

My Bible My Friend

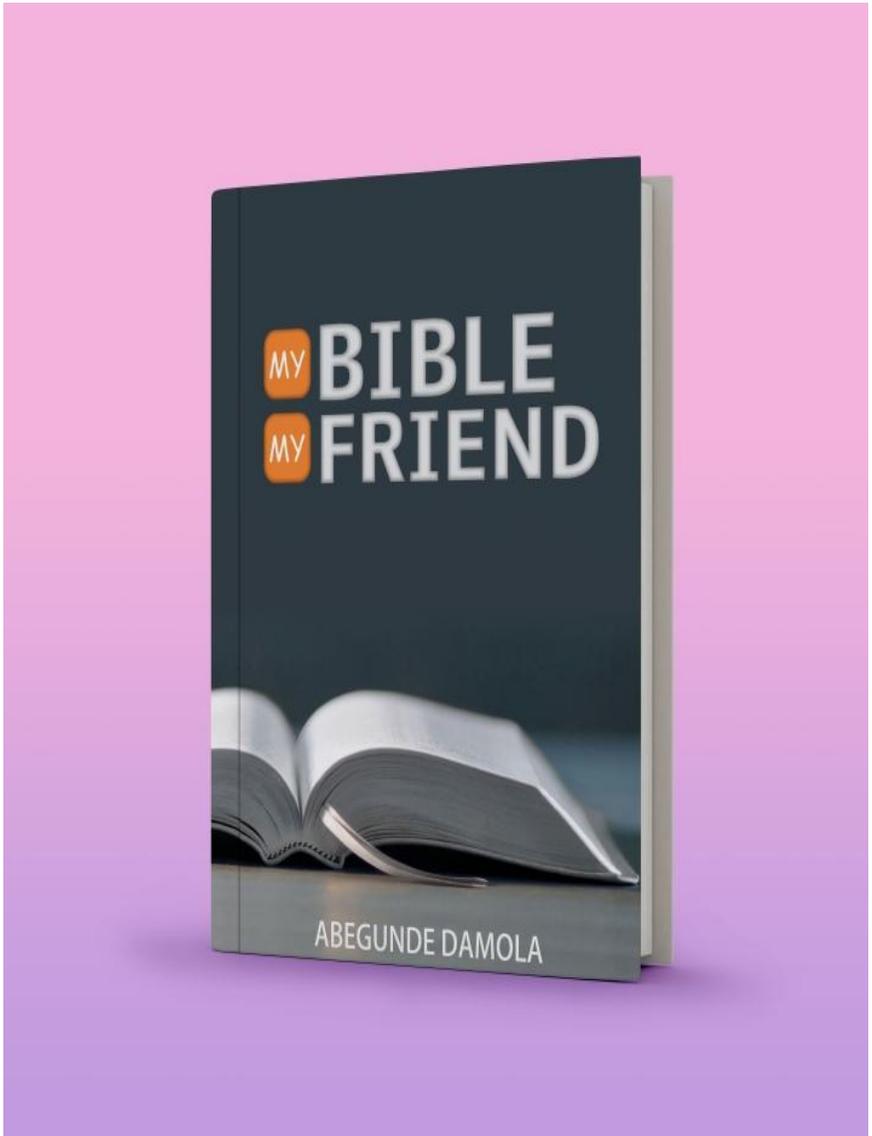


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FOREWORD BY OLADIGBO SAMUEL

You have just opened one of the most important books you will ever read! A very bold statement, I know. But as you travel the exciting and, at times, fascinating pages of this book you will see and understand new insights that the Holy Spirit has impacted on our brother, Pastor Abegunde Damola Samson. He is a seasoned and proven teacher of God's word. He teaches the word of God passionately and devotedly. His passion for souls and the growth of babes in Christ has prompted him to write this book "My Bible My Friend."

In this book, he shared some basic, yet effective and practical principles that can turn a man with zero passion for the word into a word addict. He also shared some powerful ways to make every bit of the scripture a reality in your life.

I recommend this book for believers who are so keen about having an intimate relationship with God. Read now and be blessed forever!

ABOUT THE BOOK

It was on a beautiful afternoon in the month of April when I was praying that the voice of God came to me and was asking me if I will help the majority of Christian folks out there who are finding it hard to read their Bible and to understand it.

I asked how I can be of help and He told me that I should pen down all the techniques He taught me and I should make it a book titled *My Bible, My Friend (MBMF)*.

Prior to this time, I was privileged to be the head of the counseling unit of naijasermon.com.ng and I've been encountering so many folks with this issue and with the help of the techniques taught in this book, their Bibles have become their best friend to the glory of God.

MBMF is a discipleship guide for Disciplers and for any serious minded disciple who is ready to take responsibility and grow fast in God.

As you're set to read this book, get set for points of action at the end of each chapter and don't just read it alone, they are there to help you become a better version of yourself.

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My Bible My Friend

His blog site healingnexusblog.com has been a source of blessing to many lives as there have been numerous testimonies of healing via its weekly publication to the glory of God the Father.

TESTIMONIES

Before now I find it difficult to read my Bible and at times I won't read my Bible for a week and when I do I read any how(no direction). But all thanks to God for sending Pastor Damsam, He gave me some instructions on how to read my Bible, and now when I read my Bible by his instructions I get insights and I wake up each day with ease to read/study my Bible.

- Bro Emmanuel Bassey, Kaduna State, Nigeria.

Praise God! This is how I met Pastor Damsam; I was in a group named Naijasermon and I was longing to know God the more and also needed a Discipler. When I related this to the Admin of the group he directed me to Pastor Damsam.

Before then my growth in the Lord was not actually giving me what I want so when I had contact with him he introduced me to his blog healingnexusblog.com which has become like a discipleship center to me and also gave me some principles on how to build my communion with God and having a consistent quiet time and Bible study.

Since then I can say that my spiritual life has never remained the same and I'm about to finish reading the whole Bible.

- Mrs. Juliet, Enugu State, Nigeria.

My Bible My Friend

I really appreciate the name of the Lord who made me come across Pastor Damsam. While on Campus, he was monitoring my Spiritual Growth and once asked how I read my Bible. I told him I just open and read and if I'm reading a place that is boring I will close it. Then he informed me he has techniques which will make me read, enjoy and understand the Bible. He requested for my name and used each letter for a Bible name and the Journey started. Now, I'm almost through with the Bible and since then I have always enjoyed reading and found studying the Bible easy. More knowledge and insight from above in Jesus name Sir. –

- Sis Damilola, Lagos State.

I was having difficulties in reading the bible and I saw a post on Naijasermon WhatsApp group that if anybody needed help, they should chat a certain contact which I did and I was graced to chat with pastor Damsam, he gave me a unique strategy that I never thought of, and it's really helping me. I really want to say thank you Sir. May God continue to increase you in wisdom and in grace

- Sis Mary, Lagos State.

DEDICATION

I dedicate this book to the author and the finisher of my faith for teaching me all that's in this book and to Amb. Abatan Samuel the set man of naijasermon.com

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CHAPTER ONE

QUIET TIME

...Jesus got up and went to a place where he could be alone and pray.

I remember when I had just given my life to Christ. While I was growing, I was surrounded by many men of God.

These men of God were so passionate about my growth; they called me and asked, “Damola, how are you growing spiritually?” They would always ask me, “Hope you are observing your quiet time?”

Quiet Time was something that I heard from them every day. And at that time, I was not very serious with observing my quiet time. Perhaps you are wondering what quiet time is? Quiet time is the act of waking up in the morning, to read the Bible, pray and have a personal communion with your Creator. But I was not serious with it because it seemed unreal and impossible to me. I thought it

was impossible of the experiences I have had. Anytime I woke up to observe my quiet time as I was taught, I would get my Bible ready with me. I would sing and pray to God to come and speak to me and I would open to any page in the Bible. Thinking about it now, I see it as a very funny experience. That time, I could just open to the book of Numbers for example, and start to read figures throughout my quiet time.

Then I would open to another chapter, for instance, the book of Revelation. And what I would see there might be *"...and I saw a dragon with seven eyes and two tails..."* or *"...another four living creatures were casting their crown day and night..."* This was always boring to me and this made me reach the conclusion that it was impossible. I thought that my instructors only wanted me to become familiar with Bible stories and so I wouldn't waste my time on it. I would open to the book of Psalms, pick any chapter, read it and get set for the day.

As time went by, the Blessed Holy Spirit Himself began to teach me how to observe my quiet time.

On a particular day in April, He came to me; He called me by my nick name – Damsam. He asked, **“How are you?”** I answered, *“I’m fine.”* He then initiated a conversation with me, He told me to study the universe, and I will see that the Lord has set up an operating system within it and that's why everything in the world runs smoothly and unhindered. He made me understand that for me to enjoy walking with Him, I must have an operating system with Him too. He further explained that there is a time for it to rain and there is a time for the sun to shine, a time for winter and a time for summer. When it is time for rain, all the water bodies that are in the ground are taken up through a system called evaporation. So God doesn't need to create another body of water again, it is the same

body of water that you have been using that He has been using.

He also told me to consider the operating system of Nigeria as a country. The system that the President of the country employs to meet with the citizens is a channel that goes through the Governor to the Local Government Chairman, to the Councilor and to the majority and that makes it easy for the President to reach the citizens.

He concluded by saying that without an operating system, my spiritual life cannot have the needed stamina.

So what is the operating system that I would be using? Then he asked me, again, **“What is your nickname?”** I told him, *“Damsam.”* And He said that I should turn Damsam into an acronym. And each of the letters of the acronym would stand for a book, or a character in the Bible. I then wrote it out.

DAMSAM

D stands for Daniel

A stands for Acts

M stands for Matthew

S stands for Samson

A stands Acts

M stands for Mark

He then told me that this is the system that I should begin to use for my Quiet time and He also told me to pick a particular time when He and I will always meet to have a discussion during my quiet time. Furthermore, He made me to understand that the early hours of the day would be better so I picked four o'clock in the morning.

This was how I started having an enjoyable quiet time. I am going to share a lot about each of these strategies in the next chapters.

POINT OF ACTION:

Get a Pen and a jotter and coin out the acronyms of your first name and get started asking the sweet Holy Spirit to commune with you.

e.g. FRANCIS

F – Festus (Acts 25:4)

R- Ruth

A- Acts

N- Nehemiah

C- Corinthians

I- Isaac

S- Samuel

Give it a try today and you will see that the Lord is good!

CHAPTER TWO

WHY MORNING TIME?

Very early the next morning before daylight...

I concluded the last chapter by explaining to you that the Holy Spirit advised me to choose the early hours of the day for my quiet time (4 am in particular). I gave Him reasons why that hour wouldn't be the best option however He said the morning time is the best, and that I should pay the price. Then I stated some challenges I faced with regards to my previous quiet time experience. The challenges were:

1. The early hours of the day is not always convenient because I enjoy my sleep more at that time He suggested for me (4am).
2. I've always tried to observe my quiet time around that time but I always end up sleeping while reading the Bible.

3. I also gave the excuse of not having a torchlight by that time.

In my little experience as a Discippler/Mentor, these are the 3 major excuses that people give for not being serious with their quiet time.

It is good to have a spiritual father, it is good you run to a counselor but you're the one who is accountable and responsible for your life, they are just there to guide you.

The Holy Spirit then provided a way out of all the challenges I listed. He didn't give me a scriptural backup but later on, I saw everything He told me in the Bible and I will be explaining it all to you too shortly.

Mark 1:35

"And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed."

He opened my eyes to some truths which are listed below:

1. For me to be able to rise up by that time, I needed to partner with Him. Spirits don't sleep, so before I go to bed, I should whisper to Him that I want to wake up by 4 am and He would come.

2. To avoid going back to sleep, I should set an alarm to always wake me up and I should always put it by my bed side whenever I was going to sleep. So, I got an audio of Dr. Paul Enenche praying in tongues and I used it as my alarm ringtone. Believe me; those tongues can wake the dead.

3. In order to make these steps a habit, I should get a book on how to form a habit and I got one by Brian Tracy and all the Principles taught in that book were very helpful.

4. To avoid sleeping or dozing off while praying, He drew my attention to the fact that I don't sleep off when I'm engaged on social media. He then instructed me that the first thing I should do after the alarm wakes me was not to pray but that I should find my phone, log into WhatsApp, check statuses, go to Facebook, view pictures and within five minutes, I should put aside my phone and then start praying. This contradicted what I was told while growing up. Then, I was made to feel as though working on your phone early in the morning, is a sin and that the first thing we should do is to speak with God.

5. I may try to go on social media while I'm in bed but after that I must walk out of my

bed. He told me that there's a force between my body and my bed and that's the reason why I find it easy to go back to sleep whenever I set out to pray or study my Bible in the morning.

6. He advised me to get a secluded place or to carve out a place where I can sit to study and follow the Bible reading pattern that He gave to me which I explained in chapter one.

7. He informed me that I do not need to restrict myself to reading my Bible in the morning alone, but I can always read it at any available time.

8. He further explained that the mind is cool and is receptive to receive from God in the morning time and distractions from neighbors, people, siblings etc. won't be available by that time.

9. He warned me that He might interrupt the plan sometimes and redirect me to study a particular place in the Bible.

10. Lastly, he instructed me to start the following day.

I started to practice these instructions the following day and I tell you, it has been a sweet experience. Since then my Bible has become my friend. It was after some months of obeying these that He showed me everything He said in Mark 1:35.

Mark 1:35

And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.

1. IN THE MORNING, BEFORE DAY: This is most likely to be around 4 am because by this time, the day is yet to break.

2. HE DEPARTED TO A SOLITARY PLACE: He didn't stay in His bed, because Jesus took on the human flesh. So He had to

depart from the bed as the Spirit told me back then too.

3. **THERE HE PRAYED:** He didn't pray alone, He also studied, and prayer energy is always available at this time of the day too.

That was how I experienced a breakthrough in my quiet time and I have taught so many people these principles, they applied it and are about to finish reading the whole Bible.

In the next chapter, I will share with you some of the things you will encounter while reading your Bible and how you can overcome them.

POINT OF ACTION

Consistently observe your quiet time in the morning for the next seven days and evaluate the difference.

It is good that you have a spiritual father, it is good that you run to a counselor

but you're the one that is accountable and responsible for your life, they are just there to guide you.

CHAPTER THREE

LOOKING FOR RHEMA

Study to show yourself approved...

The word of God can be viewed from two dimensions which are: The written word of God known as **Logos**, and the revealed word of God known as **Rhema**. We are in a generation of young believers who are not ready to follow protocols; they love to skip it. I have seen so many young believers who, want to spit fire, they want people to sigh and be utterly amazed at their utterance but are not ready to pay the price to gain the prize.

Jesus, the word of God, had been dwelling, dining and wining with the disciples on the road to Emmaus (this is likened to the Reading), they told Jesus to tarry with them (Researching) and Jesus broke bread with them and their eyes were opened (Rhema).

I have had the opportunity to meet with several young people who needed counseling on their unstable study life but I found out that they come for counseling with

the hope that they will get a means to avoid responsibility. So many people are not ready to be disciplined and serious with their spiritual growth. It is good you have a spiritual father, it is good that you run to a counselor but you're the one who is accountable to God and responsible for your life, they are just there to guide you.

Are you looking for rhema? There are stages you have to pass through before obtaining them. They are what I call **3R's** Stages which are:

- 1. Reading Stage.**
- 2. Researching Stage.**
- 3. Revelation Stage.**

READING STAGE

This is the initial stage of receiving rhema, it is the basic, and you can't boycott this stage. Your seriousness in this stage will determine your speed in getting to the revealed word.

At this stage, you read your Bible book by book, read about a character or about a concept in the Bible. You may create an operating system as I taught in chapter one but it must be flexible to the leading of the Spirit.

- **By Book:** Obadiah, Colossians, Nehemiah etc.
- **By Character:** Paul, Ahimaaz, Hadassah etc.
- **By Concept:** Healing, Holiness, Grace, Warfare etc.

At this Stage, you must get a simple version of the Bible to read. So many people solely use the King James Version and it is

responsible for their inability to understand their Bible. I advise that you get other versions of the Bible such as the New Living Translation (NLT), The Passion Translation (TPT), and Easy to Read Version (ERV) etc. to use alongside the KJV

A brother once asked me to explain a particular verse of the Bible to him. I told him to read the same verse from five other versions of the Bible. He later came back to and told me that he has gotten a better understand of the verse. I did not explain anything to him.

You should also have a dictionary with you while reading. You may come across words whose meanings may not be known to you but the dictionary will help you out.

I will also suggest that you get videos of such books or characters from Google as you read, when you visualize it, you understand it better.

Deuteronomy 11:19-20

And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

And thou shalt write them upon the doorposts of thine house, and upon thy gates:

You don't have to restrict yourself to reading the Bible during your quiet time alone. In fact, if you are serious with your quiet time, you will notice that you will always thirst to read your Bible more. While you're in the toilet, if you are with your mobile phone with you, read the Bible! You're on a long queue in the bank? Read it! You're waiting for someone? Read it! You don't need to carry your hard copy Bible around when you have it on your phone. At any available time, keep reading it.

This stage can be referred to as the **BABBLING STAGE OF RHEMA.**

Jesus, the word of God, had been dwelling, dining and wining with the disciples on the road to Emmaus (this is likened to the Reading), they told Jesus to tarry with them (Researching) and Jesus broke bread with them and their eyes were opened (Rhema).

RESEARCHING STAGE

At this stage, you're pushing yourself forward bit by bit. This is also called the Digging Stage; you dig into it spiritually and personally.

Digging spiritually is a spiritual exercise called **Meditation**, that is, you ruminate on it with the help of the Spirit of God for deeper understanding.

The Bible says blessed are those that find interest in meditating on the word of God.

Psalms 1:2

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

Personal digging involves going the extra mile in getting the facts, it is also called **STUDY**. Here you study Bible commentaries, read books that pertain to the book or character you're studying, get the Greek and Hebrew origins (To know more about this, download the message: "Greek and Hebrew Tutorial" by Pastor Ife Adetona on najjasermon mobile application or on telegram: t.me/sadozite).

A wise man wrote that when you search, research and find, those words will be life to you.

Proverbs 4:20-22

My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.

REVEALING STAGE

This is the Rhema Stage; this is when the voice behind the word, the spoken word, will be revealed to you. At this stage, the word of God bubbles to you and that's why it's called the **BUBBLING STAGE**. Here your eyes are opened and you see what ordinary eyes can't see in the word of God.

Luke 24:29-31

But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. And it came to pass, as he sat at

meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them.

And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.

Jesus, the word of God, had been dwelling, dining and wining with the disciples on the road to Emmaus (this is likened to the Reading), they told Jesus to tarry with them (Researching) and Jesus broke bread with them and their eyes were opened (Rhema).

Don't be lazy in the ministry of the word that God has placed in your hand. It is well with you in Jesus name!

POINTS OF ACTION:

- Which of these stages are you presently?
 - a) The Reading stage.
 - b) The Researching stage
 - c) The Revealing stage

- Choose an option from the following and design your bible study around it; a) By Book
b) by Character c) By Concept

CHAPTER FOUR MEMORIZING SCRIPTURES

*Your words have hid in my heart that I may not
sin against you...*

This chapter is dedicated to my spiritual father, the one who introduced me to the Communion of the Holy Spirit. Everything you see in this chapter is in his handwriting.

When people complain to me that they find it difficult to memorize scriptures, I always reply to them with a phrase: "*ko necessary*" (It is not necessary). To read, study, understand, meditate and to be able to paraphrase the scripture is what is most important.

I can tell you very clearly that if you quote a paraphrased scripture to demons, they will flee. I am telling you this from experience. During his temptation, Jesus didn't quote verbatim to Satan, *He paraphrased with revelation*. What about

those demons that came to attack you in the dream? Did you quote verbatim plus book, chapter and verse before they fled?

Anyone who has ever cast out demons can attest to this. And if anyone says it's not true then I will ask if he can actually quote the chapter and verse and then tell the demons the version he quoted from whether it was KJV or NLT or NIV. And whether it was verse 2a or 2b, and if he also included the punctuation or pronounced the English correctly.

Thank God for movies, where someone is given a script to cram ahead however it's not the same in real life. I should probably tell you that when the Bible was originally written, it had no chapters or verses, it was the scholars that added it for the sake of ease. That's why you didn't see Jesus and the Apostles ever quote chapter and verse.

Some people are very good at memorizing the Scriptures. It is a very

beautiful thing but if you cannot memorize, use what you have.

What you need is to be able to locate those Scriptures you know and need easily in the Bible. And with many Bible apps today, you just need to search using a keyword or use Google. For example, type: "Where did Jesus feed four thousand in the Bible?" or use your Bible app to search for "four thousand".

And if you wish to memorize a thing, anything at all, here is what you can do. Record it on your phone and play it back to yourself over and over repeating the words after the voice.

Don't forget to Download *Greek & Hebrew Tutorial* from t.me/sadozite. In that teaching, I revealed how to know and reference Hebrew & Greek renditions of the Scripture.

POINT OF ACTION

Decide now to memorize at least two (2) verses of the scriptures before any activity in the morning.

CHAPTER FIVE

LOCATING BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

Precepts upon Precept Lines upon Lines...

I was in a program one day and saw one of my disciples. She was to open to the book of Esther and she started searching for it from the New Testament

She is not the only one, there are so many people like that that don't know the books of the Old Testament from the New Testament books.

That's the aim of this chapter. I'll be breaking the Bible into segments and be grouping it for you. By doing this, when a particular book of the Bible is mentioned at another time, you will easily identify it.

The first thing you must register in your mind is that the Bible contains sixty six (66) Books; thirty nine (39) in the Old

Testament and thirty three (27) in the New Testament.

The Old Testament is Divided into four (4):

1. Pentateuch/Torah/Law
2. Historical
3. Poetical or Wisdom
4. Prophetic

<i>PENTATEUCH</i>	<i>HISTORICALS</i>	<i>POETIC/WISDOM</i>	<i>PROPHETICAL</i>
Genesis	Joshua	Psalms.	Isaiah
Exodus	Judges	Proverb.	Jeremiah
Leviticus	Ruth	Ecclesiastes.	Lamentation
Numbers	1 Samuel	Song of Solomon	Ezekiel
Deuteronomy	2 Samuel		Daniel
	1 Kings		Hosea

	2 Kings		Joel
	1Chronicles		Amos
	2Chronicles		Obadiah
	Ezra		Jonah
	Nehemiah		Micah
	Esther		Nahum
	Job		Habakkuk
			Zephaniah
			Haggai
			Zechariah

PENTATEUCH

The prefix, "Pent-" means five. It refers to the first five books of the Bible written by Moses. Try to know these first 5 books of the Bible offhand.

HISTORICALS

These are the next set of books that follow the law. Virtually every believer can quote Joshua 1:8 which states that "This book of the law shall not depart from thy mouth..." The book of the law refers to the first five books of Moses and this assertion was found in the first book that follows the law which started the historical – Joshua.

Tips: Let me encode all these for you: **JJR-SKC-ENEJ**

JJR stands for the first 3 books, SKC are grouped together; they are the books having 1st and 2nd parts in the Old Testament. And ENEJ are the last 3 books.

3. POETIC/WISDOM

Poetic books are the rhymes, songs and heart cry of David and other singers in the Bible while wisdom books are t of King Solomon the son of David who succeeded him.

PROPHETICAL

These are books about the Prophets in the Old Testament that speaks or fore tells about Jesus.

The New Testament is also divided into 4, which are:

1. The Gospels
2. Historical
3. Epistles
4. Apocalypse

<i>The Gospels</i>	<i>Historical</i>	<i>The Epistles or Letters</i>	<i>Apocalypse</i>
Matthew	Acts of Apostles	Romans	Revelation.
Mark		1Corinthians	
Luke		2Corinthians	
John.		Galatians	
		Ephesians	
		Philippians	

		Colossians	
		1Thessalonians	
		2Thessalonians	
		1Timothy	
		2Timothy	
		Titus	
		Philemon	
		Hebrew	
		James	
		1 Peter	
		2 Peter	
		1 John	
		2 John	
		3 John	
		Jude.	

The Gospels

These are the first 4 books of the New Testament.

Historical

This is the only New Testament book that contains History; the book of Acts of Apostles

The Epistles or Letters

They are the letters written in the New Testament to individuals as well as the early church.

Apocalypse

This means Revelation.

A critical study of this chapter will make you find it easy to locate any book of the Bible whenever it is mentioned in any congregation.

POINT OF ACTION:

Apply for Foundational School for New Converts in the Koinonia Bible Institute

(KBI) of SADOZ. Contact the source of this school in the index page of the book to know more about it.

CHAPTER SIX

THE EFFICACY OF THE WORD OF GOD

God's word is alive and powerful, shaper than any double-edged sword.....

Welcome to the last chapter of this book. You might have been asking, “*Why do I need the word of God?*” “*Does the word of God really have any effect on me?*” If any of these is paramount in your mind then you are welcome on board. I will be explaining to you shortly the reason why you need the word of God.

No matter the dimension of God you want in this life, you can only get it on the wings of His word

1. THE WORD OF GOD DEFINES YOU

Psalms 119:105

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Looking at the scripture above, you will notice that it comprises of 4 major elements, namely:

LAMP: A device containing oil used to generate light in one's immediate environment.

LIGHT: Just like the torchlight, it illuminates the road in order to see and avoid dangers on the way and to give direction.

FEET: The part of the leg that is used for walking and taking steps.

PATH: A way that is before an individual that leads him/her to a certain destination.

Looking at the four keywords in this verse and linking them all together, you will see that the word of God is very powerful in one's life and reveals what to do in the

present and much more what to do in the future.

I remember a long time ago, the word of God came to me (as a light to my path) that I would be used by God in Jeremiah 1:5. By that time, my nickname was "Youngest Accountant" because my ambition was to be an accountant but that wasn't the mind of God for me. When God defined my life for me back then in His word, I knew already that it was not my certificate that would bring food to my table in the future.

At a very important stage of my life too, the word of God came to me as a lamp to my feet. I was about changing my location from a certain territory to another and His Word came to me in 1Samuel 6:1-18 and gave me certain instructions and mission statements. Countless number of times, His word has always come to me concerning anything I want to do.

Do you want to do anything meaningful with your life? Maritally, academically, business wise. etc. If you have not gotten a word from God, I would advise that you shouldn't go ahead because He framed your world by His word; it is when you get His word that your world will be meaningful

Hebrews 11:3

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

2. THE WORD OF GOD IS A WEAPON OF WARFARE.

2 Corinthians 4:4

In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel

of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

I want to establish this fact to you that we are in a spiritual world and the god of this world is the devil. We are only sojourners in this world. So for this reason, the devil that happened to be the defeated foe will always fight against us through his cohort – demons, evil spirits, witchcraft etc. with their ammunition. It's not a mortal kombat but an immortal kombat. (Visit healingnexusblog.com and Read Immortal Kombat parts 1-4). This was what Apostle Paul was explaining to the Ephesian Church.

Ephesians 6:12

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

It's no news that we are in a battle field. Then as believers, we need to tighten our belts and take hold of our weapons of war too. Paul also made a list of the believers' weapons of warfare which are stated below:

Ephesians 6:13-17

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

There are many arsenals listed above but the most effective ones when it comes to warfare is the Sword and the Shield.

Take a look at the image below:



When the man in the image above fights, he will always fight with his sword and protect himself with his shield. In fact, if any other weapon is not available except these two, victory is assured but without those two, losing is assured.

Relating it to spiritual arsenal, the Sword is The Spirit Word (the Revealed word that was treated in the last chapter) and the Shield is Faith and how does faith come?

Romans 10:17

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Do you now see the reason why you need both the Read Word (Faith) and the Revealed word (Sword)? It is because they are essential for equipping you for warfare in the day of adversity.

No matter what dimension of God you want in this life, you can only get it on the wings of His word.

3. THE WORD OF GOD IS GOD HIMSELF

John 1:1

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

You need the word of God because the word of God is God Himself, if you need the whole of God, just get the word of God.

- When God wants to heal, He sends His word.

Psalms 107:20

He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction.

- When God wants to deliver, He sends His word.

Psalms 119:170

Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me according to thy word.

- When God wants to make one prosperous, He sends His word.

Deuteronomy 8:18

But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth that he may establish his covenant which he swore unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

- When God wants to make one successful, He sends His word.

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

- When He wanted to save, He sent His word.

Psalm 34:6

This poor man cried out, and the lord heard and saved him out of all his troubles.

No matter the dimension of God you seek for in life, you can only get it on the wings of His word.

POINT OF ACTION:

Point out a particular verse of the bible and use it as a point of contact for something you are trusting God for.

FINAL NOTE:

Acts 20:32

And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

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RECEIVING SALVATION

You were born a sinner condemned to hell but Jesus Christ died for your sins, gave you power to sin no more and enjoy life here on earth and hereafter. All you need to do is to believe and accept His works by declaring Him as your LORD and Saviour. Do you believe this? Say: ***Lord Jesus Christ, I accept your death and resurrection for the remission of my sins. I declare you as my LORD and Saviour. Amen.***

STEPS TO RECEIVING THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST

1. You are not to ask or beg God for it, just expect it.
2. Believe He has given you and you will manifest it.

3. Don't hate tongues. That some people misuse it doesn't mean it has lost its power.

4. Don't pretend not to need it. Holy Ghost baptism is not just about tongues, it is about empowerment but tongue is the initial sign that you are baptized.

5. Clear your mind of doubts, worry or anxiety. God will give you. If you think any sin can hinder you, ask for forgiveness now; right now. (Isa 1:18 – ***“Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool”***). And forgive everyone in your heart.

6. As I pray for you, you will be baptized and you will speak in new tongues.

7. As I pray for you, the Holy Spirit will give you utterances and you will speak it out. Note that utterance means any sound produced with the mouth. That means the

utterance could be one syllable or two. It could be a string of words. Understand that you are the one that will pronounce the utterance in any way it comes to your mind as the Holy Spirit gives you utterance.

8. When I pray for you, the utterance would come. Don't think you are the one thinking it, it is not you. Don't think you will be unconscious or lost, it is not so. Don't be bothered if you don't know the meaning, just speak it. And keep repeating whatever comes to your mind.

9. Let us pray. Daddy, thank You because You are a faithful God, You always hear me and You are eager to give us than we are eager to ask. I pray for you: receive the Holy Spirit right now in Jesus Name.

10. Open your mouth and begin to speak those tongues out.

STEPS TO RECEIVE HEALING:

1. 1Peter 2:24 records: ***“He personally bore our sins in His [own] body on the tree [as on an altar and offered Himself on it], that we might die (cease to exist) to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed”.***

2. You have been healed. You have been healed even before you had that illness, what I am about to do by praying with you is to proclaim your healing.

3. As I do that, the pains and symptoms will be no more.

4. After I pray for you, move that part of your body just as though it was healed already because it is an instant healing.

5. I proclaim you healed and whole right now in Jesus Name. The last time you had that illness is the last you will ever have in Jesus name.

6. Check it out and share your testimonies.

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