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GETTING RESULTS JUST GOT FASTER

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## **JUST BEFORE WE BEGIN...**

Growing up, we played the game of tag. If a person who has been tagged touches you, then you have to look for someone else to touch before you can be free from the tag. The only way out is to complete the task - which is tagging someone else. If the game stops, then it means that someone who was tagged refused to take responsibility.

We'd find the same game at play in the kingdom. God tagged Jesus, Jesus tagged us. Earlier, God had tagged several prophets and kings, but it seemed like the people they also tagged couldn't complete the task.

Jesus was the only personality that could tag many people at the same time. He didn't give room for failure at all. He began with the 12

disciples, and then it multiplied to the entire Christian race.

Yes, you've been tagged! That's what the Bible meant in John 20:21 when it said "***as the Father has sent me, I also send you***".

Jesus finished, have you even started? I've discovered that the reason why many believers don't operate with the consciousness of the tag placed on them is mostly because they don't know how to go about it.

In this book, I've outlined 2 keys that will inspire any believer to maximize the tag that Jesus has placed on him, and I believe it would transform your life forever. Have a good read!

*Key Number One*

# **BE LIKE CHRIST**

If Jesus finished His task, then it's expedient that we emulate His every move. It's important to mention that Jesus didn't live as God on the earth, He lived as man. He overcame the difficulties and complexities that we go through on a daily basis. But really, how did He accomplish His task?

In Rev 4:7, the bible talks about 4 faces that a Christian must possess in order to fully represent Christ; the face of a lion, the face of a calf, the face of a man, and the face of the flying eagle. You can't claim to be Christ-like if these 4 faces do not feature in your Christian

character. Let me take a moment to explain these 4 faces.

## - THE FACE OF A LION

As a Christian, when people begin to complain about your character, then you really should check yourself. God may have given us authority, but that authority is not to display pride, but to display God.

The lion symbolizes dominion and authority. The lion knows that no matter what the challenge may be, it would always dominate it. Jesus needed this character to prevail over the devil. The bible says ***"the lion of the tribe of Judah has prevailed"***. He was confident in the face of situations. Even when they told Him that Lazarus was dead, He still waited for

2 days to commence a journey that would also take 2 days. By the time He got there, Lazarus was already dead for four days. Still, the situation of Lazarus didn't shift His dominion. It felt like an insult on His dominion when Martha told Him that He came four days late. But Jesus simply showed them that the man in dominion is never late.

If we must complete our task, then we must come to a point of understanding that every challenge is within the confine of our dominion. It's absolutely wrong to give up at the appearance of a challenge; lions don't do that. Lions stay and fight, and emerge victorious. Jesus was faced with a challenge to turn water into wine; and even though it wasn't time for Him to perform miracles, He didn't give up, He did it all the same.

We saw how He fed over 5000 people on two different occasions. Who would have thought that five loaves of bread and two fishes would feed over 5000 people? But it happened, because someone understood how to use His dominion and authority. If you can understand this face, challenges will never gain weight on you again.

I was recently given a very short notice of eviction from where I lived. You can imagine how much I'd need to move into a new place within 3 months. As at the time I received the notice, I had exhausted all my budgets. But despite the short notice and the low budget, I moved into a new place before the eviction date. To be honest, I was never worried. Lions never worry. And that's because no matter how intense the challenge may be, it's still within its dominion.

Two virtues that are really required to express this face are faith and a sense of responsibility. While faith is the victory that overcomes the world, a sense of responsibility keeps you on your toes - reminding you that you've been tagged.

I'm sure you've heard a lot on faith from different platforms, let me dwell a little more on having a sense of responsibility. Jesus said ***"anyone that must follow Him must carry his own cross"***. We are His workmanship, ordained to do a prepared work. We are not just saved to be free, we're saved to be responsible. In fact, there are 2 major things Jesus did for us; He delivered us from the works of the wicked, and granted us freedom to do the works of the Lord. Your only proof of freedom is the works of the Lord that you

do. Truly, many believers have been delivered from Satan, but they're not free. Their refusal to accept responsibility has kept them in chains. Surprisingly, they blame the devil for their predicament instead of blaming their irresponsibility.

Research shows that there were shorter routes to the land of Canaan, but God needed to teach the people responsibility, that was why they went through the wilderness. God had earlier mentioned the reason for their deliverance when He said ***"Let my people go that they may serve Me"***. But they didn't seem to understand the word ***"serve"***. You can't serve God effectively without a sense of responsibility.

Whether you know it or not, people describe your God based on your responsibility. What

do you do when challenges come? When my previous landlord sent me the notice of eviction, someone offered to give me a house I'd call free. But guess what? I rejected the offer. I thought to myself that if I must grow then there are certain things I shouldn't take for free. I consciously created a lower budget, lower than the amount I was paying as rent, moved to an area where the rent was cheaper, and got a house there. This was something the people of Israel were not willing to do. Their irresponsibility made them prefer to go back to Egypt instead of facing the responsibility that the wilderness brought their way.

Christianity admonishes us to say we're rich even when we're poor, but it didn't say we should live big even when we should actually live small. If you've been praying for a duplex and prayer has not answered, rent an

accommodation according to what you can presently afford. Think big, but don't live big until your thoughts starts manifesting. Cut your cloth according to your coat. There is nothing wrong in trekking home after work or church service. It's far better than begging. When you start giving excuses to pay bills, then check your lifestyle. A person who doesn't meet up with personal responsibilities would have a hard time being responsible for others. Surprisingly, the house I live now is ten times better than my previous house.

Having mentioned that the face of the lion is a symbol of dominion and authority, it's important to note that Jesus didn't live all His life exercising dominion and authority. If He did, they wouldn't have captured Him and nailed Him to the cross. And this is where the next face comes in.

## - THE FACE OF THE CALF

Jesus prevailed as the Lion of the tribe of Judah, but to die for the world, He had to become the lamb of God. Becoming a lamb was the only way He could take away the sin of the world, because nobody would have been able to capture Him as a lion. Becoming a lamb made God's agenda come to pass. Many people will never come to Christ until we drop the lion in us and become a calf.

While the face of the lion gives us a sense of authority and dominion, the face of a calf gives us a sense of service. My mentor, Apostle Joshua Selman, remarked that ***"the side effect of staying as a lion is pride"***. And truly, many Christians don't know when to hide their domineering attitude. Who knows

how many souls we've lost to our character? Jesus was God, even on earth, but the Bible says He made Himself of no reputation.

Though we are redeemed as kings, but when we meet with the King of kings, we cast our crowns and serve Him. Our dominion and authority is for service. If God has given you the privilege to master any art, then it's because He wants you to serve Him with it. Jesus expressed His authority in different dimensions, but when it was time to wash His disciple's feet, He dropped that authority and washed their feet. How many general overseers would do that today? This truth has really helped me. And that's why I consider my leadership to anyone as a privilege to serve. God has graced me with understanding, and so I must serve Him with it. Somebody else will choose to sell this book to you. But no, I choose to use it to serve the

one who gave it to me. Dominion and authority is for service.

Two virtues that will help you reflect this face are humility and honour. These two are interconnected, so I'd just explain them together. Lions are self-sufficient, but this face requires that you reduce your self-sufficiency. Jesus still needed those servants to provide water before He could convert it to wine, He still needed those five loaves of bread and two fishes before He could multiply it to feed those five thousand people.

If you want to go up in life, then be ready to acknowledge those who have something you don't. In Hebrews 7:7, the bible tells us that, ***"Without all contradiction, the less is blessed of the better"***. In simpler terms, "This is a

principle that cannot change, he who has something you desire has capacity to release the grace to have that thing to you".

Satan may oppose your prayer and fasting, and all your efforts to be elevated, but he can't do anything against this principle. The moment you begin to honour those who have an edge over you, the grace they carry begins to rob on you. There are many ways to honour people, but the most efficient of all is to add value to their lives. Value can be added either financially or through promoting their cause or purpose. Bishop David Oyedepo has often shared how he sold many books written by Kenneth Hagin, just because he loved his teachings. And today, he has fully replicated the faith movement that Kenneth Hagin carried.

It wasn't hard for Elijah to release his Mantle upon Elisha, because he had followed and supported his cause all the way through. It's quite unfortunate that we live in a world where people talk down those who carry the breakthroughs they need. Pride and jealousy won't allow them see. Just imagine how much you may have lost to dishonor. I can respect a little child as long as that child has something I need. Don't let your age deceive you, it is grace that makes great.

Recently, I was privileged to be hosted on a paneling session alongside Joys Oyedepo. This is a lady I've always admired from far. After they read my profile, she was already wowed by the exploits, and it didn't even take any effort to start a conversation with her. Someone would think that I'd begin to rub shoulders with her since we were on the same platform. But no, I humbled myself and

honored her. I told her how I've admired her works from far and how I considered it a privilege to sit next to her. In fact, I even asked her to forgive me for sitting next to her. Laugh if you want, but that's how to take advantage of the graces that people carry. Don't ever rub shoulders with those who are higher than you, you'd be making a great mistake.

Guest what? New opportunities opened up to me from that day. If Jesus did not wash the feet of the disciples, His assignment would not have been completed.

But there's also a side effect of remaining a calf. You may be abused, you may lose balance, you may be attacked, influenced, beaten, heartbroken. Service naturally

attracts conflict, and that's why the next face is important.

## **- THE FACE OF A MAN**

So while Jesus displayed the face of a lion and a lamb, He didn't deny the fact that He was also a man. He wept, He was hungry, He slept. God never sleeps nor slumbers, but the man Jesus did. This has been the undoing of many believers, they cease their tears when they really should cry out, they starve themselves when they really should eat, they go for vigils when they really should rest. They forget that the body requires maintenance. And this is why many believers fall sick.

Man can be sacked from work, man can fail an exam, man can be unemployed. So don't go about questioning God on why certain things are happening to you, it's obviously because you're a man. Man can sin; that's why God doesn't condemn us over our sins. That's why He still sent Jesus to die for us despite our sins. Don't kill yourself over the negative things that happen to you, you're a man!

If I didn't know better, I would have said God was unjust to allow my former landlord to issue me a notice of eviction. But hey, I'm a man. The entire nature of Jesus gives glory to God; and if being a man is part of being Jesus, then being a man also gives glory to God. Don't be ashamed of your pains and trials, they're just constant reminders that you need God. If God takes this part away from our

nature, then we won't have need for Him again.

Many believers hide themselves in a closet to take medication, all because they've told their friends that they are Christians and Christ has taken our sicknesses and diseases. Don't do that! If we keep pressing in getting more of God, we'd all get to a point of perfection. But while we are at it, don't pretend to know God. They that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits; if your case is far from strong and exploits, then there is a part of God you've not known.

Whoever told you that you shouldn't cry when you're in pain? If you see Jesus, ask Him if He didn't cry on the cross. You've not gotten a job after five years of searching and you think it's not worth crying about? My

dear, lock yourself in your room and cry before your God. Have you seen how a father responds when his child cries to him. He suspends everything else and attends to the message in that cry. Your tears is a message to God; it tells Him that you depend on Him.

I remember when my uncle's family threw me out of their house. I sat outside with heavy tears dropping from my eyes. My exact question to God that day was, ***"Lord, now that this issue has taken tears from my eyes, what will you do about it?"***. And for the first time, I heard God's voice. What He said to me in 2010 is still working for me in 2018. It's amazing how our pain communicates better to God. Honestly, your knowledge of God will be limited if you keep denying the man in you.

However, there is a side effect of remaining a man, it's called carnality. That's why the bible says ***"Shall we continue to sin that grace may abound, God forbid!"***. This is why the fourth face was introduced.

## **- THE FACE OF THE FLYING EAGLE**

This face is simply the anointing of the Holy Spirit. That's why Jesus could still escape the fire of hell despite the fact that He carried the sin of the world. That's why He could complete His assignment despite the torments and torture that was given to Him.

That's why a believer could get a job in the midst of thousands that were interviewed. That's why you still passed that exam you were supposed to fail. That's why a sickness

that should have killed a person announces the person. This anointing takes you up in the midst of crisis and puts you where Christ is. A challenge may appear humanly impossible to overcome, but with the anointing, nothing shall be impossible.

Normally, a person who gets to work late should not get a promotion, but somebody's lateness suddenly became the reason for his promotion. He met his MD at the entrance, and just as he was trying to apologize, the MD said its okay, that no one can predict the road these days. "In fact, I think I like you, can you become my personal assistant?" was the MD's concluding statement. Somebody else would hide in one corner until the MD enters his office, but this brother understood the place of the anointing.

So, you can cry before your God, then after crying, dry your tears, pick up your Bible, discover the truth, and push it in prayer till it delivers. Hannah cried until a prophet came and told her the truth. As she applied the truth, her desire came to pass. You may have been turned down several times, that's okay; just get more anointing. The anointing is a yoke breaker. If the yoke has not been destroyed, then the anointing isn't enough. The yoke will only be destroyed because of the anointing.

However, anointing comes by understanding. No matter how much you fast and pray, if your understanding does not change, you'd remain in that challenge. I once had a challenge with my hearing which lasted for a week. I that could talk and hear multiple sounds at the same time became someone who couldn't talk and listen at the same time.

It was like a clash in my hearing. Medical practitioners said it was wax, and they recommended an eardrop for me. Surprisingly, the more I used the eardrop, the more the challenge grew. I started having headaches, and I couldn't even watch the television because of the different sounds that came from it. Becoming deaf wasn't an option for me; but trust me, there are ear infections that are far worse than being deaf.

But while I thought of the worse that could happen, I also meditated on scriptures to see the best that could happen. The first medical practitioner I met already gave me a wrong prescription, so I wasn't ready to waste more time on something I didn't understand or something I wasn't sure would work. So I settled for what I understood! I understood that "my light affliction would work out an exceeding weight of glory, if I take my mind

off the seen, and focus on the unseen. Because the things which are seen are temporal, and the things which are not seen are eternal". I understood that even if I became deaf, I would still be restored back to normal. And, guess what? I was restored before 5pm that same day.

*Key Number Two*

## UNDERSTAND THE PLACE OF DESTINY HELPERS

Everybody needs a helper. Many believers have erroneously thought that ***"it doesn't matter who doesn't like you, as long as God likes you, you'd prosper"***. That's not true! God designed us to have favour both with Him and with man. Oftentimes, God helps us by releasing gifts and graces upon us; but He also arranges men to discover and invest in the gift He has put in us. The bible says Jesus grew and had favour with God and with man. Just imagine if Jesus never accepted the 12 disciples. Great faith in God with arrogance to

man won't take you far. Arrogance and faith don't mix well.

Joseph was greatly gifted by God, but he was also well behaved before men. The bible particularly says "until the time that his word came, the word of the Lord proved him right". Yes, God proved his good behavior before men. His good behavior made Potiphar to like him, such that even when his wife claimed that Joseph tried to rape her, he still liked him. Joseph was too well mannered to be disliked. Even when Pharaoh enquired about the ability of Joseph, Potiphar could have easily denied it; but he didn't, because he liked him. Could it be that many of us have strayed away from our destiny helpers because of our character flaws? Don't let your anointing annoy people, especially those who can help you.

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**EVERY NEW PHASE OF YOUR LIFE NEEDS A  
NEW GRACE AND A NEW HELPER. IF YOU  
TAKE THE GRACE AND IGNORE THE HELPER,  
THEN YOU MAY NEVER MAKE THE MOST OF  
THAT GRACE.**

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God can use just anybody to help you. The bible says ***"a little one shall become a thousand"***; in other words, a little insignificant individual can help you in a thousand ways. It wasn't the king that made Daniel a prime minister, it was a common prison guard. The prison guard had no right to neglect the instructions of the king; but for some reason he did, just to help Daniel and those three Hebrew boys. They were supposed to feed on the king's food and drink for a period of time, but they refused. The

prison guard could have easily reported them and arranged for their death, but instead, he decided to feed them with exactly what they requested for. The prison guard took a risk that could end his life just to help them.

Your helpers are people who wants to contribute to your success at all cost. They can look into your life and volunteer to fix what is missing. And if an opposition rises against you, they'd change your position instead. Who is Joseph compared to Potiphar's wife? Joseph was falsely accused by Potiphar's wife; but instead of Potiphar to order Joseph's death, considering the kind of allegation that was raised against him, he still had doubts about the allegations on Joseph and transferred him to Pharaoh's prison. ***I have good news for you; God is raising men to help you! And you will never lack help again in your life!***

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**HELPERS ARE REAL; YOU JUST NEED TO BE  
SENSITIVE ENOUGH TO KNOW THOSE WHO  
GOD HAS SENT TO HELP YOU.**

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*LET ME SHOW YOU HOW TO ATTRACT  
HELPERS...*

Stop complaining that "customers are not coming", or "people are not giving you favours"; the bible says "Gentiles shall come to your light". In other words, if you don't have light, they won't come. People are naturally activated to move where and when there's light.

Even God could not commence creation until He first created light. Value was added to the

earth when light was created. You can't truly have light and not attract favourers; favourers daily look for where there is light. If you want people to help you, then create light!

It's the entrance of the word that gives light. The more of God's word you understand, the better you shine. And the more you shine, the more favours you attract. The bible says, "The path of the Just is as a shining light that shines brighter and brighter unto the perfect day".

The perfect day is when you no longer have to struggle to get things done; but before you get there, you have to consciously develop your light to shine brighter and brighter. Our light won't get brighter on its own, we have to take responsibility to brighten it. And we do that by studying, meditating, and acting on the word of God.

Study to show yourself approved. If people don't approve to help you, then you've not studied enough; because the moment you show yourself approved, you'd immediately get the help you need.

I TRUST YOU'VE BEEN BLESSED BY THIS LITTLE BOOK. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO SHARE IT WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS. AND YES, I LOOK FORWARD TO READING YOUR TESTIMONIES. CONGRATULATIONS!

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