

Couple-Puting Satan Under Your Feet-DV1

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Gbile Akanni teaches that through mutual submission to Christ's lordship, husbands and wives can unite to put Satan under their feet and fulfill God's divine purpose for marriage.

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Description

In this powerful sermon, Gbile Akanni explores God's divine purpose for marriage, emphasizing that husband and wife must submit to the lordship of Jesus Christ to overcome Satan's influence. He unpacks key biblical principles about authority and spiritual warfare within marriage, encouraging believers to live out their faith authentically. Through scriptural insights and practical wisdom, Akanni challenges couples to align their relationships with God's original design for peace and victory.

Transcript

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Turn your Bibles with me to the book of Colossians, chapter 3. Colossians chapter 3, verse 17. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

Wives, submit yourselves unto your husbands as it fits in the law. Husbands, love your wives and be not bitter against them. And whatsoever ye do, do it utterly as to the law and not unto men.

Knowing that of the law ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance. For ye serve the Lord Christ. For he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done.

And there is no respect of persons. May the Lord bless his word in our hearts, in Jesus name. I believe God will want us to speak on how Satan could be put under our feet.

We, by the grace of God, look at who are the people that God can put Satan under their feet. And we will look at what we need to do as husband and wife. Those that God will put his enemy under their feet.

What must they do? I want us to realize that the Lord almighty God instituted marriage. There were two institutions in the Bible. The institution of marriage, which came first.

And the institution of the church. God initiated marriage. Even though God had it in plan that man will enjoy his home.

There are pleasures that God associated with marriage that were not sinful. However, the plan of God to institute marriage still goes beyond the pleasure that we could derive from our relationship with our spouses. I want us to know that God loves us.

And that in his purpose for us on the earth to accomplish, he graciously posted wives into our lives. God said, it is not good for a man to be alone. I will make a home suitable for him.

God, who by his wisdom has known the end from the beginning, realized that a man cannot take dominion over his enemy, Satan. Perfectly, except he is helped by his wife. By both of them submitting to the Lordship of the Lord Jesus Christ.

So I need to let us know that the archenemy to our marriage is Satan. God loves us, but we have enemies, the devil. And we are seen, we will be seen by the grace of God that the purpose of God for instituting marriage is that husband and wife could put the energy together with them allowing Christ to walk in their life in order to hold Satan where he belongs.

As I attend church weddings, I discover that quietly, unconsciously, the enemy has gone ahead to edit this divine purpose of God for instituting marriage. I have seen when they were giving the reason for marriage in most of our wedding programs, they normally focus on three. They said for mutual relationship, just for company's sake, to be a companion.

Then number two, they said for procreation. Number three, they normally say, I mean I have seen, they said to prevent sexual sin. I discover that devil quietly shifted the focus of the church from the core value, the main thing for which God instituted marriage.

And I see as God has decided in this meeting to bring us back to the genesis of marriage, I am praying that every one of us will cooperate with God and we will allow him to have his way in our homes, in our relationship with our spouses in Jesus name. Take your Bible with me before we come to this Colossian passage to a book of Romans. Romans chapter 16 verse 20.

Romans chapter 16 verse 20. I read, it says, And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Amen. And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Amen. I want us to see this prayer that God is bringing onto us to pray this morning, that it is God's desire that Satan presently should be under our feet, not to rule us. Satan is not to be on top, to direct, is not to be our head, but to bruise him under our feet.

And please note it, that the Lord did not say bruise the Satan under your feet. The Bible says, and the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. However, when you go to the book of James chapter 4 verse 7, the Bible says, resist the devil and he will flee from you.

We are to say no to wise and suggestions of the devil. We are to resist and reject him. But the next thing you will discover that he will flee.

And when the Bible says he will flee, what I was thinking about is what will make Satan to run. Because he himself knows that if he does not flee when you reject him, when you resist him, God will bruise him under our feet. The devil does not want to be under our feet.

He wants to be on top, he wants to be director. And most of the problems that we have been having in marriage came because we, ourselves first, pose a problem in obeying what exactly God will want to do through us. First, who we are.

Number two, what we do. And I feel we need also to look at the book of 1 Corinthians. 1 Corinthians chapter 11, verse 3. Verse 3 says, but I would have you know that the head of every man is Christ, and the head of the woman is the man, and the head of Christ is God.

Please note this. When did this begin? Is it in the New Testament? Is it after Jesus has already resurrected? You will discover that in the beginning, the manufacturer, the almighty God that designed marriage, shows clearly that his purpose on earth, the way earth and the heaven could be ruled and run, that the name of the Lord God will be glorified, is that God be the overall, both in heavens and on the earth. We are seeing what we call organogram of God for the earth and the heaven to run here.

That even though God is in heaven and he put man on earth, man is never expected to be independent of God in his dwelling here on earth. I discovered that, as I was reading through Amplify Bible, I discovered that when a man becomes independent of God, the Bible shows you that his wickedness. When you say wicked man, wicked man is a man that does not depend on God, but depends on himself.

So, as far as God is concerned, for the earth and the heaven to run and bring glory to his name. In the organogram that God said, Baba God is the highest authority, followed by the Lord Jesus Christ. And next to Jesus Christ is the man that God made in his image, the male man.

And next to him is his wife, the head suitable for him that God has posted to him. And when the Bible says the head, we are seeing that the head controls the body. That, as far as God is concerned, God wants and is still in control of both the heavens and the earth.

And then, Jesus Christ. And next to him, we said, is man. But we will see the secret.

We will see what Jesus exhibited to us, even from the beginning, about marriage. We could see that when Jesus came to show us the way, even though prophets in the Old Testament have been speaking about God. But Jesus came to exemplify the kind of life that he wanted us to live.

And we saw that all the time that Jesus spent on earth, he followed this organogram to a level that he did nothing of his own. I think it is in John chapter 8, I say, the Son can do nothing of his own. As I hear, I judge.

He said, the Father loved the Son, and show him what he does, and he will show him greater things. We saw Jesus, that all his lifetime, one thing that he guided against was Satan coming in between him and the Father. And you will remember, all the temptations that he brought in the wilderness, they were all to suggest that if Jesus took them, it would have been between Jesus and his Father.

So between God and Jesus, there has been no separation, except when Jesus carried our sins on the cross. No separation, he did nothing of his own. But where the problem lies, where Satan started gaining entrance or opportunity, is between Jesus and the man.

And when we look at this verse, we saw that the Bible says, the man, it didn't even mention Christian. It didn't even mention unbeliever. But the man, every man that God has made, God initially proposed that something great should happen through their life.

God expected that on earth, they would be his representative. God expects that they would do nothing, virtually nothing, without consulting their head. Which is the Lord Jesus Christ himself.

And Jesus shows up, and we saw that he did nothing, except what Baba asked him to do. But when we look at men today, we discover that this is where the problem came. Different categories of men, and a man is a man.

What do we mean by different categories? I see here that the man that God instituted marriage for in the Bible, was the man that God made. The man that God made. And when we check the book of Genesis, Genesis chapter 2, the Bible says it is not good for the man to be alone.

I will make a help suitable for him. Which man? I discover that if a man will be able to take dominion, if a man will be able to set the order of God right on earth, he must be the man that God has made. We saw in this place, the Bible says, the man, it is not good for him to be alone.

I will make a help suitable for him. And I said, as far as God is concerned, woman is a help unto man. We discover that in fact God did not even call him woman.

It was the man that later eventually said, this is now born of my bones, she shall be called woman. So every woman that God has brought into our home, is not to make life difficult for us, but to help us. To help us fulfill the mandate, the reason why he chose us to be born.

And to be born again. So I discover that the man who will be able to handle the work of God, to be the head of the wife. And will not give room for the devil, first and foremost, must be the man that the Lord has encountered through the Lord Jesus Christ.

Since sin came in through Adam in the garden of Eden. And when God encountered a man, I discovered that, though we are born again, we are sick many many times. We normally shift the premise.

We normally do not allow the Lordship of Jesus to do and to control all that we are involved in. I wish we go back to the book of Colossians chapter 3, where we started. Colossians chapter 3, verse 17, verse 17 says, And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

Please look at the word he says, and whatsoever you do, you, you do. And what you will do is who you are. A man will definitely do according to who he is.

If the man that God expects to be the head of the wife is a man who is 100% full of self-life, he has not encountered the cross. Sincerely, we continually dominate his action, we dictate what he will do, and Satan will find a way of coming in through Satan. Because Satan, as we know, is the agent of the devil.

Now, the Bible says, and whatsoever you do. So the emphasis here is you. Have you encountered the cross? Have you given your life to Jesus? If you have done that, the next level is, how much of your life are you yielding unto Jesus? Or permit me to say, how much of Jesus do you allow to control your life? He says, whatever you do.

And look at this, a man that will do, will speak, or will do a thing according to the instruction in dependence on Jesus. Somebody that will never depend on himself to do a thing, but depend on Jesus, is a man who has encountered the cross. And this is verse 17 of Colossians.

When the Bible says, and whatsoever you do, a man full of self. He may mention the name of Jesus, he may even beat his wife in the name of Jesus. I was counseling somebody before I came last week.

And he said, the Lord told him that he should never even sleep with his wife, because she's a witch. I said, that's not good. He said, that's how, I mean, even we, as a Millet student, that we pass through Millet, I said, no.

This is not what we taught you in Millet. Because when he finished Millet, he went to another course now. A man, who is genuinely born again, who has genuinely encountered the cross, will not, by the grace of God, be doing or committing sin, and committing sin in the name of the Lord.

That verse is saying, whatever you do, we should do it in the way that we glorify God. In the way God we accept. In the way that we put Satan down, because putting Satan under our feet is lifting Jesus up.

There was a song, or this is a song that we normally sing. I don't know it in English, but we normally sing, lift Jesus up, oh. Then put Satan down, totally.

He look at us, the glory of God, and that of the devil, is inversely proportional to each other. What do I mean by this? When something is directly proportional, as one is increasing, the other one will be increasing. Am I correct? But when something is inversely proportional, as one is increasing, what will happen to the other? The other will be decreasing.

That if God could help every husband, if God will help everyone, to all do nothing but what the Bible says, what Jesus did, what in fact will bring glory to God. Sincerely speaking, the name of the Lord will be glorified, and the people will be at peace. And look at this, say whatever you do, you in particular, what can you do? You will do according to who you are, and if you want to see who, that the Bible is talking about here.

When we check part three, of this Colossians chapter three, the Bible says, For you are dead, and your life is in with Christ in God. That is the man. The man whose self is dead and is at zero level.

And Jesus is at hundred percent level. A man that will determine never to do anything except what Jesus says to him according to the word of God. Because I've told you, several people will say God told me.

Well that is not God. Like the man I told you, he said he was told that he should not even sleep with his wife. And they told me that, the wife told me, for the past 15 years, they've been living in different rooms.

And he said God told me, I said that's not God. He said well you are not God. I said brother you have lost the ministry.

When you are saying you are gathering people together, I said you don't have ministry. He said you are not God. Am I God? But the word of God is there to show whether this is correct or not.

So a man that has encountered the cross genuinely, the Bible says, for you are dead. And that is the testimony of God concerning a man that has encountered the cross. How dead are you? We determine the condition of our hope.

And when you look at verse 3, I deliberately read verse 3. Because verse 1 started with, if you be dead, if you be risen with Christ. Seek things that were above and not things that were on earth. Verse 3 did not start from if.

Verse 1 starts with if. Verse 3 says, for you are dead. To me, the man God created in the garden of Eden was a man.

A man that was ready to respond to all instructions that God was giving him. A man that had decided not to lean on his own understanding. But finding out what the will of God is.

As the Bible says, as many as are led by the spirit of God, they are cousins of God. So look at what I'm discovering here. Verse 3 says, for you are dead.

And your life is filled with Christ in God. And we need to find out, how dead are you? Is God telling lies about us? And as I told you, as I attended wedding. Of recent, I will discover that.

When they have exposed the matter of this God's purpose for marriage. Unbelievers are married even in the church. And nothing happened.

I've attended wedding in the church, where even someone that was preached was not. About salvation, about even showing husband and wife. The way Jesus lived.

But they were talking about how they could heal together. How they could make journeys together. And several other things.

I said, well, a man will talk according to who he is. He said, if you be risen with Christ. A man that is not fully dead, will not rise with Christ.

And what do I mean by this? I read the book of 1 Corinthians. But when you check the book of 2 Corinthians chapter 11. I need, we need to see something there.

2 Corinthians chapter 11. Verse 2, verse 3 says. For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy.

For I have espoused you to one husband. That I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. But I fear, lest by any means.

As serpent beguiled, if through his subtlety. So your mind should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. Look at what God is saying to the church, to us here today.

As he said to the Corinthian church. You can't say Corinthian church. The people that were there, you can't say they have not encountered Christ.

They were born again Christians. But, you will discover that it was in Corinthian church we were seeing. Several manifestations of self love.

We were seeing pride. We were seeing division. We were seeing arrogance.

We were seeing anger and a lot of things. We were seeing even sexuality. They gave their life to Christ so to say.

But, I mean they are able to manifest even gifts of the spirit. But, they lack the life of Christ. They were not inclining their life to Christ.

They were seeing inclining their life to their human nature. And, I discovered that virtually most of the problem that we face in marriage. Even though we blame the devil.

But, devil is just the enemy we have. Most of the problem that we have is within us. We have the problem of our marriage.

Even though God wanted to put satan under our feet by our behavior, by our reaction, by who we are. But, we are the root cause of our problems in our marriages. When the bible says you are dead.

Many, many times we record ourselves dead. But, we stand on the premise that Christ is in me. How many of us have done this? Can I see your hands up? Praise the Lord.

You will remember this. Knowing this. That our old man is crucified with Christ.

That by the time you stop knowing this. The whole life you said you have overcome. What will happen to it? It will come up.

And, I discovered that 80% of the problems in marriage were caused first and foremost by us. Especially, if you have been born gay. Let me believe unbelievers are not here.

So, we don't need to bother anybody. And, if there is any. Last night was an opportunity for you to come out.

If you have never encountered Christ. This that you are hearing here will look like. It will look strange.

You will never understand the language. Because, marriage is set for man. Who allow the Lordship of Jesus to permeate and overcome his life.

I told you the Corinthian church was saved. But, they were seen manifesting the work of the flesh. And, the amount of the work of the flesh.

A man will manifest or a woman will manifest. Determine the amount of peace. That you will have in your home.

I told you that. What a man will do. Will be according to who he is.

And, I need to share. Probably, one of my experience. I can't remember whether it was 1994 or 95.

We were to undergo a project. In my home, me and my wife. The money was already available.

Everything was alright. We have already involved people that we work there. And, suddenly the thing dropped in the heart of my wife.

And, she was saying. I don't think we can go ahead with this. And, if I could go ahead though for the next two years.

I won't be able to come for fellowship. I said you won't be able to come for fellowship. That's not possible.

You will come. So, it came to a level that we could not resolve. We could not resolve that problem.

And, I thank God, the elder. We are not finished on the land. When we consulted a family.

A relation. Who, by the grace of God. Had input in my discipleship.

She disciplined me. And, my wife discussed with her. And, her husband.

And, they called us together. They were talking of many things. Is there any time that this woman has done any good? Is it now that you are not doing the announcing? I said it's not the matter of whether you are doing good or not good.

I am saying this. So, when they could not resolve the problem. They asked my wife.

Who do you think your husband fear? Or, he listen to? My wife said. My husband. There is only one man.

I know you respect. And, he obey. And, that is brother.

Amen. They advised her. To go and see.

Our mummy. Shadi. And, then both of them sat on us.

They sat on us. First day we couldn't finish the matter. Second time.

And, I was showing. Even the revelation I saw. That we come out of that project.

The other project that my wife said she was engaging in. But, this is the one I was seeing. Good good in the back.

And, you know. Sometimes. In problem that we are having in the home.

We react. And, when we are reacting. It is reaction.

That you will be seeing. A wise counselor will see. What is the root cause of this problem.

And, I thank God for the wisdom God gave her brother. And, sister. You know.

What are the reactions? When we were complete. When I was complete. I said look.

When my wife cook. Sometimes she will just burn everything. And, we don't.

You know we don't have money. We were managing. We were crash landing.

It was a very difficult time for us. In fact, the earliest time of our marriage. We usually farm.

When we had time. Before us. I was on salary of 200 Naira.

And, we had a baby. It was very very hard. So, the little that we have.

I want us to manage it. But, sometimes when she cook. She will burn it.

So, when we finish all. The complete. I finish all the complete.

Brother Gule said. Adebibo. I pray God will remove you from poverty.

He said. I wish God will provide for you plenty. So, that she cook.

And, there will be left over. I am sharing this with you. Because, I know it will help you.

When he finished all. What I was saying. The business that my wife said.

She was engaging. I said. God told me.

We are not going to bring anything out of it. He said. I am not saying.

You are going to bring anything out of it. But. You will have gained your wife.

I said. Well. If that is what the business.

She want to engage. Let her go. We were.

I was already leaving. When he said. Adebibo.

Come back. And, I went back. He said.

That business. That he said. She is going to do.

You must put all. Yourself. Into it.

Together. I said. Yes.

Did you hear me? Well. I went back home. I said.

How come. With all. That I have explained.

Probably did not see anything. But, this woman has done. He is me.

And, me. And, me. And, moreover.

All these things. That he said. Sincerely.

In fact. I was feeling. Probably.

Probably. I mean. She recognized.

And, loved my wife. More. Than he loved me.

I am sorry. Maybe. I am talking something.

That I believe. That. But, I know.

It will help you. But. As I left.

That business. I respect him. And, sincerely.

I must confess to you. In the old world. I fear all men.

But, I do not fear. But, when he speaks to me. By the grace of God.

In the little obedience. That I have. And, in the area.

That I am not obedient. May God forgive me. So, I went back.

The business. He said. As you put in.

We will enter. And, sincerely. The way God spoke to me.

By the time. We are finishing the business. And, coming back.

The business. That we use. Very good.

To load. Item. To sell.

We do not need any car. To load anything. Inside one container.

Like this. That was how. The whole thing remained.

And, from morning. 7 a.m. To 10 p.m. We will be on that business. We did not bring anything.

Out. As God said. Amen.

But, sincerely. I gave my wife. And, that is the counsel of the elders.

I do not know. If you are also here. That.

You will be having some problems. Concerning your marriage. One thing I did.

After that time. Was that. I refused to see.

My wife. As a problem. Did you hear me at all? I resolved.

Never to see her. As my problem. I saw myself.

As the problem of my own. Did you hear me at all? And. When.

Any misunderstanding come up. I do not look at what she did. I look at.

My own way. I discovered that. If God help a man.

To stand in the position of Jesus. In the home. There is virtually.

Little or nothing. The fool can do to that home. Because.

Satan will be under defeat. I resolved. Every time.

When there is. Misunderstanding. I will come up.

And say. If you do not accept my own. I do.

I accept your own. Because. We must come out.

With oneness. On any issue. And.

Let me show you. What God did. Also to help me.

In my marriage again. I discover. I am always.

I always have dream. And. I saw a dream.

Coming up. Coming up. All the time.

Coming up. All the time. I did not.

Take note initially. But I realized. This thing that is repeating me.

Half a minute. And. Toward the dream.

I may see myself. As a student. Registering a course.

Just as we did. In the university. In those days.

We normally. Take credit card. Take it to the lecturer.

They will register you. I will see myself. There was a time.

I saw myself. Registering for mathematics. When I have that dream today.

Maybe in the next. Three months. I may see myself.

That we are to write exam. And anytime we are to write. Exam.

I may see myself. Give me two or three days. Something will happen.

Initially. I never. Took note of it.

But. Just about five days. A week after.

I will discover that. They pasted the name. Of people that passed exam.

And my name. Was not there. Sometimes.

I will discover that. that when they paste my name, they put it there that I feel. And if it is just ordinary dream, I will discover that it will affect my utterance anywhere I go to preach.

It will affect my prayer life. It will look as if love is caged inside me, I will not be able to express it out. So I examine it, examine it, so I can know that and also, once that thing happen to me or once I see that dream, I will find myself in the uniform I wore when I was in primary one.

So, in order to have my spiritual life, I know I need help. So, after sometime, when it's about three months again, I will find myself registering that course again, the same course I failed. So, this time around, I now say something is behind this.

When I saw that I registered the course, I will take time to pray, I will do what I supposed to do, then after, when it is few months after, I will see that we are to write exam. When we are to write exam, I discover that within three days, something will just rise up, a kind of misunderstanding between me and my wife. And when it come up, even though it's shocking, something also will be suggesting to me, this is the way to answer.

This is the way to answer. And by the time I finish answering, first thing I will discover that I failed exam again. So, this time around, when I discovered that it was affecting my spiritual life, I now made my mind.

So, the time I saw that I am to write an exam on the same mathematics, I became as gentle as let us pray. So that, even if my wife say anything, I will still smile, because I know what it will cost me. It will be more than ordinary.

So, whatever happen, I realize I must focus on myself to make sure I was refining to Jesus the premise. I will stay, and I have not done me later that time. I will stay and say, Jesus, what will you do at this time? So, by the time I pass, the next thing I saw was that they changed my uniform.

They changed it, they said, I am in the final year. And I discovered my options changed. I discovered that to love people was not a problem.

To get irritated became minimal. Oh, I said this thing has spiritual connotation, that I have been carrying cross over. So, and by the grace of God, that was the beginning.

I thought when I pass mathematics, that was over. The next one, they say English language. The next one, they say geography.

The next one, they say, I said, God, when will this course end? I discovered that I am not supposed to be shifting premise, because every time when problem come, I will not act the way Jesus we act. I will want my own will to come to pass, and I don't know who is that person here this morning. Not I, but Christ.

But it is not Christ, but I. You are the one at the central seat of your life. Even though you are born again like Corinthian church, you are born again, but you are active in the work of the flesh. The amount of flesh life, a man carry, will be amount of damages.

His marriage will suffer. If God will help everyone that have been born again to realize that Jesus supposed to be in charge and supposed to be in control of everything, not many things, everything that we do. Not even when we are having misunderstanding, even everything.

When we allow Jesus, I mean when we don't shift the premise, when we allow Christ, we say, not I, but Christ. Sincerely we will see Satan have no other place to stay than to be under our feet. Now, look at where we are handing the message.

In that Colossians that we read, the Bible says, everything you do, it is those that are risen with Christ, that can do everything in the name, in the honor, in the glory, in obedience of the Lord Jesus Christ. Every iota of sex, the remnant of sex, call it rally, the rally, rally of sex that are still remaining in me as husband, in me

as a wife, is a problem to the purpose of God in my marriage. And even though God will deal with the devil, I need to deal with myself.

The Bible says, he that is able to control himself is greater than he that is able to conquer his city. Many of us could not conquer our anger we could not control our appetite and we claim we are born again. We are using, thank God that they don't give certificates in Millet.

That's what I told that man. I said, thank God that they don't give certificates in Millet. This is what this man would have been carrying around and say, you see, you see, I have passed out of Millet.

Yes. The school I said the man is going, when the relation went to that school, by the time he completed, he asked, and I want you to listen, he said, is this all that this institution can give? They said, yes. They said, what do you want? You want your ministry to be known all over the world? The man said, yes.

But beyond that, he said, oh, do you want your ministry, I mean your life, to make heaven after? He said, both. He said, what will I do for my ministry to be known around? They said, as you completed this course, you will now look at Gamente Church, where they are very strong in NATO. What is NATO in English? So, where they normally do charms or some sacrifice.

You will go and learn it for two years. That's advanced course. They said, but in case you want to go to heaven, go and look for one man called Billy Akane.

The man said, Billy Akane. He said, yes. He said, they have put me in his discipleship class, but their prayer is as cold as Imoaja.

You know, if you touch the nose of a dog, it's always very cold. He said, because their prayer is very, very cold. That's why he left.

The man said, if you say you want to go to heaven, we have no other way to refer you to. Go and do advanced course there. Amen? When I told the man when he came to me, I said, come down, sit down.

He said, Ogunpo. He said, they are the Abbatus. I said, but this is where we are.

He said, you, you people, you don't have battle. A man who Jesus fight is battle. We look as if he has no battle.

But a man that fight is battle, we have endless problem and battle to find. Look at the Bible. It didn't ask us to do many things.

He went further in verse 18. He said, why? What did he say we should do? Submit. That is general.

In Yoruba, when they interpreted it, they said, it is not bending your head. Submit. I see when you submit your exam paper.

They say, pencil soft. Eh? Down. Submit your paper.

And you carry your paper. And you give it to the examiner. You don't ask examiner.

Don't let my student be lost. Go and mark it now. I want to see the mark.

You by faith submit the paper. And you turn back. Will you help me tell your wife that is sitting by your side.

Where is the husband? Please help me tell that woman. The Bible says, submit to... Help me tell you. Submit to your husband.

It's easier submitting to pastor. But your husband is the Bible says. And he didn't ask man to do many things.

In verse 19 he said, Husband, what did he say we should do? Love your wife. I am praying. When God will be speaking to us, a man who is full of sin can never love.

If he loves, it's because of what he wants to collect. But a man who is full of Christ, he is full of agape love. Even when the wife is unlovable, he will keep on loving her.

And please look at where I am ending verse 23. Verse 23 says, And whatsoever you do, Did you see it? And whatsoever you do, How do we do it? Do it utterly from your heart. Do it utterly.

As unto the law, And not unto man. In my home, I discovered that, Whatever I do, Because I want to go to heaven, I resolve in my heart. Even if my wife is devil, Even if she is satan, That is not of my problem.

I project. Did I take off where? I discovered I took off everywhere. Did I choose correctly? I knew.

I still visited where God spoke to me before I entered my marriage. And now, problems were coming. Sincerely, I resolve in my heart.

Even if anything happens, I want to make heaven. And I must represent Christ. And I discovered that when a man Exemplifies Christ in his home, The wife has no alternative but to follow.

I pray, men, instead of seeing your wife as a problem, See the problem in yourself. Deal with yourself. And by the time God deals with you, And you allow God to deal with you, Sincerely speaking, Even if that woman is mad, She has mental problems, In time will come when there will be Something that will make her to realize that, Look, me also, I want to go to heaven.

I shouldn't continue this thing that I'm doing. So don't wait for your wife to change. You change first.

And in case your husband is a seemingly devil, Don't wait for him to change. You change and be in the position of Jesus. Be in the position of the church.

I say why? And husband, be in the position of Jesus. And Bible say, whatever we do, Do it unto the Lord. Look at verse 24.

It says, Knowing that of the Lord, Ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance, For ye serve the Lord Christ. When I serve my wife, If she remembers to say thank you, That's her. Thank God for her.

And if she doesn't even say thank you, I'm not doing it for her. I'm doing it for who? For Jesus. I see Jesus inside her.

And I'm serving Jesus inside her. Somebody ask me, Brother Jerry, we see you, You normally bend down for every small child and the old one. I say to me, I don't see them.

Once they are born again, who do I see inside them? I see Jesus. Begin to see Jesus inside your wife. Begin to see Jesus inside your husband.

Put the enemy outside. And the Bible says, When a woman submits, Submit yourself. Not force the money.

When you submit yourself, You submit your will. And when you check, Post letter to Ephesians 2, This Ecclesiastes, Check Peter, in 1 Peter chapter 3, You will see that he addressed women first. That if women will submit, Even if this man is really mad man, He will come back to his senses one day.

We want to pray. The problem you are having, Satan is outside. He doesn't want to be under your feet.

Many women open the door for him. And they will find space between her and her husband. Many men, They did not fully submit to the authority of Jesus.

Hundred percent. The little iota of sin Has opened the door for Satan to come in. And that is why devil is very cunning.

He knows that once there is misunderstanding, God will not be able, You will not be able to function, To put him under your feet. Shall we bow our heads as we call upon God this morning? Shall we ask God, Under his searchlight, To search me. Search my life.

Do you really want to go to heaven? God has not posted Satan into your home. He posted a head. But your carelessness on little things and narrow hearts, Has allowed the devil to come in between.

The Bible says, Receive the devil. Will you make your mind as you are leaving this place? Your name will be, And there is no room for the devil. You will not permit me on many other things, About food, About clothes, About children.

These are too little, Compared with, The purpose, The mandate, That God has called you on to. This is what devil knows. And you are thinking you are accomplishing something.

When you are only suffering, Sorting the matter of food, Sorting on the matter of, The main matter remain unsolved. And devil, Is still rejoicing. Thinking he has authority over you.

But today, As you determine in your heart, As you make your mind, That I will not see devil inside my wife again. I will not see devil inside my husband. And you create room, To be under the such light of God.

Miracle, Will come over your home. Shall we bow our heads? Shall we talk to God? Let it be so.

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