

Divine Help for the Challenged – Part 1

There is no challenge that you are facing, that you have faced, or that is staring you in the face tomorrow, that God cannot help you with.

God shall be your help

his message is not for anyone that does not have any challenges in their lives. If you have one or two then you need divine help for the challenged.

I have the testimony of a man who gave his life to Jesus Christ somewhere in Africa and because he was so joyful that he had found salvation, he was like a sponge that was taking in all the teachings of the word of God. It came to a point they

told him, "Well the next thing you need is the baptism of the Holy Spirit and Fire." The man said, "Okay." He did not know how to get the baptism because he did not know any Pentecostal church, Because the man man of was а substance, he bought a ticket and then he flew somewhere in the United States of America to attend a Pentecostal church. The sole purpose for which he went there was to be baptised in the Holy Spirit. He was in need.

When he got to the church, because the church came highly recommended, he told them, "Excuse me, I am already born again. But they said I need the baptism of the Holy Spirit." The people there asked, "And you had to travel all the way

from Africa?" He said yes because he could not find anyone that would minister to him. So they ministered to him and the man got baptised in the Holy Spirit and because he had the means, he stayed a little bit to enjoy the fellowship in the Holy Spirit.

When he came back to his hometown and he began to talk in tongues, he was so joyful. Some other people around now said, "Well you went to America to baptised in the Holy Ghost. Down your street, there are Pentecostal churches some that are speaking in tongues too." He said. "I did not know." He had the means to travel. What if he did not have the

Many in the world and in the churches today look for help to resolve their challenges means to travel? He had a need. He perceived a need. He wanted to enter into something that is glorious in God, but because he did not have information, the man had to travel all the way to the United States. Let us just imagine for a second that the man did not have the means. What would have happened to him? He did not know that there were tongue talkers, people who were filled with the Holy Spirit, who were doing serious and great things even in his community.

A lot of believers are like that today. They have needs but do not know how to meet the needs. Some feel like they are helpless, "How am I going to get out of this?" Many in the world and in the churches today look for help to resolve their challenges. Your own challenge be may misunderstanding. Your own may be tribulations. Your own may actually be confusion, because a lot of people are

confused today. Your own may be betrayal. The person you trust has betrayed you. Does that now mean that is the end of life? It may be failure. Some people say they have tried this and that and everything is failing. It is a challenge in their lives. Some people have serious rejection.

I was surprised some time ago when I heard the story of a person who misdialled a phone number. When the lady at the other end picked up the call, the caller said, "May speak to so and so?" The lady said, "Oh no, wrong number." The caller said, "Sorry" and was going to drop the call but the lady said, "Please, please, don't drop the call." The caller said, "But you said it is the wrong number." She replied "Yes, I know. I have not spoken to anybody in the last three weeks." Loneliness. She was alive and she had a phone that nobody had rung in three weeks. Nobody came to her door to say, "How are you doing?" In three weeks.

When the caller heard that nobody had spoken with her in the last three weeks, he let go the of number wrong mentality and said, "What do vou want to talk about?" He said she seemed to be a pleasant person. So they began to chat. After that person spoke with her for about 30 minutes, He said, "I make you a promise that I will call you every week." She said, "You don't even know me." He said, "Yes, because why would you be in a place with people around you, you are not living by yourself, you are not living in isolation, you are not living in the jungle, and nobody calls you?" So they started that

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bond. Divine help for the challenged.

Let me tell you, everyone has one challenge or the other, it could be a lack, or it could be a pain, but the places where people are now looking for this help is all wrong, making them go wrong twice.

There is a story in 2 Kings 6:24-27. There was а serious problem in Samaria. "And it happened after this that Ben-Hadad king of Syria gathered all his army, and went up and besieged Samaria. And there areat famine was Samaria: and indeed they besieged it until a donkey's head was sold for eighty shekels of silver, and onefourth of a kab of dove droppings for five shekels of *silver."* Human beings had begun to buy the poo of animals to eat and were paying money for it.

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woman cried out to him. "Help, my lord, O sayina, king!" And he said, "If the Lord does not help you, where can I find help for you? From the threshing floor or from the winepress?" A woman cried to the king, "Help king!" And the king said, "I am helpless myself. Where can I find help? Where?" This woman had a problem. She had a challenge and she was looking for help in the throne of a human king and the human king said, "I am helpless."

How many of you have looked help when you were challenged from the wrong set of people, from the wrong set of thrones, and from the wrong set of organisations, and they say, "I cannot help A lot of people are feasting today on their tomorrow because of their current challenges. So when they get to tomorrow, it becomes empty

you. Where will I help you from? From the threshing floor or from the wine press? Where will the help come from? The threshing floor when there is no corn and when there's no harvest? Where?"

Let us see what the problem of the woman was. Her problem was unique. Human beings had begun to eat the faeces of birds, doves and animals. They were not eating the animals themselves, but the faeces. Maybe the people who owned the animals were now seeing a lucrative business and decided not to kill the animals, I don't know why.

Let us look at the problem of this woman from verse 28-29, "Then the king said to her, "What is troubling you?" And she answered, "This woman said to me, 'Give your son, that we may eat him today, and we will eat my son tomorrow.' So we boiled my son, and ate him. And I said to her on the next day, 'Give your son, that we may eat him'; but she has hidden her son."

This was a woman that was declaring and confessing to cannibalism and it was not just a stranger they ate. The hunger was so much and the lack in their lives was so much that a woman, not the father and not the husband but a woman, would kill her own child and eat physically. Not in the spirit but physically. realm situation must have been bad. For a woman to see her own suckling child, then kill it, boil it and eat it in agreement with another woman who was also a mother. That problem was not ordinary.

Some people also have needs that are not ordinary today. A

lot of people are feasting today on their tomorrow because of their current challenges. So when they get to tomorrow, it becomes empty. If you were the king, what would you do? What could you do?

Let us look at the Kings reaction when he heard this in "Now verses 30-31. it happened, when the king heard the words the woman, that he tore his clothes; and as he passed by on the wall, the people looked, and there underneath he had sackcloth on his body. Then he said, "God do so to me and more also, if the head of Elisha the son of Shaphat remains on him today!" Oh. that was serious. This king did not have

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a solution and he did not know the way out. He was helpless himself. He was sorrowful. because a sign of mourning is when you have the king, who ought to be in royal garments, wearing sackcloth. He sorrowful.

At the same time, anger came. The man was angry. Who was he angry with? The prophet. He was angry with the Prophet. Was his anger correct? It was misplaced anger. He blamed Elisha. I have seen a lot of people kill themselves spiritually when they are looking for somebody to blame instead of putting it on the devil and dealing with the devil. They look for human beings and then they hang it on them and that becomes their own bus stop. Then divine help will never come. Thank God the spirit of the living God told Elisha what was going on and Elisha said, "I will not wait for this son of a murderer."

By the spirit of prophecy, something came up in 2 Kings 7:1-2, "Then Elisha said, "Hear the word of the Lord. Thus savs the Lord: 'Tomorrow about this time a seah of fine flour shall be sold for a shekel, and two seahs of barley for a the shekel, at aate Samaria.' "So an officer on whose hand the king leaned answered the man of God and said, "Look, if the Lord would make windows in heaven, could this thing be?" And he said, "In fact, you shall see it with your eyes, but you shall not eat of it."

challenges, There are but where sin abounds grace much abounds there more When Samaria was besieged, the living God was strong, waiting for them to turn to Him. He was waiting because His power is made strong in our weaknesses. It is when you have needs and challenges that God rises better to the occasion. Only if you look up to him. But these people were

not looking up to him. The woman did not look up to the living God. She looked up to another woman and thev formed а pact and thev became cannibals. The woman that was short-changed now went to the king, but the king was helpless and he was going to kill the prophet. Thank God prophet could connect with heaven. Thank God the prophets knew how to go to the mountain where there is help.

Enough of going roundabout. The anger of the man was a one. Yes, wasted he was sorrowful. But what if the man of God did not come up with right prophecy? Then the

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someone came up and said, "Well, can these things be? Even if God opened up the windows in heaven..." And Elisha said. "With this kind of hot anointing on my head you dare bring doubts? You shall see it but you will not eat of it." The man died. Even though he suffered lack and want, it was his mouth that brought him to death.

The man died because doubted that the living God could actually help. No matter your challenges what beloved, there is help in the living God. Many are deeply challenged today spiritually. Many are deeply challenged today. I have listened to some people that do not even know the author of their lives anymore.

heard the story wonderful evangelist. This man would do early morning cry in his neighbourhood every day. He had a loudspeaker in his The people in the house.

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neighbourhood that knew immediately he started preaching in the morning you must wake up. That was at 5:00 am. They listened to his message before they went out of their houses. All of a sudden. this man who had been doing this same thing for over 15 years, threw away his Bible and church would not go to anymore. The man stopped praying. It was not that he was born again 15 years ago. He had been doing that early morning cry and evangelism work for over 15 years. But when something came upon him, he threw away his Bible. He stopped praying. He would not go to church anymore. His life began to nosedive badly.

After three years he was gravely sick, but because of the mercy of God, he was not dead. When he was gravely sick, somebody walked into the hospital and was praying for the sick. When the person got to his bed he told the man not to pray for him. The man said, "I'm not going to collect money from you. Is it that you hate Jesus?" The sick man said, "I used to know Jesus." "What do you mean by you used to know?" He said, "I used to know Jesus, but I stopped praying 3 years ago now and I stopped having anything to do with Him." The man said. "You used to?" The man who had come to pray for the sick in the hospital now thought himself, "This is my bus stop today." He sat with the man. The sick man said, "I am not going to talk with you", but the man dragged it out of him until the sick man told him, "Well, this is what I used to do for God until my challenge came." His challenge came and it was a spiritual challenge. The hosts of hell decided that they were going to waste him and they descended on him. While they descended on him, there was no intercessor in the church to stand in the gap for him. The man was defeated.

Some people asked him, "Why are you not doing your early morning cry anymore?" They did not know that the man was having satanic challenges. The hospital evangelist sat with him and by the time the man prayed with him, the sick man finally said, "Amen." He recommitted his life to Jesus Christ and within the month he was let go from the hospital and he died. But he found his faith again. There is help with God.

To be continued in next month's edition

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Prayer Points

- 1. Jesus. Jesus. Jesus. terminate my sorrow, in the name of Jesus.
- 2. Every dark merchant that is trading with my glory, your end has come, die, in the name of Jesus.
- 3. Powers anointed by satan to trouble my family, your end has come, die, in the name of Jesus.
- 4. Agenda of the enemy to terminate my laughter, die, in the name of Jesus.
- 5. O God arise, and disgrace my Jericho, in the name of Jesus.
- 6. Jesus Christ, help my life, in the name of Jesus.
- 7. I exchange the garment of heaviness for the garment of joy, in the name of Jesus.
- 8. Hopelessness, depart; hope, come, in the name of Jesus.
- 9. Wherever I appear now, the presence of the living God will speak for me, in the name of Jesus.

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