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God's presence appeared before them in their home and lasted for three days. By the third day God had changed the lives of all in the family and gave them an end-time message for the entire world

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# **Foreword**

Dear friends,

Paul writing to the Galatians in order to defend the genuineness of his message and spared them from false teaching told them the story of his conscription into Christianity by God Himself so that he might preach the Good news to the gentiles (Galatians 1). Also telling King Agrippa about his conversion and how God commanded him to "tell others what you have seen of me today and what I will show you in the future," (Acts 26:16) Paul added, "And so, King Agrippa, I did not disobey the vision I had from heaven." (Acts 26:19).

Likewise in this book Lambert Okafor is passionately telling you the story of his conscription on May 28<sup>th</sup> 1989 (and later his family) into the army of the living God to be an evangelist, a prophet, a preacher, so that he can go everywhere and tell every person what he has seen, "for it is true."

The Bible teaches us about those who have been called or appointed to proclaim the message of God. They are divinely chosen spokesmen who received and related God's message, whether in oral, visual, or written form.

The message can come to them through dreams, visions, angels, nature, miracles, and an audible voice. They are variously called Prophets, Seers, Watchmen, Men of God, Messengers and Servants of the Lord. They were called from different vocations. For example, Jeremiah and Ezekiel were priests, Isaiah and Daniel were of royal blood while Amos was a shepherd. This means that God does not discriminate persons in his choice of Messengers, Professional, Scholars, Farmers, Traders, Labourers, young and old, males and females are all within the ambit of his choice. When he calls, he equips in order to counteract any excuses. Moses, Jeremiah, and even Jonah had their 'genuine' excuses to give and yet God used them successfully for his purpose.

God continues to call and send messengers today to proclaim the Good news of salvation. I am impressed that Lambert did not hesitate for long before he took up the challenge of proclaiming what he saw and experienced.

You will noticed that this message is not aggressive or arrogant, he did not display that air of holier-than thou attitude often displayed by some preachers. Rather it is persuasive, appealing, loving, down to earth and urgent. The interpretation of the SEVEN MYSTERIES which he attributed to the work of the Holy Spirit is interesting. Please read that you may understand.

Lambert Okafor and his family have found a new joy and a fresh hope in the Lord which instead of hoarding, Lambert has decided to share with you. Why not give it a trial and may the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth for His glory and for your salvation. I agree with this writer when he said, "Like he did with the people of old, so he is doing with us today until into the kingdom of his dear son we find ourselves."

I recommend this book to you for reading and understanding and for taking appropriate action. And may God bless you.

The Rt. Rev. S.C.N. Ebo The Anglican Bishop of Okigwe/Orlu Diocese

## **Preface**

"And it will come about after this that I will pour out my Spirit on all mankind; and your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams; your young men will see visions. Even on the male and female servants I will pour out my Spirit in those days. I will display wonders in the sky and on the earth, Blood, fire and columns of smoke. The sun will be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes". (Joel 2:28-31).

"The glorious arrest of a family" is one of the great books of our time, for any Heaven-seeking Christian will agree with me that indeed, Joel 2:28-31 has become an accomplished text today. It is another confirmation that the great and awesome day of the Lord is at the corner. It is almost 12 o'clock. From this book we certainly begin to realize that the end time events, nay the end itself as prophesied, are much more valid than the laws of thermodynamics. That the Bible is after all not an impracticable book of theology but rather a practical book of life containing words of knowledge for the wise.

Why would God go out of his way to arrest a man un-concerned with the things of God? My answer is because he is God. He has proved that if He wishes he can bend us to submission. Again that what God did in the time past he can do today. He arrested Jonah and made him willing to go, so Brother Lambert was arrested, to know that the Bible he threw away did not destroy God's authority over him. That nothing can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus, not even our rejection of him or neglect of the love.

Finally, it confirms as our brother wrote that "His political time-table is rapidly unfolding... and his ministers, the Angels, have gone out on mission possible to usher in his kingdom.

Today many Christians are distracted. They have forgotten the admonition, 'watch ye therefore, for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Matthew 24:42. Conditions in our world indicate that the time is short and a lot remains to be done. "The glorious arrest of a family" is a good reminder.

Brother Lambert never suspected that God would catch up with him. What of you? You need to read this book to know how near we are too the edge of eternity.

Perhaps you do not believe in God, what more in the second coming of Christ. Lambert also had no time for him. Find out how he changed his mind and what God is doing with him.

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May God richly bless you all in Jesus name, Amen.

## MAN ON THE RUN

## (an introduction)

When I was going to the University of Ife in 1976, I made one resolution – to hide myself in the crowd and get lost in the world. I did not want anything about God around me. Consequently, I threw away my small Bible and everything that reminded me of God. Sincerely speaking, I could not say why I took that decision.

I was born into the Anglican Church and the rest of my brothers and sisters were godly. But somehow, it seemed there was something in me that did not want God really. While at home I had to do church things once in a while, somehow, under pressures –just to satisfy my family expectations. Now I was happy to be on my way to the campus where no one would bother me about God. My going to the University was therefore seen as an escape from God and I kept to it. All through my campus days, the National service and up to 1983 when I started work with the Union Bank. I kept to my decision to keep God away from me. Somehow, I felt that the ways of God were too tough, and his standards too high for me. I therefore wanted to 'enjoy' myself and forget about 'heaven and hell', I thought.

I went to church again in 1987 just because I was getting married. Soon after the wedding, I decided to quit going to church completely and I told my wife so. All her tears and pleas could not change my heart and at last she gave up. Soon after our wedding, on 20<sup>th</sup> April 1987, I stopped going to church completely. I would not even go once in a while, I never saw the four walls of any church. On Sunday therefore my wife and the rest of the family would simply inform me that they were going to the church so that I might come and lock the door! That was the situation until May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1989, when something marvelous happened which changed the life of everyone in the family starting with me! You will get the details later.

I therefore thank God for this wonderful privilege of being part of what is now a worldwide event, to usher in the ultimate rule of God here on earth. The Kingdom of God is about to be revealed to the earth. God is about to answer that popular age-long prayer which Jesus taught at his disciples request – "thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven."

God's political time-table is rapidly unfolding and his Ministers – the Angels – are at red-alert. They have indeed gone all out on missions possible to prepare for the landing of the new Kingdom. Things have begun to happen. Unbelievable things are happening here again. They happened during the Apostolic Age – with the

Apostles of the Lord. That was in the beginning of the church age. Here they are again – at the end of the church age. God is here again to reveal himself to his people.

That God would have me included in this end time programme is what I am not worthy to receive. Why should I have expected God's grace to be so freely poured out on me, in such a way that all yokes are broken! I was no seeking him, I was not involved in things about him. I was young man 'enjoying' things of this life, yet he decided to come for me. Whenever I tried to find out why? I could only hear his words in Isaiah 55:8-13 saying;

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways... As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your way and my thoughts than your thoughts. As the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth. It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands. Instead of the thornbush will grow the pine tree, and instead of briers the myrtle will grow. This will be for the Lord's renown, for an everlasting sign, which will not be destroyed."

And I say "Amen" to that. I have since stopped wondering why God did it. Since it is clear to me that I cannot understand it in this life. Perhaps I will understand it in eternity. For now, I will only shout with Prophet Micah, saying:

"Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. You will be true to Jacob, and show mercy to Abraham, as you pledged on oath to our fathers in days long ago" (Micah 7:18-20)

Dear reader, I pray that as you read this story an account of how God met all in my family that the miracle that has followed this testimony since the beginning of it may be your potion too. As I go to tell you about it all, may God also meet you in a special way at the point of your need, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## Chapter 1

#### GOD ARRESTED ME

"When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead...." (Acts 9:4)

"Should you not fear me?" declares the Lord. Should you not tremble in my presence? I made the sand a boundary for the sea, an everlasting barrier it cannot cross... (Jeremiah 5:22).

"The sinners in Zion are terrified; trembling grips the godless: Who of us can dwell with the consuming fire?" (Isaiah 33:14).

It was on May 28<sup>th</sup> 1989, the last Sunday of the month. My wife and the rest of the family had gone to church and I had locked the door behind them. As usual, I was the only one in the house.

Then, about 9 o'clock that morning, something strange happened. I was sitting down in the sitting room. Then suddenly, I felt the entrance of a 'Being' into the room. But as I turned to see who it was, alas, I saw nobody physically. As I tried to look around still, I began to feel the presence of the Being more and more. I suddenly realized that the Being who entered was far bigger and mightier than me. In fact, He was so large that his presence filled the entire sitting room. Just then I realized it was the presence of God! At once, fear caught me and I became very uncomfortable as He began to work on me. The entire sitting room was filled up by his presence that there was no place for me for me any longer. I became most uncomfortable and I made to leave the sitting room but could not.

This great presence began to work on me. He began to crush me, to squeeze me, and to tear me into little shreds right inside me. My life began to give way. My energy began to dissipate and my bones appeared shattered. Air was being squeezed out of me and I frantically began gasping for breath. Daniel fainted, and even fell sick when God' glorious Angel appeared to him (Daniel 8:17-18, 27). John the apostle also fell down 'as one dead' when Jesus appeared to him in a vision (Revelation 1:17). I now know why. Indeed no flesh can glory in the presence of God. No man can stand Him when He visits! And so everything in me began to collapse!

Then, as I could no longer bear it all, I managed to crawl out of the sitting room, holding the walls and seats for support, having been extremely exhausted. I made

for the bedroom in a bid to escape from what had come over me. But to my greatest shock, I could not go beyond the door to the bedroom because that same presence of God filled the entire bedroom too. I could only look from the door and quickly turned back. Next, I made to hide in the children's room, but was shocked to see through the door (which was already open) that the same presence filled the children's room. This time, I made for the kitchen, hoping to find a resting place there. Again, I could not even get near to the kitchen door because both the kitchen and the passage leading to it were all filled by the same presence, and so were all the other available rooms and spaces in the house.

At this point, I had become extremely exhausted and there was no breath left in me, and so I felt certain that I was going to die. I simply regretted that my wife would never know how it all happened, as there was no one else in the house to tell the story. At this point, however, certain impulse came alive in me – why not get hold of one magazine and take your thought away from what is happening! Quickly I made for the magazines, as I wanted to pick one of the magazines, however, I found out that I could not even lay hold on any of them. Certain unseen hand was beating off the magazines as I tried to pick them. At last I had only succeeded in just touching all the magazines, but could not hold anyone.

The thought flashed across my panicky mind again, why not go to the video cassettes! Again I responded. The same thing happened – I could only touch the films but unable to pick any of them because certain invisible hand kept beating them off my hand so that I could not grab them. At last however, I found my hand resting on just one of the films. I held it hungrily and pulled it out. I then looked at the title, it was a two-in-one film, titled, "The arrest of King Abraham and the public life of Jesus Christ."

How great thou art, O God of miracles! You are a great mystery and you work mysteriously in your ways.

## The film:

As I slotted the film impulsively, I supported my head with my right hand. That was the position I was allowed to stay throughout the duration of that hours-long film. I could not move about or assume any other position because I was still under the pressure of that very 'presence' in my sitting room. The first part of the film soon rolled by – that was the arrest of King Abraham, without making any special impact on me. It was just like any other film we had. Then the second part began. The Public life of Jesus Christ. At first it was like any other film too. As it

progressed however, I began to feel drawn into it. In fact, as it progressed to the point when Jesus was facing trial, I had been completely drawn into the film, so much so that I literally saw myself talking part and indeed being a key actor in the film. When they slapped Jesus, my right hand shook instantaneously in agreement, as though it was my hand that did the slapping. When they spat on Him, my whole body behaved as if it was I that spat on Him. My whole being shivered in agreement. And when the women and children were crying along as He carried the cross on Him, it became clearly impressed on my heart that I was the cause of these ones crying.

From this moment on, the film appeared to have been slowed down intentionally. It now dragged on slowly, dragging me along with it and crushing me as it progressed. Bitter tears had started rolling down my cheeks, though I could not tell at what point the tears started. I had slapped Jesus. I had spat on Him and now the children and women were weeping and crying because of what I did. I had been completely shattered that no strength whatsoever was left in me. It was at this point again that another spectacular thing happened; like though springs were under my feet, I found myself dash across like lighting into my bedroom. Remember I had said I was extremely exhausted. But I remember how effortlessly, with the speed of lighting I flew to my bedroom, and fell on my knees by my bedside!

# The Revelation;

...for the spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will" (Romans 8:27)

As soon as I was on my knees, I lost control and indeed consciousness of my surrounding, I became completely lost to the Spirit of God as I later learnt. At that time however, I did not know exactly what it was. The Bible says that: "in the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express" (Romans 8:26). There is no better statement to explain what happened to me from the moment I was on my knees. I realized that I was talking and the things I was saying were coming out in such power and authority that my entire body was vibrating. It was a great prayer which the Spirit of God was saying on my behalf, using me as a vehicle. The language of the prayer was foreign because I did not understand any word of it up till now! God was the one being addressed in all His majesty. He was being called His wonderful names and He was just there. He was no longer far away. The prayer was on my behalf and God was listening. All these things were impressed on my heart at once. This powerful prayer continued for a

long time, increasing in tempo as it went on. Then, something happened which still marvels me each time I remember it.

I felt the gentlest touch I had ever experienced in my life – at the back of my neck. Two gentle hands touched me at the back of my neck, and turned me most softly to the right side. Then I saw what I now call the glory of God. It was like a cloud of white light whose brightness and glory cannot be compared to anything that I already know. This clouds filled my entire right side. As I looked on however, this cloud of God's glory started to gather upwards, slowly but steadily going away from me, I was still in my bedroom remember, but mysteriously, I watched this cloud of light depart beyond the roofs of nearby building until it got so far into the sky. It then looked so small and far removed from me.

At this juncture, those two hands came again, held me softly at the back of my neck and turned me gently to my left side. Then I saw a pit. A shallow pit at first. As I looked on, however, this pit suddenly began to get deeper, I looked on still, until it turned into what could be called a bottomless pit because no one could see the depth any longer. Humanly speaking, it must have been thousands of miles deep. I tried to remove my eyes since I could no longer see the depth, but those two hands refused me, they held me this time at the waist and assisted me stretch across that deep but narrow pit, in such a way that I should be able to see the bottom of it. I held the edges of the pit (it was so narrow that one could hold opposite edges comfortably). I then stretched myself with the help of those hands and what I saw was too much for my imagination. I saw myself at the very depth of that bottomless pit! I was in my favorite ash-coloured suit. I was alone in the pit, helplessly looking around for possible escape. At this point, the prayer had become so urgent and persistent that it became like though it was a wrestle. A do or die affair. Please note that the prayer had not ceased since it started. It continued with great power while I was being shown all these things, it was clear there was no way of escape for me in the pit. I was reserved there for destruction.

As the prayer persisted in intensity with great authority and power, something else happened. It was as if somebody had just said 'Ok'. Then those two gentle hands came again and turned me to the light. Then I saw that glory of God begin to descend towards me, just as it had earlier on departed, until it came so close to my right side and the stopped. Then I turned to my left side again. Instantly, I saw that pit with me inside becoming more and shallower. The prayer went on non-stop as though if it stopped, the whole thing would go wrong. The pit continued coming up until it became so shallow that you could touch me. At this point something most dramatic happened. That glory of God on my right side now moved and covered

me, and at once, a force I couldn't see lifted me completely out of that pit of darkness and destruction

At this point, the prayer now mellowed down. It was no longer aggressive but rather softened into what in now guess to be praises and worship. God was being praised and adored for the great work He had done for me in answer to the great prayers by the Holy Spirit (Romans 8:26-27). It was later on that the Spirit led me to many places in the Bible to explain this event. The Psalmist had lamented thus; "To you I call, o Lord my rock. Do not turn a deaf ear to me. For if you remain silent, I will be like those who have gone to the pit... I am counted among those who go down the pit; I am like a man without strength" (Psalm 28:1, 88:4)

Jonah also said, "but you brought my life up from the pit, O Lord my God" (Jonah 2:6b). Then Isaiah 38:19b says "...In your love you have kept me from **the pit of destruction**, you have put all my sins behind your back."

This what exactly my position. God had picked me up and saved me from the pit of destruction and had put all my sins behind His back. And so the Spirit rejoiced and praised and adored God the Father Almighty for what He has just done. Mysteriously I was being shown these things 'live' as they were being decided and concluded in the spiritual realm.

## And I heard a voice....

As the prayer gradually died down, I heard a voice call my name "LAMBERT!!"

I could almost see the double exclamation marks. It called me again with emphasis, "YOUNG MAN!" Then the voice continued:

God has been calling you all these days and you you've been running from Him. God has been looking for you these days and you you've been running from Him.

And the voice continued just as if someone in the same room was admonishing me. *Did you not see the height of the glory of God?* The voice asked, referring to that glorious cloud of white light.

Did you not see the depth of condemnation where you were all alone?

He was referring to that bottomless pit containing me.

Have you seen how God, in His great mercy had extended his hand of salvation and picked you up from that pit and saved you? This is your own house and God has caught you in your own house. Now where else will you run to?" The voice continued.

By this time I saw myself again I was not in the pit any more. I was standing on the floor, a little distance away, with arms folded on my chest and listening attentively to the rebuke that was going on. I looked dirty and rejected, so dirty and untouchable that I spat on what I saw.

## **Coming events**

The voice had explained to me all that had happened so far: I was locked up for destruction in the pit. God decided to intervene. He descended from His great height of Majesty and picked me up from condemnation and saved me. At the end of the rebuke, the voice said;

### Now looks

There was a command in the statement. As the voice said "Now look" simultaneously those two hands came again and turned me to where I was supposed to look. Then I saw at my right side, something like a large screen quite close to me then the voice said again,

## What do you see?

As it was saying, "What do you see?" I was shown at once the world that has been rolled like a mat, remaining only a very small part of it to be completely rolled away! You know, all these things were happening at the same time – the question, the hands directing me and the meaning of what I was seeing being impressed on my heart in such a way that I understood it at once. However, for emphasis, the voice spoke to me further explaining what I was looking at.

"This is the world," He said. "Can't you see, God has almost rolled it over remaining this little thing"

He then showed me the little part that remained. Dear reader, from what I saw of what remained of the world to be totally rolled over, I will categorically say that we are all living right now at the very verge of eternity! Man does not have many days ahead of him for his last struggles. If all life has been a football match, I will

say that humanity has right now stepped into the "injury time" of the game, after which the very final whistle and.... The very end.

As I was considering these things, the voice said to me again:

## **But look**

Instantly I was directed to the upper part of that thing like a screen, just above the first picture of the world that had been rolled over save a little. Then I saw people of the world. The entire people of the world —men, women, the old, the young! I saw them all. Incredible, God made it possible, God of miracle. Mysterious God! He showed me what I simply termed 'confusion'. I saw men and women, the young and the old, all moving about in a non-directional confused way. Where some were running to, others were running away from. What some were dropping, others were picking up. In fact I simply called what I saw 'confusion'. Humanity is wallowing in confusion.

Then the voice said to me:

"These are people of the world, can't you see how they are moving about as they like, not caring and not knowing that the world in which they are is about to be rolled over by God?"

This time when I read the Bible, I very much agree with the words Prophet Isaiah that, "All we like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way, and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all" (Isaiah 53:6). God showed me this illustration that morning in my room and I saw the confusion called humanity. While I was still considering these things the voice spoke to me again and said "But look"

# Last Kings of the earth

Instantly, I was directed, this time to the uppermost part of that thing like a large screen. I looked and I saw another great mystery of God, I saw the entire government of the (kings) of the world. They were standing in a semicircular form, with their individual bodies, but mysteriously they all had just two hands! It was as if they had joined all their hands together and these hands joined and became just two hands. With these joined hands they were bending forward and handing over something which the voice then explained,

"These are the government of the world, they are handing over the authority of the world to God and God is receiving, but you see, they are not even aware of what they are doing."

At this point, I was left alone to watch and to study all three things that I had been shown. The voice was not talking to me this time. I then began to watch them all over again, on my own. I looked at the world that had been rolled like a mat save a little part to completely roll it over. Then the people of the world, my people moving, about in ignorance and confusion, quite unaware of the danger that awaits them soon. Then the kings and rulers of the world who have been prepared to rule humanity for the last time and who were about to return power and authority to God unto whom all authority belong. Their utterances, their policies, both economic and political – are all geared towards this imminent surrender, howbeit, they are not aware of the meaning of the things that they find themselves doing.

As I watched all these things, to say that I became like a dead person would be to say the least. I was caught up in these great mysteries of God and so all my human faculties had to give way. Only God could tell my actual state of being then. It was some days after all these things that the same Spirit of God directed me to some parts of the Bible where this event of the kings surrendering power had already been mentioned. These are Daniel 2:44 and Revelation 11:15-17. I will tell you more about these and the other Bible references later. For now, let me continue with the revelation in my bedroom.

# The great commission

After I had been left to study all these mysteries. I was then tapped three times on my left hand as the voice came back. This time, He came with what I now call the great commission.

"Now get up! Go to the streets, to the offices, to the homes, anywhere you can find people, tell them what you saw for it is true!"

As soon as this was said, I then came back to myself. It was as if I had just returned from a great expedition. I opened my eyes and, behold, I was still in the bedroom. Unbelievable! Still in this world! I looked around as though to make sure. Although I now knew where I was, I could however not get up at once because I was extremely exhausted. I was like a machine that had been on for a long time. And was suddenly put off. My body was still shaking with great sweat all over me. My heart –beat was still pounding away fast. I have been lying on the floor instead of kneeling!

When at last I had calmed down enough to stand, I immediately noticed one thing; I HAD BEEN CHANGED! This was impressed on my heart at once and I knew it. There was no doubt about it. I simply nodded as this truth got registered on my mind. I had been changed! As I made to walk further, I noticed another thing. I was been held up, suspended, by a certain force. I was walking physically on the floor quite right, but somehow, the real me inside was caught up midway and held up in such a way that I did really 'come down'. It was as if a mighty palm was carrying me in the air. I remained in that suspended state for three days. You will know why later on.

When I walked towards the sitting room this time, I noticed yet another thing which unfortunately I have not been able to put across adequately in words. I simply called it the glory of God. I noticed that, that 'frightening presence' that had chased me from room to room had disappeared. In its place I now saw what I called the glory of God. The glory of God filled my entire house. In the sitting room, the passage, the other rooms! The entire house was filled up and the meaning was immediately impressed upon my mind – This is the glory of God.

After some interval, I suddenly wanted to understand all that had been happening to me. So I said to myself "Lambert what is happening to you? What is it that you have been passing through?" it was at this point that I realized that my reasoning had disappeared for I could not reason out anything that had happened so far. My mind became as blank and as free of thought as perhaps that of a day-old baby. The scripture truly said that the natural mind cannot grasp things of the spirit. (1Corinthians 2:14). That was exactly my case here. I had no idea of my own anymore. It was then that the voice came back to me and said,

# "Go and tell everybody for it is true!"

I remember that this happened while I was on the passage leading to the sitting room. I remember then leaning on the wall, still weak. After some brief interval, I still wanted to know what was happening and I again asked myself the same question. I still could not muster any idea of my own for God was still dealing with me mightily. However, that voice came back again and repeated the commission:

# "Go and tell everybody for it is true!"

It was just after this that the doorbell rang. I went and opened the door, and behold, it was my wife and the rest of the family. They had returned from the church

service – just when the whole thing had been concluded! What a mighty God He is indeed! Heaven and earth adore Him, Angels bow before Him, what a mighty God He is. He has the whole world in His hands and when He makes a move, He makes it perfect and no one can stand on His way!

Remember I had said earlier that the real me was somehow caught up midway so that I was not yet 'released' from God's hold. Because of this situation, I could not talk to anybody about what had happened to me. Remember my human faculties had been disconnected and my reasoning had given way. Although the voice had commanded me to "go and tell everybody" yet the time had not come for me to start doing that. For three hours (9am to 12 noon), the Lord had visited me and changed my life. Just as the operation was over, my wife came back from church exactly 12noon! What a powerful, orderly, glorious God He is.

I was not allowed to tell my wife what had happened to me while they were away to the church. So the rest of that day gradually rolled by with these mysteries unknown to any other person. Early the following morning, the Spirit woke me up and flashed the whole episode of the previous day to me, like one replaying a video film. In a fraction of a second I was awakened with all the events of the previous day brought before me. Then the voice said to me again,

"Go and tell everybody for it is true!"

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....From what I saw... I will categorically say that we are all living right at the verge of eternity! Man does not have many days ahead of him for his last struggles....

Humanity has right now stepped into the injury Time.

## Chapter 2

#### **MY WIFE'S EXPERIENCE**

My wife and I were watching the television in the sitting room about 9 o' clock the following night (Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>). Up till this time I had not disclosed to her, nor to any other person what had happened to me the previous day. Suddenly, the same thing started to happen to my wife. She stood up, sat down, moved about hysterically and sighed continuously, as I noticed this sudden unusual behavior of my wife I asked her what the problem was.

Her answer came as a great surprise because nothing that I ever knew would have given rise to it. She said, "I have now know that these things are true – Heaven, hell, Christ and all that. I now know that the end of the world is near and that the kingdom of God is coming. Something tells me so, and that I am not yet ready to face the consequences and so I don't know what to do!"

As she said this, she became more restless and certain sense of urgency surrounded her. I was then made to know that the same Spirit of God was now upon her. That same Spirit had prevented me from telling my own story yet until God had completed His plans. So I watched her pace about the entire area while I was not allowed to do anything to assist.

However, by about 1.30am (that same night) the hour had come! Something came over me and I began to say and do things that were above me. I suddenly tapped my wife, who was a bit weary by now. I tapped her three times and said:

# Woman, kneel down now, kneel down and confess your sins. Confess your sins and receive your salvation from God"

I continued with certain authority which was definitely from outside me, speaking the mind of God.

"Can't you see Christ?" I shouted to her. "Can't you see Christ with your salvation in His hand? It is past midnight, but I tell you, the day shall not break

until you have received your salvation from God and you are sure of it," I concluded with every certainty in the tone.

One spectacular thing happened here. At the moment when I was shouting "can't you see Christ?" I was actually seeing Christ standing at the other side of the room, spreading His hands towards us. Immediately, the meaning was impressed upon my heart and I became extremely excited. I was therefore surprised that my wife was not responding through prayer at once and so I had to rebuke her, sort of. It was later on that I realized that she wasn't actually seeing what I was seeing.

Soon my wife was on her knees exactly on the same spot where I knelt the previous day! The same Spirit was on the move again! She started to pray, and suddenly began to cry. Then, without understanding what I was doing, I lifted my two hands onto her head and that was the last thing I knew that I did. The Bible speaks of a believer (Christian) as a 'priest', chosen by God (1Peter 2:9). God ordains us 'priests' at His own time.

As soon as my hands were on her head, the same Spirit of the previous day came over me and that type of prayer started again, this time around for my wife. I began to say unusual things, addressing God in all His Majesty and Power, speaking in such a foreign language that I did not understand anything of it. Yet the prayer continued, through me, **but originated and directed by the Sovereign Spirit of God (Rom. 8:26-27).** This lasted for a long time and by around 2.30 am. It was all over. I opened my eyes, put my hands down and looked steadily at my wife. My inner eye was opened, somehow, and I immediately knew that, the same Spirit was now in my wife which came into me the previous day. Immediately certain supernatural joy and excitement came over me as it was made clear to me that my wife had just been born again! Praise God! My wife had been born again! Great!

I embraced her, hugged her and we began to sing songs of praise and thanksgiving. We sang and sang in such a non-stop manner that it was nearly day-break! Up till now, my wife and I still ask who it was that was leading us in those glorious songs that night because they were brand new songs that none of us had known before. Unfortunately we can't recollect any of them now, may be in the kingdom we shall!

So, my wife was 'born again' about 2.30am that early morning when appeared, spreading His hands towards her! And we disturbed the entire neighbourhood with angelic songs from above.

## The great push

That morning, we knelt down and praised God heartily for the first time since we married! We then left for our offices. By the time I got to my office (Union Bank, New Market Road, Onitsha) this third day of my experience. I could no longer control the great push that was placed inside me. The feeling was actually all over me. I saw myself doing a most unusual thing – telling my colleagues about God and the 'end time!' I said to them; "that you may also be ready when these things begin to happen"

Yes, I went to my colleagues, customers, and all who came my way as I was led, and witnessed to them at every available opportunity. They were all surprised, in fact some were shocked by this sudden change in me. I thank God for his Holy Spirit who used the opportunity presented by this shock to answer the questions which were aroused in the minds of my hearers. God touched them!

While this was happening to me, little did I know that my wife was experiencing the same in her school. She was a mathematics teacher at Washington Memorial Grammar School, Onitsha. She had gone to school that morning and had suddenly started telling everybody to turn to God. She had not been known to be that born again type, so how come Mrs. Ogechukwu Okafor had suddenly woken up to begin to ask everyone to make peace with God! Again the Holy Spirit seized the opportunity to touch the hearts of her hearers.

At the end of the day when we returned home, our stories were the same and we knew that indeed the same Spirit was still at work.

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## Chapter 3

#### MY SISTER-IN-LAW AND THE LITTLE ONES

When God begins a thing, He does not leave it half way. He completes it (Philippians. 1:6). And so, the Spirit of God that had descended into our home was still very much around for the third day running, to bring to perfection what God had initiated. This time around, it was the turn of my sister-in-law, **Ifenyinwa**.

It was now the third day. Up to now, we (my wife and I) had not been able to tell her all that had been happening. God had planned it so, so that His Spirit would have His way first. So, this third night, I suddenly overheard Ifenyinwa shouting at someone and calling him by name — Satan! She was speaking to Satan and rejoicing over him with tears for what God had done for her. God had saved her from the hands of Satan "for the past two days" and she was now saying it loud at the instance of the Holy Spirit that we might know. She began to say something like:

Satan, I thank God that for the past two days I have been saved from your hands... I no longer swim in those waters you used to take me to... I no longer participate in those evils you used to bring to me....

She continued to rejoice over Satan, recounting to our hearing the things she used to do with Satan but which God had saved her from, "for the past two days", as she put it. At this point I stopped and turned to look at her, and at once it was impressed upon my heart that the same Spirit whom my wife and I had received the past two days was now upon **Ifenyinwa**. I tapped my wife, and two of us, obviously without understanding what we were doing, moved towards her and placed our hands on her head. Again the Spirit of the past two days came over me and I began to pray powerfully and with great authority, saying it in another language yet again, this time on behalf of my sister-in-law.

As usual, it lasted for some fairly long period, and at the end, the interpretation came – that God, for whatever reason that I was yet to know, had descended from His great height of glory into our sinful home, and had dealt with each of us individually. This night He was dealing with us collectively. We were therefore to go out and tell everyone the things that had

happened to us as a testimony of truth. At this point, it was as if certain veil had been removed from my heart and I began to understand clearly. My reasoning which seemed to have been switched off for the past three days was now fully returned.

It was at this point that I was also 'released' from wherever God had been holding me in suspense. Something happen to me here. As I was 'released', I sort of came down with the full knowledge of all that had been happening in the family for the past three days. It was as if I had been somewhere, studying the whole thing and now, I had returned with the full knowledge. I then accepted it all. I welcome the new developments and certain joy that I had never known before came over me. I was singing and dancing at one corner of the room, my wife and Ifenyinwa were having great measure of the Holy Ghost joy on the other side. We sang and danced as the presence of God dwelt with us in great measure. Our house was almost vibrating as we praised God in the power of the Spirit that night.

**Our little child, Chidiogo** who was a little over a year also had her touch as we learnt later on. As she learnt to talk, her first words were, praise God, Amen, etc. she marvels us these days with the wisdom and grace of God which she manifest as she grows up.

The house maid all had the touch of God too, only they were too young to understand. The whole family now grows in God's love as everyone begins to manifest the special favour God has showered on us. We cannot thank him enough. We shall forever remain most grateful to him for the great things he has done.

#### PICTURE ON PAGE 43

The little ones (some years later) from left; Chidiogo, Nmesoma, Ozioma.

The GRACE that God poured out on the family is very much evident in their live. As they grow up, Jesus talks to each of them and leads them daily into a living personal relationship with Him; for these are the days when God said He would pour out His Spirit on "all flesh" including children! Joel 2:28)

## Chapter 4

#### WORRIED ABOUT THE SEVEN MYSTERIES

After these things had happened that third night. I thought that it was all over. We were now born again Christians. All we had to do was to go to church and worship God in spirit and in truth. But it was not that. In fact, I soon realized that what had happened so far was just the beginning of many more things to come, as I will tell you later. For now, however, let me tell you what I cannot hold further — the unfolding of the mysteries that I saw. What God had already said in His word about them.

As we began to share this testimony with people, the power of God was with us. God kept confirming it by signs following. Soon the testimony spread faster than we had ever thought and greater things began to happen to us and around us, in churches, at crusades and revival grounds, in the homes, in the offices, everywhere – as the Spirit directed. Already my wife and I had received baptism in the Holy Spirit (even though I had never really believed in it earlier). From then on God's Spirit had become fully resident in us and had begun to function more evidently.

As all these things were happening, one thing kept disturbing me – how do people react to this testimony? How do some people that have much respect for me take the words of this testimony? I used to argue a lot before this experience and I believed so much in practical things. To me, everything has to be logically presented before I would believe it. Frankly speaking therefore, I would not have believed this testimony myself if it had happened to someone else. In fact, before that time I had not really believed some of the Bible stories, especially those that sounded too spectacular – like the conversion of Paul, the Revelation of John and the likes. How can God talk to people? I used to query. That was me then. But here I was now telling people that God spoke to me, that He called my name, that He showed me myself in a pit, that I saw the cloud of God's glory in my room! Kings of the earth in a semi-circular meeting, surrendering power to Him and all that. Incredible! Who would believe it! Perhaps it would have been easier if it had all happened, say to Reverend gentleman and in a church environment. But these things happened to Lambert Okafor in the words of St. Paul "the chiefest of all sinners", and one who had not been going to church. What more, it all happened on a Sunday morning when the saints of God were all gathered in the various churches the world over, and I, the stubborn head, was in my house 'enjoying' myself.

So you see, I became troubled. After giving the testimony at any place, this issue would keep bothering me, "How does what you say sound in the ears of your hearers?" As a result, I would at times decide to withhold the testimony when I should have given it. That did not help matters either for anytime I did so, the Spirit of God would keep me so restless that, at the end I would apologize to God with bitter tears down my cheeks. So, that one did not work – 'with-holding the testimony.

At last, the answer came, God sent me to comfort and reassurance that what I had been saying that I saw and heard were not baseless. They were already mentioned there in His great Word, the Bible, but because I did not know it, I became disillusioned and wanted to give up. No wonder Jesus said:

"You do err because you do not know the scripture or the power of God" (Matthew 22:29).

It is true. Ignorance of the word of God leads to blind and wrong decisions – like I had decided to withhold the testimony when it was needed!

# To Rev. Dr. Uma Ukpai

It all happened at Uyo, on 18<sup>th</sup> January 1990. I had gone to Union Bank Uyo on official duty which lasted some days. About two days to go, this testimony took me to a man of God in that place, Rev. Dr. Uma Ukpai. This was a name I had heard all over the place on the radio, Television and all over Nigeria and outside. The closest I had come to him was at the University of Ife in 1977 when he had visited for a campus crusade. At the end, a film was shown, titled, "The burning hell". I love films and so I went.

This time, God has used a sister, Mrs. Grace Nwagbara, to direct me to him for a very important part of this 'touch of God' to be fulfilled. Rev. Uma, as he is popularly called, listened to my testimony half way and suddenly did something which I did not understand at first. He asked me to stop. I did. He then said that this testimony was not the type to be listened to in a hurry. (He had just ended a prayer meeting and many of the people were waiting to see him). We then agreed that I should come back the following day with the testimony for better and deeper analysis. That night in my hotel room, I remember saying a prayer like this:

"Dear Lord, please I want you to talk to me through this man (Rev, Uma). Whatever he tells me tomorrow, that I will do, believing it to be your word. Therefore do put your word into him, that he may so speak... tell me what I must do with this testimony, for it appears you have given me a thing which is very much above me and your Spirit has always said to me – Lambert, are you sure you are doing what you should with this testimony"

You know I didn't know how to pray 'nicely' yet. So, I just spoke to God as I felt. After this prayer, I believed it. I believed Rev. Uma had also prayed for God's guidance for what happened the next day testified to that.

This time we were seated in his office. Scarcely had we exchanged greetings than Rev. Uma started with such certainty and authority in what he was saying that I was swept off my feet.

"Lambert, God has directed you to me that I may tell you what to do with this testimony. You do not know what God has given to you... you do not know the depth and meaning of what God has given to you... he said

At last, he has spoken with such prophetic conviction that there was absolutely no need spending further words on it. He asked me to get the testimony published at once. 'The testimony should be published for both believers and unbelievers to read he said, for then and only then would I have done what was required of me to tell "everybody" what things I saw. At the end of his admonition I simply nodded and said okay. And I told him that God had indeed spoken to me through him. That was on 18<sup>th</sup> January 1990, some seven months after the experience.

I had agreed to get the testimony published soonest, but being a fairly long one I thought of the time to write it, I being a poor writer. He (Rev. Uma) then suggested that I record the testimony in cassettes that day, and bring them so that his secretary would help by transcribing them into typescripts. That was a wonderful assistance which I definitely would not miss. And so, that evening, I rushed back to my hotel room – to record the testimony in cassettes for him.

## **PICTURE ON PAGE 49**

Union Bank Staff Centre, Port Harcourt. This was Lambert's office by Jan 1990-from where he had made the trip to Uyo.

## Chapter 5

#### THE SEVEN MYSTERIES CONFIRMED

And when He comes, the Spirit of truth, He will guide you into all truth... (John 16:12-13).

The Bible says that "all things work together for good to them that love God" (Romans 8:28). This statement is true indeed. When next you are disappointed by something around you, do not hurry to get annoyed for it may indeed have been so planned for your ultimate benefit. For Christian, there should be nothing like coincidence, nothing like a disappointment.

That was my position that evening as I rushed back to my room for the recording. Only to discover that there was power failure. No electricity to do the recording and the night was fast approaching. My official duty would end the next day and so I would have gone without the recording done! With all the zeal in me dampened. I just lay on the bed 'empty', not knowing what to do.

As I lay helpless on the bed, the Spirit of God suddenly came over me and at once quickened me. It was as if someone was leading me by the hand and I was following. I got up, took my writing materials, got hold of my Bible and began to write as I was led through the word of God. The whole instruction were impressed on my heart and I just saw myself doing that without my own thought or efforts so to say.

It was as if a video play of the events of May 28<sup>th</sup> was flashed across my mind and I saw myself writing down all those seven things that I saw and experienced in my house that Sunday morning. I wrote them down, with the correct terms and names as were laid in my heart. The correct names or terms were impressed on my heart and I put then down that way.

For each of these terms, the Holy Spirit then took me through the word of God to confirm to me that it all came from God. Jehovah God Almighty. Let me now share with you what He taught me about them.

# (1) When I was running from room to room because of his presence:

I was led to understand that God's superiority and the splendor of His Majesty will always cause the poor mortals to fall before His presence with great fear and trembling. I was now led to the book of Jeremiah 5:22 where God Himself has said.

"Should you not fear me?... Should you not tremble in my presence? I made the sand a boundary for the sea... an everlasting barrier it cannot cross... (Jeremiah 5:22).

Then, Isaiah 33:14 says; "The sinners in Zion are terrified; trembling grips the godless: Who of us can dwell with the consuming fire?

And Isaiah 2:19 concludes thus: Men will flee to caves in the rocks and to holes in the ground from the dread of the Lord and the splendor of his majesty, when he rises to shake the earth. (See also Revelation 1:17, Isaiah 24:17, Acts 9:4).

# (2) When I was praying, yet I understood it not:

I was comforted with these verses:

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will. (Romans 8:26-27).

# (3) Where I saw the cloud of God's glory:

Let me tell you, this was one of the areas that concerned me most as I gave the testimony. How could I tell people that I saw a cloud of God's glory in my room! Thank God, however, His word has this to say:

Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle (Exodus 40:34). Praise God!

And the priests could not perform their service because of the cloud, for the glory of the Lord filled his temple. (1 Kings 8:11

The Lord is slow to anger and great in power, the Lord will by no means clear the guilty. The Lord has His way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of His feet. (Nahum 1:3).

# (4) When I saw the pit and all that happened about it:

I tell you also that this was another very difficult part of the testimony which I gave with trembling and stammering lips. Now, I thank God for the comfort found in His already settled Word! So what does that really means? What is the pit? The pit represents the spiritual condition of anyone who is without God, anyone who is separated from God. That was my spiritual condition then.

Anyone without Christ today is spiritually dead, even though they are physically alive. The spirit of such a person is in a spiritual prison called the pit. When they die physically, the spirit is taken from the pit into hell.

If I had died before May 28<sup>th</sup> 1989, I would have been moved spiritually from that prison into hell! And once a person has died physically, his spiritual condition CAN NEVER be changed again. We can make a change of our eternal destiny only as long as we are alive on earth.

Now let's see what the scripture says about the pit, as I was now taught. It was most soothing to be led to the Psalmist who lamented thus:

"You have put me in the **lowest pit**, in the darkest depths" (Psalm 88:6) Hallelujah!

My heart further leapt for joy when that reluctant disciple, Jonah said:

"But you brought my life up from the pit, O Lord my God" (Jonah 2:6b)

My heart was strengthened the more when I was made to realize that David cried so much about this pit! In psalm 28:1, he said

To you I call, O Lord my Rock; do not turn a deaf ear to me. For if you remain silent, I will be like *those who have gone down to the pit*.

Further in chapter 30:9 he said,

What gain is there in my destruction, in my going down into the pit?

And in Psalm 143:7 he further said,

Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit faints with longing. Do not hide your face from me or I will be like those who go down to the pit...

Dear readers, you can imagine my joy when I almost heard the great prophet Isaiah describe my condition, in chapter 38:17b saying:

In your love you have kept me from the **pit of destruction**, you have put all my sins behind your back"

So you see, where I had the greatest fears, God gave me the greatest backing. The few references mentioned here are to space.

I remember very well that it was at this point that I broke off in spirit and began to worship God saying, "How great thou art, O Lord God of great consistency. What you had done of old, you are still doing in our days. Indeed, Your Word is one and the same and does not change for it is forever settled in heaven" it was then, as I worshipped God in these words, that I realized how it is to sing Psalms. You don't plan it. You don't even learn it. It is an outpouring of the Holy Spirit when the soul is on fire it is spontaneous when the Spirit is upon you. It happens when God draws you nigh and you find yourself singing the glory of the Most High God. Hallelujah!!!

# (5) When I saw the world rolled like a mat, save a little part of it:

This is a difficult truth, how-be-it already recorded for us in His Word. 2 Peter says:

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare. But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness. (2 Peter 3:10)

Isaiah 24: - the whole of this chapter talks of it all with such awesome finality that we just have to think again. For instance verses 1 and 6 says

See, the Lord is going to lay waste the earth and devastate it; he will ruin its face and scatter its inhabitants.... Therefore a curse consumes the earth; its people must bear their guilt. Therefore earth's inhabitants are burned up, and very few are left.

See also verse 20 which says:

The earth reels like a drunkard, it sways like a hut in the wind; so heavy upon it is the guilt of its rebellion that it falls, never to rise again."

In fact as I was led to this verse, I remember what I read up in a book titled "Dooms-Day 1999" written by Charles Berlitz, the author of the incredible "Bermuda Triangle". I think he is a mystic, not a Christian. He was commenting on certain science prediction that the major planets of the universe will line up with the earth against the sun. If and when this happens, the science commentary said, then it might spell doom for the earth and its inhabitants because, according to them, this alignment will remove the gravitational pull of the earth and will cause the earth to dislocate from its axis. This they called "Wobble Effect". The earth will then drift aimlessly without anchoring, until it crashes. That science prediction was for a specific date. Well I am not a scientist or a mystic. But if science and mysticism now agree with the prophetic descriptions in the Bible, then we are in for something much more than our simple logic can explain away!

Furthermore, I was shocked to learn that what God showed to me on May 28<sup>th</sup> 1989, He had already showed to His great prophet Isaiah. He had lifted him up in spirit and placed the entire earth under his clear view (like He did to me) and commanded him saying:

Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but my salvation shall be forever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished. (Isaiah 51:6).

If God is showing us TODAY what He had confided in the ears of His **PROPHETS OF OLD**, then time has come for the actual fulfillment - for God does not do anything in vain. Please let us take heed!

Finally, St Paul trembling at the awesome greatness of God has summed up all we have been saying like this:

In the beginning, O Lord, you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment. **YOU WILL ROLL THEM UP LIKE A ROBE**; like a garment they will be changed. But you remain the same, and your years will never end. (Hebrews 1:10-12).

Amen! Even so, let it be! Live forever O Lord our God, live forever and let the decaying world be changed!

# (6) When I saw people of the world moving about in confusion, ignorant of the danger:

Here I was not led to many verses, perhaps because this was one area I had no doubt or fear whatsoever. Even before my experience, I had known that humanity has moved into a stage of confusion. I did not need any prophecy or necessarily divine intervention to know that. A visit to Onitsha Main Market and back would readily attest to the confusion called business world and the godlessness blatantly exhibited in so doing.

I was led to the book of Isaiah 53:6 which so aptly describe the picture of hopeless, non-directional movement that I saw, as follows:

We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all". (Isaiah 53:6).

Chapter 56:11 says:

They are dogs with mighty appetites; they never have enough. They are shepherds who lack understanding; they all turn to their own way, each seeks his own gain".

That was what God showed to me in picture form in my room that 28<sup>th</sup> May morning. The picture of a godless, confused and lost humanity. Humanity that has gone astray. Picture of those who have eyes, yet they cannot see and those who see yet they cannot understand (John 12:40). Picture of those who are dead, yet they move about (Matthew 8:22). Picture of those in danger, yet they are not aware of it.

Yes, God had said to His prophet Isaiah:

Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and THEY THAT DWELL THEREIN SHALL DIE IN LIKE MANNER: BUT MY SALVATION SHALL BE FOREVER, and my righteousness shall not be abolished. (Isaiah 51:6).

So had He also said to me:

"These are people of the world; can't you see, they are moving about as they like, not caring and not knowing that the world in which they are is about to be rolled over by God"

The danger is real dear reader; it is imminent, how-be-it many do not know!

How can they escape then, since they are ignorant of the danger? When they run, they are running towards the danger itself! If they decide to remain at a place, they are still not safe for the messenger of eternal death is everywhere, the evil one.

If you are a born again Christian already, this area speaks to you. While the Kingdom of God is about to come, our brothers and sisters who should populate this kingdom are yet to be made ready. The Kingdom of God is not coming for just the few believers that are around now. It is coming for the unbeliever who is yet to know the Lord Jesus Christ for he too is a child of God, a child of the Kingdom! After all, "God is not willing that any one should perish but that everyone should come to repentance". (2 Peter3:9). Are you sure you are doing **ENOUGH** to help them? For, how can they hear without a preacher! (Romans 10:14). Do not condemn them, save them, some by force, and others pleadingly, according to their needs. Let's obey God's injunctions given by the Holy Spirit through Jude saying:

...Be merciful to those who doubt, snatch others from the fire and save them; to others show mercy, mixed with fear-hating even the clothing stained by corrupt flesh! (Jude 22-23).

So, while we wait for the Lord's appearing, let us 'compel' others to join in. indeed the harvest as I am sure you can observe these days, is fully ripe, but the workers are few! Let us then do our own part well and wait upon the Lord to send in more workers as He has promised (Matthew 9:37-38). Do not give up. Do not faint of over work. I assure you, by His grace that last minutes workers are here already to help out, and the Lord is sending in more! (Matthew 20:1-16). Halleluyah. I thank God for the latter rain.

Remember God is counting on you to hasten up His 'political programmes! See (2 Peter 3:3-9, Matthew 24:14, 45-51). Maranatha! – The Lord is coming.

# (7) When I saw the kings of the earth (Government of the world) surrendering power to God.

This was the seventh and the last of the things that I saw and experienced in my room that morning. Let me share something more about these kings (governments) of the world. I saw them, with their individual bodies, in a somewhat semi-circular form, but mysteriously **they were having just two hands that were joined together**. And I was told they were governments of the world handing over the authority of this world to God."

As I was meditating on this later on, I realize that those government were not that many. In fact what I saw was quite a few people in that semi-circular meeting. I then began to wonder, if these were the governments of the world, the entire world, then they ought to be quite more than this. The entire governments of African nations alone would by far outnumber what I saw that day. "Then where are the other governments? I inquired.

You know, I really thank God for His patience and Love in dealing with His people. God took time to answer my inquiry with beautiful illustrations and impressions on my heart that I might understand. I will now share the explanation with you.

## One world government is coming

What I saw in my room that morning were indeed the governments of the entire world. These governments however do not mean heads of state of each country of

the world as I had thought. No. At the full time of these events, there is going to be a centralized government of the whole world, with decrees, and powers emanating from one centre. That is, a one world government. This world government will have its seat in the headquarters which may just be any of the present-day capital cities. This government will be something like a joint venture, having executive members. It is these few members of the executive who will make laws and issue decrees to the rest of the world. To make sure that their laws are obeyed throughout the world, they are going to have their representative at the helm of affairs in each country. These will be in form of puppet governments. They will not have their own say. They are there only to carry out and to implement the laws of the master government in the hands of the executive at the world government headquarter, wherever that may turn out to be.

It is these one- world rulers therefore that will surrender power to our God, for it is they that are going to wield all the power of the world for the last time, until God intervenes at the advent of His Kingdom. The minor puppet heads of state of the rest of the nations of the world will not surrender power because they will not have any! They will be there just to re-echo directives from the headquarters. So, those to be involved in making policies at the headquarters will be few, very few indeed. A few, fortified crack squad, godless beings destined to overcome the rest of the world, for a short time, and then the armies of heaven will strike, removing power from them! So you see, they are just a few people! God is right! He will always be right and all the world wrong.

So, it was on the basis of this further explanation that I was now led to the Bible for the authority of the picture that was shown to me. Here, I was led to one verse that I had already known before which says;

"In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever. (Daniel 2:44).

In the light of the foregoing explanation therefore, it clearly shows here whom those kings in the above message refer to – the end time rulers of the world. The ones I saw in my room that morning surrendering power to our God. Hallelujah! They will rise to great power and will torment the rest of the world with the terror of their rule, but midway into their rule, the power of God will crush them and bring their rule to an abrupt and fatal end, fatal for them and for all who may remain godless and without Christ.

Dear reader, it may well be that 'those kings are very much around now, and are about to get into limelight. I am not a politician. I do not know much of the happenings in the geo-political world. I am not apt to political permutations and manoeuvres either. I however made the above assertion that we may well begin to expect the physical revelation of these 'last time kings' any time from now, on the basis of what the Spirit ministered to me as these truths were being expounded. He impressed it on my heart that we were about to step into the time of those kings. In other words, this prophecy, occasioned by the dream of king Nebuchadnezzar is about to be fulfilled in our own time! Incredible! Behold the kingdom of God cometh with great power and glory!

God is about to answer the longest, universally said prayer, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven...!"

God is about to answer this age-long prayer in our own very generation. What a privilege. What a joy. And what a woe! Joy or woe, the choice is ours, and you can trust God, no one can stop Him. In fact, the impression was so much on my heart that I had to rush home that weekend to share it first with my family and later with the G.R.A. Onitsha chapter of the Full Gospel Business Men Fellowship who had invited me to share the testimony during their breakfast outreach.

The next reference is like the first. It is a tale of mission possible. Celebration will soon go forth from heaven when God removes power from the kings of the earth and introduces His Kingdom. I will quote below the extensive vision of John, as revealed to him concerning that hour which humanity is about to be ushered into!

It is recorded in Revelation chapter 11:15-19 and it says;

The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever."

And the twenty-four elders, who were seated on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying:

We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign. The nations were angry and your wrath has come. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your saints and those who reverence your name, both small and great and for destroying those who destroy the earth.

And I say 'Amen' to that. Let it be so, let our God come down quickly, take up His power and begin to rule. The world cannot afford a choice any longer.

This verse was impressed on my heart as a "kingdom song" which is yet to come but which, nevertheless has already begun to form in the hearts of God's people. And you know, our God does not do a thing without first letting His people know in advance. May the same Spirit of the Father help you to understand and to get under "cover" in Jesus Name, Amen.

#### Their Joints hands means a union

Furthermore, those world leaders revealed to me had their individual bodies distinct, but their hands were not. All their hands joined together to become just two hands at the centre. Can you imagine say ten people standing together in a semi-circular meeting but having only two hands, like Siamese babies! So what does it mean?

I was made to understand that the joint-hands meant working in agreement. That is, having a united purpose or pursuit. The end time government of the world would become a union, a unified government.

# God, you are excellent

That was the end of the seven mysteries revealed to me and now explained scripturally. Praise the Lord!

So you can see, I now have every cause to shout the testimony on mountain top and to everybody without fear. God, in His great consistency, has lifted the veil and has let me into the closet of His secrets and has given me the Biblical bases of all the seven mysteries that were shown to me on May 28<sup>th</sup> 1989. Of all these references, only one or two had I ever heard of before that date. All the others were as though they were just inserted into the Bible that time as they were being shown to me. Indeed God is 'the same yesterday, today and forever' (Hebrews 13:8). I now know the meaning of that statement. Like He did with the people of old, so He is doing with us today until into the Kingdom of His dear Son we find ourselves. Until then, let us exalt Him with Daniel as we say.

Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are his. He changes times and seasons; he sets up kings and deposes them. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning. He reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with him. I thank and praise

you, O God of my fathers: You have given me wisdom and power, you have made known to me what we asked of you. You have made known to us the dream of the king. (Daniel 2:19-23)

I will add, "You have made known to me the meaning of the mysteries of May 28<sup>th</sup> 1989" Hallelujah!

It was at the end of these references that the light came back from" NEPA". I then did the recording for Rev, Dr. Uma Ukpai, and this time 'feeding' these Bible references into the cassette too. That was the divine arrangement. That was how this book came to be. Praise God!

## Chapter 6

### The Covenant and the ministry

I have taken you to the various Bible references as shown to me by the Spirit of the Father. In your own time you may have to read those references again, direct from the Bible. You will be greatly blessed as you do so.

For now let me continue from the third night off our experience when my sister-inlaw had her turn. You know, a lot of things had actually happened between that point and the time I visited Uyo and met Rev. Uma Ukpai. It is good you know what some of them were.

So, after it was the turn of my sister-in-law that night. I thought it was now over. We were now born again Christians. We were now to go church and worship God in spirit and in truth. That's all. However, I was soon to realize that all that had happened so far was only but the beginning. God had just started a thing, and He was not going to leave it half way, he would complete it. And so it was only the beginning that just ended. Many more things would follow.

## Moving with the good news

The joy and presence of the Lord which we received that night became so much that I personally felt like I would explode if I did not start telling people the more. It was not enough telling our colleagues in the office. Every day after office work, my wife and I would visit our relations and friends, some of whom we had not seen for long. We visited them with the testimony of what we saw. We did not know enough Bible quotations at this time and we did not bother because at every place we visited, the Spirit of God would give us adequate words to meet the needs of those people. We were so excited as we did this, seeing God work through us. It was wonderful. We never really knew how born again Christians felt all along. I had rather been pitying them for denying themselves 'pleasures' of this life. But now I know better. Jesus is the real answer to the 'question' of life and existence.

One of the first places we visited was the house of my eldest brother, Dr. Ezeka Okafor, a consultant physician and the medical director of Bex Memorial Hospital, Onitsha. He is also a devout member of the Anglican Church, so much so that the church ordained him a lay Canon in 1975 and in 1989 he was one of the first ever

Knights of the Anglican Diocese of Okigwe/Orlu. I therefore have a lot of respect for him because of all the above and a lot more which I cannot tell you here.

I thank God immensely for the humility with which my brother received our testimony, all the above notwithstanding. Not only that he welcomed it all, he also invited his wife who was not around at the beginning to also come and share of it. In fact they later invited us to come back for further 'fellowship' with the whole family. Praise God.

I am happy and thankful to God that he and his wife, Mrs. E.N. Okafor who is also the Matron of the Hospital have since re-dedicated their lives to God under the Lordship of our Lord Jesus Christ. They are now deeply involved with gospel matters.

As we were going from house to house, we were also going from church to church, just anywhere we were invited. The first Sunday after our experience, we were so filled up that we felt like 'exploding'. We were then led to the Grace of God Mission, at No. 11, Water Works Road, Onistha. It was quite close to Omagba Layout where we lived. I had not been going to church, what more to this Pentecostal one! I had not been there before, but I thank God for the open-minded pastor of that church who welcomed us so heartily with the testimony. From there and from then, it became clear that indeed God had intended us to "go and tell everybody", irrespective of denominational differences.

## **The Simple Covenant**

There is one thing about God which I now realize as He deals with me every day. God is simple and what He requires of us is also very simple. Perhaps it is this simplicity that often deceives some people who would have, by human nature preferred a much harder way to approach God. After our experiences, my wife and I had joined hands in our sitting room and said a very simple prayer, something like this:

God, since it pleased you to come down from your height of glory into our sinful home, we now make this place (our home) our first place of worship. Whenever we call you in this place please answer us and if anybody comes into this house with any problem, let him never go back with it as we call on you...

We concluded and said 'Amen' at the end, thinking we had just said an ordinary prayer like any other one. We did not however know that God took the whole thing seriously. The moment we had said 'Amen', God added His seal to it, and it became a Covenant! And in such covenants you can be sure, God always keeps His own part perfectly well. From that day on, wonderful things began to happen in us and around us. God began to talk to me very clearly as though I could see Him. After prayers I would wait and God would give me the answer at once! If the answer was not clear or something, I would go back to Him and again He would readily speak back to me in reply! Wonderful! 'How come, God you are so near,' I would often cry out in such moments with great joy in my heart and with trembling too.

Soon, another dimension developed. The fruits of that Covenant began to manifest. When someone visited us, I would almost see the problem in him and would start talking to him as the Spirit directed. After a few words were said and while the prayers were going on, the answer would come immediately! By this time my wife had gone to the University of Nigeria, Nsukka for the Sandwich Course and as will be seen later, the Holy Spirit was also there with her in a great measure, confirming the whole thing.

After each miracle in my house, I would be so frightened that I would stammer with trembling while saying 'God thank you for the answer', miracles of salvation, healing, Holy Spirit baptism – all took place at will in the house. The irony of it was that I had never really believed in the Holy Spirit baptism and the speaking in other tongues before my experience. I had often wondered why some respectable ladies and gentlemen would also 'condescend' to make up those things and say they were speaking in other tongues as the Holy Spirit gave them the utterances! That was then. Now I do not only believe, I know for it has happened to my wife and I. we now speak in that wonderful heavenly language which links one direct to God's 'hot line', Praise God!

### Chapter 7

#### GOD SENT ME TO MY PEOPLE

One of the miracles had just happened one day and I was thanking God for it. As I was thanking Him I suddenly heard Him call my name, and followed with a question. He said:

"Lambert! Where are your people of Nempi? Where are your people of St. Barth's Church Nempi?" He continued, "From this Sunday to Wednesday, 4 o'clock every day, I want to do a thing in your place which eyes will see, and when they see they shall believe. Starting at Nempi, it will spread to this area!"

Unbelievable! Incredible! God again. He has come again with statements similar to those of May 28<sup>th</sup> episode.

This time around He was sending me home to my people, that He might visit them specially with "what eyes shall see!" the Sunday to Wednesday He referred to was 20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 1989. By this time I was on my annual leave. In fact, God had planned it so because the leave came just on time and with no prior arrangement! He separated me for errands that I would run for Him.

For three days I kept giving excuses to God why I should not go. I was new in the Lord, my people knew too well that they would not listen to me. Many questions came to my mind, like, how was I going to convince the pastor of the church about my mission? I heaped a pile of excuses, genuine though, but God saw it differently. For each excuses I gave, God graciously and patiently explained it away. This did not satisfy me still because right inside me I still nursed secret fears of what the outcome might be, and so, I did not yield completely.

God knows how to deal with such situations, you know. When God says, "Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you" (Jonah 3:2), you must go, despite your excuses. On the long run, you will see yourself 'vomited onto dry land' and on the errand you go. So, as the Sunday was getting near, that is, the day I should start the four-day programme, I saw myself becoming like a

woman about to give birth to a baby. I could neither stand up nor sit down in peace. Anywhere I was, the word of God kept ringing in my ears and in my heart, "go home to your people!" In the car, in the house, in the market and in the church. I became 'pregnant' with the message of God which I must "give birth to". As the pressure became too much, I had to go to God again and now asked Him for just one more 'confirmation' that He was actually asking me to go to my people from this Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 1989.

## The first confirmation through a vision

As I was praying, asking for final confirmation, God answered in such a way that definitely took me off balance. You know, before my experience, I had not really believed in those Bible stories that showed God dealing so directly with man, like John in the Book of Revelation or Paul's encounter on his way to Damascus (Acts 9:1-19). Now, however, I have known the power that is in our God. There is nothing too hard for Him to do indeed. So, while I was still praying, God took me away in the spirit and placed me in that church, St. Barth's Church, in my village, the place He had planned that I should go. I saw myself inside the Church, talking to the people in such a powerful way that no one moved about. As I was talking, flinging my right hand in the air for emphasis, something unusual began to happen. I saw people, mostly women falling to the floor as though dead. Soon, there were so many of them on the floor that there was no more space left. In fact, some of these 'bodies' had to be placed across others for lack of space. Then, I saw one more thing which I did not understand. I saw water like a river flowing rapidly from unknown source into this church and flowing across these bodies that laid on the floor. It flowed with a great force over them, yet it did not carry them away. While I watched in bewilderment, the voice of God said to me:

"This water is salvation. This is how it will flow in your place. These people lying scattered here are those that are healed and delivered! These things will happen in your place that they may see and believe."

Then He brought back my spirit, I opened my eyes and behold, I was still at Onitsha! Praise God! With great fear and trembling, I simply said, God, it is okay. I now know. I will now go. That was how I left for my home town that Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> August, 1989 to obtain permission from the church authorities for the 4-day programme. While at the village, all the things God had said I would see in the process of obtaining the permission, I saw them and in the end, I said God, how great thou art! "I have given them over to you" he had earlier on told me at Onitsha and now in the village it was all confirmed.

#### Before the message

Dear Reader, I want you to be very attentive her for this appears to be the crux of the matter. I have been telling you about the things I saw and heard, but this is the one God called, "the message for your people."

That Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> August, 1989, after I had been granted permission for the four-day 'Bible Study' as I then called it (not knowing what else to call it), it became so late for me to travel back to Onitsha, so I had to pass the night in the village. When I was about to go to bed, I discovered that I suddenly felt empty. The four days I requested had been granted me. Then I began to reason; if I talk to my people on Sunday morning (during church service) and Sunday evening by 4 p.m. as instructed, what else would be telling them from Monday to Wednesday when they gather by 4 p. m? Then a voice (of the enemy) suggested to me, saying "why not go back to them (the church authorities) and tell them that you need just one day only and not four!"

You see, it is now that I know that the devil does not really come to you as an enemy. He comes in as a friend and at a time when you need a friend's help too. He comes with 'beautiful suggestions' which appear quite logical and 'neat' that you would easily say, "That's right and thanks for coming in at the right time." But the truth is that the devil is a liar and speaking lies is his native tongue! He cannot speak the truth, even though his lies may sound like truth. (John 8:44). You remember what he said to Jesus after Christ had gone without food for forty days and nights? He had said:

# "If you are the son of God, tell these stones to become bread" (See Matthew 4:1-11 for the rest of the story).

He had come with such a 'right' suggestion and at the right time too! When he met Eve (Genesis3:1-7), he had also said it in a 'very nice' way, appearing to be showing just friendly concern.

"Did God really say you must not eat from any tree in the garden?" That is it! Quite a harmless concern, you would say, but before you know it, you've welcome him as a friend and then the harm is done! That is how that old liar operates. That was the method he had wanted to use on me that night. So he suggested that I go back to the church and tell them that only one day would be enough for me instead. But I thank God for the Spirit of truth – the Counsellor, the Comforter and the

Teacher, the Holy Spirit (John 14:26). It was as I was contemplating taking this advice of deceit that the Holy Spirit said to me, "why not tell God that you are empty!" one thing is sure, when the right one speaks, it will be different and you will know it. No wonder Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice and they follow me" (John10:27). The moment the Spirit of truth had suggested thus, I recognized Him at once and straight away did as advised.

I prayed and thanked God for His manifestations so far in the matter. I then told Him that I was empty and did not know what to do with the four days that I had been given. After praying each time, I usually waited for God's answer on the spot. This time however. I waited at the end, but God did not speak! All the same, I knew that He had heard me and that He was in control. So, I went to bed.

### Message on the stone

About 3 o'clock that night, God gave me a dream in answer to my prayer. In the dream, I saw myself in that church again. I was now at the pulpit, talking to the people with the usual force of conviction and flinging my right hand in the air for demonstration and emphasis. As I was speaking, I saw that a carved stone was held up for me by two hands, in such a way that I was reading from it. So, the message I was giving to my people was therefore contained on that tablet of stone and I simply read it out from there. As soon as I realized this, God woke me up, as usual, tapping me tree times, He said as He tapped me;

"Now get up and take down the message for your people."

At once I woke up, I then put the light, moved to my writing desk and picked up a pen. There was no paper to write on, so I had to use the inside back of booklet and started to write. It was here that another spectacular thing happened. As I was about to write, that tablet of stone which I had earlier seen in my sleep - was now placed on my writing desk, in spirit, so that I should copy from it! Another incredible experience!

The things that were written on this stone were written in four verses of three lines each. But as I copied them, I failed to observe the space after the first three lines. I rather wrote the fourth line closely. I was then reminded of the gap between the verses, and so I had to cancel the fourth line to give this gap. There was a purpose for those verses as we shall later see.

#### Local source

Just before I give the message, let us get another thing clear. God in His infinite Wisdom has always dealt with man in his local surrounding and with things he (man) is already familiar with. God speaks to man in man's own dialect so that he may understand. This truth is vividly illustrated in the various parables of Jesus Christ, where He always uses things around us to illustrate things of the Kingdom of God, to drive the lesson home. In fact, Jesus made this point abundantly clear when He spoke to Nicodemus saying;

"...We speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things?" (John 3:11-12).

So, it is God's method of talking to people – using local examples. What a wonderful Teacher! It was this Bible truth that was brought home to me that night as I copied that message from the stone. God spoke to my people in our own language and in the language style that was familiar to them, the type they use when making a very important point. God spoke to them in our local proverbs and idiomatic expressions!

# **Chapter 8**

#### END TIME MESSAGE FROM GOD

The first three lines were in Igbo:

- (1) Agwo no na-odu Igu (The snake is at the tip of the palm frond)
- (2) Oge eruwo (Time has come)
- (3) Egwu-adaghariwo (The music tune has changed)

The other verses were explanations, illustrations and warnings based on the above three lines. Then a Bible verse - Joel 2:28. I had expected to bombard my people with hundreds of Bible quotations, so that they might know that I had arrived, that God really sent me, but God gave me just one Bible verse! Then an announcement that should be made – concerning their gathering again by 4 p.m. that same day. As soon as I put down the final point, the stone disappeared!

Wonderful! It all happened right there in my room in the village, that Thursday night, 17<sup>th</sup> August 1989 by about 3 a. m!

I then became overwhelmed by the presence and power of God. I shouted and danced all through as I sang, "God has given me a message for my people" I was lost in the joy of the Lord really as the blessed assurance covered my soul! It was most wonderful a thing.

That message spoke to me first. The Holy Spirit ministered it to my heart that night as I revised what I had written down from that tablet of stone. It was then that I realized that I had never heard it that way before. It was a Bible truth uniquely presented by the Holy Spirit. May He, the Holy Spirit, the One that administered that message first, help you to really understand as I now present to you the message for my people'.

## The message interpreted

# 1. Agwo no na-odu igu – (The snake is at the tip of the palm frond)

Our fore-fathers observed that when a snake climbs up a palm tree, from the root to the tip of the palm frond, that snake will normally not climb down the same tree again. The snake will rather jump onto another tree from that palm. If therefore one wants to kill that snake, the best strategy would be to wait for it at the next tree.

So, God said that I should warn my people that the gospel of Christ is now likened to a snake which has climbed up to the tip of the palm frond and which shall never climb down the same tree, but shall rather jump-off from that position. He said that I should tell them that the gospel, which started from the root of the society (the grassroots, the downtrodden, the lowly placed, etc.) is right now at the very peak of the same society. That the gospel which started with the illiterates, the low people of the human strata, Peter the fisherman and others has now got to the peak with the 'learned', 'the rich!'

In the early 1970's the gospel climbed up to the level of secondary pupils in Nigeria, and many of them embraced it as had never been done before that time. It was then that the **Scripture Union** came to great lime-light in our secondary schools and many parents had to withdraw their wards because of the 'S.U'. Around mid-1970's, the gospel moved up higher to the level of the undergraduates in various institutions of higher learning. It was then that **C.U.** (**Christian Union**) and **S.C.M.** (**Student Christian Movement**) made great entries into these academic centres. You would see young and brilliant students, with their medical, engineering books on one hand and on the other hand the Bible! It was a new thing in Nigeria in those days.

The gospel continued to climb up the ladder of human society and around the late 70's, it got to the working-class level, those 'C.U' members had graduated and were now working, still with Jesus. And the gospel continued climbing up the ladder – fast. Then God said that I should tell my people that right now (that is almost twenty years of 'born again' type) that the gospel was now with the men and women at the peak of the human society. These are the learned men, the millionaires, the people we respect. The gospel is now with the professionals, the businessmen, with people in every field of human endeavor! If in the medical field – the Consultant Physician is now preaching it. If in the legal field, it is with the Doctor of law, with the High Court Judge, in academics, the gospel is now with the very professor of whatever discipline. If in business, it is with the international Merchant whose bank account is kept in the hard currencies of the world. The list is endless.

Then God said that I should remind my people that the gospel was now with these people, who were members of the same class that gave Jesus the toughest time when He was on in the world, the class of the Pharisee and the learned. The

Aristocrats. They knew all the law but would not keep them. They would keep learning but would never arrive at the truth (2 Timothy 3:7). The only class Jesus gave a tag-name; the hypocrites, who would wash the outside of the cup but leave the inside dirty (Matthew 23:25). The class that would block the way to true knowledge, neither going in nor letting others in! (John 11:52). When Jesus was on earth, He got on fine with the other classes. He welcomed the thief (Luke 23:32-34). He welcomed the cheat (Luke 19:1-10). He welcomed the prostitute and all the other people, except members of this class. The class that eventually crucified Him (Acts 2:14-41). The hopeless class of the rich 'Davies' (Luke 16:19-31). The class whose seat is suppression and oppression, and who put on 'religious observances' as clothing (Luke 14:1-6, 13:10-17).

It was that class that Jesus said it would be easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than members of this class to enter into the kingdom of God (Matthew 19:24). He did not say it would be impossible, mark you, it would be DIFFICULT. Hear what Jesus said about this difficult class;

"Everything they do is done for men to see: they love the place of honor at banquets and the most important seats in the synagogues; Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You shut the kingdom of heaven in men's faces. You yourselves do not enter, nor will you let those enter who are trying to. And you experts in the Law, woe to you, because you load people down with burdens they can hardly carry and you yourself will not lift one finger to help them. (Matthew 23:5-13, Luke 11:52)

And Jesus further said to them clearly:

"I tell you the truth, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God AHEAD of you. For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. (Matthew 21:31-32).

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!" (Mark 10:23).

That is the class that God has started to deal with right now. Look around you and you will really see what God is doing with the Teachers of Law and the Pharisee and the rich men of our time today. He is turning them away from hypocrisy and all that to being 'fishers of men'.

Then God said that I should ask my people, if He is now dealing with this DIFFICULT class what lesson is that for them? The last class! God is now dealing with the LAST class! Then God said I should remind them that these are the types of St. Paul. They usually catch the gospel late, but because of their earlier preparation, they usually spread it fast. Look around you and compare.

Then God said I should also let them know that this class would not handle the gospel for a long time. They would spread it fast but for a short period and then the gospel would be taken away from them. He said after them, no other class of people would handle the gospel again because He does not do a thing that brings mockery. The gospel will therefore not begin to climb down the ladder again. No! He said I should warn my people that the Angels will not handle the gospel the way we know it today, otherwise they would have been the next class. He therefore said that mid-way into this class handling the gospel that the gospel will be withdrawn from men, back to God who ordained it. The gospel will return back to God from this class and that will be the end of it! He said that, as the gospel is been withdrawn, so also will the Spirit of conviction and the Grace of God. (Revelation 22:10-11). Thus, from this class, the Gospel, the Spirit of conviction and the Grace of God will return to God. And as these three return to God, he will then release His wrath upon the remaining world of unbelievers (Revelation 6:15-17, 16:1-23).

Then God said I should ask you what 'class' you belong to? Has your class embraced the gospel? Or, do you belong to the "timber and caliber?" – then it is just your turn, he said that He is doing it this way, so that on the last day His judgment would be a just and fair judgment because nobody would say they did not listen to the gospel because their class did not handle it. Or, what excuses shall you have when you see members of your class saved and you lost? God's judgment will be a fair and just judgment for no one will have any excuse whatsoever!

# 2. "Oge eruwo" (Time has come)

God said that time has come and now is the time for anyone who has not believed to believe, and for anyone who has already believe to believe more. May the Holy Spirit help you to understand the message of these very few words which appear under this heading as I was not led to add to it.

## 3. Egwu-adaghariwo (The music tune has changed)

This was an emphasis on the first. God said I should ask my people if they were still singing and dancing to the old tune – "The gospel bell is ringing, the gospel is coming!" that was the early tune, the former tune, He said I should tell them that the tune has changed. The tune now is "The gospel bell is dying, the gospel is going".

Now, let us pause and ask, "Where are those Missions and Missionaries who brought us the 'good news?' Where are they now? Are they still around? Can you still find many of them in faith? No. they have gone. Many of them are gone and their fire is out. Today their fire is gone even in their homes. Any wonder then that it is we, their former Colonies (and converts) who now take the gospel back to them! Yes, Africans are now taking the gospel back to those who brought it. Nigerian Evangelists and preachers now storm Britain, USA and the rest of the world with the Word of God and they are received with eagerness! Who could have imagined such a thing some years back! The gospel is now on it way home. The white man brought it to us first, now the black man is taking it back to them. That completes the cycles! Praise God!

Yes, at first it was the poor man who used to ask the rich man to receive Christ. It used to be the illiterate to the learned, the bare-footed, down trodden man to the affluent and well to do. But today, the reverse is almost the case. It is the Professor who now preaches to the students. The rich now ask the poor, 'is Christ in your life'? Yes, the gospel now flows from the "timber and caliber" to the 'masses', the common man now receives the gospel from the very elite! That completes another cycle, isn't it? The gospel has gone round. And so, the gospel is going home.

May I ask you then if you have really benefitted from the gospel since it came your way; have you? If not, what have you been waiting for? Why not hurry now and see if you can catch the last flight before it is all over! **As the gospel makes its last journey through humanity,** let it be on record that you heeded its pleas and entreaties; that man should get reconciled back to his Maker before the end comes, if you have not done this already, why not do it now.

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That has been the message as contained in the first verse on the tablet of stone and as explained in the subsequent lines. The third and fourth verse contained references to persons who are still very much around. Let me therefore leave out their names so that pride does not slip in and do them any harm. Suffice it to say, however, that three persons were used as illustrations of what God is doing today with this difficult (LAST) class. One is a Doctor of Law, another is a High Court Judge and the third is a former Deputy Governor. In fact, a good look around you will bring this message home because they are thee all over the place. I mean members of this group whom God has shown a lot of His Grace.

# THE SECOND CONFIRMATION (Through my wife)

While all these things were happening to me, God was also confirming them through my wife who was then doing her sandwich course at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka.

She had attended one St. Paul's Anglican Church in the town of Nsukka. According to her, all she noticed around was revival. She said one could easily mistake that church for a Pentecostal If not for the name. So, while in the church, she said, the Spirit of God began to lay certain burden on her heart for our church in the village. She began to contrast a lot of things between our village church and the one she was now in. from then on, the Spirit burdened her heart - to do something to bring this type of revival to our local church too. The Spirit began to ask her if she wouldn't love to have her own local church revived like the one at Nsukka.

At first she thought it was just her own imagination because of the excitement in the church. After church service and much longer, however, she could not rest from the great burden on her heart. A lot of questions were crossing her mind about the Anglican Church in our village and about what to do to bring about revival to it. This burden became so much and so persistent after many days that she could no longer bear it all alone. She then met a sister – Nkechi – whom she told it all about it. At last, she said two of them had to pray, and she made a promise to God that as soon as her course ended, she would go home to the church authorities to introduce 'Sunday school' in that church. That would be her own contribution towards the revival of the church, she told herself. It was after that prayer and the 'vow' that peace returned to her.

So, that was the spiritual state she was in when I visited her two days after. I had visited her to let her know about the message which God had given to me from the spiritual stone, and to collect her for the coming four-day programme. After I had told them all, I was therefore surprised at their reaction. That sister, Nkechi was present when I visited. They simply exchanged glances and suddenly burst into praises, adoring God for the unity of purpose. It was at the end of that, that they told me their own part of the same story. It was then that my wife told me about her burden and the vow. Praise God.

It then became abundantly clear to us that God was really out to visit our people and so, we just had to let Him use us. That was how both of us returned home for the programme that would start the next day, 20<sup>th</sup> August 1989.

#### Plan of Satan revealed to us

"... for our weapons are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds, casting down imaginations and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God" (2 Corinthians 10:4-5).

Satan will always oppose the plans of God, though he will always fail too. Let me therefore tell you what else happened in connection with this message – how God revealed Satan's plans to us, that we might take up our authority in Christ Jesus, and deal with the situation accordingly.

I had picked my wife from Nsukka that Saturday and we were now in the village. As we were praying that night for the four-day programme, suddenly that vision where I was preaching in the church was flashed across my eyes again like lightening. Then I noticed that, while I was talking and the people were listening, something else was happening at the background.

I was showed one of the outstanding men of the church. He was sitting in between two women on a bench, whenever he noticed that the people were listening to me, he would shake his massive body in such a way that it would produce some noise and attract attention. Those two women by his sides would then clap their hands at once and giggle at the same time. They did this just for the sole purpose of drawing the attention of the audience away from what I was saying. The three of them would then laugh so loudly, bending over each other in agreement with the loud laughter.

At one point, the congregation would all turn to their direction and I would stop talking. Each time the message resumed in earnest, these three people would repeat this distractive display. It was shown to me three times and the vision ended.

I then mentioned this to my wife and the two of us knew that the devil was planning to disrupt the programme through that man. He had previously not been kind with anyone who tried to show much zeal in the gospel. He would usually blacklist such a person as S.U. or the 'new church' person. These facts were made known to me quite later on.

So, my wife and I joined hands and tied up the spirit that was behind that man and cast it out. We also proclaimed release for the man and we asked God that the man be converted during the programme to His own glory. Do you know after the prayer, we believed it so much and peace returned to our hearts, and, as God honoured His word, this man became born again on the very first day of that four-day programme when he had given all his heart to the Lord Jesus during an alter call! Today, he is playing a leadership role in the revival group of that church. Praise God! God is ever faithful and when He makes a move no one can stand on his way.

#### **PICTURE ON PAGE 94**

St Berth Anglican Church, Nempi (as at 1989)

## Chapter 9

#### THE MESSAGE DELIVERED

"I want to do a thing which (their) eyes will see, that they may believe..."

Those were the compelling words of God against which I could not stand. He had told me I should go and, at last I had gone home – to my people. And now, He had given me a message for them. He had also touched my wife to join me.

A lot of things happened during this period some of which I will not bring to you now. One man does not plan and execute a revival single handedly. Moreover I was quite new in the Lord, barely three months of His visitation! So, by the second day of the programme when the entire church compound was besieged by people of all sorts; the sick, the possessed, the 'mad'. Etc. the question had already been on every lips – "who was organizing this large-scale 'crusade'? The miracle of the first day had spread like wide-fire to all nooks and crannies of the town and beyond, the miracle of deliverance received by one Miss Chinyere. By the time she was on the floor, with their satanic rings dancing on her forehead and other parts of her body, our people could not believe their eyes. When her body started to twist in response to the groaning evil spirit, it had proved too much for my people, none of whom had seen such a thing before.

How could that be, especially as Chinyere was also in the choir of the church! They wondered at what they were looking at; how, at the name of Jesus the evil spirit in Chinyere would begin to groan and make confessions, exposing all the secrets plans it had entered into with her, and telling us all the covenants it had with her. All these and more happened, and at long last, she became as dead. The evil spirit had gone, leaving her along. And when at last she recovered fully, the rest of her confessions sent a cold waves down the spines of the people present. She had now received Christ, and so had boldness to expose all the hidden things of the 'underworld' where she had lived for the greater part of her youthful life, torturing and tormenting her earthly mother all the time through.

I will not bring in all those expositions here.

By the second day of the church programme there were several cases of deliverances. Healing was most generous! By the third and fourth day, the event had become so explosive that were it not for the close supervision by the Holy Ghost, it would have gone out of control for the number of people kept surging in and forward that no single space was left in the church.

By this time many different 'powers 'had come to try out theirs. Some notable 'medicine men' – the dreaded ones, were there too. But thank I God for the promise that no weapon fashioned against His own will ever prosper (Isaiah 54:17). One of them could no longer stand the fire of the Holy Ghost that he had to run about, following me about, that I might pray for him. After that, he rushed home and brought his wife and children for the same purpose, but that was the man who had come with 'powers' to try out against the move of God! He fell on his knees, with his entire household because the little power in his pocket could no longer withstand the fireworks of the Holy Ghost!

God really came down to my people and did a great thing in their midst. By the time it was over, several cases of deliverance and healing had been recorded. Salvation had flowed like a river, so much so that idol worshippers abandoned their ways and sought Christ. Nempi town was shaken. People from neighboring towns and local government areas were all there too. Remember I was only three months old in the Lord and I had never done nor believed in this type of spiritual work before. It was therefore clear that God alone did it, that I might know Him more. To God be the glory in Jesus name. Amen.

At this point, I will like to sing you a song that thrills my heart, if you know it already, why not join in, for we confess truth and life. It says;

"All over the world, the Spirit is moving; All over the world, as the Prophets said it should be. All over the world, there's a mighty revelation of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."

## Thank God for the Bishop

When God said, "Starting at Nempi, it will spread to this area", showing me a carved out area, I did not understand, I now know.

Following these events, my eldest brother, Dr. Ezeka Okafor had received Jesus Christ into his life – (in this new way), as his personal Lord and Saviour. He understood the move of God and did not want to oppose it.

It was he who made it easy for me to meet His Lordship, the Rt. Rev. S.C.N. Ebo, and the Anglican Bishop of Okigwe/Orlu Diocese. I thank God for such a man like Bishop Ebo who, after listening to my story simply took me to his chapel and prayed for me. He proved to be a very receptive man of God who showed a lot of understanding and openness throughout the period. To crown it all, he invited me to the St. Paul Cathedral Nkwerre, to share the testimony before the various authorities of the Diocese.

And so, on 9<sup>th</sup> September 1989 at the venue, all the great men in the various hierarchies of authority – the Archdeacons, the parish priests, the laymen, etc, were gathered. The Bishop was there too. When the time came, I addressed them, giving them summary of my testimony and the power of God demonstrated at Nempi.

At the end, I thank God for the challenging words of the Bishop, which had stemmed from the verse he had earlier on expounded to the gathering. That was Luke chapter ten where Jesus sent out seventy-two disciples on a mission. I simply tagged his speech – "the Nkwerre Declaration" and I thank God very much for it. On the strength of that, 'Nkwerre Declaration', fire of revival is now burning all over the Diocese, and I know that what God has started, he will also bring to a perfect end.

#### **PICTURE ON PAGE 99**

#### Lord, I surrender

Dear reader, the things I now say are the things I would naturally not get myself involved in. Right now, I have no choice than to continue in that same Spirit. What happens with me now is that, the Spirit comes with one deep secret or the other, and begins to let me partake of the 'hidden treasures' of God. This usually happens when I am alone in the room. At times the Spirit flashes the events of May 28<sup>th</sup> and reminds me of it all. He will then pick one aspect of those revelations and begin to dig deeper into it, teaching me more things about it than I would have ever hoped to learn on my own. Each time this happens, I usually find myself trembling with great fear at the awesome realization that "God is still very much around". Usually after such expositions, a great burden would be laid on my heart to share it with others. I would never have rest until I have done just that.

As I go about today, He (the Holy Spirit) is my companion, my Teacher, my Comforter, and my Guide. He leads me into all truths and digs out for me the hidden things of God. I rely on Him for the rest of this journey – however far or near it will be. I rely upon Him completely for all that I may need as the journey tarries. As long as He leads me on, I shall willingly follow, by His Grace, for He will never lead me astray.

Great Spirit of truth, Spirit of the Father, I hereby surrender again all that is in me, that I may follow you and you alone, unto the very end.

As this Spirit touches men and women today in this great final move, the last Passover of God, may He also rest on you and lead you ultimately into His Kingdom that is coming for those who are born again, born not of flesh and blood, but born of the Spirit of the Father, in accordance with His will. Amen.

....From what I saw... I will categorically say that we are all living right at the verge of eternity! Man does not have many days ahead of him for his last struggles....

Humanity has right now stepped into the injury time.

### Chapter 10

#### **BRETHREN, THE END HAS COME!**

You have heard all that I have said so far, my testimony and the message. Compare these with what is now happening around you. I don't know where you live or stay. I know however that you will be able to observe these things in most cities and towns in your country today. It is the same the world over.

#### What time is it?

Can you think of why these things are so? I mean on your own. Don't mind the reasons I gave earlier. Just think on your own – why are 'these things' so? Why is God going out of His way these days to reveal Himself in such ways that silence our arguments and unbelief? Why are people, most notably the very 'big men and women we respect now turning to God? Is it because of Economic crunch, joblessness, insecurity, terrorism, food scarcity and hunger?

Well, if it were for these reasons, we would then not have expected to have these 'big notchers' involved yet. Why? Because for many of them this is the best time they ever known. While others are suffering economic crunch, they are enjoying economic boom. In any case, one would have expected the 'poor masses' to have turn to God first – if it is related to the economic situation. A situation where people who keep their Bank accounts in foreign currencies and have chains of companies all doing clearly well, begin to turn to God 'en-masse', then there must be some more serious reasons for that. The reason is this;

It is time up! Man's time is up and God's time has set in. God's Book has said that "in the last days God will pour out His Spirit on all people...." (Joel 2:28). Also let us read this frightening statement in Amos 8:11-12:

The days are coming, declares the Sovereign Lord, when I will send a famine through the land — not a famine of food or a thirst for water, but a famine of hearing the words of the Lord. Men will stagger from sea to sea and wander from north to east, searching for the word of the Lord, but they will not find it."

Here lies the explanation, dear reader. Prophecies of old are fulfilling in our own generation! What God said will happen in its time is now happening because the time has come. You know, fulfillment of prophecies has often taken people unawares that by the time they realized it, the event has come and gone.

Take the case of Jesus Christ; the prophets had prophesied His birth and work all along, the Jews apparently expected the 'Messiah' too. However, because of unbelief and lack of understanding, they could not correlate these things even when Christ was with them. As a result they could not believe until Christ had come and gone. By the time they believed Peter's story (Acts 2:14-41), Jesus the Messiah had already gone! During the time of Noah too, people never saw the possibility of rain destroying the then world despite God's warning to them through Noah. By the time it dawned on them that His message was true however, Noah had already entered the ark and the 'gospel was gone (Genesis 6-8). Many other examples abound. Man often begins to run when the rain has already beaten him rather than when the clouds are just gathering.

So, look at it again – Amos 8:11-12. God said He will send famine through the land — but not of food or of thirst for water, but of hearing the words of God. This is the first state – hunger for God's word. The second stage is this: "Men will stagger from sea to sea and wander from North to East, searching for the word of the Lord, BUT THEY WILL NOT FIND IT!

Thank God we are just witnessing the first stage yet – hunger for God's word. We have not yet entered into the second stage, even though you can see it even now with the eyes of the spirit.

## Live Example from Aba

Let me give you this live story to help bring the lesson home. I was at Aba recently where I attended a certain fellowship meeting. It was held on the third floor of large building along Aba-Owerri Road. In fact, a close look at the members would show clearly all that had been said earlier. It was distinctly a 'bourgeois' class affair — Bank managers, Legal luminaries, Doctors of letters and health, Professional authorities, International merchants, and Distinguished ladies and gentlemen. I was attending for the first time.

Just as the 6 o'clock meeting was about to start, one lady official looked at the man again and said something which surprised some of us. She told the man that he was lucky to have come in earlier, otherwise, they would have turned him back at the door – because he did not dress properly! Obviously baffled, the man managed to ask why, and he was told that he ought to have put on tie, since he was in shirt. She then told us that formal dressing was strictly observed in that place. The man had not been born again, therefore he had expected the usual courteous treatment

given to such people like him, the usual 'pleading', so that they might decide for Christ, but here he was, being 'told off' by this female member. As if he suddenly realized that he was a new comer that should be wooed for Christ with all sorts of 'handle with care' attitude, the man wanted to assert himself and the woman said;

Don't you know the time we are entering into? Either Christ or perish! The word of God or starve forever. Nobody begs anyone now - o! If you don't dress well next time we shall not let you in!"

Can you guess this man's reaction to this? He got annoyed and left? Wrong! He thought over it a little, adjusted himself more properly and 'sat put' on his seat! God! I broke down with tears. I wept. The whole thing is here. God's word is already becoming scare and the hunger in men's hearts is increasing. The man stayed despite the exchange of words and the unwelcome remarks on him. What more, at the end of the message that evening, he was one of those who came out during the alter call. He hungrily and somewhat nervously went out to receive Christ as his Lord and Saviour. At the end of the fellowship he had been born again. That lady who had 'told him off' later on made peace with him and it was all over. But then, what she had said, she had said and it was prophetic. Let us look at her words again!

Don't you know the time we are entering into? Either Christ or perish! The word of God or starve forever. Nobody begs anyone now – o! If you don't dress well next time we shall not let you in!"

Please go back and compare with the word of God in Amos 8:11-12. Any closeness? They are as close as the time we are in. I pray you should not wait until the last drop of God's word before you do something. Already people have started 'hoarding' it and giving conditions before you would be allowed in to hear it. It happened before me right there in at Aba. If you watch well, it is happening elsewhere too, and that spells the time we are in.

# It is past the eleventh hour

If you ask me what time it is, I will tell you it is past the 11<sup>th</sup> hour! Eleventh Hour is the spiritual time when God brings in that LAST GOSPEL. This LAST GOSPEL will last for a short time. Then its ends. It will last for one spiritual hour, then the end comes – at the 12<sup>th</sup> hour. (See Matthew 20:6-12). So, I believe it is past the 11<sup>th</sup> hour already. Does it sound out of place? Didn't Jesus say that no one should know? Yes, He really said so;

No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

Yes see, the word of God stands sure and is greatly in harmony with all its parts. I want you to share of what the Holy Spirit ministered to my heart concerning this.

### The injury time

Let us liken the kingdom of God to a football tournament. In a football match, official hours are known by everybody to be forty-five minutes each way. The Referee, the Linemen, the two teams, their coaches and even the spectators, they all know the official time. When the second half is about to end, all these people know too. Usually you hear the fans of the winning team whistling and hissing, calling on the Referee to blow the final whistle. In that match too, the linesmen are powerful also. They have powers which they share with referee. When the ball is in the 'net' but the lineman has raised his flag, say for off-side position, the goal would be disallowed. The Referee respects the linesmen. The linesmen also determine when it is corner kick, throw-in and so on. Each time the Referee respects them. They all share the officiating power.

However, there is only one secret that the Referee cannot share with the linesmen – that is the injury time allowed. Everybody else, including the linesmen can share of other secrets, can know when the first and the last forty-five minutes are about to end but they cannot know when the entire game will come to an end. This is because they cannot tell how much longer the Referee will decide to allow for injury time. This is a secret which the Referee alone has the prerogative to know. Only he alone knows the exact time he will call for the ball and then blow the very final whistle.

Even so, Jesus (Linesman) does not therefore know this very 'last hour'. The Holy Spirit (another linesman) does not know either because he hears from Jesus (John16:13). Only God the Father (the Referee) is our final time keeper! This agrees completely with the words of Jesus in Matthew 24:36 (quoted earlier on) – that no one knows the day or the hour except the Father.

#### What we can know

Let us however consider what we can know and see how we can make do with that.

First, we can know the official period of forty-five minutes- if we care to. That will then help us estimate the injury time. For example, if we know that the second half has gone forty minutes, we will then expect the game to end within the next couple of minutes. A coach can then signal his team to put in their very last effort, knowing that the whistle would go 'any moment from now' so also Jesus said;

Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. I tell you the truth, this generation (which sees all these events) will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. (Matthew 24:32-35).

The problem is, have we cared to be observant? Have we really given it any serious thought? The fig tree may have withered and fresh leaves shoot out, yet without conscious effort, we may still not be prepared to welcome the new weather. It's just like one who hasn't a watch on him and does not care to ask someone who has; he cannot estimate the final whistle anything near the correct time because he can't just observe the time.

You know our God is a loving God. He has His heart filled with thoughts of us all, including you. He has wonderful plans to bring us all into His kingdom, and the kingdom of His dear Son, Jesus Christ. (Rev. 11:15-17). Although He will not violate His character as God, by 'leaking' the exact hour to us so that we may not perish, He nevertheless has provided warning devices here and there, to warn us at different intervals of the time we are in. it is then left for us to observe these warnings and be on guard. We may not know the exact time the final whistle will go, but when we see the second half go into the 'dying minutes' we need no one to tell us again to get ready to lift the coach up and carry him shoulder-high because the match would soon be over. That is assuming ours is the winning side.

So you see, Jesus gave us a very vital illustration of what we have been talking about, in Matthew chapter 20, verses 1-16. Please read it up many times after this. It is a wonderful land mark for us to estimate the time we are in. Because of the importance of this passage to what we are discussing, let me make space for the first eight verse. Now read on;

For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out EARLY in the morning to hire men to work in his vineyard. He agreed to pay them a denarius for THE DAY and sent them into his vineyard.

About the third hour he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. He told them, you also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went.

He went out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour and did the same thing. About the ELEVENTH HOUR he went out and found still others standing around.

He asked them, 'Why have you been standing here ALL DAY LONG doing nothing? 'Because no one has hired us,' they answered. He said to them, 'You also go and work in my vineyard.' When EVENING came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.' (Matthew 20:1-8).

Praise God! Thank God for the Holy Spirit, that great Teacher who unlocks the codified message that we may be comforted.

Does this passage relate at all to what we are discussing? It does, very well too. In order not to be taken unawares, **Jesus has told us here, in clear terms, how the 'labourers into the vineyard' are going to be hired at the various stages of the harvest.** First, the "Early workers" who started the work right in the morning! Then those recruited at the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> hours.

As I was being ministered to, I suddenly burst into great fear and marveled at God's consistency and harmony, as the Spirit tried to explain this verse to me by linking it to the "message" for my people which I have discussed earlier on. It relates to the message "agwo no na-odu igu", when God said I should tell my people that He is dealing with the last and most difficult class of humanity – the upper class, let me explain it and pray the same Holy Spirit to help you get the message as you should.

First, the regular worker have come and gone. These (in the context of that message to my people represent the Missionaries who brought the gospel to us across the seas in the time when we were still in ignorance. As the gospel progressed, more and more people got recruited at various stages. Read "the message again and recall the various stages of the gospel through the students, undergraduates, the working class. The gospel climbed up to these steps of the societal ladder at various periods of harvest and to the purpose God ordained it. Now, the last group is on the stage.

#### Behold, the eleventh hour workers are here!

The particular point of interest is that we are now seeing the ELEVENTH HOUR workers come on stage. How do I mean?

Remember that in 'the message' God said I should tell my people that He is now dealing with the *last class* of people. That after them, He would not start all over again from the grass roots. If God is now hiring the last group of workers, therefore, then it must be the eleventh hour, for that is when the last hiring is to be done (See Matthew 20:6-7).

Again look at the nature of those being hired at this hour. In verse 6, He asked them, "Why have you been standing here "ALL DAY LONG – DOING NOTHING" These 11<sup>th</sup> hour workers are people most of whom have not been really occupied with things of God. They are occasional worshippers who go to church only on special occasion – weddings, naming ceremonies, etc. they rarely worship regularly, what more, going to other activities such as prayer meetings, Bible studies, the choir, mid-week services, etc. No, they have not been occupied with such things. They have been standing... doing nothing.... Until God 'hired them' at the late hour. In fact, many of them have not going to Church at all; if they have, it is not for true worship for they owe more loyalty to the various cults in which they are! Look around you and you will find out. The ELEVENTH HOUR labourers are here!

Next thing is that these people came very late into the harvest. This also agrees with "the message" where God said that these are the likes of St. Paul who usually come into the gospel late, but spread it fastest because of their background (usually learned, wealthy, experienced, outstanding, successful people already). God gives them special grace to do much within the short time they work for Him.

Finally, the 11<sup>th</sup> hour workers ushered in the Reward period (verse 7b and 8). Notice that after them the evening came, not much work was really done by them (See verse 12) – which brought about murmuring among the old ones. And in "the Message" God said that this class will spread the Gospel fast, but midway into that, the gospel will be withdrawn from men, back to God, together with the Grace of God and the Spirit of conviction. So, they will work for a short time.

Please note that these 11<sup>th</sup> hour workers are going to participate in the call for reward first, (See verse 8&16). Therefore they are likely to be alive (some of them

dead) when the first call home will be made in what is popularly known as Rapture or 'the first Resurrection' (See Revelation 20:4-6). It is soon after this last hiring that "the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air... (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17).

So you see, we can 'sense' what time it is. God intends us to. We may not be permitted to know the EXACT hour or day, but we are definitely permitted to know when the hour is near enough. Jesus has given here and there 'pointers' to the time. 'Warning systems' are here and there for us to use. The Holy Spirit led Paul to write thus;

But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. (1 Thessalonians 5:4-6)

From here you see that the children of God should know what "the time is" since they are watchful! Those who don't know are the 'others' who do sleep in darkness instead of watching.

## The Noise has begun

Finally, I pray the Holy Spirit to open our inner ears so that we may hear the hissing noise of the spectators calling on the Referee to blow the final whistle. Quite often the final whistle goes while the 'fans' noise is just starting. At times it goes after the 'noise' has died down. Can you hear them complaining? They have waited for so long. Can you hear the noise of their complaint as recorded by the Apostle Peter?

Now listen;

First of all, you must understand that **IN THE LAST DAYS** scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation." (2 Peter 3:3-5).

Because God has said it, it must be so. Can't you hear people say things like this today? (See 2 Timothy 3:1-10, Jude verse 3-16, 1 Peter 4:7-11).

Since we now hear the 'noise' of the fans calling on the Referee to end the game, let us be watchful and get ready to embrace our trophy for our victory, for the final whistle may soon sound!

Therefore if someone asks you what hour it is, just tell him it is 'dying minutes' of the **ELEVENTH HOUR**. It will soon be the 12<sup>th</sup> hour, then the end will come.

If they ask you, what time it is, tell them we are witnessing the 'dying minutes of the official hour of the game'

Tell them we are already exhausting the hour we CAN know. We are fast approaching the time we CANNOT know, the 'evening time'! The injury time! Tell them we are approaching the brief time of the whole story. The brief time that makes all the difference. Remind them that the evening time and the injury time are very brief periods when compared with the rest of the official time already spent; before you know it, they have come and gone! The brief time that ushers in the very end!

Tell them not to wait until it is the 12<sup>th</sup> hour before they decide. Ask them to decide now because by the 12<sup>th</sup> hour, eternity would begin and no one would have a choice any longer. By the **TWELFTH HOUR** we all would move into **ETERNITY**.

Also remind them that they can hardly score in the <u>injury time</u> because their opponents (Satan and his demons) are also aware that time is no more. It is this time that the opponent employ all sorts of tricks – hard tackles, delay-tactics, etc. – to make sure that you don't score them. Therefore urge them to 'equalize' now and go ahead to win before the injury time sets in. Plead with them to please **DECIDE NOW** for **NOW** is the only time they can be sure of. Now is the hour of Salvation (2 Corinthians 6:2). Let them do it quickly while it is still day for the night cometh when **NO MAN CAN WORK**, including them! (John 9:4, Matthew 20:8).

#### PICTURE ON PAGE 117

Lambert sharing his massage with the high-ups(people of the last class) at the EMMINENT BANKERS' FELLOWSHIP, L'Hotel Eko Meridien, Lagos (1993)

# **Chapter 11**

#### TO THE BACKSLIDDEN

You have heard it all, the end time message. The late-hour message. I now ask you, are you ready? You can know. You can be sure, if not, I would not have asked you. The Holy Spirit bears witness with your spirit if you are ready. The word of God says so in Romans 8:16 that;

The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are the children of God.

The Apostle John speaking says;

Those who obey His commands live in him and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: we know it by the Spirit he gave us" (1 John 3:24).

Now, are you ready? I mean, does the Spirit of God live in you and bear witness with your Spirit that you are alright? Are you sure? Put differently, HAVE YOU BEEN BORN AGAIN? DO YOU HAVE PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS?

If your answer is **NO**, or if you are not sure, then don't worry, you are the one I have written this book for! Just a minutes, and I will be telling you all your heart's desires. For now, let me address quickly those whose answer is **YES**.

If your answer is **YES**, if you have been born again, then I rejoice with you. I don't know when you were 'hired', at what hour, but one thing is certain, you are a labourer in the Master's vineyard. It does not yet appear in our hearts what we shall be like, but one thing we know, we shall be like Him for we shall see Him when He comes for us (1 John 3:2). Therefore, I charge you to keep this hope alive in you and purify yourself, seeing the day is near.

Occupy till He comes. Blessed is that servant whom the master shall find doing the work when He comes (Matthew 24:41-51). He is coming with the rewards in His hand (Revelation 22:12). I charge you therefore to "Build yourselves up in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit. Keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. Be merciful to those who doubt; snatch others from the fire and save them; to others show

mercy, mixed with fear-hating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh." (Jude 17-23, 2 Peter 3:11-15). Let the joy of the Lord be your strength as you go on living for Jesus and doing the work of the Master for in due course you shall be rewarded.

## Have you backslidden? Don't kill yourself

However, it may be that you have been born again but you are not alright now. It could be, it happens, someone could be 'born again' but he disobeys God and does one 'bad thing' or the other. He 'backslides'. It is a very awful situation because the person has no rest in him, having known the truth. He has been disconnected from the power line.

Is this your situation? Have you backslidden? Have you lost the peace and joy that you once knew? So, you have then lost the power and authority that God assigned to you as His child? (Mark 16:17-18), Matthew. 28:18-19). You're given your birth-right over for something else which is not eternal!

Then, don't kill yourself. If you have lost all these through sin and disobedience, don't kill yourself. Don't do as Judas did. He killed himself. Take the example of Peter instead. He broke down in spirit and poured his heart out to God in repentance. That is what God expects of you – child of God. Let's read it again from the word of God. Listen attentively as the Apostle John re-echoes what the will of God is;

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense — Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins," (1 John 2:1-2).

# The Gentle stair case of deception

That is it. You know too well what you should do, when you see that you have fallen. Quite often, however, the devil brings his tricks to bear on the saints that, if care is not taken, you will find yourself going down the 'staircase' with him. You know, the devil is a good tactician. He often resorts to guerrilla warfare instead of confronting the Christian clearly. He fears that if he asks you to 'jump down' from the great height of power and authority where we rule with Christ Jesus (Ephesians 2:6), you are likely to say no, like our Lord Jesus said to him. He then resorts to holding you by the hand, telling you some 'beautiful' story and leading you down the staircase. Before you know it, you are on the ground floor of that tower of

power and authority. You did not realize it in time, or you did, but you thought that "it does not matter, after all it is just a little sin" indeed, just one step down at a time, and before you know it, you have descended from the whole height!

The devil is a good photographer too. He leads you down the staircase of sin, and when he has succeeded, he stands aside and makes you feel worse. He tricks you to sin, he photographs you through sin. He then goes to his spiritual darkroom and there produces the negatives of your life. Everything in you now looks ugly as he keeps showing the negative film to you. When you have sinned, he keeps enlarging the sin and showing it to you. He blows it out of proportion and covers all your sight with it. All you now see is **SIN**. You no longer see **THE GRACE OF GOD** standing by. You no longer see the **BLOOD OF JESUS** flowing down like a river, ever-ready to wash off the stain caused you by that sin. The devil blows the sin too large and makes sure you see the sin only. Nothing more.

Then, while you are down, watching this enlarged photograph of sin, cursing yourself and regretting ever becoming a Christian at all since you cannot conform to the standards, the devil does one more thing. He comes close to you, and begins to clip your wings together so that you can no longer fly. He clips your wings and begins to pull out your strong feathers. In the mean time you are still watching the photographic game, the photo-trick of the sin you have committed. You refuse to ask God for forgiveness. You also refuse to forgive yourself.

If at last you repent and then discover the true size of the sin and you now want to retrace your feet and continue the race, you find out you can't fly any longer because your wings are gone! But then, you somehow remember what the Bible has rightly said that;

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint". (Isaiah 40:31).

You now realize that, and suddenly want to mount your wings, but you discover that the feathers are gone. You make all efforts but you can't fly. It takes time for new feathers to grow out and mature. It is also dangerous trying to grow new wings on the ground floor where the same devil like a roaring lion, roams about, seeking whom he may devour! (1Peter 5:8). You look up and the height where you used to dwell securely now seems very far removed from you. You see yourself as helpless and your situation as hopeless. You mourn yourself and finally you give up again!

That is how BACKSLIDERS are made, through the gentle STAIR-CASE to the enlarged photograph of your sin, and finally the wings are weakened. You then try to breed new feathers while on the ground floor, in the enemy territory, and he keeps defeating you each time and so... you give up.

Is this your situation? You used to know the Lord, but now, you can't even pray. You used to be 'fire-brand' but now your fire is out. Your love has grown cold. You used to be on the mountain top, but now you are at the very foot, struggling to climb up, each attempt discouraging you the more. Then, you are thinking of giving up? The race is not for you any longer? Since your efforts cannot get you new strong wings, you better give up? Since the Tower of authority seems too far removed from you now, you can as well remain at the ground floor and manage?

Well, let me say **NO**! This book has come your way so that you may hear me say **NO**! It is not the will of our God that you should be lost. You are a chosen person, you can't just get lost that way. It is true you may have lost your wings, you may have lost your flying power, but our God has a lot more to spare. If you have lost yours, all you should do is to 'report' to Him. He does not lose His. Hear what DAVID said by the power of the Holy Spirit concerning your situation;

Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; His faithfulness will be your shield and rampart." (Psalm 91:3-4).

You heard it right! This means that your situation after all is not as hopeless as you have thought, for help comes from above. Though the devil has kidnapped you for long and has destroyed your wings, God says He will make His own available for you! Praise God! So you can fly again after all! You can rise again! I thank God for His faithfulness. That is the privilege we have in Him. Our God is good and merciful indeed.

So, what next? I will not lead you in prayer because you know what to do. You know what the Lord expects of you. He is there, waiting for your call. Your distress call is being awaited at God's hot line. Your Advocate, the Lord Jesus Christ is more than ready to take up your case. In fact, you already know the verdict as settled in God's own Book. The verdict is this;

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1John 1:9).

It is just as simple as that. That is the recommended way back to God's tower of power as He dispatches a new sets of wings to you. It is a popular verse you know already; this same simple verse will restore you, your BIG SIN notwithstanding. God has no special verse for 'big sins' just as He had none for 'small sins' either. They all require the same treatment irrespective of the size and how long you have remained in the sin.

I have said that I will not lead you in prayer because you **KNOW Him already**. I will only challenge you, right now, to get on your knees and **BE RECONCILED TO GOD IN JESUS'S NAME, AMEN.** 

## How to remain strong

Praise God, He is able to keep you unto the end and no one can snatch you away from His hold.

I will finally add that you should henceforth live by the Spirit and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature for those who belong to Christ have crucified the sinful nature with all its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit therefore, let us keep in step with Him. As a prisoner of the Lord, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Remember that He who has called you is holy, therefore be you also holy. **ALWAYS RESIST** the devil and he will flee from you. Be strong in the Lord and the power of His might, putting on the whole armour of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes, for our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the forces of evil in the heavenly realms;

...Put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground..."Ephesians 6:11

#### **Covenant time**

For you to remain strong spiritually, you should do one thing. That is start keeping Covenant time with God. Choose a time you should be in God's presence every day. God's presence is our shield, so go there every day. Go there not to ask for things, but to eat spiritual food, by studying and allowing Him teach you. Get close to Jesus every day by keeping Covenant time this way.

Also ask Him to help you begin to hear His voice for yourself. We need to hear His voice for us to follow His leadings.

May our good God keep you under His great might until that great day when the dead in Christ shall rise first, and we who are alive will be caught up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air and so we shall be with the Lord forever, Amen.

Let this glorious hope be alive in you as you now mount your new wings.

## Chapter 12

# IF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN BORN AGAIN (OR IF YOU ARE NOT SURE)

This is the point – I have written this book with you in mind. It is all for you and for your sakes that the message has been shared in this form. While this testimony progressed, people kept urging me to put it in print. Each time, I could not see the need and so I declined to do so. When the time came however, God made it known to me that this testimony should be bound together in print - as a special package – just for you.

All you have read so far is meant for you. Have you understood it all? Never mind if you still don't understand one or two things there. The Holy Spirit will put you through by and by. So don't worry.

The sum total of the whole matter is that you must be born again, today, Jesus said the same thing to Nicodemus in the book of John chapter three. He said it like this;

I tell you the truth, unless a man is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God... Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again." (John 3:3-7).

I am saying the same thing to you now, you must be born again! You have to. Some time ago, I did not bother to be born again because of ignorance. Now, however, I know better because I have experienced it. It is real. It is true. That is my testimony. I recommend it to you. You need it also, the new Birth.

Is that alright? You should experience it today. That is to say that you should get ready to receive Jesus into yourself. When He comes, He will change your life. He is the one to do it. Don't bother how He will do it. I have not even understood how He did it for me several months after! All you have to do is to DECIDE to welcome Him. Decide to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Saviour. God searches the hearts. He knows your thoughts (Psalm 94:11). He therefore knows when you are serious or not. You may pretend to be willing to receive Christ, but God cannot be tricked. Therefore tell yourself the truth and with this truth in your heart, go to God in prayer.

### Come as you are

Never mind if you have done terrible things already. It does not matter. What really matters is that God has invited you and that you have responded. God means just that when in Isaiah 1:18 He says;

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord. Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.

Have you heard it? God says you should come to Him **just as you are**. No matter how big your sins are, He says you should come – just as you are! Come! Just as you are! Can you hear Him say that? Open your inner eyes and see the Lord Jesus spread His hands to you as He says further;

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest". (Matthew 11:28).

Are you weary? Tired of sin and life? You have tried but you can't improve? Your life is full of bad things which you don't like but which you can't help? Then remember, Jesus has come that he may destroy those works of Satan in your life and to set you free from them. The word of God says in clear terms that

For this purpose the Son of God was revealed that He might destroy the works of the devil (1 John 3:8).

What are those things which fill your life against the will of God? What are those things which lead you away from God? It is those things that Jesus is about to destroy right now in your life – if you cooperate with Him by inviting Him in. Will you do that now? Are you ready for Him to come into your life and change you, for the better? Hear what He tells you further in John 10:10. He says;

# I have come that you might have life and have it more abundantly

Jesus wants to give you real life in the spirit, soul and body. Abundant life! He will give you this life after He has destroyed the power of sin that is in you. Remember, your body is supposed to belong to God. The temple of the Holy Spirit. (1Corinthians 6:19). Jesus will now cleanse you by His Blood (Romans 5:9) and fill you with the Holy Spirit (John 14:16 and 26). Who will then teach you all that

you need to know. All these and more will be your package as soon as you have given yourself to God.

## God's kingdom is for you!

Let me tell you, you cannot run away from what you are now about to decide. You may want to throw away this book at this stage and call it quits, but let me reassure you that you cannot do it. Jesus is interested in you. You can't run away from His Love. I tried it. I stopped going to church for years. I threw away the Bible into the bush! Yet He came seeking me, in my own house on a Sunday morning when others were in the church! That is the Love that He showers on you now. You can't run faster than that Love. Hear Him again as He says;

Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest, and repent. Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.' (Revelation 3:19-20).

Can you hear the knock? Listen again! He is there. He is not going away even if you don't open. He has been there for long! He will continue to knock until you ask Him in – just because He doesn't want you to get lost, but rather that you may gain eternal life (2 Peter 3:9).

Have you forgotten what He told us? Let me remind you. These were His words;

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. (John 14:1-3).

Do you now remember? Have you now seen the need to get ready for His return? He has prepared a place with you also in mind. Don't disappoint Him at His return.

#### Talk to Jesus

You see, because it is He alone that has gone to prepare you a place, God has also made it clear that it is through Him alone that you should get to the Kingdom. Peter explained this to the baffled crowd of Israelites when he said;

Let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ. Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved. (Acts 2:36, 4:12).

You see, he was the One who died that we might not die in eternity. He died that we, through His death may be reconciled to God and made perfect enough to inherit God's Kingdom (Matthew 26:26). For this reason;

God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord." (Philippian 2:9-11).

That is the man JESUS. That is how big He is. That is also how good He is. He is the one that has asked you to wait while He goes to prepare you a place in the Kingdom of His Father. So you see, you can't afford to disappoint such a person who has said; "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. My sheep hear my voice and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. (John 10:11, 27-28). He is the Good Shepherd. He has vowed to keep you unto the end and that nothing can take you away from Him. The Apostle Paul testified to this wonderful assurance also in Romans 8:35 where he asked?

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?"

Then he provided the answer, saying;

"Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord". (Romans 8:37-39).

That is great! Nothing known or unknown, seen or unseen can stop God's love from reaching you! I also attest to this truth for, I was kept in that pit of destruction, awaiting God's final judgment, His love still sought me and found me in that great depth! It is that same love that is being presented to you here now. Will you now tell the Lord that you want to get ready for His return?

Will you now say, "Lord Jesus, please come into my heart? Never mind if your decision will cause your former friends to now become your enemies and want to harm you. God has promised that He will protect you from every wickedness. You are a member of the Church of Jesus and so the Kingdom of darkness will not be able to overcome you any longer. (Matthew 16:18). God says that no weapon shall be able to harm you – weapon of man and the devil! (Isaiah 54:17). God say further that whatsoever tries to attack you shall surrender to you! (Isaiah 54:15). Do you know why it is so? Because you are an heir of the Kingdom by faith and our Lord Jesus has got all the power both in heaven and on earth. (Matthew. 28:18). Therefore if God is now on your side, who is it that can oppose you successfully? (Romans 8:31).

I believe you now see with me why you are a Kingdom child who must not sell his birth right for things that give temporary pleasures.

Therefore, go to Jesus Christ now. He is your High Priest. He makes up for your inadequacies and makes you clean by His Blood. Enter into a new covenant today with your Maker through Him. Can you hear Him say; "Drink from it, all of you.

"Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now until that day when I drink it anew with you in My Father's Kingdom" (Matthew 26:27-29).

# Jesus is your brother! Your Saviour

Now get down to Jesus, your BROTHER. Tell Him all you know. Tell Him exactly how you feel. Never mind. He understands every bit of it. He was once here on earth, just as you are. He understands your case perfectly well. Thank God, He is able to help you outright. Hebrews 2:14-18 says;

"Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death — that is, the devil— and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death... For this reason he had to be made like his BROTHERS in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted."

What more can I add to that! I will only say with Prophet Hosea, 'Come, let us return to the Lord... He will heal us... He will bind up our wounds" (Hosea 6:1).

## Let us pray;

"My dear Father in heaven

I have heard your Word.

I now believe!

I am now convinced that I need you.

I need your touch in my life even now.

I am now ready to receive from you

Therefore Father God, I request you to please forgive me all my sins

You know all my sins, I can't hide them from you

Please cleanse me with the precious Blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ.

Make me clean – according to your promise

Please give me a new life. Give me the power to live the new life as a child of God. Break the power of sin in my life and set me free indeed. Write my name in your Book of Life and give me Eternal Life.

Lord Jesus, please come into my heart and be my Lord and Saviour, even from now. I am tired of sin. I now run unto you. Keep me safe and guide me until I come into your Kingdom at last.

Thank You, my dear Lord, for hearing me.

I am now born again, in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

I also say "Amen"! Glory be to God!

You are now a new person. Don't let anything of the past bother you. Now look forward to beautiful fresh days ahead. For you to grow and become strong spiritually, you should start keeping Covenant time with Jesus. Please go back to pages ..../.... to see how to keep Covenant time.

May God Almighty, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who did it for my family and I on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> 1989, also do it more abundantly for you and your family, and keep you safe under His Almighty Power, to receive you unto Himself on the day of our gathering unto Him, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, Amen!

I have decided, to follow Jesus I have decided, to follow Jesus I have decided, to follow Jesus No turning back
No turning back

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#### About the Book

The presence of God appeared before them in their home and lasted for three days. By the third day God had changed the lives of all in the family, including that of a visitor! He showed them great Mysteries and events that would soon take place in the world. He then asked them to "go and tell everybody" what they had seen.

Before this event Mr. and Mrs. Okafor had no time for things of God. They had believed in 'enjoying' the present life only. Today, the story is different. "The end of all things is here and we must help warn the people" the author says.

"... This message is appealing, loving, down to earth and URGENT... I recommend this book to you for reading and for ... for taking appropriate action"

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