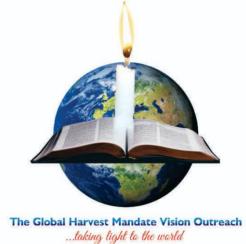


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Welcome to the September Edition of Behold I Come Quickly monthly magazine.

We're indeed grateful to God the Father, God the Son and especially God the Holy Spirit who has made His oil to consistently flow into and through our pens. "There's a spirit in man, and the inspiration of the Almighty gives him understanding". Thankfully, this has been our testimony all the way. May His name be forever praised.

This month by His grace we shall be accessing the following topics:

1.) THEY MADE PROVISION FOR CONTINGENCY
2.) MORTIFY THE POWER OF EVIL LONGINGS (Part 3)
3.) LITTLE FOXES (January Edition Repeated)
4.) DO YOU BELIEVE AND TRUST IN GOD? (Part 2)

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THEY MADE PROVISION FOR CONTINGENCY

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Text ; Matthew 25 vs 1-13

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

2 And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

3 They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

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

5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

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

7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

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

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

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

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

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

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

In accounting, under IAS 37 which is now referred to as (IFRS), provision is expected to be made for CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND ASSETS ; In a simple language, this means, obligations of uncertain timing and amount, together with possible assets must be provided for.

This was the principle adopted by five of the ten virgins in our anchor text today. They provided for a known event with an unknown timing and were hence tagged **'the wise'** by the Lord. For by instinct they knew extra oil would be needed for the journey ahead.

All the ten virgins were fully aware the bridegroom was coming but none could ascertain the exact time of His arrival and how long they would have to wait before He comes, hence preparation became a responsibility they must not joke with. These ten Virgins have so many things in common except one careless error of omission which eventually separated them eternally.

Let's look at their common points one by one :

- 1.) They were all Virgins born again and undefiled
- 2.) All of them were espoused to the groom in courtship with the Lord.
- 3.) The entry permit required of each of them was a burning lamp which represents their invite.
- 4.) They all loved His appearing.
- 5.) They set out together to meet the groom
- 6.) They have equal rights to those selling the oil.
- 7.) They all slept because the bridegroom delayed.

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8.) All of them heard the cry - the announcement of the groom's arrival in the middle of the night and they all stood up to meet Him.

The only notable difference was the extra oil which was missing in the lives of five of them at take off point. **This extra oil is so crucial, it is a contingent asset for which provisions must be made lest we grow weary** while we await the Lord's return for no one can tell precisely what day or hour the Lord would return.

I'm sure most of us are familiar with the parable of these ten virgins, by God's grace for the rest of this year till I'm directed otherwise, I'll be sharing with us some of the insights the Holy Spirit gave me as I studied this text (Matthew 25 vs 1 - 13).

The Lord opened my eyes to the significance of the word 'took' in these two phrases - 'they all took their Lamps', 'Five of them took oil in their vessels'.

Please note here that Jesus didn't say they bought the oil on their way going, He simply said 'they took oil in their vessels with their lamps' - YOU CAN ONLY TAKE WHAT YOU ALREADY HAVE IN STORE WHEN NEED CALLS FOR SUCH OR ELSE YOU WOULD NEED TO VISIT THE SELLERS. Women will understand this better, there are times we don't realize we are running out of stock of a particular item, and at the point of need during cooking you are forced to rush back to the market to buy the item. This can be so embarrassing at times. This is the real problem of the five foolish virgins, they lacked wisdom in making enough provision for future event.. They couldn't discern when their oil level was going down or probably they were too busy to receive a spiritual signal calling for a shutting of their doors against activities and locking themselves up in God's presence for a refueling. The Holy Spirit is the giver of oil and we can only get the best of Him when we learn to create time to fellowship with Him.

We can't rub oil on our skin and it would yet remain dry, No! Not at all. Likewise when we spend quality time with Him in prayers and study of the word, we are simply STORING OIL FOR FUTURE USE. Fully armed and prepared for the unknown.

CONCLUSION:

Fellowshipping with the Lord is key. Your closet is your power house and your filling station. Shun petrol stations and you run the risk of your car getting stuck midway through your journey (well, unless you drive an electric car which of course needs recharging at intervals too anyway)

Let's therefore get our stores (spirit men) filled with oil so the Lord meets us ready with our Lamps burning and glowing.

Stay safe! Stay awake!

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Proverbs 14:34 (AMP) Righteousness [moral and spiritual integrity and virtuous character] exalts a nation, But sin is a disgrace to any people.

INTRODUCTION

You cannot serve God and serve mammon, it's not possible! The book of Romans chapters 4 and 5 (paraphrased), taught us about justification for every believer through Jesus Christ our lord, it further stated that where sin increased, grace has surpassed it and increased all the more but we cannot continue in sin and practice sin as a habit that grace may increase, God forbid! If you are for God, then He requires complete submission from us. God's plan for us is to give us a beautiful ending but sin can shatter that beautiful ending if not resisted.

We shall take a brief study of the consequences of sin and examine the life of another man who brought curses upon himself and generations after him because he failed to mortify the power of sin.

ONE MAN'S SIN CAN AFFECT GENERATIONS YET UNBORN

Indeed! One man's sin can affect generations after him. It takes the grace of God to break free from curses caused by another man's sins.

Let's take a brief account of CAIN in the Bible and some morals to learn from his lifestyle.

CAIN'S BIRTH

Adam and Eve were the first humans God created on earth, and parents to Cain. They were satisfied and lacked nothing and God fellowshipped with them regularly in the Garden of Eden. Unfortunately they disobeyed God and the consequences of their sin were that they were cursed by God and banished from His presence. This single act of disobedience has made the Earth what it are today- Genesis chapters 2&3.

Genesis 4:1

Now the man Adam knew Eve as his wife, and she conceived and gave birth to Cain, and she said, "I have obtained a man (baby boy, son) with the help of the LORD."

Cain's birth brought consolation to his parents after they were sent away from the Garden Eden. He came as a gift from God and an assurance of God's unfailing love.

Everyone born into this world is a gift from God and He wants us to live for Him.

CAIN'S PERSONALITY

Genesis 4:2-8

2. And [later] she gave birth to his brother Abel. Now Abel kept the flocks [of sheep and goats], but Cain cultivated

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the ground.

3. And in the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground.

4. But Abel brought [an offering of] the [finest] firstborn of his flock and the fat portions. And the LORD had respect (regard) for Abel and for his offering;

5. but for Cain and his offering He had no respect. So Cain became extremely angry (indignant), and he looked annoyed and hostile.

6. And the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you so angry? And why do you look annoyed?

7. If you do well [believing Me and doing what is acceptable and pleasing to Me], will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well [but ignore My instruction], sin crouches at your door; its desire is for you [to overpower you], but you must master it."

8. Cain talked with Abel his brother [about what God had said]. And when they were [alone, working] in the field, Cain attacked Abel his brother and killed him.

Cain was a farmer in his time. Cain and his brother Abel were brought up to know and hear God when He speaks.

A time came when both of them brought offerings unto God. Abel's offering was accepted while Cain's offering was rejected. Cain reacted badly to that, he became angry because God disregarded his offering and envious of his brother.

Why did God disregard the offering of Cain? From the text above, Cain's lifestyle was not pleasing to God and He does not accept the offering of a sinner.

Galatians 6:7 KJV

Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

God's principles remain standard and unchangeable. He hates sin and cannot behold it; He loves righteousness and will prosper the Righteous. God will never be unfair, He is a Righteous Judge. Cain thought in his heart that God had been unfair to Him by not accepting His offering. Our God who sees the heart and intents of a man spotted the devil trying to capture Cain and quickly called his attention to the deeds of the flesh that have started to take root in his heart. God encouraged him to deal with them before they lead to sin.

Proverbs 4:23 – New Living Translation

"Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life."

Cain permitted anger, envy and pride to build up in his heart and he ended up killing his brother. The conduct of a



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man is a reflection of what has occurred in the heart. The heart is a stronghold which must be brought to the obedience of Christ-11Corinthians 10:4-5. Everything a man becomes is incubated from the heart. We need to maintain the right attitude in all circumstances with the help of the Holy Spirit and the Word. We should

rejoice in the successes of others. As a saying goes that when your neighbor has just received a miracle, rejoice because it's an evidence that God is in the neighborhood and your turn will surely come.

CONSEQUENCES OF CAIN'S SIN

Genesis 4:9-16 AMP

9. Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" And he [lied and] said, "I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper?"

10. The LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's [innocent] blood is crying out to Me from the ground [for justice].

11. And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's [shed] blood from your hand.

12. When you cultivate the ground, it shall no longer yield its strength [it will resist producing good crops] for you; you shall be a fugitive and a vagabond [roaming aimlessly] on the earth [in perpetual exile without a home, a degraded outcast]."

13. Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is greater than I can bear.

14. Behold, You have driven me out this day from the face of the land; and from Your face (presence) I will be hidden, and I will be a fugitive and an [aimless] vagabond on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me."

15. And the LORD said to him, "Therefore, whoever kills Cain, a sevenfold vengeance [that is, punishment seven times worse] shall be taken on him [by Me]." And the LORD set a [protective] mark (sign) on Cain, so that no one who found (met) him would kill him.

16. So Cain went away from the [manifested] presence of the LORD, and lived in the land of Nod [wandering in exile], east of Eden.

Cain's misery started the day he was caught in the web of evil desires (sin) and refused to resist it steadfastly. He was caught in the web of anger, envy, lies, and resentment.

Cain became the first murderer on earth by killing his brother. The innocent blood of Abel cried to God for

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vengeance from the ground. Cain lied to God about the whereabout of his brother when God asked him. He was banished from God's presence and God cursed the ground to work against him. He never got any good crop whenever he cultivated the ground. His main source of livelihood was cut-off! He roamed aimlessly on earth throughout his life. He became an outcast and a worthless man to the extent that he had to plead with God to secure him so that he would not be killed. God granted his request but Cain became a carrier of death so that anyone who killed him got seven times worse punishment meted to him.

Genesis 4:23-24 AMP

23. Lamech said to his wives, "Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; You wives of Lamech, Listen to what I say; For I have killed a man [merely] for wounding me, And a boy [only] for striking (bruising) me.

24. If Cain is avenged sevenfold [as the LORD said he would be], Then Lamech [will be avenged] seventy-sevenfold." His descendant called Lamech also killed two people out of anger, likewise he placed a curse on whoever killed him to be avenged seventy-seven times his punishment.

The generational repetition of events could also be traced to the Parents of Cain (Adam and Eve) when they disobeyed God and were cursed and banished from the Garden of Eden. Also, the lifespan of man was reduced to 120 years due to sin. The Lord had to destroy the earth with flood when the people became lost in the sea of sin. The sin of one man can wreak havoc not just in his lifetime but repeatedly in generations to come. Therefore, sin must be resisted at all cost!

CONCLUSION

So many people have suffered and some are still suffering based on the consequences of another man's sin. A man ought to live an inheritance of BLESSINGS for his generation like Father Abraham, not CURSES.

REFLECTION

Sin casts man away from God's presence- Psalm 51:1-12. Now is the time to come out of sin and embrace righteousness!

PRAYER

Father, I rededicate my life to you today, give me victory over sin, create in me a clean heart and renew the right spirit within me, cast me not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from me; in Jesus name. AMEN

LITTLE FOXES (January Edition Repeated)

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By the special Grace of God, We are going to be talking about the phrase "LITTLE FOXES" using this column, we are well aware that there are certain destructive vices that are not expected to be found in any believer. These some usually refer to as "The Big Sins" – Adultery, Fornication, Armed robbery, Murder, Idolatry, Necromancy, Witchcraft, etc. But what we usually consider as little, insignificant, inconsequential, minor are the real vices that subtle, cannily, & quietly destroy the vine!

Let's look at the two key words;

Little: when we say something is little, it means it is small in size or degree. It is also often used to convey an appealing diminutiveness or express all affectional condescending attitudes.

Foxes: A fox is a Carnivorous Mammal of the dog family with a pointed muzzle and bushy tail proverbial for its cunny or sly ways. Though very beautiful and attractive but highly deceitful and trickish. To understand the little foxes that destroy the vine, we must first know and comprehend what the VINE stands for. Songs of Solomon 2:15 – Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines have tender grapes. Nehemiah 4:3 – Now Tobiah the Ammonite was by him, and he said, even that which they build, if a fox go up, he shall even break down their stone wall.

THE VINE - John 15:1,2 & 5, 16.

In John 15:1 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman". In this parable or allegory, Jesus describes himself as the true vine and who have become His disciples as "the branches" Hence by remaining attached to Him as the source of life, they produce fruit. God is the gardener who takes care of the branches in order that they may bear fruit.

Any fruit which appears on the vine does not derive its life from the branches or from the leaves but from the vine itself.

So what fruit are we expected to bear – The fruit of the Holy Spirit. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. Gal 5:22-23(NKJV). These verses give us a vivid picture of the Christian life as our Lord intended it should be. We should be loving, joyful, restful, patient, kind, good, trustworthy, humble and disciplined. These are graces which should be characterize us as Christians. Now what are the little foxes that ruin the vineyards. i.e. the little foxes that hinder the

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little foxes that creep in almost unnoticed and spoil the vine & take away the fruit. Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips. Psalm 141:3(NKJV). In my distress I cried These are the wrong things we think, the wrong things we say & the wrong things we do. to the LORD, and he heard. Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips and from a deceitful tongue. What shall be given These implies; The Heart Sins, Lip Sins, Behavior Sins

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But it takes a close walk with someone to understand the person's ways, let alone, trust and believe the person same goes for your relationship with God Almighty. If you want to understand His ways, you must come closer to Him.

Matthew 6:33-34 says -

33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.*

So basically, when you chase after God, it means you put your trust in Him; then He will prosper the works of your hands.

Deuteronomy 30:8-9 Says -

8 You will again obey the LORD and follow all his commands I am giving you today

9 Then the LORD your God will make you most prosperous in all the work of your hands and in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your land. The LORD will again delight in you and make you prosperous, just as he delighted in your ancestors*

So dear youth, if you trust and believe God to back your 'hustles' then His word will be made manifest in your life. Selah!

Psalm 125:1-2c says -

- 1 *Those who trust in the Lord* are like Mount Zion, which cannot be shaken but endures forever.
- 2 As the mountains surround Jerusalem,

so the Lord surrounds his people both now and forevermore

For those who rather put their trust in material things and forget the existence of God, I want you to know that material things are good BUT taking it as priority over God (the owner of all), is completely wrong!.

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1 Timothy 6:10 says - For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

Finally;

Psalms 24:1 says - *"The earth is the Lord's, and all it contains, the world, and those who dwell in it"

Jesus pointedly said that our money is not ours, but "that which is another's" (Luke 16:12 in context), namely, God's.

God is the true owner of everything and everyone.

Jesus said, "You cannot serve God and mammon" (= material possessions, riches; Matt. 6:24; Luke 16:13). He clearly means that either God or money is our master, "but not both". There is no middle ground.

God Almighty owns it all; money and possessions and He is the best person to lead or guide you in the journey of life. All He request from you is to BELIEVE and TRUST in Him.

SO BELIEVE IN GOD because He owns it ALL!

Be a Wise Youth! Jesus is coming soon!

Stay Blessed and Take Charge!

See you in the next edition!

Shalom!