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Welcome to the November Edition of our monthly magazine code - named "Behold I Come Quickly"

Glory be to God in the highest, for His mercies endure forever and ever. Amen.

We bless God for His faithfulness over our lives. Only He has been our refuge and strength, our light and salvation and so much more. We therefore cannot but say 'Thank you Jesus!'

Furthermore, we also wish to use this avenue to sincerely appreciate as many people out there who believe in this vision and have continued to share with others. May the God of this commission reward you tremendously in Jesus name, Amen.

As always, the good Lord has made His table ready again this month and before us are the following topics ;

- 1.) NO OIL ; NO FLAME - NO FLAME ; NO GLOW
- 2.) WALKING WITH GOD (October Edition repeated)
- 3.) Accountability
- 4.) ARE YOU READY FOR THE RAPTURE ? (Part 2)
- 45.) THE LANDS WHERE THEY FELL

May you be blessed beyond measure as you read.

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Luke 18 vs 8b

"Nevertheless, when the Son of Man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth" ?

Matthew 25 vs 8b,

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

Hebrews 11 vs 6a

"But without faith, it is impossible to please him:"

In our anchor text last month,(which is also one of the texts in this edition), the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out." What bothers me about this oil of a thing is ; If it's absence became a serious issue to the extent that it eventually cost these virgins their eternal destiny, then, the oil should be given a serious attention. We really need to unravel, through the help of the Holy Spirit what the oil could mean and it's relevance to the journey they embarked upon. I asked a question last month, I said, Could it be that the oil represents LIVING FAITH not found in those virgins at the bridegroom's return? We should be finding out soon.

From our previous studies, September and October editions to be precise ; titled "**THEY MADE PROVISION FOR CONTIGENCY !!** and "**THEY 'TOOK' NO OIL,**" respectively. Emphasis was on the issue of fellowshipping with God through the Holy Spirit and that our closet is our power house, our place of storing spiritual oil, our strong room and filling station ; **Shun petrol station and you run the risk of your car getting stuck in the middle your journey**". We said the wise virgins kept storing oil in the place of personal study of the word and prayers - Hence oil was readily available for them at the exact time of need - For you can only take what you already have in store when need calls for such. And on the other hand, the foolish ones didn't take oil probably because it was absent in their store room and on the account of their failure to check which would have helped them to know that particular item was no longer available, they couldn't restock. We also said when we spend quality time with God in our closet, we are simply storing oil and energy for future use.

The oil in the lamp of the wise virgins is a metaphorical representation of the presence of the Holy Spirit and power, while the lamp itself represents their spirits. **Proverbs 20 vs 27a says, "The spirit of a man is the lamp of God."**

Now, the question is 'How do you identify a life filled with the Holy Spirit, or to be more precise, how can we as virgins measure the level of oil in our spirits so we don't assume what we have per time is enough for our Christian journey and hence up end like the foolish virgins?'

The answer is simple :

The Fruits and Gifts of the Holy Spirit will be evident in a life filled with the Holy Spirit and when these two manifestations of the Spirit are dwindling or are being replaced by their opposites , for instance, fear and doubt replacing faith, burning anger taking the place of meekness, hatred replacing love, impatience in



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place of long-suffering, and to forgive, pray or study the word of God is becoming a burden etc, it's an indication that we're running out of such items; just like a red alert on our car fuel guage carefully positioned on the dashboard warns us of fuel getting drained, and the need to re- fuel and restock. A good driver doesn't concentrate on the road alone but at intervals checks the signals displayed on the dashboard of his car. These could be warnings like, **oh! one of the doors is not locked, your seat belt is not on, your fuel is going down, the level of your engine oil is low and so on.** It is however a pity that some of these display panels in 70% of the cars on our roads in this part of the world are either dead or they're completely missing. No child of God can afford to drive his or her spiritual life this way if he or she wants to **stand tall and finish strong.**

Now, let's look at one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit through which we identify the presence of His oil in our lives. Can we read together Galatians 5 vs 23 - 24 and 1Corinthians 12 vs 9 respectively ; **"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, FAITH Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law."**
"To another, FAITH by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;"

THE FRUIT OF FAITH

Did you notice that we have FAITH as a gift, and at the same time as a fruit of the Spirit in the above passages?

It was listed as the third **gift of the Holy Spirit** and as **His seventh fruit.**

The faith gift can be described or categorized as power gift. It is important we have this gift for exploits in Kingdom's work. But of more importance is having faith as a fruit because the quality of our spiritual life actually depends on the fruits of the Holy Spirit ; **We are a reflection of who lives in us.** If all a child of God craves for, and displays is the gift of the Spirit, he should be prepared to **burn out too soon** because the virtues to sustain the gifts are embedded in the fruits. **What defines us and ensures we end well are the fruits we bear.** Although, this doesn't mean we should excuse ourselves from the gifts, but my point is, our testimony shouldn't be ; **"Oh ! he is a mighty man of God but he is an angry man, proud and covetous. "She is a women leader, gifted, but an oppressor."**

Faith is crucial to our walking with God. Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for by faith he was taken that he should not see death, because he had a testimony that he pleased God. Genesis 5 : 23 and Hebrews 11 : 5 (Paraphrased). We displease God anytime we walk in fear or doubt. **Hebrews 11 vs 6 says, "But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.** No one has ever seen God, yet we believe He does exist because His word says so.

Faith is the foundation of our salvation. **Ephesians 2 vs 8 ; "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that**



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not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." Grace only responds to faith.

It is a great asset that must be with us to the very end. At this point we should take note that our faith would be tried, this trial is unique to each person and our attitude matters to God during those trials. Let me quickly refer us to what the Holy Spirit shared with us in April edition ; Titled - "**CHEER UP ! YOU ARE A SERUM IN-MAKING !!**" In our Christian journey, most of the challenges we encounter are not meant to destroy us but to test our faithfulness to God. The Israelites saw every challenge on their way to Canaan as a **death trap** and when they were supposed to receive the fulfilment of their 430 years old promise, faith was found missing and they never had it all through the journey, no not even for once; from the beginning to the end !! At the news of the occupants of Canaan being giants, they lost courage, hope and trust in God.

Apostle Paul admonished us to fight the good fight of faith and lay hold on eternal life. This means faith is key to winning the kingdom. No matter how tired we might feel we should keep fighting this good fight like Eleazer the son of Dodo the Ahohite in **2Samuel 23 : 10 "He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil.**

In Hebrews chapter 11 the Heroes of faith were given that honour because they defended their faith in God to the end. E.g The three Hebrew boys, Daniel, Joseph, Gideon, Abraham, Enoch, Noah. None of these followed God because of what they wanted from Him but they faithfully followed Him because of who He is.

CONCLUSION:

From the story of the persistent widow in Luke 18 vs 8b, Jesus asked His disciples , "Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?" There was no answer to this question. The ten virgins have virtually all things in common except the oil. They all appeared to be getting along in the journey but Spiritually five of them have been disconnected, this was not known until it was time to trim their lamps. Did I hear someone say, "but if the bridegroom had come early, they would have scaled through. Oh, really ? " Whether He returns early or late is not our concern, but we should make a resolution never to simply get along with the brethren, sing with them as choir members, take Sunday school together because manual is available, or even sit together on the altar without a closet with the Holy Spirit where our faith in God can be ignited.- Faith is a personal walk, **Every spiritual activity outside faith is an empty religion.**

Stay oiled ! Stay Flamed !! And Stay Glowing !!!

WALKING WITH GOD (PART 1)

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Deuteronomy 5:33 (AMP) "You shall walk [that is, live each and every day] in all the ways which the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live and so that it may be well with you, and that you may live long in the land which you will possess."

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2. I will establish My covenant (everlasting promise) between Me and you, And I will multiply you exceedingly [through your descendants]."

INTRODUCTION

Walking is an exercise that consumes energy, depending on the distance to cover. It is intentional. It requires strength because a hungry man may not be able to walk far or may walk at a slow pace. Walking requires sight to avoid falling, bumping into a ditch or getting lost. Walking requires a sense of direction; you must have a destination in mind. Walking with God requires much more than the physical type of walk.

With the Help of the Holy Spirit, we shall study the act of walking with God in this series and also consider some people who walked with God in their time in order to learn from them. God bless you as you tag along. Amen.

GOD'S DESIRE

Genesis 1:26 (AMP) Then God said, "Let Us (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) make man in Our image, according to Our likeness [not physical, but a spiritual personality and moral likeness]; and let them have complete authority over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the cattle, and over the entire earth, and over everything that creeps and crawls on the earth."

27. So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them

Genesis 3:8 (AMP) And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool [afternoon breeze] of the day...

It is the desire of our Heavenly Father (GOD) that men should fellowship with Him. He made man special in His own image and likeness. He made us Spiritual beings living in a Body that has a Soul. He put His Spirit in us so that we can have access to fellowship with Him.

John 3:23 (AMP) But a time is coming and is already here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit [from the heart, the inner self] and in truth; for the Father seeks such people to be His worshipers.

24. God is spirit [the Source of life, yet invisible to mankind], and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

Our God is a Spirit and we are able to fellowship with Him because we are Spirits as well. The Bible says that God

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seeks true worshippers who will fellowship with Him in Spirit and in Truth. He desires people who will stand out for Him and represent Him anywhere and anytime. He desires people who will make Him their priority in life. He desires people who will love Him absolutely. No wonder the devil's battle cry is to cut the relationship between man and God.

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The anchor scriptures above from the books of Deuteronomy 5:33 and Genesis 17:1-2 are God's conversation and commandment to Moses and Father Abraham respectively. The call to walking with God comes with an eternal blessing. Do you want all to be well with you? The solution is to walk with God. Do you want to live long to enjoy God's blessings that He has promised you? The answer is to walk with God.

"WALKING WITH GOD"

Walking with GOD is continuous till death and it encompasses great responsibilities, absolute commitment and consistency. A man who is not born again cannot walk with God. It requires a great sacrifice; that kind of selfless sacrifice that made Abraham release his promised son as a sacrificial lamb, the same kind of sacrifice that made God to give us His only begotten son, Jesus Christ to die for our sins. It requires a life of purity and absolute surrender to God's will which made Enoch and Elijah (in the Bible) not to see death.

Just like a hungry man cannot walk far and will walk at a slow pace, a man without the fullness of the Holy Spirit cannot walk far with God before he starts getting drained and weary along the way and distractions here and there will easily take him off the track. The Holy Spirit and the Word of God are the eyes that we use to see the way. The Word is a light to our paths that we may not stumble- Psalm 119:105. The Holy Spirit is our strengthener, our advocate, our counselor, our helper, our intercessor and standby.

The amazing aspect of walking with God is that He gives the direction, He tells us what to do per time- spiritually and in every aspect of our lives, He guides us our steps, and strengthens us whenever we are weak, He replaces our human weaknesses with His strength and He ensures that we get to our destination safely.

1Timothy 4:8 (AMP) For physical training is of some value, but godliness (spiritual training) is of value in everything and in every way, since it holds promise for the present life and for the life to come.

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Walking with God is a spiritual exercise which has a great gain here on earth and eternally. Walking with God is:

- to live a life of holiness; 1Peter 5:15-16
- to love Him with all your heart, soul, mind and strength; Mark 12:30
- to abide with God; John 15:4-7
- to be under His watch; Psalm 121:4-5
- to diligently obey and keep His commands to the letter; Deuteronomy 28:1
- to live for Him; Psalm 23:6
- to have a constant fellowship with Him in the place of prayer, fasting and service; John 4:23-24
- to completely have faith in Him; Hebrews 11:6
- to trust Him absolutely; Psalm 20:7
- to be His friend; John 15:14
- to imitate Him; Philippians 2:5
- to be sold out to Him; Revelation 12:11
- to deny oneself of worldly pleasures and gains; Luke 9:62
- to proclaim His goodness to all mankind; Matthew 10:7
- to live a righteous life; Matthew 6:33
- to serve Him alone; Exodus 20:2-5
- to accept and to do His will; Matthew 26:39
- to make Him a priority; Matthew 6:33
- to live a well-pleasing life to Him; Romans 12:1-2
- to live a life of humility; 1Peter 5:6
- to do greater works than Christ did; John 14:12; amongst others.

CONCLUSION

The will of God for everyone is to live a victorious and fulfilled life here on earth and reign with Him eternally. Every soul is important to God that is why He seeks true worshippers who will follow Him without looking back.

REFLECTION

Make a decision today to renew or start your walk with God by taking an intentional step of abiding with His principles today.

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, as I make a decision to start or renew my walk with you today, please hold my hands and let me not leave Your side; guide my footsteps that I may not fall; be my everlasting strength that I may not be weary and uphold me to the end in Jesus name. Amen



ACCOUNTABILITY

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Accountability is defined as "The state of being accountable; liability to be called on to render an account; accountableness; responsible for; answerable for".

The scriptures in Romans 14 : 12 says, So then everyone of us shall give account of himself to God. We all have a responsibility to give account of our lives and activities here on earth, the scripture does not exonerate the teenagers as it says "everyone of us", young and old, rich and poor, literate and illiterate alike shall give account.

Our lives

In view of the above scripture, it is expedient for us to know that, we cannot afford to live our lives the way we want, knowing fully that we are accountable to God who is the original owner of the life and has just decided in His infinite mercy to give it unto us. Genesis 2 : 7 " And the Lord God formed man of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." and Paul Apostle in 1 Corinthians 6 : 19 "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own" he went further to make it clear in Galatians 2 : 20 "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God....." . Ask yourself, should the owner of the life that you are living come for it now, what account will you give? Are you living your life in accordance with the owner's manual?

Our thoughts

Even the very thoughts of our hearts are lay bare before our Maker and we shall give account of every thoughts that we permit to go through our minds. Psalm 139 : 23, Isaiah 66 : 18. The motive behind every action be it good or evil originates from the thought of our hearts, so we are to guide our hearts with all diligence, for out of it flows the issues of life. We must be mindful of what goes on in our minds for we shall account for our thoughts.

Our Words

Matthew 12 : 35 – 36, Eph 4 : 29, Romans 14 : 12, Rev 20 : 12 Every idle words i.e slangs, abuse, curse, unholy jokes, lies, exaggeration etc shall be accounted for. Our word is expected to be seasoned with salt and should edify others, knowing fully we shall give account of our words. Ecc 5:2, no wonder David



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cried to God in Psalms 19:14, Mathew 12:37

Our Talents

Matthew 25, nobody is born empty, the Lord has deposited one talent or the other in everyone that He expects us to use for His glory here on earth and to be accounted for. The gift of God in a man's life is not meant to be made merchandise of or to be used for self-gratification Romans 11:29. How and what are you using your talent for, 1 Cor 14:12 please note that you will be held accountable.

Our Resources

Deut 8:17 – 18, It is the Lord that giveth thee power to get wealth, Psalms 75:6, promotion cometh not from the East nor from the South but from the Lord, A man can receive nothing except it be given him from heaven John 3:27, with the above scriptures all resources at our disposal, tangible, abstract, physical, material etc shall be accounted for because they are gifts from God. What you use your resources to achieve and how you use it will be accounted for, so don't waste heavens resources in your custody.

Our Actions

Actions are weighed, there will be no excuse for doing whatever you did, you will give account of all your action be it good or bad, the works of our hands shall be tested with fire, therefore we cannot afford people or circumstances to push us into action we would regret later. 1 Samuel 2:3

Our Time

This is the fragment of our eternity, how we spend our time and for what, shall be accounted for, how much time have you invested into God's kingdom, intercession, evangelism, prayer and other positive things compared to time spent on mundane things, time wasted on worldly things, unprofitable ventures, unedifying jesting etc and time invested on kingdom business shall be accounted for, so be mindful of how you spend your time, have accountability at the back of your mind before you further waste your time on things that are of no eternal value.

Conclusion

This topic is a call to every believer, both young and old, teenagers should not think they will be exonerated when it comes to the matter of accountability, the book of Revelation 20:12 saysI saw both great and small standing before the throne of God to give account of their lives. We shall all likewise stand before the Great Judge one day, to give account of every segment of our lives. What account will you give? remember Romans 14:12. MARANATHA!!!

"Are You Ready for The Rapture?" PART 2

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TEXT: 2 Peter 3:3-4

(Continued from PART 1)

We definitely do not know when Jesus will return as stated in **Matthew 24:36** – “But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.”

BUT, there are several things that we DO KNOW concerning the Return of Our Lord Jesus Christ and they will be pointed out as we proceed.

The Four Points are;

- I. JESUS WILL RETURN
- II. HE WILL COME QUICKLY
- III. WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY
- IV. ARE YOU EAGERLY EXPECTING HIM?

I.- JESUS WILL RETURN

We might not know WHEN ... BUT ... we do know that He WILL RETURN. I want us to read and LISTEN carefully to the words of an angel, as he saw Jesus ascending from this earth after His earthly ministry.

In **Acts 1:11** – “Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.” As soon as Jesus left, He gave us the assurance that He would come back (Jesus will Return!).

The book of **1 Thessalonians 4:16-18** says;

16 For 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:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

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18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

The book of 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 says;

51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

Jesus leaves us NO DOUBT that He is coming back. He also pointed it out in John 14:3 – “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.”

Why not go ahead and echo it to yourself, that –“JESUS WILL SURELY RETURN!”

Ponder on these words as we continue with the third point in our next edition. God Bless

Be a Wise Youth!

Jesus is coming soon!

Stay Blessed and Take Charge!

See you in the next edition!

Shalom!

THE LANDS WHERE THEY FELL

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Texts: Matthew 13:8, John 6:63.

INTRODUCTION

Land can be defined as natural resources provided by nature on which plants grow, under which mineral resources are derived and support life. Land provides support for all structures that exist upon the earth be it trees, houses, seas, and even man. Psalm 24

Man is very important to God from time immemorial and His love for man create he him in His own Image and likeness Gen 1:22 and established a communication relationship with him. God speaks to man till today irrespective of the availability of man to listen to him.

The heart of man.

The heart of man is similar to land. As seeds are planted on the land, in the same manner the words of God are planted in man's heart. Psalm 119:11.

What are the lands?

Brethren, while going through the parable of the sower, one thing is certain: the seeds "fell" on different lands. The nature of the land consequently resulted into the output or harvest.

LAND 1:

The bible says "some seeds fell by the 'way side' and fowls came and devoured them." The 'wayside' is man's heart that's not regenerated, lukewarm heart Rev 3: 15-16, a heart not ready to leave CONVENIENT SIN, etc. We should note that the seeds (the word of God) is not allowed to stay on the heart for long. Why? Fowls came and devoured them. Matt 13:4c. Fowls represent agents of the devil who will not allow the word of God stay for a moment in hearts. They attack with different machinations like manipulation, seduction, wrong friends, etc. Note that sin attracts darkness. A Christian who watches pornography attracts fowl to pick the seeds planted by the Holy Spirit and you need to repent so that you can be free.

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LAND 2 :

The bible says "some fell upon stony places, where had not much earth..... "This land represents hearts that are born again but not nourished properly. The heart receives the word of God nutures it only for a short time(the land has not much soil).

Many Christians fall into this category. After their salvation experience, they read their bible and pray for few years after which they neglect it after they might have COMPLETED READING THE BIBLE. It is at this point that " the hot sun" destroyed them. What's the hot sun? It's not just sun, you know, morning sun but mid day sun that is so scorching. Some nasty activities that have been stopped by a child of God will be reactivated at this stage. Everything about the plant growing becomes a thing of the past because worldly pleasures have destroyed the word of God in the life of a child of God totally.

Question: What type/kind of land is your heart?

TO BE CONTINUED IN THE NEXT EDITION