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... DISCOVER HOW TO DO MORE WITH GOD'S GRACE

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JUST BEFORE WE BEGIN...

There is a very potent side of grace that many Believers are not aware of. My desire to operate like the great people I have encountered is what has led to this discovery.

Therefore, join me on this journey, and share your testimony with me later.

God bless you richly!

CLICK HERE TO START

If it's not clicking, then you've probably started already...

I gave my life to Christ in February 2010, and started enjoying divine transformations. In 2011, I was studying the book of Daniel when I suddenly paused; I was overwhelmed by the strange acts of Daniel. After a deep thought, I held on to my computer screen, which was where the PC Bible was installed, and prayed “Lord Jesus, I receive the same gifts you gave to Daniel, the gifts that made him ten times better than his peers, and also helped him dissolve hard sentences”.

I was only a young believer, but I just wanted to operate the way Daniel did. Surprisingly, I started Teaching and writing the same year. I wrote very complex things in very simple ways. At some point, I even interpreted the dreams of friends. My friends called me more often to tell me about their night dreams, and to their surprise, I would give them an interpretation.

It was not always easy, sometimes I would have to sit on my mind until something plausible comes out. I knew I already received Daniel's grace, so any time I couldn't feel it, I'd put the grace under pressure till it produces. And this has stayed with me till this moment.

I stumbled on some books I wrote in 2012, and could not stop scrolling through the pages to see if I would find a flaw. I wondered

how a note that was written 5 years ago would still feel like new. And then I realized that there is no “old” gift; that’s probably why the bible says “the gifts and callings of God are without repentance”.

“I’m far more experienced now, at least there should be some slight difference”. But no, the potency has been the same. I’ve learnt to keep my experience aside when gift is speaking. This gift gave me a job where experience could not. I sat with an MD for an interview, and after he asked about my biodata, the next question was “what do you think we do here?”. Without hesitating, I responded saying that God told me they were into Security Surveillance and vehicle tracking. “How do you hear from God?”, that was the next question that was asked by the curious MD. And that was the only question I answered to secure an ICT job. Gift will always outshine experience.

BUT ANSLEM, WHAT'S THE CONNECTION BETWEEN GIFT AND GRACE?

That's a question that is probably going through your mind right now.

Grace is God's gift to man. Gift in a man's life is grace to lift.

People may doubt God they've not seen, but never can they doubt the gift they've seen. People may not bow to God they don't know, but never will they resist the grace that show. People drift to one with gift, they lift the gift that is fit to lift. If you want to see God, lookout for one with gift. Gift is God within!

No one is without a gift, everyone has a gift to lift. Someone needs your gift as he drifts. Someone needs your gift to lift to the rift.

Grace from God is gift in man. Each time we pray for grace, God releases gift. It may leave

the heavens as grace, but it enters into man as gift.

So you see, grace and gift are just the same.

NOBODY NEEDS GRACE IN HEAVEN...

Every grace that has ever manifested in this world was left here in this world. Let's begin with Elijah. In 2 Kings 2:13, the mantle of Elijah did not fall on Elisha, rather, it fell on the ground. Elisha only had access to the grace on Elijah when he picked up the mantle from the ground. And he didn't just pick up the grace, he picked up a double-portion of the grace that worked in Elijah.

Elijah couldn't have given him a double-portion of his grace, because all he had was a portion. He particularly said in verse 10 that Elisha was asking for a hard thing, but that if

he sees him when he is taken up, he would receive his desires.

I believe what Elijah was simply trying to explain to Elisha was that if he looks up to God for a double portion of his grace, then God will give it to him. We know the rest of the story, he received the grace he desired, and he began to wrought all kinds of miracles.

Here is my point; if Elijah's grace fell on the ground, then many other graces must have dropped on the ground too. And just as Elijah said, if we can see these graces, then we can possess them. Daniel's grace fell on the ground, I saw it and fervently asked God for it, and it is working for me. Joseph's grace must have must fallen on this ground. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, John, Peter, Paul, Timothy, and even Jesus. Jesus left the grace He operated with on this earth; He even went further by sending us His Holy Spirit.

In John 14:27, Jesus said “Peace I leave with you...”. He didn’t take those virtues away, He left them here with us, we only need to see them before we can benefit from them.

SEEING IS RECEIVING...

There is no better way to see the grace these people carried than to study about them. It was in the cause of studying that I saw something I liked about Daniel. And because I saw it, I had the right to replicate the grace. The only grace you can’t have is the one you’ve not found. Honestly, people who don’t study will find life very unbearable. There is no way my experience would have brought me to where I am today, I’m a clear product of diverse graces that I have consciously received. Why do I have to depend on my skills when I can just operate like Daniel? I was so conscious of the grace that whenever I

was confronted with cases that appeared impossible, I'd say "Daniel would have solved this". And at the end, I always scaled through.

GRACE IS ALSO TRANSFERRABLE AMONG THE LIVING...

I heard Bishop David Abioye for the first time in 2010, the same year God referred him to me as my pastor. I fell in love with him and his teachings. If you search my phone, 90% of the messages you'd find would be his messages. While I was listening to a recorded message by him in 2011, I got so upset and uncomfortable with myself. I wondered why a man would be preaching like that. Then I developed this feeling of great dissatisfaction which led me to pray "Father, whatever is making him teach like that, I want it now". Ofcourse, God gave it to me, and that's because I saw it. I saw the grace working in him, I desired it, and God released it upon me.

Countless number of people have told me that I talk and write like Bishop David Abioye. Recently, a friend who didn't know this story made a comment on my post. He said "there is a connection between you and Bishop David Abioye". And when I finally told him about my relationship with him, he screamed "Yes! I said it!". I confidently use Bishop Abioye's pictures to post my write-ups, just to show how much confidence I have in the grace I received. Actually, it's one of the ways to put grace under pressure.

I have received the grace at work in many other people, including writers. Someone once told me that any time she reads my write-ups it was always as if an angel was talking to her. That was a gift I received from Jerry Savelle. I hunt for gifts on a daily basis, and that's why I can't envy anyone. If I like what you have, instead of envying you, I just

take it. It's far easier to replicate what you have than to envy you.

OKAY ANSLEM, I'VE HEARD ENOUGH OF HOW YOU STEAL PEOPLE'S GRACE, TELL ME WHY I NEED GRACE...

Starting is easy, continuity requires more work. However, no matter how much demand the work places on you, grace is sufficient for you. The reason why many good ideas do not last long in the market is mostly because the work increased, and the people could no longer respond to the demands.

Paul understood this principle when he said "I am what I am by the grace of God, nevertheless, I worked more than them all". The demands on Paul increased even to a point that he was stoned to death; but

instead of dying, he stood up and continued the journey by grace.

The other apostles stopped their journey when they were threatened and slaughtered, but Paul continued even after he was stoned to death. I have often said that grace is an extra tool for greatness; It is also a makeup for our weaknesses.

When demands increase, grace should also increase, so that you can meet up with the demands. That is why the bible tells us in 1 Cor 10:13 that every "trial that comes to a man is common, and that is because God had already made a way of escape". Grace is the way of escape from any demand or trial of life. Even when the demand comes to you like a flood, just use grace to lift up a standard against it. Grace can raise a standard against any situation.

All you have to do is locate the carrier of the grace you need, and if you don't know anyone who has the grace you need, just pray to God for more grace. When you have worked to a point of confusion and weakness, then you need grace to continue. When what you used to enjoy suddenly begins to weary you, then you need to call for grace. I would have stopped writing in 2013, but the grace for perseverance kept me going. Nobody was acknowledging my write-ups; I'd write the post, and be the only one to like it. I was my best fan.

A Facebook contact sent me a message around 3:00am one morning; meanwhile, before that, I had noticed his remarks on my posts that came in successions. I opened the message with an intention to reply him much later in the day, but what I saw and felt compelled me to reply immediately. "Sir,

please I need the anointing on your life”. Thank God he didn’t see my face, because I laughed helplessly. He reminded me of the feeling I had while I was reading about Daniel. I told him the truth, “Since he could see the anointing, then he has a right to have it”. But ofcourse, I prayed with him. I felt so much compassion for him, but that was the last time we communicated.

By God’s privilege, I’ve trained close to 30 inspirational writers. And many of them have successfully stepped into my shoes and even gone farther.

If you don’t have time to study about those that have passed away, observe those who are alive and take the graces you need from them. Bishop David Oyedepo has often shared a story of how he went to Tulsa for a Believers’ Convention. And his eyes were

fastened on Kenneth Hagin, who also was the host of that convention. According to him, he didn't remember the name of the hotel where he lodged or even the people that sat next to him in the auditorium, his eyes were just fixed on the preacher. After a long expectation, he said he saw something like lightening move from the preacher's body into his body. And immediately, his faith level increased. The reception of grace doesn't delay as long as you can see it.

WHAT IS GRACE DOING?

Salvation elevates an individual from the realm of luck to an era of grace. This means that every believer has been elevated from a life of trials and errors to a life of confidence, assurance and sufficiency.

There is a great competition going on around the world today, people naturally struggle to get everything. But with grace, Believers are exempted from this struggle.

I've heard testimonies of how certain believers emerged as the only candidate for a job over the multitudes of people that partook of the same interview with them. Most of them were the least qualified for the job, but because they understood their place in grace, they got the job. I've also heard how people got jobs from where they never applied, while many others polish their shoes and change their tie every day, in search for a job.

Grace is man's extra tool for greatness. Paul said "I am what I am by the grace of God". Grace is more like a pleyer, engaging it to work

would technically make pulling out a nail easier.

Grace can do everything you cannot do. Grace can start and finish any good thing. Grace has what you don't have. Whatever is a need to you can never be a need with grace. Grace is God's compliment for man's weakness. Grace is the true power of God which is made available to man. Grace has everything that God has.

Haven't you heard of the man who went to an automobile shop to buy a car, even without money in his account? He had just left a service where his pastor declared that "God will bless the congregation with cars that week". He expected the car for some days, and when it wasn't forth coming, he took his ATM and went to an automobile shop. After testing the car he liked, he gave the ATM to

the dealer to debit his account, which ofcourse was declined 3 times. While he was still insisting that there was money in his account, another man walked into the automobile shop and requested for the same car he was “faithing” to buy. When the other man noticed that the car was already taken, he pleaded with the dealer that he was willing to pay for any other car for that man just for him to release that car. That was how this man bought a car without a dime in his account.

He simply put the grace on his pastor on pressure. When your pastor declares that “You will get a job this week”, put the grace on him on pressure and make sure you get the job this week. Even though that man didn't have money in his account, grace had money in its account. Even though there are no vacancies anywhere, grace will create the vacancy.

Grace ensures that you don't stop the work even when natural strength fails you. In other words, when natural strength fails, continue with grace. When it seems impossible, grace says it is possible. Forget about the appearance of things when grace is following you. In Mark 16:17, Jesus said to His disciples "and these signs shall follow them that believe...". And in verse 20, the bible confirms that "as they went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord was working with them, confirming the word with signs following". When grace is following you, everything will naturally be subjected to you. In Luke 10:17, the 72 disciples returned with joy saying "even the devil was subject to His name". That is how it should be, when grace is working for you, you must return with joy, because everything on your path must surrender to the authority of that grace.

A brother once shared his testimony on how he was invited for a job interview. He prayed that God should make his appearance as that of his spiritual father. And as he got to the place, he said he enjoyed favor that cannot be explained. While others were waiting to be interviewed, the interviewers seemed to be waiting for him to interview him. He said the moment he entered the office, one of their managers identified him and invited him over to his office for a chat. That was how he got that job. He didn't know any of those people, but when grace is at work, everybody will know you.

IT COMES EASILY...

“More grace to you”, “God bless you”, “May God increase you”, “May God replenish you”. I'm sure you've been told at least one of those. Every positive word spoken to you

adds grace to achieve more to you. I wrote this book within 6 hours, and that's because of the level of grace available from the multitudes of prayers I receive every day.

Just as I remarked earlier in this book, you can also receive more grace by praying to God for it. Hebrews 4:16 says "Let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in the time of need". Grace was created to help us in times of needs, and one way to access it is to request for it in prayer.

I also mentioned that you can be specific about the kind of grace you need. Grace for academic excellence, grace for making marriage work, grace for raising godly children, grace to work with results. These graces are best received when you can locate someone who possesses them. The moment

you find them, just pray to God to replicate the same grace upon your life. If your marriage is not working, look for people whose marriage are working and tap into the grace on their lives. This may sound ordinary, but one of the things that grace does is to give you wisdom to handle complex matters. If you're finding it difficult to study, look for someone that studies and tap into his grace. It won't be long before you start getting the wisdom on how to study.

I must not forget to mention that grace is multiplied through knowledge of our God. 2 Peter 1:2 says "grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God...". The more you know God, the more your access to grace. It was Daniel who said that "they that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits".

Finally, with grace comes responsibility. And that's the whole essence of this little book. Remember the man that told me he wanted the anointing on my life? After I prayed with him, I told him to start working with it. The only way you'd know you've received grace for something is your unusual productivity when it comes to work. For instance, I wrote two books in the month of February 2017, but with more grace, I have written one book in less than 6 hours. And that also means if I work harder, I can write 31 books in one month.

Grace is not a substitute for work. More grace simply creates room for more work. It's not grace that creates the blessing, it's work. Therefore, work! And when you can no longer work, take more grace.

My prayer is that the grace on your life will not be wasted, in the name of Jesus!

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