

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. **2 Cor. 7:1**

Sunday	Appreciation: Give God thanks for His faithfulness and mercies in your life from the beginning of the year; O Lord, give me grace to praise you at all times for all things; O Lord, I appreciate Your divine direction at all times; Thank you for my salvation and grace to live a righteous life in Jesus name; Lord, draw me nearer to You in Jesus' name.
Monday	Atonement: O Lord, cleanse and shield me from all evil in the name of Jesus; Heavenly Father, let Your precious blood atone for all my short comings; Lord, give me grace to serve you unreservedly in the name of Jesus. O Lord, make me fruitful in Jesus Name; Lord Jesus, make me faithful with abiding fruits.
Tuesday	Anointing: Let the anointing for supernatural wonders and service come upon me in the name of Jesus; Lord Jesus, teach my hands to war and my fingers to fight; Lord anoint me for service and to do exploits for You this year in Jesus' name; O Lord, give me burden and compassion for lost souls; Lord, lead me to souls that are ready and thirsting for righteousness and grant them salvation in Jesus name.
Wednesday	Approval: Let every test that will come my way result into a testimony in the name of Jesus; Let all chaff in my life, family and the Church be blown away by the wind of the Lord in Jesus' name; O Lord, guide and prosper our evangelistic outreaches this year in Jesus' name; Lord, let Your divine approval be upon me and Your work in my hands ; O Lord, let all that hinders my breakthrough be extinguished in the name of Jesus..
Thursday	Awake: Let every evil altar erected against me be destroyed in the name of Jesus; O Lord, pour upon me the spirit of intercession and supplication in Jesus name; O Lord, wake up the sleeping giant in my life in Jesus name; Lord strengthen me and give me grace to pray; O God, arise and let Your enemies be scattered in my life, family and the Church in name of Jesus.
Friday	Answer: O Lord, answer my request and lead me to Your destined paths of blessings in the name of Jesus; O Lord, bless me financially and provide for me to contribute to the new headquarters building project; Lord, provide all the resources required to complete the new headquarter building in Jesus' name; O Lord, help our children and youths make dynamic spiritual progress and excel in their studies in the name of Jesus.
Saturday	Awesome: O Lord, release Your peace in my life in the name of Jesus; Awesome Lord, let my life glorify You; Lord, remove every spiritual inadequacies from my life in the name of Jesus; O Lord, let Your peace rule this nation; Lord, give an answer of peace to all those that seek You divine intervention in Jesus name. Lord build Your Church and do not allow the gates of hell prevail against it.

Work - Reward & Strength

"Work is not man's punishment. It is his reward and his strength and his pleasure." You learn to become a leader by doing what other excellent leaders have done before you. You become proficient in your job or skill, and then you become proficient at understanding the motivations and behaviours of other people. As a leader, you combine your personal competencies with the competencies of a variety of others into a smoothly functioning team that can out-play and out-perform all its competitors. When you become a team leader, even if your team only consists of one other person, you must immediately develop a whole new set of leadership skills.

Announcements

Easter Retreat:

Friday 22nd - Sunday 24th 2011, 9am prompt

Special Women's Prayer Meeting: Tue & Fri at 6.00 pm

Please remember to redeem your pledge for our new headquarters building.

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Special Welcome

You are welcome to today's Sunday Service in Jesus name. Our prayer is that the Lord will do something special in your life today. Open your heart and allow His Spirit to reach out to you in His love and power in Jesus' name. Amen.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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| 1. Opening Prayer | 6. Worship |
| 2. Congregational Hymn | 7. Intercession & Offering |
| 3. Search the Scriptures | 8. Bible Reading / Hymn / Choir |
| 4. Prayer | 9. The Message |
| 5. Question and Answer Session | 10. Prayers & Blessings |

Hymn 37

When I See The Blood

- Christ our Redeemer died on the cross,
Died for the sinner, paid all his due;
All who receive Him need never fear,
Yes, He will pass, will pass over you.

When I see the blood,
When I see the blood,
When I see the blood,
I will pass, I will pass over you

- Chiefest of sinners, Jesus can save,
As He has promised, so will He do;
Oh, sinner, hear Him, trust in His Word,
Then He will pass, will pass over you.
- Judgment is coming, all will be there,
Who have rejected, who have refused;
Oh, sinner, hasten, let Jesus in,
Then God will pass, will pass over you.
- Oh, what compassion, oh, boundless love!
Jesus hath power, Jesus is true;
All who believe are safe from the storm,
Oh, He will pass, will pass over you.

Hymn 46

A Christian Home

O give us homes built firm upon the Saviour,
Where Christ is Head and Counsellor and Guide;
Where ev'ry child is taught His love and favour,
And gives his heart to Christ, the Crucified:
How sweet to know that tho' his foot-steps waver,
His faithful Lord is walking by his side!

O give us homes with godly fathers, mothers,
Who always place their hope and trust in Him;
Whose tender patience turmoil never bothers,
Whose calm and courage trouble cannot dim;
A home where each finds joy in serving others,
And love still shines, tho' days be dark and grim.

O give us homes where Christ is Lord and Master,
The Bible read, the precious hymns still sung;
Where pray'r comes first in peace or in disaster,
And praise is natural speech to ev'ry tongue;
Where mountains move before a faith that's vaster,
And Christ sufficient is for old and young.

O Lord, our God, our homes are Thine forever!
We trust to Thee their problems, toil, and care;
Their bonds of love no enemy can sever
If Thou art always Lord and Master there:
Be Thou the centre of our least endeavour
Be Thou our Guest, our hearts and homes to share.

Summary of last Sunday's Message

Topic: The Power of Parental Examples

Preache: Bro Johnson Adesanya

As we conclude this month tagged "family month", it is important to see the consequences of our examples as parents on our children. The Bible is full of both good and bad parental examples and as we look at these examples today, I am sure you will see yourself in one of them. Whichever picture of ourselves we see, the Lord is saying there is still room for improvement and to right every wrong!

God is very interested in the examples parents pass down to their children. He watches to see how we reproduce ourselves in our children. Your child is a reflection of you! His/her character is what you have yourself or what you have consciously or unconsciously imparted into the child. So watch what you do, say or how you act in the presence of your children because you may be passing destructive negative examples to them. You also need to watch what you tell them about others because you may be planting a seed of hatred for people in their innocent hearts, thereby defiling such hearts. Remember, God holds you responsible for what you teach your children or the examples you pass on to them!

1. CATALOGUES OF WRONG PARENTAL EXAMPLES - Rom. 15:4; 1 Cor. 10:6-12;

It is unfortunate when those who are the people of God, that are expected to lead the way in showing good examples, are the plots of negative, wrong examples. Thank God for the Bible that it does not excuse even the writers' mistakes. This is where the Bible is different from any other book – religious or secular. Saints of God like Abraham, David and even Noah, though in Heaven now with the Creator, had their faults in passing negative examples to their children.

Noah – the joy of success can lead to a display of wrong example – Gen. 6:8-10; Gen. 9:20. He walked with God and found grace in His Sight but was not able to curtail the joy of being saved from the destruction of the then World. Celebrating the deliverance caused him to display wrong example of drunkenness, which led him to also curse his second son. The problem is not with the celebration of your victory or success, but with the manner such is done. Does it leave bad examples for your children? Do the children learn moderation in all you do or they just end up losing what they have just gained as a result of the celebration? Ham - 1 Chr 4:40; Ps 78:51; 105:23;27; Ps 106:22.

Abraham (Noah's great grandchild) – Half truths (lying) because of fear, eventually passed on to Isaac – Gen. 12:10-20;20:1-18 and his son Isaac (Gen 26:6-11).

Although both Abraham and Sarah were related but the whole truth is that Sarah was his wife and not his sister. Fear made him to tell half-truth, which is a lie. How come Isaac who was not born at these times made the same mistake? He learnt it from Abraham through his character, not necessarily through his words. Remember, also that Abraham did this twice. "Old habits", they say, "die hard". What wrong habits have we developed over the years? If we do not give them up, we will eventually find them in our children! Please watch your habits and seek God's Intervention to break negative, evil and ungodly habits. Remember the Power of God can break every evil habit and set you free. A new study in the Oct. 20, 2005 issue of Nature, led by Ann Graybiel of MIT's McGovern Institute, now shows why Important neural activity patterns in a specific region of the brain change when habits are formed, change again when habits are broken, but quickly re-emerge when something rekindles an extinguished habit -- routines that originally took great effort to learn.

David is another man who served God, "a man after God's Heart" but also had his shortcomings in parenting, which he passed on to his son, Solomon. " 2 Sam. 16:5-14; 19:16-23; 1 Kgs 2:1-9. A man, who had made a promise that Shimei would not be killed, went back on his promise and sought revenge! Our children see us when we retract on our promises! Our promise to serve the Lord whatever betides! Our promise to be committed to Him all the days of our lives and yet we fail; They see and hear us when we come to Church and are like angels but at home we behave otherwise; they learn how to pretend and be hypocritical from us; You think they do not know when you lie to their dad or mum and seek their support to cover your lies? You think they are ignorant when you meet a friend and shower praises on him/her after you have destroyed the person's character in secret in their presence? Of course, they see, they learn and eventually, they act! David was also an indulgent father, as in the case of Absalom and that followed his generation all through. "And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Deal gently for my sake with the young man, even with Absalom. And all the people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom. 2 Sam 18:5.

Thank God these people made their mistakes and we can learn from those mistakes now. We are very lucky that we are not the first to make these mistakes, what great price we would have paid! Let's see some good parents and what they passed on to their children.

2. CHARACTER TRAITS OF GODLY PARENTAL EXAMPLES - Gen. 18:19; Deut. 6:7; 11:19

It is interesting that the same people we mentioned in this first part also have their good parts. Abraham, for instance, received this stamp of approval of his being able to instruct his children in the ways of the Lord. Even David, in his parting words to Solomon, said "And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever. 1 Chr 28:9. No wonder, Solomon himself, proclaimed, "My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother; My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. Prov 1:8,10. That shows that God does not give up on His Saints. When they make mistakes, it does not mean they have become mistakes, He can mould them and turn their mistakes into miracles. God is not through with you yet!

Now let us see some character traits of godly parents;

They walk with God like Enoch and teach their children to do same. Gen. 5:29; 6:8. It was his godly traits that he passed on which eventually saved Noah and his household.

They command their children like Abraham and keep the way of the Lord;

They fear the Lord and teach their children to fear Him.

They teach their children justice and practise same before them;

They teach faith to their children, to depend upon the Lord for all life's provisions like the case of Abraham's faith when he was to sacrifice Isaac;

They teach their children to pray at all times, in all situations and for all things;

They teach their children to completely obey the Lord regardless of the consequences like the Rechabites in Jer. 35:1-10;

They plant great conviction in their children so that they are not tossed about by every wind of doctrine going round in the World today;