned. ***(Luke 16:16).***

But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. ***(Matthew 24:13).***

The church at best can provide a good motive as to why the journey is desirable and provide all necessary assistance to help the intending pilgrim secure valid documents to heaven.

The church at best provides life support for the pilgrims to enter heaven with several ministries and gifts given to the church to facilitate this life support process. **Ephesians 4:11-14, 1 Corinthians 12:1, 4-11.**

Heaven has provided the church all it takes to provide life

support to make the journey desirable, pleasant and affordable. The church is heavens liaison office to assist traveler's process their application documents, passports and visas by giving enabling information and directions and monitoring these for compliance as much as possible. Moreover, the liaison officers themselves must too process valid passports and visas to heaven, making the flight as comfortable as possible.

One day Jesus asked His disciples, His inner circle of 12 most intimate followers, the most important question He would ever ask them.

> *"When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." "But what about you?" He asked.*
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> *"Who do you say I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by My Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven"* **(Matthew 16:13-19).**

In the Jewish faith of that day, the titles "Christ" and "Son of the living God" were reserved exclusively for the Messiah, the deliverer of Israel and hope of the world who had been prophesied for centuries. So Simon Peter here was confessing

his belief that Jesus was the Messiah. Jesus tells Peter that he did not arrive at this knowledge through his own understanding; it was given to him through super- natural revelation.

Then Jesus says that upon the "rock" of Peter's confession of faith, He will build His "church." The Greek word for "church" is ecclesia, a word that is widely misunderstood. Because it is translated here as "church," most people believe that ecclesia is a religious word. It is not. Ecclesia is a governmental term. It literally means "called-out ones" and was used by the Greeks to refer to the senate or other political groups that were chosen by the "democrat," or government. The Greeks invented the concept of democracy but never really applied it. But when the Romans overran the Greek empire, they adopted much of Greek thought and philosophy, including democracy, and developed them. This is how Caesar developed such a powerful government.

In the Roman Empire, the senate-the ecclesia was like the cabinet in a modern democracy. The senate was the powerhouse. These individuals were hand-picked by the emperor to receive his thoughts, his desires, his passion, and his intent. Their job was to take the mind of the king and turn it into legislation that could be implemented in the kingdom. In other words, they were to know his mind and see that everything he wished was carried out. This meant that they had to stay in close contact with him. They had to talk to him, and he had to give them information about what he wanted in the kingdom.

The fact that Jesus used ecclesia to describe the body of followers that He was establishing tells us two things. First,

the word church itself is a political rather than a religious term. And second, this entire discussion about keys and about binding and loosing is not a religious but a political discussion.

In effect, Jesus was saying, "In the same way that Caesar is lord of his government, and has created his senate, his ecclesia, his cabinet, I also will build My cabinet on the fact that I am the Christ, the "anointed king," the Lord of lords and Son of the living God." He said to Peter, "Upon the 'rock' of your confession of who I am, I will build My government. I will build My senate, My cabinet, My administrators who will carry out My wishes and My will." So Jesus established not a religion but a political force.

The ecclesia, therefore, is a secret group entrusted with secret information critical for the operation of the Kingdom. This group will be so powerful that even the "gates of Hades will not overcome it." Another way to translate that phrase is, "the gates of Hades will not prove stronger than it." Even hell itself will not be as strong as the ecclesia that Jesus is establishing.

What is this "secret information" that Jesus gives His cabinet? He says, "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." He gives them—gives us—the keys of the Kingdom, not the keys to the Kingdom. As Kingdom citizens, we are already in the Kingdom; we don't need the keys to it. What we need—and what Jesus has given us—are the keys of the Kingdom—the keys that will unlock the power of the Kingdom and make it

work in our lives. Kingdom citizens and only Kingdom citizens have these keys. Citizenship in the Kingdom is a prerequisite for getting them.

The living churches (Ecclesia) then are heaven's approved offices for receiving completed documents for heaven which must then be forwarded to heaven's immigration staff. All necessary information a traveler may require to travel must be available in a good church, all signposts, literature to heaven must be lodged here. You see then that a good church will inspire a traveler to hurry up the immigration process and give only information required without modifying the requirements for any traveler.

Here is one more secret for you; church cannot issue passports and visas to heaven. It can only assist the application process by providing recommendations for the applicant's documents to Heaven's immigration Office. The approval of the applicant's visas recommended by them is the church's credit. So visible church, be sure to chalk up several credit points by assisting successful applicants. Explain the documents to them, reveal the winning strategy to them, show them how to fill the information correctly and as you do all these you encourage them to acquire the passports and visas to heaven.

The best way to teach and convey the message is by example. Let the pilgrims see the life of salvation and holiness in the church, teach by example my dear friend. Good example is light, bad example is darkness. Assist in the successful completion of the immigration documents which must be submitted personally by each applicant to the Chief

Immigration Officer (Heaven), Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior.

> *And he spoke a parable unto them, can the blind lead the blind? Shall they not both fall into the ditch?* ***(Luke 6:39).***
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> *Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch****. (Mathew15:14****).*

But if thy eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness.

> *If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness! (****Matthew 6:23).***

Sorry, church cannot issue passports and visas to heaven. I overhear you saying you are a member of this and that church, actually your great grandparents were prominent members of this or that church and all these years you were brought up in this or that church. You are further informing me that your names are in the prominent pages of the church register and you are current in your financial obligations to the church. Sure you could still have more batteries to defend and justify your position. Let me tell you only one thing, just this one thing. If the visible church, whichever it is, is not logged onto Christ's invisible church, those entire records and testimonies amount to hot air. Christ said of his invisible church.

> "*And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.* ***(Matthew 16:18).***
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> *Then they that received his word were baptized: and the same day they were added unto them three thousand souls. And they,*

continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with singleness of heart, Praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved. ***(Acts 2:41, 46-47).***

That is Christ's invisible church. It is the visible church being supervised by the invisible church. Your visible church can only get you hooked to the invisible church to secure your passport and visa to heaven. It is the invisible church that grants passports and visas to you through your visible church. That must be your concern and my concern – Is my visible church part of Christ's invisible church? Save me the name of your church dear friend. It cannot issue these documents whatever your arguments nor can my church issue me with a passport and a visa to heaven, period.

Chapter 14

Life in Heaven at last

Now to the city where you laid up treasure that cannot be corrupted nor stolen, the city that Jesus Christ went to prepare for you and for which you now have to give up your earthly tabernacle in order to possess it. Welcome and let us get a preview of what awaits us in the great beyond, over yonder.

> *And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And he shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.* ***(Revelations 21:1****)*

Sure this heaven is a better country than you have ever seen, and as you enter heaven at last the record of time is

extinguished. It is here that you will live forever and ever, the heavenly city, all pilgrims on the highway to holiness looked forward to seeing it in times past.

> *But now, they desire a better country that is a heavenly: Wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city. (**Hebrews 11:16).***

Here is a description of that city and what to expect when you arrive at last. This place has been designed to give you rest as a way faring pilgrim just arrived home. Praise the Lord!

Now this is what will shove you to the great arrival in this wonderful place of rest. Heaven is action packed, there is no rest and there is no night anymore. What then is the activity in heaven for which you will partake of? Would it not make perfect sense to begin practicing such activities as are found in heaven here in this present world and then perfecting our practice when we get to heaven?

> First we shall be involved in worshipping God as seen in ***Revelations 7:9-12***.

> Secondly, there will be singing in heaven by all the hosts as per ***Revelations14:1-3.***

Travelers to heaven, learn to sing when you are on the highway to heaven. Do not depend on the choir and gospel artists to sing for you, because at last you will sing if you are worth entering heaven. See what travelers to heaven are encouraged to do now.

> *O come, let us sing unto the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.* ***Psalms 95:1, 1 Corinthians 14:15,***

Ephesians 5:19, James 5:13.

There is no choir practice in heaven; it is here on earth by heavens pilgrims. When we get there we shall perfect our song, as a result of our present practice. Song-less believers are a liability in heaven. Then, in heaven our business will be serving God. This must be our business today. If you are not serving God's people here on earth, how do you expect to serve him in heaven? Get up. Find what you were born to do and start serving doing it now.

Man of God, Learn to serve God here by serving His people; heaven is no place to practice service but rather to perfect our service. Every pilgrim to heaven has a unique opportunity to serve God through Jesus Christ his Son by obeying the great commission which is the last words of Jesus to all heaven's pilgrims. ***Matthew 28:19-20.***

And He said unto them (pilgrims to heaven);

"*Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature, he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be damned." (**Mark 16:15-16**).*

This is the general service from God to you and indeed a specific service may be your portion as well.

*"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 the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ."**(Ephesians 4:11-12, 1Corinthians 12: 28.***

Whether general service or specific service, you must be up and doing. It is not wishing but acting. We shall be part of the

grand jury in heaven executing judgment upon men, nations and angels. ***Jude 14-15), 1 Corinthians6:2-3, Luke22:28-30.***

A judge is a peacemaker, a peace agent, a peace enforcer between combatant parties. The Bible pronounces blessings on its judges.

> "*Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. (**Mathew 5:9).***

Anything the Father in heaven does, we are involved because we are his children, so we judge with him. Would it not make perfect sense to begin exercising our jurisdiction here in this present world? How come that you see your brother or sister embracing sin and you turn the opposite way. Be a peacemaker between your brother or sister and God, confront them in love and tell them the danger of courting trouble with God, persuade them to release sin from their loins. How come that when you are defrauded or have a matter with another brother, you resort to the courts of law?

> *Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints? But brother goes to law with brother; and that before the unbelievers. Now there is utterly a fault among you, because you go to law with another. Why do you not rather take wrong? Why do you not rather suffer yourselves to be defrauded? **(1 Corinthians 6:1, 6-7).***

Finally, then, life in heaven is one of rejoicing and feasting. Rejoicing at the throne of God and sharing in the marriage supper of the Lamb, a feast in heaven when Christ the bridegroom receives his betrothed wife, Ecclesia, the church,

Christ's bride before the heavenly host. I can hear heavens orchestra as the bride is being walked graciously to the waiting bridegroom. My eyes are wide open, my mouth is wide open, and my smile is wide open. Yes, I can tell you I am lost for words now. ***Revelations 19:1-3.***

Are you preparing for the marriage supper of the Lamb? It takes preparation and practice right now. The Lord's Supper here on earth is to prepare us for the marriage supper. Do you partake of it regularly or not?

> *For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread. And when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, Take, eat: This is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, and when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lords death till he comes.*
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> *Wherefore, whosoever, shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.* ***(1 Corinthians 11:23-28).***

Pilgrim to heaven, this is the preparation you need here for a remarkable marriage supper in heaven! Of course there will be so many things to see in heaven, so many testimonies to hear, so many things to fully understand now. Just the sight of walking on the streets of gold is amazing, I have never seen gold but I know it is damn expensive. If the street is expensive

then I sure am expensive in heaven, because the street is built for me to ply on. ***Isaiah 65:17.***

Chapter 15

See you when I do at the head-Office

Do you know that all air tickets for heaven bound passengers have been fully paid well in advance by Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior? T he Bible says clearly to you and to me,

> "*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."* ***(John14:1-3).***

Let me mimic the flight experience to heaven as a mortal. Remember eye has not yet seen, nor ear heard, yet let me allow my curiosity to run loose for just this one time, ready? With my passport in hand, and heaven's visa endorsed on it I head for the nearest airport to take my flight.

There are a number of airport check-in formalities that must first be cleared before I am air borne. First there is the mandatory security check, that's okay so I bemuse myself with a wide smile knowing naturally well that I do not carry any for

bidden objects on any of my flights as a rule and this is a no exception flight.

Next is the baggage check in formalities. Only passport and visa is the permitted hand luggage to heaven. This is the notice displayed on the counter for all passengers on the flight to heaven to read and comply. All other baggage must be verified and checked in. It is repeated by all staff on this counter to check in all baggage except passports. There is no hand luggage on this special flight. As I submit my passport at the baggage check-in counter, the clerk exclaims, Ah you are also one of them to heaven! She continues explaining to me that all air tickets to heaven have already been fully paid with no maximum baggage allowance carried by each passenger.

> *"Now if any man builds upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble. Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire, and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abides which he hath built there upon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss, but he himself shall be saved, yet so as by fire." (**1 Corinthians 3:12-15**).*

Why did I not spend my best time on earth winning souls and multiplying the master's treasure which would pass the fire test and increase my baggage check-in weight? Moreover, passengers are allowed to carry as much as they can on this flight, poor me. All my baggage is burnt up because it does not meet heavens standards, except a few grams; thank God I have some baggage checked in anyway. Some will have all their

baggage burnt up by the fire machine and they will travel with just their passports, what a rude shock now.

Immigration check is the last formality before we take off. Here I now handover my passport to the Immigration clerk, it is scanned and an exit stamp is issued. "Enjoy your flight", mutters the immigration clerk. "Thank you sir", I respond, overjoyed by the prospects that the journey is just on course and any time I will be kissing this side goodbye for the land of my childhood dreams. Now with only passport in hand, I head to the spacious waiting area where a large crowd of travelers are granulating around, but I notice quite a number like myself. Only passports are in their hands. No hand bags, no briefcases, no jackets, no newspapers. Then the boarding call for passengers to heaven is made and I join the boarding line with only passport in hand. We are ushered into a large Boeing aircraft, brand new with controls beyond my imagination. I am fascinated where on earth this craft was designed and built.

I gently locate and take my seat with the help of the air stewards and take-off formalities are broadcast on the high-tech equipment in front of me but one formality that is repeated over and over as if we have never been air borne is fasten your seatbelts, and keep seatbelts fastened till the end of the flight. Strangely enough as I stare in front of me, I cannot locate any seatbelt where I always know to find them, gosh, I wonder, a new flight with no seatbelts where we usually find them on our other flights this side you know. I look inside my pouch in front of me, it is empty. There are no magazines, no manuals, no kits or indeed any kind of literature to guide you.

I now decide to keep silent and not dare raise any questions at the moment; after all, here I am aboard the new aircraft. The flight captain now with a clear accent welcomes all passengers aboard the flight and goes ahead to introduce his two co-pilots and describes this flight as safe, yet with much unrest, so to reduce the effect of the unrest; a seatbelt requirement is henceforth demanded. As I ponder at this instability the captain is talking about, I remember again, yes there will be temptations, trials and afflictions on the journey to heaven. Disorder from Satan, from the world and from self are challenges that we must rise up against on this flight, you know.

> "*That the trial of your faith, being more precious than of gold that perishes, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ."**(**1 Peter 1:6-7**).*
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> *"We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed but not in despair, persecuted but not forsaken, cast down but not destroyed."**(**2 Corinthians 4:8-9**).***
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> *"For my light affliction, which is but for a moment, works for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." (**2 Corinthians 4:17**).*
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> *"Lest Satan should get an advantage of us, for we are not ignorant of his devices." (**2 Corinthians 2:11**).*

I got the message; the seatbelt requirement is the Holy Ghost in the life of the traveler to be able to whether the turmoil outside. No wonder when Paul the Apostle was with the Ephesians believers he was pre-occupied with this subject

as a matter of importance asking them the question. Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed? The flight is comfortable with the Holy Ghost around me that is why fellow travelers don't need to forget this requirement before you board your flight.

Your seatbelt is your personal duty for your comfort on this flight. I relapse and begin to bewail, how if I had more of the Holy Ghost in me then my valuable baggage would have been weightier than a few grams, because I would have won more souls easily, edified the brethren recognizably, provided more service of eternal recognition to my master and prayed powerful, explosive and dangerous prayers to my baggage credit.

After a while we taxicab to take off and a flight clearance is granted to the captain to proceed. Now there is much silence and prayer I suspect. After a short while I hear the turbo propellers of the engines going up and I am now sure this is a four engine turbo aircraft and I am not now scared of unrest, so I imagine. Breach and then there we go. What an explosive take off. I can feel the runway peeling off and shortly we are in the air and flight attendants begin to serve refreshments.

What a flight as I remember our earlier days of running and running and running and then towards the end of the runway when all hope is lost we edge out gently with so much prayer. I fall asleep throughout the rest of the flight only to be woken up on arrival to heavens airport terminal as the airbus suddenly begins a sharp decent in preparation for landing. The captain is back on air announcing our arrival at Heaven's

Kingdom airport and thanks us for flying with Kingdom Airbus one-way flight.

Only then do I recognize this flight was a special flight sent to pick up a particular group of travelers, and like the pilot generously explains that the plane will now be demanding to the hangers to be grounded forever. What another shock, this new flight was built to make only one flight and then be grounded, thank God I was among the number. Time to disembark has come. Now all passengers including the flight attendants and captain with his crew are disembarking with only passports in hand. Another realization, so everybody onboard this flight was also a traveler to Heaven. Piloting the aircraft and yet going to heaven, serving the passengers and yet going to heaven. Why did I waste valuable time sleeping on this flight instead of serving others!

Right in front of us is Heavens pearly gate, closed with angels standing by the gate waiting for the arrivals, who are now filling in toward the gate each preoccupied with their thoughts with passport in hand nonetheless. As I watch what is happening ahead of me, I offer my last prayer to Heaven, Jesus remember me, I mutter to myself. A traveler hands over a passport to the standing angel dressed in immaculate white regalia, who examines it and quickly says welcome, this way! The gate immediately opens and the next traveler hands over his passport. A puzzling observation begins to preoccupy my attention now, as some travelers are invited inside the pearly gate, others are told to stand aside and wait. My God have mercy on me, I pray again as I realize some travelers cannot be allowed inside the pearly gate. Then I remember;

*"Not everyone that says to me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that does the will of my Father who is in heaven."**Matthew 7:21, Matthew 5:20**.*

As I get closer to the pearly gate a large crowd of travelers standing by the gate are being shown a flight waiting to take them to another destination. The crew of this flight is all dressed in black with masks on their heads, milling around awaiting aircraft not far off, this sight paralyzes my thoughts now. Oh God, bad news, I know. Now it is my turn and the very last quiet prayer I offer as my passport is received by the officiating angel nearby. Jesus, I am not worthy, have mercy on me. The angel looks up at me and says, the master has heard all your prayers and is waiting for you, WELCOME. What a sigh of relief. I made it to Heaven at last! I made it to Heaven at last! Praise God! Praise God! Halleluiah! The pearly gate opens and I hear beautiful music streaming from inside and angels welcoming me to paradise. I am walking on gold, but I am lost for words, for hearing and for sight. This is beautiful, why did I not come here earlier!

Alas, there is so much to see here, remember the watches have ceased to record time. My wristwatch is frozen from the moment the plane landed, as I entered inside the pearly gate I now notice that time will be no more. Thank God for His grace on me. I have to see God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son and the Holy Ghost my trusted comforter. Then, the glory of the throne and Heavens majesty is my next focus. Look saints of Old. Abraham, Enoch, Elijah, Daniel, Moses, Esther, Deborah, there is the thief on the cross, Lazarus, Lazarus, I can see you.

Eeh, I can see the Apostles of old, there is Peter, John the beloved, James, Andrew, there and that is Paul the Apostle to the gentiles, Phillip the evangelist, there is Mary, another Mary, another Mary. Look the preachers of old, I am now looking for my lovely father, James Masaba; my lovely Sister Suzan, my darling brother Sam, my guru Mylese and my seminarians and my converts who said goodbye long before me.

As we wrap up this; I would like to remind you beloved, that your life is not a trial run. God created you and placed you here on earth to fulfill purpose. Every entrance has exit. You don't have forever to do that purpose. Regardless of how old you are; you don't need to live without the constant awareness that your life in its present form will not last forever. Strive and endeavor to acquire the valid passport and visa before your life's conclusion. There is nothing about a product that is a mystery to the manufacturer.

The manufacturer has power and control over his product. You are a product and God being the manufacturer, has power and control over you. Only the manufacturer knows the *why* and *how* of his product. That is why He can claim perfect relationship with his product. He knows *why* you are here. If you have never established your relationship with your manufacturer, the time is now. Tomorrow will never come. Yesterday is in the tomb. Tomorrow is in the womb. Today is the day!

You must accept the fact that there is something you were born to do that no one else can do with your particular satisfaction or expertise. This assignment is God's purpose for

your life. Because He promises that His purposes will prevail, you do not need to compromise or sacrifice your values, convictions, morals or standards to achieve this vision. Your purpose is His vision. Therefore, He will make the necessary provisions for you to accomplish that vision.

I, therefore, encourage you to declare independence from the expectations and the opinions of others. Defy their standards of success and refuse to imprison your identity within the life style or the preferences of another. Decide today to be yourself so you can secure your citizenship and fulfill your purpose. Remember, your purpose is that dream, vision, deep desire or lifelong idea that you hunger to accomplish. Obey and submit to God and keep His commandments. Please Him and complete your assignment. Only then will you find true success, for the fulfillment of purpose is God's measure of success.

There is a scheduled appointment for each of us, whether we like it or not, whether we believe it or not, whether we know it or not. This appointment will take place outside your present country and so you need to prepare someday to meet up with this appointment. That is inconsequential. This is why you need kingdom documents to help you navigate border controls to meet with the Almighty God, whose residence and throne is in heaven, the Kingdom Head-office. A Kingdom Valid Passport and Visa will allow you to safely navigate your way with dignity.

I would like to invite you right now to start the application process.

"Dear Father, I acknowledge that I am a sinner; I believe that you willingly sent Jesus to take the punishment for my sins at the cross and I call Him to come and be the savior of my life today. Remove my name from the book of death and write my name in the book of life. From today, I promise to walk with you, all the days of my life, until I see your face at the head-office. Thank you Jesus for the gift of salvation. In Jesus' name! Amen."

I commenced my passport application process when I confessed those words at age twelve and that became a crucial turning point in my life. You can write to me using the address at the back page of this book and let me know about that awesome decision you have made. God bless you! See you in Heaven! Shalom!