

"Son, You Can't Quit"



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Dedication



I dedicate this book to God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. You are O Lord God my everlasting King of glory. You are my All in all and unto you forever be all glory, honour and power. Amen.

Introduction



“So I returned, and considered all the oppressions that are done under the sun: and behold the tears of such as were oppressed, and they had no comforter; and on the side of their oppressors there was power; but they had no comforter”. —Ecclesiastes 4:1

When God called me into ministry in 2004, I could not wait to join in on the fun and the constant enjoyment I thought people involved in ministry experience. It wasn't long before I realized

that to be called by God into ministry is to be promoted into a spiritual frontline position where one will be subject to unimaginable relentless trials.

Our call into service is a journey and the only way we can finish our journey in life and receive the reward of service, which is eternal life from God—is through God's own grace and divine interventions. The will power that we have as human beings can easily be overtaken by our human emotions and when we are full of emotions, it can be quite difficult for us to be without the distractions that interfere with our devotion to the noble purposes God has chosen us for.

Without God's divine inspiration and encouragement it is impossible to rise above the debilitating emotional feelings we can end-up with when faced with battering trials and tribulations.

This fallen world is a challenging place full of trials and tribulation. Satan as a fallen angel is the premier proprietor of temptations, accusations and lies. He is the common enemy of man and God and the moment we answer the call of God upon our lives he immediately steps in as chief predator, tempter, accuser and liar viciously harassing us. He begins trying us left, right and center attempting to destroy our faith and discourage us from serving our godly ordained divine purpose. However, God as our Father is our Comforter and He is always readily with us through it all as the Holy Spirit encouraging and inspiring us with His Word of truth to ensure we keep on fulfilling His divine purpose for our lives.

God is always faithful to His chosen and He, who started the good work in us, has already finished it through Christ Jesus ahead of our earthly human existence. God clearly did not call us to fail and even though we are tried daily and truly tested, we are, in Christ, already overcomers. Christ has already overcome the

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world for us and in Him, we will always have peace in our soul no matter the challenges we end up facing in the world (John 16:33).

Having lived through all that I have thus far, I have come to wholeheartedly appreciate God's divine intervention, saving grace and daily comfort for my life. I give Him all the glory for enabling and empowering me each and every day to stay in line of His divine purpose for my life.

The story contained in this book is a story those who are truly ordained and chosen by God, will find both inspiring and encouraging. I pray we remain encouraged in His Word of truth and that His blessings remain in our lives now and forevermore as we continue with humble hearts to advance His Kingdom on earth. Amen.



As We Have Received Mercy We Faint, Not

2 Corinthians 4: 7-10

“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.”

A pastor having tried for so many years to build his congregation size without achieving his anticipated success

result decided one day to quit being a pastor. For several years on end, the pastor continued to have the very same few tough regular members who worked very hard with him to sustain the kingdom “vision”.

Despite all his efforts to try and get other people to stay and become regular members, they would always end up leaving after one or two Sundays giving one form of excuse or the other.

Having made up his mind to quit, he decided to meet with his regular tough members and inform them of his decision to quit. He set a date for the meeting and had his resignation speech all worked out and ready to deliver to his tough members. However on the day before the meeting, an unexpected strange thing happened. The pastor went to bed as usual but before he could even close his eyes he found himself standing before the throne of the Almighty God with a paper in his hand. He

then said to God:

“Fancy, finding myself here at this 99.9 hour. Anyway, God, here in my hand is my resignation letter and what a pleasure that I actually get to hand this personally to You. I quit!

I was busy minding my own business how many years ago when You called me. You gave me this huge promise of heaven on earth but I must say all I have ended-up with since then is hell on earth!

Talk about frustration, I have been frustrated beyond explanation. The people You sent me to help are not interested in accepting the truth. They seem more interested in finding solutions to their natural world problems and as long as they get what they want, they don't seem to

care where on earth or hell the help they are looking for comes from.

To make matters worse, I have had nothing but endless trials and tribulations since You called me. Financially, I am forever struggling and I really can't hack this anymore. Besides, You are God and You don't need me to save people. You can save anyone You desire to save by simply grabbing his or her attention in one way or another. After all, I was completely lost and You found me and saved me. So I really don't see why You simply can't do the same with everyone else. Anyway, I could go on and on but let us just say: I am quitting because I have had enough!

So, here is my resignation letter. I quit! On a positive note, at least You don't have to go through the trouble of sacking me since I

am doing the quitting. Now that we've gotten that out of the way, is it all right for me to go now and resume my normal life and get on with my life?"

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The moment the pastor finished speaking; God looked at him, smiled and then said:

“Son, you can't quit”.

‘The pastor asked God, “Why not”?’

And God said,

“Well to begin with, you are my son

and not just an employee. As my son, have I not made it clear to you that you are light and as light you should expect the darkness world spirits to try you left right and centre? However, with all the trials you've been through, do you not continue to be a winner in all aspects? As my son, you are in the family business and the family business is all to do with spreading the Good News of eternal life across, the nations made possible by Me, Your Dad.

How many times have I told you that this is the one message the evil spirits of the world don't want any human being to hear? Have I not brought people your way in one way or another to ensure you give them this message? The fact that they simply moved on does that mean you have not played your own part? Have I not told you, son, your role is to sow the good seed which, is my Word to the souls in the world? Did I say to you that you can only sow the good

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seed within the four walls?

Indeed, have I not made it clear to you that the whole world is your congregation and that you should go into the world and sow the good seed to souls across the world? Did I ask you to force people to become part of our heavenly family and kingdom family business? Are you not aware of the fact that I am a God of relationships? Have I not made it absolutely clear that all you have to do is keep on sowing the seed and leave the rest to me? Am I not a witness to the fact that you have been sowing the good seed all these years on the Internet, television and radio?

How many people do you think you have spread the good news to so far? Well, son, I know the exact figure and the truth is son, you are doing really well in my eyes. So,

what difference does it make that you don't have what is called big congregation in the world? You have a wonderful team don't you? Who do you think put that team together? It is none other than Me, your Dad.

Son, I know exactly what you need and don't need. And, I have always made sure you have what you need. Besides, I am always with you taking you through each day and ensuring everything works together for your good. What is most important is knowing who you are and not get yourself worked up by measure of world success, which in my eyes are failures masqueraded as success to deceive the, lost.

As my son, you are just as I am, a sower of good seeds and what is most important is that you keep on sowing the good seeds I

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have given you and not joining the bad gang that I have warned you to always avoid; whose main purpose is mainly to destroy souls by sowing evil and wicked seeds. The fact that some of your seeds have fallen onto stony grounds doesn't mean you are failing. As my son, I will always protect your interests and you can be rest assured of a guaranteed eternal harvest.

You see son, your purpose is not to build an empire of your own because you already have my eternal life empire as your inheritance. Your purpose is to simply do the family business of sowing the good seeds of life. And, as for ensuring you have the right harvest, believe me son you can count on me on that one. You are right, I could choose whosoever I very well want and make them to do anything I very much want them to do. After all, I am the

Almighty God. And, in the exercise of my freedom of choice, I chose you, brought you into perfect agreement with me and surnamed you my name.

As my flesh and blood, you are not only in line to inherit my kingdom forever but you are a partaker of my authority, power and dominion. You are special in my eyes and I wonderfully and carefully made you. Son, I know life in the temporary world is tough. Remember, I also have walked in your shoes and I know how mean and horrible things are down there. We are talking after all of a place filled with stubborn, unrepentant, mean fallen angels and demonic zombies. But look at it this way son, your time there is only for a temporary period and after all said and done you will come into the fullness of your inheritance and have eternal life of peace rest and joy.

By the way son, have you had a glimpse of

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your kingdom lately? Here, son is a reminder of what awaits you for eternity”:

Then God showed the pastor the picture of His amazingly light-filled beautiful kingdom full of saints and holy angels. He then asked the pastor:

“Now son, tell me, isn't this reward a perfect compensation for everything you've been through and likely to go through”?

The pastor now at this point sobbing uncontrollably responded by saying:

“Yes, Dad! What I am going through is nothing compared to Your eternal rewards for me. O Dad! How could I have easily forgotten that what really matter is eternal life? I have been focusing so much on the empty chairs on Sundays and on all the negative things that seem to be coming at

me from all angles. I have been extremely angry and frustrated about the lack of visible results.

I stopped seeing myself as Your son because the wicked seem to have and enjoy everything that belongs to You. This very fact has further increased my anger because I simply can't help but wonder how on earth my Father, who by the way loves me so much, can allow the wicked to have everything that I, as His son ought to have?

I have totally forgotten You are just and righteousness in Your ways and that You have indeed set a day aside to give the outcome of evil as reward for the wicked. Indeed, I have been so hung-up with my anger that I have so many times forgotten to say good morning to You with my praise and worship songs.

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O Dad! That is, if it's still okay to call You Dad, please do forgive me. How on earth did I end up falling for Satan's tricks? That wretch tried me left right and centre to make me believe that You don't care. And if not for Your perfect love, that evil spirit almost succeeded in convincing me that I am on my own and that You do not care. Thank You, Dad, for reminding me who I am in You and I promise to behave myself from now on. Dad, I have actually called a meeting to announce to my team that I am quitting. Wait 'till I tell them what happened”!

And, God the Father once again smiled and said:

“I know son, that you have called a meeting. This is exactly the reason why I brought your spirit man before me to remind you that you can't ever quit. I love you, son and don't let that loser Satan

deceive you into thinking otherwise. Remember son, I am always with you even to the very end of days and for eternity”.

The pastor at this point woke up and broke into a sweet melodious praise and worship song. He thanked God the Father for choosing him to be His son and with that mind of appreciation and thanksgiving; he became stronger and increasingly enthusiastic to do the Father's business. He still went ahead to have his meeting with his team mainly to thank them and express his appreciation for them and also to emphasise to them just how much God the Father loves them.

The pastor, relieved and encouraged following his encounter with the Father, realised success is not to do with the congregation number or size but mainly to do with how effective we are in doing God's business in God the Father's own eyes. The pastor and his team went on from there to fulfil

their purpose and after they were all done they went home to join the saints in God's kingdom hall of fame.

2 Corinthians 5:7-10

“For we walk by faith, not by sight. We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him.

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.”

If you are reading this story today, feeling down, dejected, angry, frustrated,

disillusioned and fed up, well this is God's way of saying to you, "Son, you can't quit".

2 Corinthians 5:12-15

“For we commend not ourselves again unto you, but give you occasion to glory on our behalf, that ye may have somewhat to answer them which glory in appearance, and not in heart. For whether we be beside ourselves, it is to God: or whether we be sober, it is for your cause.

For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.”

Be Glorified Lord!

Praise be to the Lord God, my King! O Lord You are amazingly gracious, great on deeds and glorious in Your appearance. You are righteous in Your will and just in Your ways. Holiness is Your nature and merciful You are in Your judgment. You are perfectly flawless in Your character and awesome as the Creator uncreated. You are excellent in Your kindness and ever loving in Your heart.

Your mind is full forgiveness toward me. Joyful, peaceful and restful I am in Your Holy Spirit presence. You are faithful in Your ways

and extremely generous as a giver. You are pleasant in Your mannerisms, wonderful in Your counseling and divinely supreme in Your Self-existence. You are marvellous in Your thoughts and powerful in Your dominion everlasting existence. Your authority reigns forever.

You are always mighty and victorious in battle, truthful in Your Word and perfect in all realms and dominion. You are O Lord God the Almighty warrior and King of glory! You are everlastingly my All in all, King of kings and Lord of lords.

Be glorified Lord God today.

Be glorified in the heavens.

Be glorified in the earth.

Be glorified in my spirit.

Be glorified in my soul.

Be glorified in my body, heart and mind.

Be Glorified Lord!

Be glorified my Alpha and Omega.

Be glorified in me, my eternal Rock of
Ages.

Be glorified in all realms and dominion
now and for all eternity.



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