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PRAYER WORKS

You have to understand that prayers move you.

"Then He spoke a parable to them that men always ought to pray and not lose heart" Luke 18:1.

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing" 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17.

If the things that God has shown you are bigger than you, it is better you discover the power of prayers. Prayers must always follow prophecy. You pray to birth prophecies. And after you receive the prophecy, you have to get into prayers to birth the manifestation of the prophecy you have received from the Lord. The purpose of prayers is to cause to manifest on earth what you have received in the Spirit.

The fact is that your prayer moves you. When you win in prayers, you will win in life. If you know that you have no human help or support in life, it better you discover the power of prayers. You make things happen in your life, family, business, ministry, etc. in prayers.

Making things happen in your family is possible. However, it

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requires you to be powerful. Why? Every family has cycles or patterns and the only way through which you break the evil ones is through prayers. You are not contending with natural forces but supernatural forces. There are some kinds of things that cannot happen in your life, family except through prayers. You change time and season for your life and family through prayers. You don't stop praying until you get the answers to your prayers. Men have always brought into alignment and manifestation the things they desire through prayer.

YOU CAN PRAY EITHER IN YOUR SPIRIT OR IN YOUR UNDER-STANDING

"For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding" 1 Corinthians 14:14-15

Pray in your understanding to address what you are not pleased with, especially in regards to your life, family, relationship, business among others. The opening of your mouth to talk to God is a better way to open your mind to receive from God.

To pray in understanding, simply identify the areas you want to pray for or the things you really desire. Having done this, then burst into prayers. In praying with understanding, there are times you will need to command and make decrees. Family or business related issues do not answer to reasoning alone. There are some issues you can never influence or decide upon until you have prayed through. Evidently, making commands and decrees in prayers make things happen.

In every family there is the good side and a bad side. Wisdom

demands you embrace the good and reject the bad. It is not difficult to achieve success if you are able to deal with that which causes hindrance.

THE END OF YOUR PRAYER SHOULD BE THAT YOU HEARD GOD

We live in a time that many believers joke with prayers. Prayer is not a religious activity but productive-spiritual activity. You cannot know the power of prayers until you begin to pray. The reason men of prayers don't joke with prayers is because they know the power and potency of prayers. He who can pray can influence the visible and invisible.

Jesus told a parable that men always ought to pray and not to faint (Luke 18:1). Do you notice that Jesus said men? In other words, only men can pray! That is the truth. Prayer is designed for men not any other creatures. I hope you know that angels don't pray. The space and privilege of prayer is not given to angels. As long as you are a man, you should be a being of prayers.

Prayer is a communication between a spirit man and Spirit God. It is an organized system created by God for you to make your desire known to Him and pray His will into the earth. It is in prayers that you make the impossible become possible and access the unknown in the world of man. There are no powerful prayers, we only have powerful people that make prayers. Prayers are not powerful but can make power available.

The effective and fervent prayers of a righteous man avail much. That means the prayers of one righteous man is enough to make great things happen in a family, community and nation. Elijah alone prayed and his prayers affected the whole of the nation of Israel. When you pray, you move things and make

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things happen. Your prayer doesn't move God to walk but can move Him to talk. Your prayer also moves things and make things happen. Your prayer also moves you. There is a movement that happens frequently to men given to prayers. It is in prayers you enforce the change you want or desire. You don't get into prayers as a beggar begging God to make things happen for you, but you approach God in prayers confidently knowing that He has promised in His word that if you ask anything He will do it.

Paul the Apostle admonish us that we should pray without ceasing (1 Thess. 5:17). To pray without ceasing is to pray every time we have the opportunity to do so. You can pray much. The easiest way to pray without ceasing effectively is to pray in unknown tongues regularly. You cannot know how powerful you are until you become a person of prayers. It is in prayers that you prevail over all forces of darkness. Whenever things are not going the way you desire, get into prayers and make things happen. Refuse to be sorrowful and discouraged, get into prayers!

The subject of prayers is not new to all men. Yet, it is needful for us to remind ourselves again and again that prayer works. As long as you can pray to the living God, there is nothing that you want that you will not get from Him. Whatever others say is not possible can be turned into possibility through prayer. Praying people are possibility people. All things are possible to him that believe. And if you truly believe, you will pray.

You may never know something is possible until you get into prayers. Other magicians and astrologers said knowing the king's dream wasn't possible, but Daniel believed it was possible. His belief pushed him and his three friends into prayers. What a joy to know that what others said wasn't possible was made

possible by Daniel? But you must remember that Daniel prayed. You must be careful not to permit the opinions or experiences of others to overrule your belief for possibilities. Others may say some things are not possible, you must continually say to yourself and others that impossibility is possible through prayers.

GOD IS A REVEALER OF SECRETS

"He reveals deep and secret things; He knows what is in the darkness, And light dwells with Him" Daniel 2:22

An intelligent mind would have asked, what gave Daniel such audacity to believe that he would know the king's dream without being told? The answer to this question is not farfetched. After God made the king's dream known to Daniel, he got into praising God. It was in his praise utterances that he made known the secret of his audacity and belief in God. Daniel knew that God reveals deep and secret things. To Daniel, nothing is secret to God. He believes that whatever He (God) reveals to someone, He can reveal it to another. It is with this confidence in God that Daniel and his friends approached God in prayers. What a joy to know that God revealed the king's dream to him.

Anytime you are confused or don't know what to do, get into prayers. Be bold to make your request known to God. When everyone, everything or everywhere is going down, you have to hold firm your belief that you will not go down. When the businesses of others are crashing, don't fret. Whatever you fret over will eventually fall on you. The simple way is to deal with such affairs is to get into prayers. As you pray, God will open your eyes to a secret you don't yet know and as such, you will suddenly know what to do. There is always a way out of every no way. There is always a dry land in every red sea. The Israelites

never knew they would walk on dry land when they saw the red sea until they obey the instruction to go forward.

You may not know many things to command possibilities, but if you know about prayers, you will command possibilities. Prayer works! Prayer works wonders that will make you a wonder. Prayer is the secret of my life. Anytime I am confronted with a challenge, I simply get into prayers. Prayers will always grant you access to hidden secrets that is not known to others. As you go ahead in life, you should bear in mind that prayer works and when you are confronted with a challenge, don't fret, simply pray!

ANGELS ARE MINISTERING SPIRITS

Angels are ministering spirits and God's messengers. They are designed to only carry out tasks commanded by God and the saints. It is obvious from Scripture that angels are not designed to enter into dialogue and communion with God. But this is not the case with man. God made man to be a unique creature that will not only commune with Him in prayers, but will also make things happen in prayers.

The early church knew that they might not be in government but they could influence Divine government to interfere in political affairs. The Bible records that constant prayers were made continually for Peter (Acts 12:5). Sure, you know the effect of their prayers – God sent His angels to deliver Peter. If it were to be today, we would send envoys to plead with the political leaders. It is time to get into prayers again and make demands for what we want to see happen even if all natural pointers suggest that it cannot happen.

Just like an angel was sent to rescue Peter by God, when we get into prayers, we will make demands that will eventually compel God to send an angel on mission for our sake. I remember I watched a film few years ago titled "Mission Impossible." I don't like watching movies but had to watch it since I was with other brethren at a program. Of everything in the movie, the only thing that captivated me and I still remember vividly is the title of the movie – Mission Impossible. That suggest to me that when a believer come across anything or affairs that suggest mission impossible, such require prayers.

Luke 1:37 says "For with God, nothing shall be impossible." Do you see that? It was an angel that said that. Angel Gabriel told Mary that with God, nothing shall be impossible. Mission impossible is not with God for nothing (including mission) shall be impossible. You must learn how to turn your impossibility to God. You turn your impossibility to God in prayers. You are not praying to God because you are weak. No! You are simply praying to God because you trust on Him absolutely.

YOU MUST NEVER PERMIT ANYTHING IN LIFE TO HARASS YOU

You don't fight harassment by getting into conversations with parties or people involved, you fight your harassment in prayers.

Acts 12:1 says "Now about that time Herod the king stretched out his hand to harass some from the church"

The above scripture reveals that king Herod stretched his hands and started harassing the early church. As a believer, you must never give in to harassment or intimidation. Your first response to harassment or intimidation should be in prayers.

You may have a weak appearance or might be belittled among men, but one thing is certain, if you can get into prayers, you will always win and rise in life. I have gone through a lot in life – attacks, criticisms, sufferings, etc. I am really grateful to

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God that I discovered the power of prayers early. I discovered from God's word that if I was prayerful, I would be powerful. Whatever is against you should be pushed against God. And there is nothing against God that can defeat Him. The moment you get into prayers and you mention your fears, attacks, criticism to God, you have pushed such against God.

THE EFFECTIVE PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS MAN

The effective prayers of a righteous man can produce great results. Just like the church prayed and Peter was delivered miraculously, I want you to know that regardless of whatever you are going through in life, God is ever ready to save you. Whatever you desire can be made happen in prayers.

You need to move from waiting for things to happen to praying things to happen. The fact is that as you get into prayers, you compel all forces needed for your advancement to obey you. I charge you to stop thinking and crying about how you will get out of your condition, that won't change anything. You should confidently get into prayers and make the solution happen. Great things are happening for you now.

PLANNING WORKS

I want you to know that God is highly intentional with planning.

"Therefore be imitators of God as dear children" Ephesians 5:1

Our God is very intentional and strategic with all He does. He is God, but He understands the essence and importance of planning. Do you think God couldn't have created the universe at once or in a day? Why did God, who is the all-powerful, have to create things and beings one after the other? The reason is simple – He planned everything in order from the beginning to the end.

After God created the heavens and earth, He concentrated on the heavens and perfected it. He left the earth without touching it. This is why the accounts we find in Genesis chapters 1 and 2 are accounts of the earth, not the heavens. After the heavens and the earth were created, He focused on creating and decorating beings and things in the heavens. Angels, the four living creatures, the twenty-four elders were all made before God started creating things on earth. In fact, certain events had taken place in the heavens before God started creating things

and beings on earth. Lucifer and the one third had been cast out of heaven before God came to make light on the first day on earth. That shows that activities were already going on in the heavens for a long time before God came to the earth to start creating things. That is planning.

Obviously, God concentrated on the success of an area before He focused on other areas. He was successful at making heaven beautiful before He came to improve the earth. I believe that our God planned it that way that He would be successful at one before He shifted to the other. Planning gave God a focus of where to work on. Until you set your plans, you cannot be focused.

PRIORITY: A STRATEGY FOR EFFECTIVE PLANNING

Planning is about making detailed arrangements for something you want to do. God does everything by plans. The proof that you have plans is that you set priorities. Priority is about doing things according to their importance. The order of creation – from finishing the worlds in the heavens before concentrating on earth reveals that God is an intelligent planner. A careful examination of God's actions in the beginning reveals that He prioritized focusing on the completion and perfection of heavens before the earth.

The issue with many people is that they want to do everything that comes to their mind once. That is a big trap. They give in to the temptation to act and move based on the flow of the moment. If you don't plan how you intend to live daily, you would live it anyhow and that would cause you to end up anyhow.

The issue with most people is not that they don't plan, it is that they are not disciplined to follow their plans. And that is the reason great things have not happened in the lives of many. After you have planned, whatever comes afterward should fall into

place later except in emergencies. Scripture reveals that God had the intention of creating man right from the beginning before the foundation of the world – that is, before the beginning itself, yet, God did not step out to make man. God always knows what next to be done. If you cannot specifically identify what next to be done and follow it clearly, you are not yet imitating God.

When you wake up daily, you should ask yourself, what do I need to do today? After you identify your task, then, ask yourself again, what do I need to do first, second, third, and so on? The list you write then becomes your plan for the day according to your priority.

You cannot use your time well if you can't plan your time well. Don't just pray to make things happen, you should have plan to make it happen. You must get this straight that seasonal miracles need prayers but daily miracles need planning. If you want miracle daily, you have to plan for it.

WISDOM WILL MAKE YOU PLAN

Faith will make you pray; wisdom will make you to plan. You must have plan for your day. You must have a plan for what you want to do for every hour. You must have a financial plan. Do you have a plan for where you are leading?

Your plan must be on paper. Don't just plan in your brain, you should be wise to put it on paper. The paper on which you write your plans is your second memory. In the advanced world of today, you can draft your plans on your mobile notepad. Don't just plan; follow the plan. I learned early that the paper or notepad on which you put your plans is your second memory while your plan is your supervisor. If you don't have a person to supervise you, then, let your written or typed plans supervise you. All your plans must be timed for it to effectiveness. Any

plans you don't give date or time to is a mere wish.

BE IMITATOR OF GOD

Scripture says we should be imitators of God as dear children (Eph. 5:1). One of the ways through which you imitate God is to ensure you always make plans. Planning makes things happen. In fact, it makes things happen fast.

Yes, you make things happen in prayers but you also need to understand that you make things happen through planning too. Imagine, God doesn't pray to make things happen. If He is to pray, who will He pray to? Of course, nobody. But He plans for that is what intelligence must do. And God is the eternal and superior Intelligence. Joshua 8:2 reveals how God instructed Joshua to lay an ambush for a city. In other words, God was saying, "Joshua, to win this battle, you must form a plan, and the plan is that you should put men behind the city while you come upfront to attack them. So, while the people pursue you forward, those behind would attack and set the city on fire." That is planning. Joshua eventually won. Do you want to win? Then, make a plan today and follow your plan.

Soldiers know that you don't win battles by strength alone but by strategy. In the military, the leaders don't fight, they only strategize for the fighters. Yet, these strategists seemed to be the leaders. I used to think why those doing the real job of fighting will be bossed over by someone who only give instruction but doesn't fight. I later learned that strategy is the real work in warfare. The reason being that one wrong strategy can destroy many strong soldiers. So, whether an army win or not is dependent on strategy not on strength alone.

Strategy simply means planning. To strategize is to plan. It takes strength to continue but strategy to be successful. Those

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who plan are the ones that end up being successful. The plans in your hand or heart is your success in shadows. Therefore, plan diligently.

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FAITH WORKS

"And the apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith. So the Lord said, 'If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." Luke 17:5-6

I really love the account of Luke's gospel for revealing this insight. Actually, fig trees are mulberry trees. While Mark used words familiar to the Jews, Luke wrote with words familiar to the Gentiles. In Mark 11:14, the disciples saw how Jesus spoke to the fig tree and it dried off to the root. Afterward, the account of Mark revealed that Jesus gave spiritual education to his disciples that they could go beyond speaking to fig trees to speaking to mountains. The fact is that Jesus didn't just teach His disciples that; they asked Him a question and He provided an answer.

After the disciples saw what Jesus made happened – how He cursed a tree to wither in less than twenty-four hours, they were astonished and they said to Him that He should increase their faith to the degree of His faith, so that they could also begin to

talk to things and make things happen. So the request of Jesus' disciples was omitted by Mark but Luke was diligent to write about it. The scenario was this – they saw that the tree withered, then, they asked Jesus to increase their faith. Then, Jesus said to them, if they had faith like a mustard seed...The mustard seed is the smallest of all seeds, so, He meant "Even if your faith is small, you can still make something happen."

Another thing about the mustard seed is that it can grow, so he meant "If your faith is a growing faith, you can make things happen." A growing faith is a faith that is put to work regularly. So, Jesus said, "With your little faith, you can speak to the mulberry tree to be removed from where it is and be planted into the sea and the tree would obey you." The question is which tree was Jesus referring to? He was referring to the fig (mulberry) tree He spoke to. What a great insight!

Definitely, if Jesus had said to that tree to be moved into the sea, it might still be in the same location physically the moment Jesus spoke, but it would have moved spiritually. It is believed that by the next day, they would have seen the tree change location and be planted in the sea. That is the power of faith.

Reasoning thinks and makes plans, but faith speaks and make move. You must not just think and plan, you must speak and make move. It takes faith to make things happen. Imagine, the words of your mouth can change the location of a tree. This is the reason you must not talk anyhow or speak negative words to your life or the lives of others. Regardless of what you are going through, there is an ability in you to command, and when you command, whatever you speak to will be compelled to obey you. Remember Jesus said, "the tree shall obey you."

EXERCISE YOUR AUTHORITY

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You need to move away from the level of telling God to remove things from your life, when He has put it in your power to remove them. Many are still telling God to take away their circumstances when God expects them to talk to it. You've got to speak to your finance, family, business, progress, and so on. Speak to them, and they will obey you. Speak positive words over them and declare what you want to see happen. You must know that the moment you speak, it happens spiritually, you may only have to wait for physical manifestation.

You've got to begin to act like God now. When God saw darkness, He declared "Let there be light," and there was light. Begin to speak whatever you desire to see happen and believe that they take place spiritually the moment you speak them.

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THE POWER OF CONFIDENCE

"Therefore do not cast away your confidence which has great reward." Hebrew 10:35

The story of the three Hebrew boys – Shedrach, Meshach and Abed-Nego, is filled with the revelation of confidence in God. The reason many cannot make things happen is because they lack confidence. To be confident is to be sure and certain that something will happen. It is also to trust in the ability of someone.

Those who have confidence definitely have trust in God's ability. The three Hebrews said "If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king." Daniel 3:17. And you know the end of the story God delivered them from the fiery burning fire. Why? Simply because they had confidence in God.

CONFIDENCE IS THE LORD

"Do not be afraid of sudden terror, nor of trouble from the wicked when it comes; For the Lord will be your confidence, And will keep your foot from being caught." Proverbs 3:25-26 Confidence is not just a substance in your heart, confidence is the Lord too. People are afraid of terror and the wicked because the Lord is not their confidence and you see the way the three Hebrews spoke with the king — that was only possible because the Lord was their confidence.

You must say regularly to yourself that the Lord is your confidence. When the Lord becomes your confidence, you will not be fearful. To fear a witch or magical powers is a sign that you have not made the Lord your confidence. The moment the Lord becomes your confidence, you will be able to say like the Hebrew, "My God is able to deliver me."

CONFIDENCE CREATES OPPORTUNITY FOR GOD TO DISPLAY HIS POWER AND MAJESTY

A believer that is intimidated doesn't lack faith, such only lacks confidence. The scripture says that you should not lose your confidence which has a great reward. Confidence in God has reward – the reward is that it makes the unusual to happen. It creates an opportunity for God to display His power and majesty. Do you know that the name of God was later known with the three Hebrews – the God of Shedrach, Meshach and Abed-Nego? Daniel 3:29 says "Therefore I make a decree that any people, nation, or language which speaks anything amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made an ash heap; because there is no other God who can deliver like this." That is a reward that money cannot buy. Also, they were also delivered from the fire.

Another reward was that the king promoted them - Daniel 3:30 says "Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego in the province of Babylon." When you maintain your confidence in the Lord, He will create things that will make you to be

promoted in life.

THE NEXT LEVEL DIMENSION

The next time you are confronted by a challenge, make a bold declaration of your trust in the ability of God. When you show your confidence in God, God will in turn show you His power. One of the ways to get God's attention is to boast on behalf of God. Boasting on behalf of God distinguishes you from every other person in the universe. Say words that show you believe in God and in His majesty. Declare the words and make it evident that God is on your side. As you go about your daily activities, look for opportunities to make bold declarations of your confidence in the Lord. People may say you are foolish, but it will be obvious to them in the end that you are not.

THE UNIQUENESS OF COUNSEL

Why do people fall? Many fall because they lack counsel. God wants you to make things happen. And one of the ways through which He empowers men to make things happen is counsel. Proverbs 11:14 says "where there is no counsel the people fall; but in the multitude of counselors there is safety." It is insightful to see that counsel can save a people from falling. Obviously, the reason many fall was because there was no counsel.

To fall is to fail, lose something or miss an opportunity. Scripture reveals to us that a person or people may avoid failure or missing an opportunity through counsel. To fall in life is to be relegated to the back. I love the way the Message Bible puts it. It says "Without good direction, people lose their way; the more wise counsel you follow, the better your chances." Proverbs 11:14.

Counsel is a form of advice that gives direction, guidelines, recommendation, enlightenment, caution and warning. Whoever despises counsel will soon be cancelled. From the Message Bible, we see that counsel is good direction. It says without good direction; people lose their way. So, to fall is to lose your way.

Definitely, counsel keeps people on their path and stabilizes their progress on their way. Wise counsel brings great chances. Some counsel will guide you while some will warm you.

THE VOICES OF COUNSEL

A main lesson I learned early in life is to identify the voices of counsel in my life. Everybody shouldn't counsel you. There are some people whose counsel is filled with wickedness. Proverbs 12:5 says "The thoughts of the righteous are right, But the counsels of the wicked are deceitful." You must not listen to wicked counselors. Psalm 1:1-2 reveals that "Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; But his delight is in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night." There are ungodly people in the world whose counsel you must not listen to.

Let me clarify this question. Can an unbeliever counsel a believer? The answer is yes. When the Bible says you should not walk in the counsel of the ungodly, it doesn't mean you shouldn't listen to unbelievers. If you have an unbeliever as your boss, you better listen to his dictate if you don't want to be fired. The only situation you are not permitted to listen to an unbeliever is if the counsel or words of such will push you to act contrary to God's word.

The ungodly is anyone that will make you despise God and His ways. The fact is that an unbeliever can counsel a believer on certain matters. I know some people are cynical and may disagree with me. Some may even say that rather than listen to an unbeliever, you should ask the Holy Spirit to counsel you. Well, that's good. But there's nowhere it's stated that you should not listen to unbelievers. Let me give an example,

if a post graduate student runs his PhD program and has an unbeliever as his supervisor, will such not listen to the counsel of his supervisor? If the supervisor guides on how to go about the thesis, definitely he has no options but to heed the advice. You must bear in mind that David had Ahitophel as his counselor. The family history of Ahitophel reveals that he came from a background where sorceries were practiced. Yet, that man was part of David's advisers.

THE GREATEST COUNSEL

The greatest counsel everyone should yearn for is the counsel of the Lord. One counsel from God will cancel all your confusion. Counsels will always assassinate confusion. When you are confused or in a state you don't know what to do, simply go to the Lord in prayers. David said "I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel; my heart also instructs me in the night seasons" Psalm 16:7. Do you see that the Lord can give you counsel?

God doesn't only give instruction, He also gives counsel. So, when the Lord wants you to make things happen, He gives you counsel. Psalm 73:24 says "You will guide me with your counsel, and afterwards receive me to glory." The Lord guides His children to make things happen and He also does that through His counsel. When you are counseled by the Lord, you are guided by Him. When the Lord wants to guide you, He will either counsel or instruct you. I cherish the counsel of the Lord so much.

Many times when I want to embark on certain projects, the Lord will wake me up at midnight and speak to me. He gives counsel (right direction) of how to do it. And the joy is that all His counsels always work out. You can't be counseled and be confused. That's not possible.

COUNSEL COMES THROUGH MEN

Counsel also comes from men. Proverbs 20:5 says "Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water, but a man of understanding will draw it out." You must know how to get wise people to speak good advice to you. How you draw good advice out of a person is through questions. If you don't know how to ask questions, you don't know how to draw out counsel in the heart of a man.

When you want to make things happen, there is an advice you can receive from a man that can make that thing happen. Having plans are not enough, you need to add counsel to your plans. Planning comes from you, counsel comes from another. Proverbs 15:22 says "without counsel, plans go awry, but in the multitude of counselors they are established." It is counsel that establishes good plans. Counsel adds warning and guidelines to your plans and as such, it will be established. That's why Proverbs 20:18 says "Plans are established by counsel; by wise counsel wage war." Do you see that? Your plans may not go as planned until you are counseled.

Scripture says by wise counsel wage war. This shows that counsel is a weapon of war. To be counseled either by the Lord or man is to be given the weapon of victory. When people are contending with you, there is a counsel you will get that will grant you victory.

Sometimes, you need to seek advice before you get it. When you listen to the advice of others, you are picking the brain of others. Anyone that advice you has shown you a favor. Receiving advice from people is a sign that you have obtained favor with man. Counsel will not tell you what to do but how to do it.

CONSISTENCY: THE RULE OF THE GAME IN MAKING THINGS HAPPEN

Proverbs 4:18 says "But the path of the just is like a shinning sun, that shines ever brighter unto the perfect day."

Consistency is the key breakthrough. Consistency is also the way out of stagnation. No success will come to your direction if you are not consistent. We are not designed for one level of success; we are designed for regular success.

The fact is that consistency is not a product of convenience but of conviction. You can't the consistent on something you are not convinced about. And for your path to shine brighter and brighter, you must be consistent today and tomorrow.

There are certain places you see the word "continue" in the scripture. Paul told the Colossian believers that they should "Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving" Colossians 4:2. What Paul simply meant was that they should be consistent in prayers. Paul also told Timothy to be ready in season and out of season (2 Timothy 4:2). Until you are consistent with certain actions every season, you can't see

certain results every season. There are places in scriptures that you also see the word "always" Obviously, the word always reveals that you should be consistent.

Certain words that shows consistency are – always, continue, be instant, and so on. Many are stagnant because they stopped something they used to do. When you don't continue in action, you can't continue in progress. Few years ago, I discovered that I was not consistent with progress. It is was though, I would make progress this season and for about six month, I would stagnate. It was later I learned that the progress of this season were results of the consistency in actions last season.

For example, if God wants you to reach a point, let's say point B, but you decide to stand at a particular point A consistently, there is no measure of fasting and prayer that would take you to point B if you refuse to take physical steps to move from point A. Even if the most anointed preacher on earth lays hands on you, prophesies and commands you to move, and you refuse to move, you cannot reach point B. This is life. Until progress is consistent, making things happen is not guaranteed.

If you want to reach where God wants you to reach, you must keep making moves, taking steps, changing positions; you must keep on making sure that at least every single day of your life, you move forward in the right direction. Every single day, you must learn something you never knew before and take an action you have never taken before. When your action is consistent, your progress will be consistent.

Occasional actions lead to occasional progress. You don't make things happen by doing things occasionally. You've got to be consistent. Wisdom demands that you find out what you should be consistent with to produce the results you desire. Don't just wake up daily and dress for work. Find out

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and ask yourself, what do I need to do today that will bring accomplishment to me?

THE REWARD SYSTEM FOR CONSISTENCY

It will get to your turn if you don't stop. Life will call you to platform if you don't give up. Greatness will reward you if you subscribe to consistency. A step today and another step tomorrow will lead you to the desired destination. Consistency of thinking won't make things happen for you. It is consistency of doing that makes things happen. You've got to move from thinking to doing and from doing back to thinking consistently to continue making advance.

When your path shines brighter and brighter, you have to be ready to move on that path. Consistency is the rule of the game in making things happens. If you are not consistent, you can never be a prize winner.

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DISCIPLINE

"Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air. But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified" 1 Corinthians 9:26-27

Paul revealed that he disciplined his body and brings it under subjection. This is the verse that delivered me from afternoon sleep. I used to sleep in the afternoon. But one day, I saw that I must not permit my body to have all its desire. I must not permit my body to sleep anytime it wanted to sleep. From that time, I always force my body to work.

Lazy people are those who are extremely undisciplined. You can't be disciplined and not be effective with work. In fact, you can't be consistent if you are not disciplined. It takes discipline to be consistent.

To be disciplined is to be consistent with actions and work even when you don't feel like. When you don't feel like doing something, but eventually did it, you have just demonstrated discipline.

Discipline is the ability to put your body under in other to achieve a set goal. Discipline is a force that ensures you finish all you planned. Discipline is the capability that solves all difficult works of life. Nothing becomes great only by hard work, greatness is much more a function of hard work and discipline. Hard work gets to work, but discipline continues with the task until the work results in success.

Nothing is impossible where discipline is still breathing. There is always a way out when discipline is still leading the way. Show me a disciplined man and I will point to a possibility personality in a seemingly impossibility situation. Discipline is the beginner; Discipline is a finisher. Everybody can go to rest, but not discipline. Discipline says until today's task is complete, rest will never be tolerated.

THE REWARD SYSTEM FOR DISCIPLINE

The top is for disciplined people. Discipline will make things happen for you. I have learned that discipline makes success and progress happen gradually. There are days I will be in study for ten hours. I don't enjoy sitting many times but I had to discipline myself to do it. There are other days I would be in prayers for hours. One day, a dear brother told me he can't be an apostle if apostles are expected to pray the way I pray. Actually, I guess he noticed I prayed for more than eleven hours that day. But the fact is that it takes discipline and the help of the Spirit to be in prayers for long like that. Discipline will make you enjoy doing what others complain about.

If you have to be supervised rigorously before you carry out your task, then, you are not disciplined. Discipline will make you to take responsibility seriously without being monitored

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The reward of discipline is that you achieve your goals as planned or desired. Discipline imparts on you a *do it spirit* which eventually make you a success.

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BE A VISIONARY

"then the Lord answered me and said: "Write the vision and make it plain on tablets, That he may run who reads it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry." Habakkuk 2:2-3

I have learned that no vision equals wrong actions while wrong vision equals wrong destination. Every vision is a future in picture. You cannot get into the future you didn't see. You have to see it before you enter into it. How can you make happen what you didn't see? You have to employ the force of vision to make things happen.

Vision is the ability to see what to do in your imagination. Vision goes first before planning and actions follows. You can't enter into the future you didn't see ahead. Every person is a leader in his or her own vision. Ability to see ahead of others is what positions you to lead others.

There are four kinds of people in the world: First, there are those who never seem to be aware that things are happening around them. Second, there are those who ask, 'what just happened'. Third, there are those who watch others make things happen. Fourth, there are those who make things happen. When you discover your vision, it will give you energy and passion. Vision influences the way you conduct your entire life, such as what you spend your time and money on and what your priorities are. It is vision that makes you identify all God has given you. It through vision that you know what God has marked out for you to do. No vision, no action. No vision, no future. You can't see what to be done and not know how to make it happen.

LIFT UP YOUR EYES

Genesis13:14 says "And the Lord said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him: "Lift your eyes now and look from the place where you are - northward, southward, eastward and westward;"

God was trying to educate Abraham to deploy his imagination to capture his future. All that your vision can grasp according to the scripture above is yours. God does not determine your future; your vision determines your future. So, your vision is your limit; wherever your vision stops, that is where you will stop. Lift up your eyes to the world and catch a vision because vision creates the future.

What do you want to make happen in your life, you've got to see it ahead? Do you want to make a business happen? See it ahead. Do you want to brand a product? See ahead. You must ask yourself to find out what you want to make happen in the next five years. What do you see yourself creating? That is what you will make happen.

You should use your inner eyes more than your optical eyes. You should see more with your imagination than with your physical eyes. God didn't give you a vision to think on, but to

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run with. Many who have received vision about twenty years ago have not started because they are still planning and praying about the vision. The moment you get a vision, you should pray, plan and run with it. All vision delivers because we decided to run with it.

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"Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets." Matthew 7:12

What you make happen for others, God will make happen for you. In the above text, Jesus simply meant that whatever you want some other people elsewhere (either known or unknown) to do to you, you should do it first for some people. Making things happen for others today is the seed you sow for others to make things happen for you tomorrow.

If you want others to arise for your help regularly, ensure you arise for the help of others. If you want God to raise people to give to you always, ensure you start giving to people you know always. You should never expect others to do things for you when you have never done things for others. It's impossible to receive attention from others when you don't give attention to those around you.

One time, a brother told me he had not eaten for two days

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because he lacked money. I only had a thousand naira in my account, so I went to the bank to withdraw the money. The stress I went through at the bank was even much. I queued for about fifty minutes to withdraw at the ATM stand. I queued for another two hours at the deposit stand to get the money across to the brother. I had no money on me that day but I had to trek from the bank to my house. It distance was long, but I endured it. That's what I made happened for that man. Today, God has raised many people that can make things happen for me even if it will inconvenient them. It's not just by favor, but I had also done something in the past for some people. Do you see that now!

I heard of a pastor who decided that all the guest ministers they invited for a particular program must fly Business class. They church finance as at then could only sponsor the economy class. But he insisted that they must make it happen and honor all the guests well. And that's what they did. Few days after, he and his wife were to travel to a city for a program, then, somebody came to ask if he had bought the ticket. He responded, yes. The person confirmed it was economy and he said, "Pastor, you should not enter economy again." And that's it. The person bought the business class tickets for the pastor and his wife. Do you see that? Just as that pastor made it happened for those ministers, God raised another person to make it happen for him.

There are things you can't do yourself. God has to raise somebody or some people that will do it for you. If you want God to use someone or some people for you, permit Him to use you for some people first. Things will always happen in your life, when you step out to make it happen for others.

YOU WILL ALWAYS NEED THE RIGHT PEOPLE

"Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: See, I have called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah. And I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, to design artistic works, to work in gold, in silver, in bronze, in cutting jewels for setting, in carving wood, and to work in all manner of workmanship. And I, indeed I, have appointed with him Aholiab the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan; and I have put wisdom in the hearts of all the gifted artisans, that they may make all that I have commanded you" Exodus 31:1-6

From the above scripture, God wanted Moses to do something but Moses didn't have the skill to do it. The Lord brought the right people into the task so that Moses could perform the assignment given to him. Moses was not the one that got those workers, God was the one that brought them Himself. The first person brought was the man called Bezalel. God appointed subsequently Aholiab and other gifted Artisans.

You cannot make things happen without the right people. Right people are instrumental to the fulfillment of great things. The reason many struggle to accomplish certain things they wanted to do was not because they lack certain resources but was because they lacked certain relationship. If you have the resources and have the wrong people, nothing will be done. If you have little resources and have the right people, you can still make things happen. You can see clearly that God provided Moses with the right people.

In the life of each individual and on the path of everyone, God will always arrange certain people our way that will be instrumental to making things happen in our lives. If you want to do something, God has a way of strategically positioning certain people in your life that will be instrumental in accomplishing that thing. If you want to become something, God has a way of strategically positioning certain people in your life that will be instrumental for your becoming that person. There are some people who can lift your hand up. There are some people that will always be there for you to give you the right counsel, resources, strategy, support you need. These are the right people you need in your life.

CHARACTER WILL SUSTAIN THE RIGHT PEOPLE IN YOUR LIFE

In an attempt to make things happen you must be conscious of the fact that things will not happen in your life without the presence of the right people. Having vision is not enough, you need the right people to come your way.

When you have these right people in your life you have to be very sensitive to keep them. The thing that can easily chase away the right people out of your life is your character. However, character will sustain the right people in your life. You have to work on your character. Your character can chase away the good people you have in your life.

YOU NEED A TEAM

The right people refers to a team of people. Whether you like it or not, you will always need a team to build your dream. Many want to accomplish a dream but don't know how to work with a team.

In having the right team, you have to know that everybody will not think, behave, talk like you. You have to be able to cope with the differences of people. Your ability to be able to cope with the differences of everyone will sustain everybody in your life.

You need the character to bear with individual differences in your team. This understanding will help to sustain in your life people that will always be there for you to make things happen in your life. You should be sensitive to right people God has positioned in your life.

BEWARE OF TALEBEARERS

Be careful of the following kind of people – talebearers. They have a way of pulling down things you want to make happen in your life. There are certain things that will happen in your life that must be kept secret. Never bring into the circle of making things happen anyone that cannot keep secret. You need those people who can keep secret.

The impossible becomes possible when you work it out in secret. So, you need people who can keep secret. A talebearer should not be involved in certain things you want to do. If you do these things you will accomplish things speedily.

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Do you want to make things happen in your life? Walk with the right people, talk with the right people, listen to them and you will make things happen.

PREPARATION

"The horse is prepared for the day of battle, but deliverance is of the Lord" Proverbs 21:31

For the above scripture, we see that there is need to prepare for the battle before you go to the battlefield. The battlefield is not a place for preparation. John the Baptist was in the desert until the day of his manifestation to Israel. What was he doing in the desert? He was simply in the desert for preparation. There is always a prepared place meant for the preparation of prepared people.

The prepared place for the preparation of John the Baptist was the desert. Many people are so eager for manifestation neglecting preparation. You will always need to prepare yourself for any kind of manifestation you want. To make things happen in your life, you cannot joke with preparation.

GET YOURSELF READY FOR THE BATTLE

Even to win battle, you need to prepare for the battle before you embark on the battle. You don't see an army doing training

on the battle field. Many have lost in life because they started preparing when the battle of life hit them. They didn't prepare ahead.

"The horse is prepared for the day of battle, but deliverance is of the Lord" Proverbs 21:31

Deliverance is of the Lord but you still need to prepare. You have to get yourself ready for the battle you want to win. For you make things happen in life, you have to be prepared. God works with prepared people.

OPPORTUNITY AND PREPARATION

Opportunity comes to prepared people. If you are not prepared you will not recognize opportunity when it comes. The reason some don't recognize opportunity is because they are not prepared. Lack of preparation will cause you to see an opportunity as a problem. When you are fully prepared, you will see the opportunity in every problem and circumstances that comes your way. You cannot make things happen in your life if you don't prepare.

For instance, in a church setting, the choir that renders the best rendition didn't just gather on Sunday to sing, there will be flaw. For every wonderful music performance lies preparation by the musicians. There will always be need for preparation. Good sermons are products of preparation. You cannot make great things happen in your life when you are not prepared.

IMITATE THE ANTS

"The ants are a people not strong, Yet they prepare their food in the summer." Proverbs 30:25

The ants are not strong yet they understand the power of preparation. The ants gather their food in a season and when

another season comes that they cannot go out again, they feed to whatever they have gathered in the previous month. People want great results in their life but don't want to prepare.

Preparation will cause you sleepless night rest. You don't see a student that want to pass an examination and not fully prepared. Those who have long success are those who prepare long ahead before the day of the performance comes forth.

Preparation comes before performance. If you go for performance without preparation you may end in shame and dishonor. When you are fully prepared, you will be amazed at the things that will happen. Those who often prepare are those who end up making great things happen. On the path to making great things happen, you have to prepare.

QUESTIONS FOR EFFECTIVE PREPARATION

Here are the questions you have to ask yourself among others:

- A. How many days, weeks do I need to prepare?
- B. For how long do I need to prepare?
- C. What are things I need for preparation?
- D. Do I need to read some books or enroll for a professional training or course?
 - E. Can I get a mentor to put me through?

If you are not prepared, you may end up in shame and dishonor. The place of preparation is doing the needful to ensure you make things happen. If you don't do the needful, nothing great will manifest in your life.

THE RIGHT ATMOSPHERE

"Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful" Psalms 1:1

From the above text, the word path of sinners and seat of the scornful represent atmosphere. If you want to make things happen, you must be such that understand the power of right atmosphere.

Atmosphere affects what you do. Atmosphere refers to an environment and gathering of people. You cannot make things happen in the wrong atmosphere. In a place where you have people full of envy or jealousy you must not dwell in such atmosphere. If you find yourself in such atmosphere, you have to be very deliberate with your move and decision in that atmosphere.

Right atmosphere is a major determinant of your growth. If you want a favorable outcome in your life, you must ensure you are always in the right place. One major aspect of your atmosphere is the people you associate with, the friends you keep, the people you give ear to listen to, people you commit responsibility to or the people you deliberately plan with among others. All of these things are found in your atmosphere.

When your atmosphere is not correct, whatever you attempt to make happen will be affected. This cut across all spheres of life – business, ministry, organization among others. Imagine a business environment where you are expecting more customers and clients, you have to treat people well so as to get their attention. However, one worker with a bad character can do something that can pollute the atmosphere. On member of staff can behave in a certain way that will make customers and clients see all members of staff in such organization as disrespectful people or individuals full of dishonor.

Bad atmosphere affects people. If you want to go far in life, you must be such that understand the power of right atmosphere. Do you want to make advancement in life? Then, be such individual that learn how to control your atmosphere. Don't let the atmosphere control you. Only permit the right atmosphere to control you.

YOU ARE AN ATMOSPHERE YOURSELF

Your thinking world is your atmosphere. Your mind is an atmosphere. What others will find in your life or around you is a function of an atmosphere. If you are not intentional with certain things, you may end up having a bad atmosphere. Atmosphere affects people. If you want to make great things happen in your life, you have to be such that create the right atmosphere.

There are people whose presence in a place can change the movements and rhythm of the environment. Are you such a

person whose presence speaks excellence, honor, creativity, vision and prosperity. Whatever people see around your life is a reflection of your atmosphere. If I can listen to you for five minutes, I can predict the atmosphere you carry. The way you coordinate or organize things can determine the atmosphere you carry. You have to move away from taking spontaneous actions to taking intentional actions. If you are intentional with excellence and honor, you will create an atmosphere for it. And every time people come in contact with you, they come in contact with your atmosphere.

WHAT ARE THE RIGHT ATMOSPHERE YOU CAN CREATE?

- A. Create an atmosphere of comfort.
- B. Create an atmosphere of hard work.
- C. Create an atmosphere of excellence.
- D. Create an atmosphere for loyalty.
- E. Create an atmosphere of peace.
- F. Create an atmosphere of appreciation.
- G. Create an atmosphere for reward.

If you don't to create an atmosphere for something, you cannot make things happen. So, things only happen in the right atmosphere. On the path to making great things happen, be such that create the right atmosphere.

Atmosphere are created when you institutionalize what you want to see happen regularly. You don't only state what, you have to state how. For example, a leader who wants to create an atmosphere for honor should find a way of repeating it in the hearing of the followers or workers that honor is a priority. Whatever you want others to do, you should be the example yourself. To create an atmosphere for punctuality, you have to be punctual yourself.

RECOGNIZE OPPORTUNITY

"I returned and saw under the sun that— The race is not to the swift, Nor the battle to the strong, Nor bread to the wise, Nor riches to men of understanding, Nor favor to men of skill; But time and chance happen to them all." Ecclesiastes 9:11.

You have to know that what bring great result is that opportunity meets preparation. If you are preparing, consistent and hardworking, you will be skilled at recognizing opportunity. Sometimes, some opportunity will not come, you have to create it. Those who have mastered how to create opportunity through their consistent actions will always make things happen.

Joseph could not have interpreted the king's dream if there was no opportunity for him. On the path to making things happen, certain events, problems or difficulty will happen that only you would be able to solve. You must be consistent with preparation. Whether you like it or not, you need opportunity. The advancement and the progress you are about to make is a function of certain opportunity that have come your way. You need more opportunities.

THE DUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY

There is the God side to creating opportunity. There is the man side to creating opportunity. The God side to creating opportunity makes happen what you cannot create yourself. The God side is what you cannot make happen yourself.

The human side is what you can make happen yourself. Your character can create opportunity for you. The value you contribute to a place or people can create opportunity for you. Your loyalty can create opportunity for you. I know of some people that the reason they are leaders was because of their loyalty. Certain responsibilities are committed to them that are not given to others. Certain things are shared with them that other people don't have access to.

Loyalty has a way of creating opportunity. When those opportunities are created, you will be able to make things happen because certain opportunities are given to them. We can all be in the same place together but didn't have equal opportunity. One of the ways you make opportunity happen is through contribution. Everyone that has contributed to the advancement of a place or other people will always be a master in the art of making things happen. If you always contribute things regularly, you will be such that make things happen. Opportunity comes your way to make things happen.

USING WHAT YOU HAVE

You have to understand that there is something God has given you. However, people lose what they have because they don't pay attention to what they have. To make things happen, you don't need all you think you need. You need all you have now. The frustrating part is when you get to a point you cannot recognize what you have. This can be very frustrating. Never get to point that you don't recognize what you have.

DON'T BE CARRIED AWAY WITH WHAT OTHER PEOPLE HAVE

You must be very conscious of the things you have. Your understanding needs to be opened daily for you to know what you have. You have something that other people don't have. However, with what you have, you can make things happen in life.

Many people don't make things happen because they taught they need what other people have. Never be carried away with what other people have to the extent that you despise or neglect the things that you have. The things that you have are capable enough to make things happen for you. Thank God for what other people have but you should be aware of what you have. Don't be blinded to the things you have.

PEOPLE AND RESOURCES ARE WHAT YOU HAVE NOW

There are people in your life now that if only you can recognize them for who they are, you can make certain things happen. There are certain resources you have now, if only you can know how to utilize them well you will be able to make things happen.

Sometimes, you have to stop thinking of how to get what you don't yet have, you have to shift your mind to start focusing on how to recognize the things you have and how to utilize them. God's favor often come through who or what you have. Whatever or whoever you have now is a channel to receive all you don't yet have.

PLACES AND CONNECTION ARE YOUR OPPORTUNITY

The fact is that you have access to some places and have some connections. If only you cherish those connections, access and know how to leverage on them, you can make things happen.

People struggle to make things because they think they need to get what other people have gotten. You have to understand that as long you are different; you may not need the same thing to make the same thing happen. You can think and be more creative to the extent that you realize that you have all you need.

WHAT DO YOU HAVE?

You will never get to that point when you don't have something to make things happen. Elisha asked the wife of the

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prophet what do you have? She responded that she has nothing, whereas she has a jar of oil at home. However, with that jar of oil, she could make things happen. The woman was not aware that she has something. She despised what she had. God saw that there is something she had that can be a blessing to her.

Don't despise what you have now. What you have now can be the things you need to get all you need now. If you need connection to some certain places, those connections will happen through the connections you already have now.

If you want to build certain things, you have to know that all you have now can get you the resources you need. You get partners through your friends and your friends are currently in your life now. Pay attention to what you have now.

START WHERE YOU ARE

"Though your beginning was small, Yet your latter end would increase abundantly." Job 8:7

It must be understood that God is not concern about how you start or where you start from. God's focus is your end. God's focus is the end not the beginning.

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope" Jeremiah 29:11

God's main concern is that in the path to making things happen, start where you are and start with what you have. On the path, you will get the end intended for you.

Many people have not started because they don't understand how God works. Many are not contended. Many don't understand the law of motion which says until you move nothing else moves.

Nothing will happen in your life if you don't start where you are. It is not about I want to be this, you have to start where

you are. If you want to have a business that will reach out to the whole world, start where you are.

There is no crime in starting small. Starting small doesn't mean you are small, it only shows that you have taken steps. In fact, the law of boundless limits says those who start small are the ones that have the potential to big bigger and remain bigger. I have learned that starting small imparts a dream more, do more, grow more spirit on you. Often, those who start big are at the detriment of arrival mentality. It is not wrong to start big, but if you cannot afford the resources to start big, then, start small and keep dreaming of becoming bigger.

START FROM WHERE YOU ARE

I once heard a word that goes thus "think globally but start locally." Your move should have a global taste. However, you don't wait till you go round the whole world, you have to start where you are. Some people just need to make the decision to move from waiting to starting. If you continue waiting till you have all you need, you may remain waiting forever.

The law of the beginning says you should start from where you are. Do you have the vision to start anything? You will indeed make it happen if you can start from where you are. If you don't start from where you are, you may not make it happen. You have to stop wishing to start and make your move to start.

Wishing or dreaming will not start anything, it is making the move to start that makes things happen. Whatever has been placed in your heart you should start. The reason many have not started is because they don't understand they have to start where they are. As you aim at some things you have to start from where you are.

The moment you start from where you are, the resources you

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need will come your direction. It may not come immediately, but with your consistency and focus, it will come. However, until you start, nothing will move to your direction. Start from where you are and with consistency you will see great things happening in your life.

OBEDIENCE

Scripture says "So Samuel said: "Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams" 1 Samuel 15:22.

Every time you obey divine instruction, something come to pass or happen. Obedience to God's instruction will always make things happen in your life. You have to stop wishing to obey. You have to be deliberate, intentional to obey. God will not come and take the place of obedience in your life. You have to obey.

God will not tell you to do what you don't have the ability to do. God will not teach you to obey what He has not empowered you to obey. Whatever instruction you are given to carry out, God has given you the power to obey.

OBEY YOUR LEADERS

In this path of leadership, obedience is needed and essential on your part. When your leader instructs you to do some things, you must ensure you don't complain. You just have to yield to it. Step out to perform such instruction given by your leader.

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Your leader knows that you have the ability to do such things that is the reason he committed such responsibility or work to you.

Only a foolish leader commits responsibility to individuals who have no capacity to do it. The moment you are given an instruction by your leader, you have to know that the action to execute it starts immediately. You cannot make things happen if you delay obedience.

The moment you receive an instruction, boldly step out to take action on it. Response and action are signs of obedience. The moment you obey an instruction; things begin to happen effortlessly. It is in the end you will be amazed how things happen. One step to an instruction shortens the journey. One step reduces the largeness of an instruction. Instruction may look impossible but it is by your obedience that you turn the impossibility to possibility. Make the move to ensure that whatever you are instructed, you obey

The question you should ask now goes thus "what was the last instruction God gave me? If you can recognize that instruction, obey it now. Ensure you identify the instruction God gives you now. Ensure you identify what God is telling you now. Ensure you obey and step out to take the necessary move.



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