

Prophecy:

*Make I alone Mighty! Make I alone Mighty. Eat! Eat! Eat of Me and Make I alone mighty! Let your mind know that I am mighty! Eat strong meat and know that I am Mighty. For I have given you mine all and I want your all. I care for all your needs. I care! I care! And I know! Leave all and come unto Me. Man Eat! Man Learn! Man learn and eat of Me and Make I **alone** Mighty! All I care is of you to make I alone Mighty. Man buy of Me. Isaiah 55:1-3. 1 Kings 19:5-8.*

Exhortation from Sis Bukola

What God is doing in these days is beyond all of us. What He wants from us is absolute trust and utter dependence on Him and a willingness to follow Him wherever He leads; these are key tools needed for this journey. His house (His Church) was be built with the right material and it will be a solid structure. He will raise ministries which He will use to build His house. *Ephesians 4:11-16*. Jesus spoke of two houses in a parable, *Matthew 7:24-27*; One built on sand and one on solid rock.

Isaiah 54 is instructive. It shows a people that look deserted, termed barren, like a waste land, but in the midst of this, the Lord is doing a great work.

*For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee. O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, and not comforted, behold, I will lay thy stones with fair colours, and lay thy foundations with sapphires. And I will make thy windows of agates, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones. Isaiah 54:10-12 [Kjv] And all your [spiritual] sons will be disciples [of the Lord], And great will be the ^{the} well-being of your sons. You will be firmly established in righteousness: You will be far from [even the thought of] oppression, for you will not fear, And from terror, for it will not come near you. If anyone fiercely attacks you it will not be from Me. Behold, they may gather together and stir up strife, but it is not from Me. Whoever stirs up strife against you shall fall and surrender to you. Behold, I have created the smith who blows on the fire of coals and who produces a weapon for its purpose; and I have created the devastator to destroy. But no weapon that is formed against you shall prosper, and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall show to be in the wrong. **This [peace, righteousness, security, triumph over opposition] is the heritage of the servants of the Lord [those in whom the ideal Servant of the Lord is reproduced]; this is the righteousness or the vindication which they obtain from Me [this is that which I impart to them as their justification], says the Lord. Isaiah 54:13-16 [Amp].***

This house consists of people who have **chosen** not to give themselves to frivolities, because the ideal servant of the Lord shall be formed in them, this is their desire. It is a choice we make every single day. Not because we want anything from Him, because before we even asked, He gave us the best thing He has, so it doesn't make sense to worry about anything. *Romans 8:32, Matthew 6:25-34*. They choose to follow God and show affection for Him by delighting in anything that has to do with Him in simplicity and sincerity. They have recognized God as their only inheritance. *Psalms 16:5, Psalm 17:14-15*. They choose to live in the light of eternity and denounce this world and all that it has to offer. *Colossians 3:1-4, Galatians 6:14*.

Bro Tolu – Death swallowed up by life

“For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life”. 2 Corinthians 5:4

This is a reality not just for the end, but a reality we should live and walk in daily, that everything answering to death be swallowed up by life. The life of the flesh is in the blood. *Leviticus 17:11*. In the story of the overcomers in *Revelations 12:11*, it is interesting to note that the first thing mentioned as a tool for their overcoming is the blood of the lamb. We tend to think in the context of attaining which, subtly or unsubtly, attributes a non-trivial portion of the victory to our effort and choice, even though we often say ‘by the grace of God’. It will humble you and reshape your perception of these overcomers when you see that the first element of their victory is the blood of the lamb. If we consider that the life of the flesh is in the blood, there are many ways to which we can apply the blood. One of the ways is seeing it as the ultimate sacrifice that annuls all sacrifices, *Zechariah 9:11-12*, like the passage says: *But thus saith the LORD, Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered. Isaiah 49:25*. It then doesn't matter what ever right with which one is in bondage. Looking at revelations 12, we see that the licence (place) of the enemy in the heaven was removed. So in that case, we know regardless of whatever the enemy has as a hold, Jesus set all free at the cross. These are truths we should gather and store like the ant. *Proverbs 6:6-9*. All these truths we keep will keep us in the night hour Jesus spoke off, where no man can work. *John 9:4, Ephesians 6:13*.

Another dimension of using the blood could be from the passage that says: *In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. John 1:4-5*. In that way we can use the blood against any form of darkness, knowing that the Life of God (symbolized in His Blood) dispels all darkness. Another dimension also is the case of death being swallowed up by life. If we understand that the life of the flesh is in the blood and we have access to His blood, by faith and that the blood of Jesus constitutes a key element for anyone that will make up that category of overcomers; we must overcome by the blood. If we are to do so, **we must understand many ways which we can apply the blood, all by faith**. To know how death is swallowed up by life, we should first know what death is: *For the wages of sin is death; Romans 6:23a*. There are many ways the enemy works, He can even hype us to the point we feel too spiritual that we feel we have passed the level of understanding the basics, like the blood . We can never out do the blood, we must always use principles in the word, applying the blood to overcome.

Another dimension of using the blood is in the aspect of resurrection, perpetual resurrection. The provision whereby you are able to return is the concept of resurrection. You must be on guard to apply this principle per second. The reason why you can maintain holiness and stay ‘in the zone’ is not in your strength. You must be able to apply certain principles to maintain constancy, the provision for constancy is provided in resurrection. Resurrection is not just when you are overly dead, even in the shadows of death, we need to invoke the principle resurrection and bounce back. There is often a lag that delays/ prevents us from resurrecting, that is the ministry of Satan, aka the accuser of the brethren, *Revelation 12:11*. He aims to stop us from applying the very provision that are readily available in Christ, *Isaiah 54:17*.

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We found ourselves in the similitude of death from Adam, *1 Corinthians 15:22*. If we find it easy to accept that we were sinners because of Adam, why is it often difficult that we accept the fact that righteousness has

been conferred on us in Christ Jesus? If we understand this, then we can boldly condemn the lying tongue of the enemy. In maintaining constancy in this righteousness, there is the need for speedy and frequent invoking of the principle of resurrection.

The angels at the tomb asked a question to the women: *Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen: Luke 24:5-6a.* Seeing the truth of the provision of life, even the resurrection life, it is wrong to expect to find those who ought to be enjoying this life among the dead. But thank God for the Lord Jesus Christ who knew this power of God as spoken of in *Ephesians 1:17-19*, and stood by it and in it by faith and as such, though He was dead, He lived. *Proverbs 21:16* says; *The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead.* Now as we have seen our fore runner do, we should have the eyes of our understanding enlightened to know amongst all things the exceeding greatness of His power manifested in the resurrection of Jesus from the depth of hades to a place far above all heavens. *Ephesians 4:8-10.* If the eyes of our understanding were enlightened, we'd appreciate that such power is available, like an infinite bank account of resurrection life.

The issue is that we focus on ourselves. Considering the account of the angel and Joshua in Zechariah 3, Satan was trying to point to Joshua's filthy garment and the angel replied "*The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?*" *Zechariah 3:2.*

There is no basis to say "I'm not feeling close to God" or "I am not in the zone". The next question will be why did you not

Notice that He did not point to Joshua, but to God's choice. It may be that we do not feel like praying, it doesn't really matter what happened in the past few minutes, you can by the blood, receive grace and pray. Our confidence should not be in the fact that we fasted or prayed, but that He has made provision to come boldly. *Hebrews 4:16.* God treasures such faith! We can see an example from the altar of incense, *Leviticus 4:7.* We know that the blood speaks of prayer, *Revelations 5:8* and horns are strength. This means the confidence or basis or reason we can approach God is the blood. If then we do not approach God, it is either because we lack faith or understanding. There is a point to which your lack of understanding becomes an offense. *Matthew 22:29.* We should not find ourselves in the place where we are kept out of the presence of God, because of feelings, wasting the resources God has given. Ask yourself, is it that I do not know or I do not believe? *John 5:28.* These are principles for maintaining constancy with God through constant and frequent resurrection.

Christ died and for some reason his disciples did not expect him to resurrect, regardless of all He had been saying. But even if we don't believe, He remains faithful. *2 Timothy 2:13.* He knew and believed that He would rise, *Psalms 16:10-11, psalm 30:3.* We must break that mindset that after everything He has done, He should find us, who should be alive, in the congregation of the dead. It is wrong! We should not think that, there will be a point we should be dead. You need to remind yourself, at such point, that it is a shadow of death and God is there with you. We should be quick to recognize the arrows of the enemy, which often come as accusations in our mind, *Psalms 64:3* and be like David say: *Let the lying lips be put to silence; which speak grievous things proudly and contemptuously against the righteous. Psalm 31:18.* We should be quick to apply the blood and move on in faith that death has been swallowed up by life. Doing this, you have just believed the report of the Lord. *Isaiah 53:1.*

Even when we feel weak, we can remember: *it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power, 1 Corinthians 15:43.* Call forth the strength of God! There is a way we feel when we have just engaged in spiritual exercise and we have a certain confidence. At anytime we don't 'feel like that' be quick to invoke the principle of resurrection. The Just lives by His faith. *Romans 1:17.* **In any situation, before we consider what we can do, we should first consider and maximize all that He has done.** What has He done first that you can

invoke, before you add your own part. Understanding in Key!

David said “ *Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered*” Psalm 32:1. He understood the principle “*Iniquities prevail against me: as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away. Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple*” Psalm 65:3-4. If we understand this, we would understand the Lord’s mercies, this is what Christ got for us! No wonder David is called the man after ‘God’s heart’. A way to see it is, this is the man My heart is drawn towards, He understands me in a way no one else does and believes me in a different way. This was true of David, He had such confidence even in the time of the law, He understood God’s grace. It is them that know their God that will be strong and do exploits; *Isaiah 43:17*. They are conversant with their weaknesses, but understand that God is their strength. These are people that know how to stand up! That is why they are called overcomers. They know how to make the journey from hades to hell by the provision of God and they have mastered how to use the blood and confess these truths to the enemy.

Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen! [Jude 1:24-25]