

The Purpose Of Open Heaven

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Gbile Akanni teaches that the purpose of open heaven is to reveal and glorify Jesus Christ as the central focus of God's move in our generation.

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Scripture: John 1:50-51, John 2:11, Matthew 16:13-20, Matthew 16:21-23, Matthew 17:1-8, Zechariah 12, Acts 2

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Description

In this powerful teaching, Gbile Akanni explores the divine purpose of open heaven as revealed in Scripture. He emphasizes that the open heaven is centered on Jesus Christ, who is to be glorified and revealed to the world through God's move. Drawing from biblical passages including John, Matthew, and Acts, Gbile Akanni calls believers to focus on Jesus as the ultimate goal of revival and spiritual awakening. This sermon challenges listeners to understand that open heaven is not about personal promotion but about making Jesus known and honored in every generation.

Transcript

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Telephone numbers 0703 03636 59 0703 76811 98 Email address lsmedia at livingseed.org or visit our website at www.livingseed.org Let us sit back and listen as the servant of God brings forth the Word of Life. Our Lord and our God, as we have been praying, even for the body of Christ, we are looking on to you to send forth help to us. As we go on this morning, we are asking that the heavens be opened over our heads and cause Jesus to be made known in our own generation.

Holy Spirit, as we go on this morning, we ask you to please come. In Jesus Christ's name we have prayed. Amen.

I'd like you to join us to sing a song. I found a song. I visited this particular congregation some years ago in Northern Ireland.

And their song is a kind of worship. We are going to take a prayer, Let the Fire Fall. We are going to play it quickly here and after which I will continue.

If you can join us, you may stand up just to join the prayer, Let the Fire Fall. That's what we are asking God to do this morning, Let the Fire Fall. And those of you that are from the United Kingdom or from Europe, I just want you again to know that the sickness that has come upon the body of Christ in that man is not unto death.

We are going to see revival. There are pockets here and there that we can see God who is committed to his truth. He will visit the land again.

So let's take the song, Let the Fire Fall. 47, if you are using a hymn book. They were gathered in an upper chamber as commanded by the risen Lord.

Let the fire fall. Praise the Lord. So I want everyone to stand please here in the tabernacle.

Let's worship the Lord and let's trust the fire will fall this evening. They were gathered in an upper chamber. As commanded by the risen Lord.

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Let the glory of your presence come upon us And cause the earth to respond unto your visitation in our day Our Father, we are asking this morning Because we sense that it is time for you to do what you are saying Let the fire fall Let your fire come upon us, O God Let it spread from nation to nation, from land to land Pointing to the glory of your Son, Jesus We desire this morning, Lord, that you will help us That even as we are coming towards the concluding portion of this meeting Let the fire fall Let the fire fall upon your people None of us will go out of this meeting empty None of us will leave here without your touch Your Spirit will come upon us, O God Thank you for hearing our prayer Thank you because we do much more than any man could imagine or think According to your purpose, that you have proposed Even before the beginning of times Thank you In Jesus Christ's name, we have prayed Amen Amen Thank you very much Please be seated wherever you are And I would like you to please return to our passage or study this morning To John chapter 1 And I want you to read from verse 50 and 51 Just as we have been coming along And Jesus answered and said to him Because I said to you I saw you under the fig tree Do you believe you will see greater things than this? And he said to him Most assuredly I say to you Hereafter you shall see heaven open And the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man And you shall see heaven open And the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man What is the open heaven to reveal? What will be the message that will be breaking forth out of the open heaven? What will this open heaven preach? What will it bring forth? What will it reveal? What will be the emphasis of this open heaven that God is talking to us about? And as I start to listen to what God is saying this morning One of the things that we have to deal with Is never to miss the purpose of the open heavens that God is granting us again That we don't have to miss what is the divine purpose What is God sending these open heavens to us for at a time like this? Is it to make some of us prominent? Is it to bring again Loyalty courts? Is it to promote preachers and make them preeminent? What is it that this open heaven is to bring to the earth? And as you look at that passage again I just feel that we should look at it together So that as we are climbing upon this ladder And as we are watching what God wants to do From all over the nations of the earth We might see what God is pointing to us He says, Hereafter you shall see heaven open And the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man So I wanted to note that What will

become the central focus When the heavens open It's very interesting to me that when he said Hereafter you shall see heaven open And it's very clear that what we shall see when the heavens are open Is the angels ascending and descending upon the Son of Man The Lord Jesus is going to become the center of attraction From this open heaven The Lord Jesus is going to be the focus of this open heaven Now, when the Lord Jesus Christ was saying this to Nathaniel Perhaps Nathaniel may not even have understood the fullness Of what Jesus was pointing to him As if Jesus was saying to him You know he said, You are the Son of Rabbi I mean, you are Rabbi the Son of God You are the King of Israel And you'll say, Yes Is it because I said to you that I have seen you under the fig tree That you have believed You will see greater things than this And you know when he used the word You shall see greater things than this If we did not go to verse 51 You would have been looking at several things to see You would have been saying, Oh, maybe I will see this I will see new clothes, I will see new promotion I will see that But I found that Jesus qualified what greater things we shall see Greater things about Jesus Greater things about His glory Greater things about His power Greater things about His authority Greater things about what Jesus Christ came to do You know on the face of the earth So when he said to Nathaniel You will see greater things Not just activities Not just anything else It will be Jesus You will see greater things about Him What he said he saw When Nathaniel answered and said Rabbi, you are the Son of God You are the King of Israel That's wonderful But Jesus said I say to you You will see greater things than this And when he said you will see greater things than this He wanted to qualify it So that there will be no misunderstanding about that And it is that you will see the heaven open And you will see that the center of attraction The one on which angels will be ascending and descending Ascending and descending Will be the Son of Man Nothing else No one else Hallelujah Now I wanted to quickly follow me to this because There is a consistency in the word of God about that And it is very important that all of us that are Trusting God for open heavens over our lives We will not be confused about what we are looking for Or what God wants to show us Because this coming move of God This unstoppable move of God Is clearly defined What God is looking for It will be for Jesus and Him to be glorified It will be for Jesus and Him to be revealed to our generation It will be for Him, Jesus and Him crucified To be preached in all nations It will be for Jesus to be honored It will be for Jesus to be exalted Jesus will actually be the connection Angels will be descending and ascending But upon Him Nothing else Now if you go to chapter 2 immediately In chapter 2 of John Please follow me to chapter 2 of John That is almost immediate As you come and see the first installment On the third day Now when they say on the third day That means that the day before yesterday And that, so it is a continuation So you can see that this particular story Is the same Because we are talking about Nathaniel from Cana of Galilee So in their village Because Jesus said you will see You will see something, you will see better things than this Now go to that chapter 2 It is not the story of how Jesus turned water to wine That I want to talk about We don't have time to talk about that We want to talk about Jesus We want to talk about what this heaven opened with central lights And all of us that are going to be Under this open heaven by the grace of God And we are going to walk under the reality of this open heaven It will be Jesus Jesus in you Jesus in your life Jesus living in you Manifesting Himself in your life It will be the basis of glory Now look at verse 11 That is when the miracle of the water that has been turned to wine When it is done And everybody is amazed And the master of the feast called the bridegroom Said to him, every man at the beginning sends out the good wine And when the guests are well drunk Then the inferior boy, you have kept the good wine until now So I wanted to see the comment in verse 11 It is the comment in verse 11 that I wanted to see This beginning This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee And manifested His glory And His disciples believed in Him This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee And manifested His glory And His disciples believed in Him Now that's the first thing I wanted to see that Even the miracle of turning water to wine It was not the water to wine that is the issue It was not

even the wedding that was the issue It was Jesus wanting to manifest His glory To His disciples It was Jesus wanting to begin to introduce Himself As the answer So when the mother of Jesus went to talk to Jesus And said, look these people lack wine And I know they are fusing up and down No solution will come to them If you don't step in And Jesus said, no mama My time is not yet, what is my business about that He said, look I know But there is something that you need to do here And just at that point The Bible said, this beginning And I am touched about that This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee And manifested His glory And His disciples believed in Him Now let's quickly check somewhere again As we are going ahead Now you remember that Jesus Christ In the book of Matthew All of you can, you follow me to Matthew 16 I'm just doing a kind of general analysis Panoramic analysis of scriptures Just to point a matter In order to arrive at where we are going For the purpose, the message, the focus The centrality That this open heaven Is meant to accomplish Even as we rise from here And as we are believing God All of you come to Matthew 16 Now you remember the meeting When Jesus came into the region Of Caesarea Philippi, verse 13 And He asked His disciples Who do men say that I, the Son of Man am? And some say John the Baptist Some say Elijah, others Jeremiah Or one of the prophets Then He said to them But who do you say that I am? You, yourself Whom do you know Me to be? Simon Peter answered and said You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God And Jesus answered and said to him Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you But My Father who is in heaven And I say to you that you are Peter And on this rock I will build My church I will build My church And the gates of hell shall not prevail against it And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven And that whatever you bind on earth Will be bound in heaven And whatever you loose on earth Will be loosed in heaven Then He commanded His disciples That they should tell no one That it was Jesus, the Christ You wonder what is the reason for that Because the time for that manifestation Is yet to come And so immediately Jesus began to speak About His death, about His resurrection And He began to speak to them About what will happen But you know what the devil was quickly going to do He got on Peter and Peter said No, no, that will never happen to you He began to rebuke him saying Far be it from you Lord This shall not happen to you But Jesus turned and said to Peter Get thee behind Me Say that you are an offence to Me For you are not mindful of the things of God But the things of men So you know the Bible said As Jesus Christ now took time And began to talk to them about How they must take the cross And follow Him Now at the end of that chapter All of you please look at the end of that chapter 16 and 17 For the Son of Man will come In the glory of His Father With His angels And then He will reward each according to his works Assuringly I say to you There are some standing here Who shall not taste death Till they see the Son of Man Coming in His kingdom All the issue we are raising here Is about seeing the Son of Man About seeing the Son of Man Coming in His kingdom Hereafter you will see angels Ascending and descending Upon the Son of Man Now chapter 17 I want you to look at that Because it is a continuation In chapter 17 you will see how the Bible said Now after six days Again you can see that This particular story I am dealing with today Has a continuation There is a continuity about it Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James and John His brother He led them up on a high mountain by themselves And He was transfigured before them His face shone like the sun And His clothes became as white as the light And behold Moses and Elijah appeared to them Talking with Him Then Peter answered and said Lord it is good for us to be here If you wish let us make here three tabernacles One for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah While He was speaking He was still speaking And behold a bright cloud overshadowed them And suddenly a voice came out of the cloud saying This is my beloved Son In whom I am well pleased Hear Him When the disciples heard it They fell on their faces and were greatly afraid But Jesus came and taught them and said Arise, do not be afraid When they lifted up their eyes They saw no one But Jesus only Now as they came down from the mountain Jesus commanded saying Tear division to no one Until the Son of Man Is risen from the dead

Brothers and sisters There is something I am praying That you will understand That this open heaven God is talking about Is not Let me just tell you something about it quickly It is not about us It is not to promote us We are only going to become You know, privileged vessels Of what God wants to open His heaven to the earth To do Me and you, we are only going to become You know, recipients And the privileged servants Of this move that God is bringing But this move, let me tell you Is not about me Is not about you I know some of us were in ministry And we want to succeed And you are looking for what will make your ministry To be very successful so that you will be known all over the world Sorry about that This move is not about that This move is about Jesus being made known Is about the Son of Man Being revealed again You know, to the men and women of this world For them to make a final decision Whether they will make Him their Lord or not This move that is coming, my dear brothers and sisters It will transcend all our thinking It will transcend all our own efforts All of us, by the grace of God Will be lost inside this move All of us, by the grace of God None of us will be prominent It will be Him When this heaven opens What men will be seeing is Jesus All the ascending and descending will be upon the Son of Man And I pray that it will happen in our day When Jesus will be glorified again When Jesus will be honored When everywhere, every tongue, every tribe Every age Whether the young, whether the old Whether women, whether men All of them They will be looking onto this man, Jesus You know, we began to pray yesterday As I led you to read Zechariah chapter 12 And God was saying they will mourn for Him They will look for Him As if for someone who has lost his firstborn son They will mourn, they will cry, they will yearn They will fast for Him Because it is Him that must return And then our world will be turned around Praise the Lord So why this message was coming along as we are seeing I saw that even on the day of transfiguration It was for Jesus It was for Jesus to be revealed It was for these disciples to have a glimpse Of who this Jesus is They have been walking about with Him They have been sleeping around Him But they have not known Him sufficiently And their eyes need to open Now, permit me to take you away from there So that we can move fast Because there is no time for us today Now, go quickly Go quickly to Acts chapter 2 In Acts chapter 2 I know that by the grace of God The coming of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost Was the major, major emphasis That we have always drawn But don't forget that Jesus said When the Holy Spirit comes He will do nothing except to reveal Jesus He said when the Spirit comes He will not speak of Himself He will not do anything of His own He said but He will remind you everything I have told you He said when the Spirit comes He will glorify Me I think He said that to them He said when the Spirit comes He will glorify Me Now, so let's quickly see What happened on the day of Pentecost Because when the heavens open We need to understand What did this heaven open for? What is this supposed to do? What are we expecting? What must we preach out of this? Even though there will be blessings There will be provisions There will be prosperity There will be healings All of this will be happening But we must never forget That all of those They were only to do one thing It is to reveal Jesus It is to manifest the glory of the Son of Man It is upon the Son of Man That this thing that God is about doing Will be hinged It will be the principal anchor Of what God is about to do In our days And whatever made many other revivers to derail I can tell you All the time When the Holy Spirit comes He comes to honor and to glory No one else except Christ But whenever the verses That God was using Or God is using and passing through To flow through Whenever they divert That purpose And they begin to divert attention to themselves And begin to speak about themselves About their power, about their name As I see it everywhere I see the picture of our men of God More prominent Prominent Prominent The Lord Jesus Is becoming more and more obscured I see men of God They are more powerful They assert themselves They make their members And their brethren To honor them Even if they will not honor Christ The name of some of our leaders Are now being used to pray Rather than the name of Jesus And so you see people say Oh the God of this The God of this brother The God of this man of God The God of this father in the Lord The God of that All of these that are a new form

of idol worship It has to be washed away This reviver must return men to Jesus And him crucified And him glorified Now Look at the Dio Pentecost When the Holy Ghost came down And the Spirit of God Divided himself over them As a cloven tongue of fire And sat upon each of them And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost And they began to speak with other tongues As the Spirit gave them utterance Now I wanted to see What was the Spirit giving them Other tongues to say All of you please check that Check that The Bible said In verse 7 They were all amazed And marveled And said to one another Look are not all these Who speak Galileans How is it that we hear Each in our own language In which we were born Parthians Medes Elamites and those dwelling in Mesopotamia Judea Cappadocia Pontus and Asia Phrygia and Pamphylia Egypt even Egypt in Africa And parts of Libya Adjani, Cyrene Visitors from Rome Both Jews and Prophets alike Cretans even Harabs All of you look at this This is very important this morning This move of God Will bring all tongues To confess that Jesus is the Lord Now look at what it said We hear them speaking In our own language What are they speaking about The wonderful works Of God The Holy Ghost does not Come down on any person To preach another To speak about anything else But Christ Him crucified And Him glorified I want you to see the message The message that Pentecost preached The message That the outpouring Of the Holy Ghost The message that it preached You will see that the message Was not explaining how to speak in tongues It was not Explaining about how to Manifest in signs You will see that the message went on The Bible said but Peter Standing up with the levy Raised his voice and said to them Verse 14 Men of Judea and all who dwell In Jerusalem let this be known to you Heed my words For these are not drunk For you as you suppose Since it is only the third hour of the day But this is what Was spoken by the prophet Joel And it shall come to pass in the last days Says God That I will pour out my spirit on all flesh Your sons And your daughters shall prophesy Your young men shall see visions Your old men shall dream dreams And on my servants Men's servants And on my mate's servants I will pour out my spirit in those days And they shall prophesy I will show wonders in heaven above Signs in the earth beneath Blood and fire and vapor of smoke The sun shall be turned to darkness And the moon into blood Before the coming of the great day The great and awesome day Of the Lord And it shall come to pass That whosoever calls on the name of the Lord Shall be saved Now look at the Bible Men of Israel Hear these words Jesus of Nazareth A man attested by God To you by miracles Wonders and signs which God Did through him in your midst As you yourselves also know Him being Delivered by the determined Purpose and foreknowledge of God You have taken by lawless hands You have crucified You have put to death Whom God raised up And having loosed the pens of death Because it was not Possible that it should be heard by it For David says Concerning him I foresaw the Lord always Before my face It is at my right hand That I may not be shaken Therefore my heart rejoiced And my tongue was glad Moreover my flesh also will rest in hope For you will not Leave my soul in hell Nor will you allow Your only one to see corruption You have made known to me The ways of life You will make me full of joy In your presence Men and brethren Let me speak freely to you Of the patriarch David That is both dead and buried And his tomb is with us to this day Therefore being a prophet And knowing that God Has sworn with an oath to him Of the fruit of his body according to the flesh He will raise up the Christ To sit on his throne He foreseeing this spoke Concerning the resurrection of the Christ That his soul was not Left in hell Nor did his flesh see corruption This Jesus God has raised up Of which we are all witnesses Therefore being exalted To the right hand of God And having received from the Father The promise of the Holy Spirit He poured out this Which you now see and hear For David did not Ascend to the heavens But he says himself The Lord said to my Lord Sit at my right hand Till I make your enemies your foes too Therefore let all the house Of Israel know assuredly That God has made this Jesus whom you crucified Both Lord and Christ Now verse 37 Now when the heart dies Many times You are looking for miracles But you won't get miracles When Jesus is not preached You are not going to get A genuine reviver If all that you have advertised Is people's

problems All that you advertise Is ah they will be great When you come the man of God Will lay hands on you You will have your babies No all of those things They look nice But they are a diversion From the purpose of the open heavens They will come As ordinary follow come It will follow us But we don't use this open heaven To pursue that So you can see As brother Peter stood up When he came to this point You can see how he stood up He started from Joel He came to the book of Psalm And in all of this He was only preaching one man Jesus It was very touching to me That all the preachers Of the New Testament that preached Christ And him crucified They did not have New Testament Bible They were only Tracing Christ From the Old Testament Scripture They were tracing it From all the Pentateuch All the studies All the prophets And all the Psalms I was so overwhelmed In fact I have been so humbled In my heart That how could men of old They don't have this Other Scripture But what they had Was the Old Testament And in it they pointed to Jesus If we don't preach Jesus If we don't present Jesus There is no hope For our generation You see when you see heaven open You will see angels Ascending and descending Ascending and descending Upon the Son of Man Any Pentecostal Prayer move That does not centralize Christ That does not preach Christ And him crucified Has lost the essence Of the outpouring The challenge that we have had Is that there are so many Many things that you are saying Even when you felt that you have been filled With the Holy Spirit This one said the Spirit said He has anointed me to be a millennial He has anointed me to be this Let me show you from the Word of God The Holy Spirit was not giving To say anything else Apart from pointing men to Christ And him crucified And if we are also Going to see a mighty move of God In our generation That will break down All the activities of the devil We must preach Jesus We must emphasize Jesus We must centralize Jesus Whether we are working in schools Whether you are A doctor Working in the hospital Whether you are in scientific research All that God is Pouring the Holy Ghost upon our lives Is to see how In the midst of all of that We can present Christ And him crucified Now when they heard this They were caught to the heart And they said to Peter And the rest of the apostles Men and brethren What shall we do? Then Peter said to them Repent And every one of you Be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ For the remission of sins And you shall receive the gift Of the Holy Spirit For the promise is to you To your children And to all who are far off As many as the Lord Our God will call That was the beginning If you go to chapter 3 I know we spend A lot of time Celebrating those miracles Which God will still give May I pray that Genuine miracles will follow you As you are going by the grace of God But they will only follow When the essence When the pivot When the fulcrum Of the message has been preached The Holy Ghost Has come And he has descended Only for one thing To make Jesus known To make Christ known And to impress Upon the heart of men To impress upon the heart Of men What they must do With this Jesus This is a critical matter That I pray that God Will help us to know Now a lame man has walked And the man was jumping Up and down the temple And I'm wondering What will have happened If we went for a crusade And God did this kind of miraculous Would that not make us more popular Than the man of Calvary Is that not what we are going to be publishing everywhere Come and see the man that went When the lame sees them Oh they just start walking That's what we are going to want to show Because we thought that that is more Presentable than Christ Jesus And you are tempted as an evangelist Not to preach Jesus But to preach miracles You are tempted as a preacher Not to present Jesus Because something tells you that Jesus is not presentable Jesus is not attractive Preaching Jesus And him crucified is not attractive Let's preach about something else Let's talk about something else Let's talk about something else That's why I see a lot of people doing All forms of manipulation On the pulpit That's why I see all kinds of things You listen and listen and listen For a whole hour You have not seen anybody Pointing men to Jesus And what he did at Calvary Now I want you to see quickly In that chapter 3 At chapter 3 all of us please see it You have known the miracle You have known How Peter said in verse 6 Silver and gold I don't have But what I do Have I give you And what does he say

I have In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth Rise up and walk And he took him by the hand By the right hand And lifted him up And immediately his feet and ankle bones Received strength So he leaping up Stood and walked And entered the temple with them Walking leaping and praising God Now look at the word of God And all the people saw him Walking and praising God Then they knew That it was he who sat Begging alms at the beautiful Gate of the temple And they were filled with wonder And amazement at what had Happened to him All of you please note this Brothers and sisters Heaven will open again to you I'm expecting that An unprecedented move of God Will break off I'm expecting that God Will visit our nations Again all over the world Those of you that are Sitting in Central America God is coming again God is coming again I know you are lamenting about drugs About cannabis About what people Young people have become In the land How they have just become Drug barons That will change But what will change it is nothing else But the preaching of Christ And him crucified You will see heaven open You will see angels ascending And descending upon The Son of Man This is the emphasis Of what God is about to do In our generation Now look at the Bible They knew That it was he who sat Begging alms at the beautiful gate Of the temple And they were filled with wonder And amazement at what had happened to him Now as the lame man Who was healed Healed unto Peter and John All the people ran together To them in the porch Which is called Solomon's Greatly amazed So when Peter saw it And I know Many of you God Will use you And some of you God has used you to do Something And people are marveling Not at Jesus They are marveling at you Sometimes you are coming Somebody will just come and just say Man of God just bless me Just bless me Just bless me Some will just carry their hand I mean your hand And put on their head I'm really blessed Because the man of God Has touched me You allow people to idolize you You allow people To honor you When they have not Honored your master You make yourself Prominent in their understanding When your master Is obscured in their eyes That's the beginning Of losing out on the open heavens When the move of God comes And Jesus is no more The one we lift up For men to see For men to honor For men to glorify And for men to follow When we desire to be followed When we desire to become The crowd puller When we pay so much publicity This isn't just to popularize ourselves When we put so much Posters of ourselves everywhere As if we are the savior As if we are the redeemer As if we are the healer We are about to Lose out on what God is Sending the anointing to accomplish Now look at Peter When Peter Saw it He responded to the people Men of Israel Why do you marvel At this? Or why look so intently At us? Oh may God Bless brother Peter As he has been blessed As though By our own power Or our own holiness I love to use the word Holiness Because that's how the old King James put it Put me old King James He said so when Peter Saw it He answered unto the people You men of Israel Why marvel at this? And why look you so earnestly on us? As though by our own Power or holiness We had made this man to walk You see normally When anything happens When a miracle takes place People begin to look so earnestly On you People continue to Regard you Over much As though it is by your own power They always believe that you are A powerful man So you hear them say We have a powerful man of God here We have a powerful man of God here This is a misplacement Of honor There is no powerful Man of God anywhere We only have the powerful God You see a mere Vessel Are you hearing what I'm saying? There will be power manifesting Through you as only A weak vessel Channels only Nothing more than that So when they say this is a powerful man of God And you are not careful to remind them That no It's not your own power Or holiness Sometimes people Think that it's because You are so super holy And that it is your holiness That God is rewarding That this thing that is happening Is because you are such a holy person That God just had to Honor your holiness Now don't forget That if there is any holiness We have The Bible says Christ has been made Our holiness Christ has been made Our sanctification Christ has been made our wisdom Christ has been made our Redemption It is Christ It is Christ in you that is the hope of glory So when we say The heavens will open And we see angels ascending and Descending

upon the Son of Man Let it again be clear to you That it will be Christ If it is not Christ That men will see There is nothing to see So look at how Peter was dealing with This congregation So when Peter saw him He responded to the people Men of Israel Why do you marvel at this? Or why look so intently at us As though by our own power Or holiness We have made this man walk? The God of Abraham Look at the Bible now Look at how they are so Versatile With the Word of God Because I know you know that There was no sermon preparation He was not Intending to preach But at that same point Did you see what Peter did? Peter just littered up the scripture That is in his heart The God of Abraham And of Isaac And of Jacob Therefore The God of our fathers Has done what? Has glorified his Son Jesus Whom you delivered up And denied him In the presence of Pilate When he was determined to let him go You know that this brother Was not explaining the miracle He was not explaining The power that brought miracle He was not explaining How the man of God Just do like this and raise him up No! You see that he would not waste one minute He said why are you looking at us As if it is by our own power Or by our own holiness That this man is standing before you That has made him to walk And they said so what? So what is it? How did it happen? He said the God of Abraham And of Isaac And of Jacob Therefore The God of our fathers Has glorified his Son Jesus Whom you delivered up And denied him In the presence of Pilate When he was determined to let him go But you denied the only one And the just And desired a murderer To be granted unto you And you killed the prince of life Whom God has raised from the dead Whereof were witnesses I wanted to see the way This man Under the power of the Holy Spirit While they are speaking about Jesus They spoke nothing about themselves They spoke nothing Even nothing about the miracles that are taking place They are only speaking about the Lord Jesus Whom God has come to glorify And his name Through faith In his name Has made this man strong Whom you see and know Yes The faith which is by him Has given him this perfect sadness In the presence of you all Faith in his name In whose name? The name of Jesus Faith In his name That's what has made this man strong As you are seeing now Yes, it is the faith Which is by him Has given this man perfect sadness In the presence of you all And now brethren I know that through ignorance You did it As you did also your rulers But those things Which God before Has showed by the mouth of all his prophets That Christ should suffer He has so fulfilled Repent ye therefore And be converted that your sins May be blotted out When the times of refreshing Shall come From the presence of the Lord Go ahead brother And it shall send who? Jesus Christ Which before was preached unto you Whom the heaven Must receive Unto the times of restitution Of all things With God as spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets Since the world began Did you see that? These brothers understood that There is nothing the prophet preached about Apart from Jesus They knew that there was no other thing That Isaiah came to speak about Jeremiah came to speak about Uzziah came to speak about John spoke about Nothing else but Jesus But it pains me Nowadays that You will open your bible And instead of finding Jesus To preach You are talking about people Carrying pebbles and stones In their pockets And that when they carry it They should just speak to their stones So that their stones will become Currencies in their pockets I wonder where you are getting your bible You go everywhere Some are making new, new, new kind of garment Just to confuse the people You are not preaching The man of Calvary You see for Moses truly said Unto the fathers A prophet shall the Lord your God Raise up unto you of your brethren Like unto me Him shall ye hear in all things Whatsoever he shall say to you That prophet is Jesus Go ahead verse 23 said For it shall come to pass That every soul which will not Hear that prophet Shall be destroyed from among the people Yeah And all the prophets from Samuel And those that follow after As many as have spoken And likewise foretold Of these days You are children Of the prophets And the covenant with God Made with our fathers Say unto Abraham and in thy seed Shall all the kindreds of the earth Be blessed Go ahead Unto you first God having raised up his son Jesus, sent him to bless you in turning away every one of you from his iniquities. Do you know the meaning of that? By the time brother

Peter was finishing this message, 5,000 souls have come crying to Jesus, crying for Jesus to save them. Let me ask you, let me ask you, did anybody talk again about the cripple? Their attention has been turned away from the cripple.

I want to say to you, miracles will follow us after this meeting, but miracles are not the essence of this revival. Miracles are only a bait to draw attention to Jesus whom God had come to glorify. And if we don't preach that Jesus, there is nothing to sustain any miracle, except you will begin to produce ensigns instead of signs.

You begin to do manipulation when the miracle has disappeared. I see you pushing people down, you know, you just put your hand technically and you put your leg behind their leg and you say, ch, ch, ch. You open your eyes as if you are a terror yourself.

I want to ask you to think deeply. As God is promising to open the heavens again, what will be the message that this open heaven is going to proclaim? Christ and him crucified. Christ and him glorified.

Now I want to say to you that the offense that happened in the New Testament, the Acts of the Apostles, was nothing else except that they preached Christ. The only reason why the Sanhedrin could no longer tolerate them is because they preached Christ. By the time they gathered the children, I mean the disciples, and they were asking, then why did you preach like this? Look at chapter 4, all of you, because in chapter 4, verse 4, however, many of those who heard the word believed.

And the number of the men came to be about 5,000. 5,000 men came to believe Jesus because one man stood up to point men to Christ. How many times you went everywhere and all you are doing is, okay, the lane we walk, the lane we walk, and then you bring some people on whatever you have arranged, you are pulling their leg, you are pulling their leg, say, yeah, you stand up, in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.

And when that happens, that's all. That's the whole story. That's the whole story.

At the end of it, we won't see anybody standing for Christ. At the end of it, we will not see conviction or sin. At the end of it, we will not see people crying, oh Lord, have mercy on me.

We will see people running after you, wanting to rob you, and sometimes you have gone out to device. You get some little, little bottles and you put oil inside and you are selling it. You are selling it.

Some of you, you are selling it in sachets. According to how much miracle you want, pay for it. Oh, my brother, you have become a witch.

You are practicing witchcraft. This coming out pony of the oligos, are you hearing me? We do nothing but preach Christ and Christ crucified and Christ glorified. The essence of this out pony is that you will see angels ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.

It must be Jesus. It must be the Son of Man that will be the center of attraction. Now, I want you to see one more thing before I go away from Peter.

What was the message that the open heavens caused them to preach? What was the message that the open heavens made them to emphasize? I wish we can go through all of that. Go and meet brother Paul. Go and meet others.

All through the New Testament you will see that they have no two messages, only one. But I hope I will conclude at a point and then we will pray together. So, and it came to pass on the next day, that their rulers, chapter 4 verse 5, elders and scribes, as well as Annas the high priest, Cephas, John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the family of the high priest, they were gathered together at Jerusalem.

And when they had set them in the mist, they went and brought Peter and John. They asked, by what power, or by what name have you done this? Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, filled with the Holy Ghost, said to them, rulers of the people and elders of Israel, if we this day are judged for a good deed done to a helpless man, by what means it is made whole, let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him, though this man stand before you whole. This is the stool which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.

Do you know that as it was said that those of them that knew Scripture, they knew where the Scripture said it. They knew the book of Psalms, where that Scripture was said. They knew where it came from, the prophet of Isaiah.

They knew it. This is the stool. You remember that Isaiah 28 says, Behold, I lay in Zion a stool.

I lay in Zion a stool. So when Peter stood up and said, you are the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus said, yes, upon this rock I will build my church.

So this is the stool which was set aside, set at nought of you builders, which has become the head of the corner. Nor is there salvation in any other. Neither is there salvation in any other.

For there is none other name, other heaven, given among men, whereby we must be saved. You know, when they saw their boldness, when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and they perceived that they were unlearned, they knew them to be ignorant men. They said, these people didn't go to school, they are just fishermen.

They marveled. But did you see what they saw about them? They took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus. Their punishment was, don't preach in this name again.

Don't preach in this name again. Don't talk to people about this name again. Don't bring the condemnation of this man's blood upon us.

Don't do that again. But you know, when they finished, after they had beaten them and all of that, they called them, they said, look, not to speak at all, nor teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said to them, whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God you judge.

For we cannot forspeak the things which we have seen and heard. So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way of punishing them because of the people, since they all glorified God for what had been done. For the man was over forty years old on whom this miracle of healing had been performed, and had been let go.

They went to their own company and reported all, all that the chief priest and elders had said to them. You can read the rest. But you know that when the brethren stand up to pray again, they were not praying for

deliverance from persecution.

They only prayed and said, Lord, look at their threat. Why did the heathen rage? You know, I just love them. When the heavens open, scriptures will be opening to you.

When the heavens open, the word of God will be flowing freely. You won't just be a mere noisemaker. Sometimes it pains me that I'm listening to what you are saying as a preacher, but there's nothing there.

You are not speaking anything. You are only shouting. Say, let somebody, let somebody, let somebody shout fifty hallelujah.

What does that mean? Have you ever seen anybody done that in the word of God and there was a reviver? Except that you are simply trying to play on people's emotion. You want them to gyrate, gyrate, gyrate, gyrate, so that when they become confused, you can easily now just manipulate them and they will just fall off like that. What was the meaning of that? Eh? Men of old, they pray for utterance of the word of God to preach Jesus, to make the mystery of Christ ever known, ever seen, ever honored, ever respected, and ever believed.

I ask you, my brother, if heavens are opening to us again, which God says hereafter we will see heaven open, what will be the message of this open heaven? Christ. Christ. Christ crucified.

Christ glorified. And if it is Christ, that message does not know tribe, it does not know anything, it does not know social status, it just preaches Christ. For all men are in need of Christ.

All souls are in need of Christ. All nations are in need of Christ. All tribes are in need of Christ.

Christ is the answer to every challenge every man will face anywhere all over the world. Christ is the answer. If we don't preach Christ, our people will perish.

If we don't point them to Christ, families will run into crisis. If Christ is not preached, all these civilizations you are talking about, all these civilizations, they will become barbaric, which is beginning to happen. You are now seeing people, their thinking is becoming upside down.

They are beginning to do things that are not convenient, it's not reasonable again, and yet they can't see it. When Christ is omitted in any man's life, it will be a great omission. I wanted to go to Colossians chapter 1, because when the heavens open, it says you will see angels descending and ascending, ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.

Upon the Son of Man. We are not looking for Jesus. We are looking for Jesus.

We are looking for His glory. We are looking for the manifestation of His glory. We are looking for Him, because it is Him who is the hope of glory.

Please come with us to Colossians 1. Very quickly from verse 11. He has been praying for the Colossian church, that they will be filled with His will, you know, wisdom and spiritual understanding, that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing the knowledge of God, strengthening with all might, that verse 11, according to His glorious power for all patience and longsuffering with joy, giving thanks, giving thanks unto the Father which has made us meet, has made us qualified to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light, who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son. Now, don't move yet, don't

move yet.

If you look at the end of that verse, that verse 13, isn't it? You will see that it didn't end with a full stop. It ended with a full colon, if you are reading King James. Why did they put full colon? It's that everything we are going to be saying now will be an explanation of this is their Son.

You see, I found that in all scriptures, all the men of old, whosoever had anointing and had utterance, their utterance was to speak about the mystery of Christ. Their utterance was to point men to Christ. What the Holy Ghost has come down to do is to show Christ to men.

And if we are preaching and Christ is becoming more and more obscure in our message, now, don't misunderstand me as if when you say, in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name, after you have said everything you want to say, you're not just slamming the name of Jesus on rubbish. That's not preaching Christ. Shouting in Jesus' name is not the preaching of Christ.

Now, look at it now. It said, translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son, full colon. Who is this his dear Son? In whom we have redemption through his blood.

Even the forgiveness of sins. Who is the image of the invisible God? The firstborn of every creature. For by him were all things created.

Things that are in heaven and things that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones or dominions or principalities or powers of the heavens Because all things were created by him and for him. The full colon still continues. And he is before all things and by him all things consist.

If I have a version like Phyllis Modern English, if you have anything like Phyllis Modern English, you will help me flash that verse 16 and verse 17 very quickly so that we can note what it says. Verse 15, 16 and 17. Do you have it? Bring it up quickly please.

Who Christ is and what he has done now. Christ is the visible expression of the invisible God. He existed before creation began for it was through him that everything was made, whether spiritual or material, seen or unseen.

Through him and for him also were created power and dominion, ownership and authority. In fact, every single thing was created through him and for him. It is both the first principle and the upholding principle of the whole scheme of creation.

And now he is the head of the body which is composed of all Christian people. Life from nothing began through him and life from the dead began through him and he is therefore justly called the Lord of all. Hallelujah.

Now this is Jesus. Brothers and sisters, I'm trusting God that even as the heavens open, it will release more and more of the knowledge of Jesus to us. When we are praying for the unity of the body of Christ, there's nothing else that can unite the body of Christ except Christ's life.

In fact, when you see the prayer he prayed in John 17 that Sister Shady was referring to, you see that it was pointing at the fact that let them become one as me and the Father are one. It is by his life. It is Christ in us, Christ in you that is the hope of the glory we are talking about.

Let me tell you that the unity we are praying for is not a unitedness. It's not organizational activities. It is not all those things.

We have to preach Christ. We have to point men to Christ. They have to see Christ as the only reason why we are alive and that's when we will see the glory of God breaking forth in our generation.

Now, I want us to move quickly out of that passage. I want us to go now to verse 20. Maybe I should read from verse 19, 20, 21.

As I read that, then we're going to jump to verse 26, 27. For it pleads the Father that in him, in Jesus shall all fullness dwell. It has pleased the Father that in Jesus shall all fullness dwell.

Excuse me. If there's anything you are looking for, you find it in Christ. And if you are not coming to Christ, there is nothing anywhere else.

If you are not in Christ, my friend, you are in crisis. If Jesus is not the Lord of your life, if you have not connected with Jesus, you are disconnected forever. Please let it be known.

Jesus is both the first principle and the upholding principle of the whole scheme of creation. Actually, another scripture said it is in union with Christ that all things are held together. If Christ is not there, there is no cohesion.

So when I see nations throwing away Christ out of their system, they don't want Christ to be preached in their school, they don't want Christ to be mentioned in their politics, they don't want Christ to be mentioned anywhere, I want to tell you, those nations they are nose-diving into confusion. They are nose-diving into problems. Maybe because you think they are very prosperous on the outside, you think that they are doing well.

They are not. I've traveled up and down, I've gone from one place to another, and I've not seen anything attractive. Maybe because that's my own eyes.

I know some of you have seen big buildings, but I see men and women that are wretched. I see people that are very very empty. I look at their faces and I say, oh God, this man is suffering.

This man has no hope. Some, all they are living for now, when they have got all that they have gathered together, it's just to be sightseeing here and there, sightseeing here and there, because there's no hope. There's nothing to live for again.

Many don't have families. Their marriages have scattered long ago, so they are living anyhow, recklessly, and they want that now to be imposed on the rest of the world, because they miss the force that put everything together. Don't be ever ashamed of preaching Christ.

Don't be ever ashamed of pointing men to Christ, because it is only by Him that all things are held together. Any nation that turns against Christ, that nation is going into crisis. If they don't go immediately, you will see that they are decaying and they are falling into confusion.

May God help us in the name of Jesus Christ. Now, and it pleased the Father that in Him should all fullness dwell, and that by Him, by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him whether things on earth or things in heaven, have they made peace through the blood of His cross. Let's know that reconciliation is only possible by Jesus.

There's no way by which any soul can be reconciled back to God if it is not by Jesus. It can't be by Hindu. It can't be by any other prophet.

It can't be by any... No! No, it can't be anywhere. If it is not by Jesus, there's no reconciliation, because there's no remission of sin except by the shedding of blood. And it's not the blood of bulls, not the blood of goats.

It is the blood of the sinless Christ that God has accepted for the reconciliation and redemption of souls of men. And you who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now has He reconciled in the body of His flesh through death to present you holy and unblemished and unrepugnant in His sight. In His sight.

I wish it were possible. You know, I was just thinking about those brothers that they were just writing these two as a follow-up letter. I was wondering if I were in their discipleship classes, if I were in their Bible teaching, I don't know how much they would have said because it's just a follow-up letter.

And look at the issues that God is raising here. And when you go among our brothers and sisters, they are completely ignorant of the issues of Jesus. They know everything else.

They know about the latest car in town. They know about politics. They know about the man of God, but they don't know about Jesus.

They don't know Jesus. May God help us. This opening of heavens that God is promising, and it's a year after which I see, my expectation and my hope is that it will be Christ.

Christ magnified. Christ glorified. Christ revealed in all the nations as we go from here and there in the name of Jesus Christ.

Now, let's now read finally, verse 26. Now, the mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to his saints. To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you.

Christ in you. The hope of glory. Him we preach.

I wanted to say that they were not preaching topics. They were not preaching sermons. They were not preaching philosophies.

They were not preaching some theories. Whom we preach, but I love it now in the New King James say, Him, Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus. To this end, to this end, for this purpose I also label striving according to his walking, which walks in me mightily.

I was thinking that men of old like Paul, there are so many things they are preaching. No, Him we preach. So let's read it from the message version very quickly.

Bring the message out. Message, this mystery has been kept in the dark for a long time but now it's out in the open. 27, God wanted everyone, please all of you note that, God wanted everyone, not just Jews to know this rich and glorious secret inside and out.

The plan of God and if I were going to say with boldness is that the outpouring of the Holy Spirit is to make Jesus known. The fresh anointing that is coming upon us is to make Jesus known. God wanted everyone not just Jews to know this rich and glorious secret inside and out, regardless of their background.

So let me tell you, this message we are talking about has no problem with the background you are coming from. Your background is not a problem. All that matters is for you to encounter Christ.

Regardless of their background, regardless of their religious standing, so please note, this message transcends religion. So when we say this reviver is coming, this outpouring is coming, it's not religious. It's a Christ line we are talking about and don't let anybody intimidate and say, are you bringing religion? This is not religion and this is not religious.

This is life. This is the purpose that was proposed from the very beginning. Every soul that God allowed to be on Earth they must encounter Christ, otherwise they will be going to a hopeless eternity, regardless of their religious standing.

And what is the mystery? The mystery in a nutshell is just this. All of you are saying that Christ is in you. Therefore you can look forward to sharing in God's glory.

It is Christ in you that is the hope of glory. It is Christ living in you, Christ walking in you, Christ manifesting His own holiness in you that is the basis of the glory we are expecting. Now, therefore, you can look forward to sharing in God's glory.

It is that simple. If you want to really preach the gospel, the gospel is simple. Jesus, that is the substance of our message.

May the Lord make you to understand that there is no other substance to your message if it is not Christ. If you have not preached Christ, Christ crucified, Christ glorified, the coming Christ, your message is a noise. It has no substance.

We preach Christ warning people not to add to the message. We teach in a spirit of profound common sense so that we can bring each person onto maturity. And what does it mean to be mature? To be mature is to be basic, Christ, no more, no less.

If anybody says, oh, you are a mature Christian, the only parameter of measuring maturity is Christ. To be mature is to become basic, don't be sophisticated, don't be complicated. If you can't see Christ in your life, if you can't see you beginning to become more and more conformed to Christ, to His likeness, to His way of living, there's no maturity about you.

There's no maturity about you. So Brother Paul said, and to be mature is to be basic, Christ, no more, no less. That is what I am working at.

That's what I am working so hard at, day after day, year after year, doing my best with the energy God so generously gives me. So when you say you are anointed, when you say the Holy Ghost has come mightily upon your life, this is the assignment the Holy Ghost has come to do. I'm looking forward that in our land, because I live in this land, in Thiep land, in Nigeria, I'm looking forward to seeing Christ, Him crucified and glorified, and made manifest in the life of people, young people here and there.

You start seeing them walking on the streets, carrying Christ everywhere. If you employ them in your employment, you will see that they are bringing a different lifestyle, Christ life. When you take them to your office, you just see that your office has changed because the Lord is with them.

They will be greater than Joseph's. Joseph in the house of Potiphar, you saw how that happened. Now, when it is Christ everywhere, whether in schools, in the classroom, your teachers, you will see Christ.

That's what we are praying for. This Reviver will make Christ to become our lives. This outpouring of the Holy Ghost, it will come with miracles, I want you to know.

Signs and wonders will follow us. Barren wombs shall be blessed, but all of that was to only glorify one man, Jesus. May God bless you.

May the Holy Ghost press this on your heart, as we look forward to where this meeting is concluding tonight. I want you to begin to meditate and say, Lord, if this heaven is opening over my head, and you are pouring your Spirit upon my life, I can see what to do with it. It is to grow Christ first in me, and for me to make Christ known.

For me to help others to touch Christ. All positions, all promotion, all appointments that God will allow you to have ends for, is for one purpose. To make Christ known.

To make Christ glorified. Paul said, my earnest expectation is that Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. Would you like to pray with me? Would you like us to stop at this point as we call on God together this afternoon? Our time is gone, but we can't do but pray.

I want you to pray and say, Lord, let it follow me. Let it follow me. Let the fire follow me.

Let your Spirit come afresh. Let Christ become more and more revealed to me. Let me become a carrier of Christ's life.

Let my life become an explicit manifestation of Christ. Let my experience of Christ become so real that this appalling, this appalling will make the land and the nation to be filled with people carrying Christ. I want to see young girls carrying Christ.

I want to see students who have come to touch Christ's life and they're saying, yes, it's no longer I that live, but Christ that lives in me. And that will not just be a mere talk, that will be a reality in their own lives. Can you pray and say, Lord, let this revival, let this open heavens, let it centralize Christ first to my own life.

Let Christ become my own life, my own pursuit, my own treasure, my own treasure. They will have this treasure in an earthen vessel, that treasure Christ in you, the hope of glory. Please pray.

Please pray. Whether you are listening to me in French, or you are listening in Spanish, or you are listening in Portuguese, wherever you are, or God is making you to listen to this in Xhosa, in Zulu, in Sotho, whatever, whatever language, whatever language. And I know there's no language in which Christ is not properly expressed.

Everywhere. So would you like to say, Lord Jesus, let this become the overwhelming sense of this revival. Let Christ become the central issue for us.

The message, the only message, and Jesus only is our message. I love that old hymn that our father sang over and over again. Jesus only is our message.

And I found that that song is in Thief language, it's in Yoruba language, it's all languages. That's the song that brought revival in those days. That's the song they sang, and every man turned to Christ.

But now we are singing, he buttered my bread, he shaped my body, and all of that. Can you pray and say, oh God, restore to your church the message of Christ. That this revival will show Christ to men, will bring men to Christ in every respect.

Please pray, please pray, please pray, please pray, please pray. Lord, please come. Please come.

You said we will see heavens open, and we'll see angels ascending and descending upon the Son of Man. Lord, I pray this morning that we'll see Jesus. That we'll see Jesus, we'll see you glorified in the nations.

We'll see you glorified in the midst of your people. We're asking that we see you glorified in your church. We'll see you glorified among your people.

Lord, we have spoken so much about other things. We have preached about other things, other things, and we have left you obscured among your people. Lord, we repent of this today, and we ask Lord Jesus, please take your place.

Take your place, oh God. Take your place in our midst. Take your place in our lives.

Take your place in our pulpit. And as these heavens open, we will see no one else but Jesus. We preach no one else but Jesus.

When you will grant miracles, when you will grant signs and wonders to follow the word of God, we will not run after signs. We will only use signs to point men to Jesus. We will use it to glorify you.

Lord, that's why we are trusting you for God. I ask that in all centers, everywhere your children are, cause this to become their hunger. Hunger to know Jesus.

Hunger to become like Jesus. Hunger to carry Jesus. Hunger to preach Jesus.

Lord, let Jesus, Jesus only, let him become the emphasis of our time and of our lives. Thank you. Thank you for hearing our prayer.

Now, permit me to ask. You may have been going from meeting to meeting, but you've not met Jesus. I tell you, if you have not met Jesus, everything will scatter.

The Bible says it is in connection with him that all things hold together. You may be wondering things are not working and demons are running after you. Witches are not letting you rest.

Have you come to Jesus? He said, come to me, all you that labor and are heavily laden, I will give you rest. Have you come and he didn't give you rest? Have you genuinely come? He said, I've gone to church, I've gone to that pastor, I've gone to that prophet, I've gone to this one, I've gone to that mountain, I've gone to this mountain, like that sister was giving testimony yesterday. I want to ask you, have you come to the man of Calvary? Have you come to Jesus? Have you come to him who was crucified for you? Have you seen him? Have you seen him? You can't see Jesus and not be delivered.

You can't see Jesus and still remain. He said, all those who come to him, he gives them rest. He said, whosoever comes to me, I will lead no wise castle.

You can't come to Jesus and he will not save you. He will save all those who come. And he said, the message is simple, as many as call on the name of the Lord, they shall be saved.

This morning, if you are sitting there, you have been invited somehow but the reality of your personal deliverance, of your own personal, for you to know that ah, I have found rest, I have found the man of Calvary, I have found solution to my life, it has not happened because you've not come to Jesus. I want to give you a spell right now and wherever you are, in any place, don't be ashamed to say, Jesus, this reviver must bring me to you, to know your purpose, to know your glory. Where are you? Will you raise your right hand and say, Lord, while you are touching others, while you are blessing others, while you are changing people's lives, while you are cancelling their debts, while you are removing all the ancestral demonic activity in other lives, do not pass me by.

I have gone from one mountain to another valley, but I have not found rest. Yet, Jesus said, come to me, I'll give you rest. Thank you.

If you raise your right hand wherever you are, I would love to pray for you. I would love to speak to God on your behalf. Thank you.

As you raise the right hand, please stand on your feet so that we can stand together with you. Let's stand together with you. God bless you.

God bless you. God bless you. Please do so.

Don't say, but I've been in church for many years. That's not the point. The point is, have you met him? Have you met him? All the people that Jesus made a promise to, they met him.

Thank you. God bless you. Thank you, my friends.

Thank you, my dear sister. Thank you, dear brother. Wherever you are, please rise and let him see you.

Say, Lord, it's you I'm coming to now. I've struggled enough. I've made effort, but it is you.

It is you that God has raised for my deliverance. It is you. You are the rock.

I can't be building life without you. It's the man who is building his house on sand. God bless you.

Thank you. If you rise up as you have raised up your right hand, God bless you. Can you step out? Just step out towards the altar and permit me now to pray for you.

God bless you. From whichever centers, please keep coming out. Thank you, my dear sister.

Thank you, dear brother. Thank you. Thank you.

Please walk out. Walk out. I'm not able to see all centers, so as you are coming, just know that you are coming to the Lord, and the Lord to whom you are coming is faithful.

He said, to whom coming as unto the rock. You are coming to the rock. The rock of ages.

Thank you, sister. You are coming. You are not coming to an ordinary thing.

You are coming to him who holds the key for your deliverance. He holds the key for your deliverance. In fact, the key of hell and death is in his hand.

Even if anybody said they have locked you up many, many years, he has the key to release you. Just come to him. Just come.

Thank you. I want you to stand up and come. God bless you.

God bless you. If you are still coming, please join those that are already standing and coming out. Just come with us.

Just join us everywhere. All centers, please do that now. That lady, God bless you.

God bless you. God bless you as you are coming. You have the space to kneel down.

Do so. Whatever God allows you to do. Jesus is standing at the door.

Jesus is saying, give me space. Say, behold, I knock at the door. If you open the heart, I will come in.

He will come in. He will come in. He will give you rest.

He will change your story. Things will change from this afternoon. God bless you.

God bless you. We can't be talking of open heavens and you are refusing him who himself is the door. Say, I'm the door of the ship.

He is the door. He has the key. He is the one that opens and no man can shut.

And when he shuts a door against sickness, against the devil, against your life, that door is permanently shut. The devil can't come in again. Thank you, my friends.

Thank you. God bless you. Thank you.

Thank you. Thank you. Shall I pray right now? I'd like to pray, please.

I'd like to pray. All those that are standing up, step forth your hand to heaven and join me in prayer. I just wanted to say a simple word to him because he's standing by your side.

He's the one that say, come to me. To me. It is to him you have come.

Say, I'm coming to you, Lord Jesus. And I'm putting my life in your hand. I am handing over to you.

I have tried. I'm tired of trying. But since you say you'll give me rest, I hand over to you now.

Lord Jesus, step into my life. Give me a new heart. And come and stay in my heart.

Make me your own. I'm told that there's a book of life that you are keeping. Please put my name in your book from this afternoon.

Thank you for hearing my prayer. Now, if you have done that, Jesus is going to fulfill his promise. No one comes to him and that man is disappointed.

They looked up to him and their eyes, their faces were lightened. Say, as many as call on the name of the Lord, they shall be saved. Something's happening to you today and it will be permanent.

Father, thank you for all our brothers, our friends. They have come around. They have been in meetings but they have not met you.

They have been in church but not met you. They have gone around. They have touched people.

They have touched this and that. They have not touched you. That's why their matter has not been resolved.

This day, oh God, as they have come, honor your word in their lives because you are the rock that God has set up and whosoever will build upon this rock shall be saved. Lord, this afternoon, oh God, as they are coming to you, please take them in. Forgive them.

Let the blood you shed at Calvary, let it speak for them. Let the blood cleanse them today and you say your iniquity and your sins I will remember no more. Father, wipe it off.

The Bible says it is in you we have redemption. Even the forgiveness of sins. Lord, let it happen now.

Let them see the cleansing power in the blood of Jesus and let them see the power of deliverance from the power of darkness. Let it come upon them now. Now, Lord, I demand that every ordinance that is written against any of them, wherever their names were buried in the kingdom of darkness, you that have the key, open their door now.

Open the gates for them to come in and I ask, Lord, that from this afternoon, the well of salvation will be dug in their spirit. You said to that woman the water that I shall give you will become a well in your heart, welling up, springing up everlasting life. Let there be a refreshing coming upon them.

And God, some of them, because they have not known you, Satan has made a cheat of them. Satan has kicked them up and down like football. Some of them, they are regular customers in hospitals and all of that.

This afternoon, by the word of God and by the authority in the name of Jesus, we speak to them right now. We release you from that bondage. We command that sickness.

We command that oppression. Pack your load and go in the name of Jesus. Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life.

Even if you are dead, you will live. Lord, I'm asking that dead things in their lives, dead situations in their lives, let it receive life right now. Cause it to rise up into life in the name of Jesus.

That by the time we are finishing this meeting, they are also going under their own open heavens. Blessed be your name, Father. In Jesus Christ's name we have prayed.

Amen.

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