## SERMON



THEME:

# DOMINION

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enesis 1:26-28; 26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea. and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that crept upon the earth. 27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him: male and female created he them. 28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea. and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moves upon the earth. In the Passage there, you could hear the Almighty God saying to the Man He had created, that he should have Dominion. Now, to have Dominion means to be in Charge - To be the one who is in Control. Briefly, I am going to talk to you about the fact that God expects you to have Dominion:

#### 1. DOMINION PHYSICALLY

At least, as far as your body is concern, He expects you to have Dominion in everything that has to do with your body. For instance, He expects you to have Dominion over Sickness and Disease that may want to attack your body. And he made Provision for that. The Provision is made of course, in 1 Peter 2:24 whereby He has made Provision for you to be healed. Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed."... By His stripes you were healed" Meaning, the Provision for your Healing had been made a long time ago.

healed; it is that you would not even have to be sick at all. Because in Exodus 15:26 He says, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the Voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his Commandments, and keep all his Statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that healeth thee. He said He would bring no disease upon you, because He would be your Physician. In other words, He has made adequate Provision for you to have Dominion over anything that may want to trouble your flesh. He said you will be in Control: you are supposed to be in Control of your Health.

But it is not just that you would be

#### 2. DOMINION MENTALLY.

Mentally, He expects you to have Control. You see, the Bible made it clear that the Wise rules the foolish. And so, for you to have Dominion Mentally speaking, God expects you to have Wisdom. And He made adequate arrangements for it, because in James 1:5 He says, If any of you lack Wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all Men liberally, and upbraided not; and it shall be given him. And He can give it to us generously. According to Daniel 2:20-22, you would find that the Bible says, it is God who gives Wisdom to the Wise. So, to have Dominion Mentally speaking, all you need to do is ask God for Wisdom, and He would give you liberally. That is, He will give you so much, that you won't lack Wisdom in any form whatsoever.

#### 3. DOMINION EMOTIONALLY.

Then He wants you to have Dominion Emotionally - He doesn't even want you to know what is called Sorrow. In Philippians 4:4, He says in His Word, Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. In other words He wants you constantly to be rejoicing. And He says in 1 Thessalonians 5:16 that you are

to rejoice evermore. In other words anything called Sorrow should not in any way come near you. You are to have Dominion over your Emotions. In John 16:24, He says that all you have to do to have Fullness of Joy is to ask for it - "Ask till your Joy is full."

#### 4. DOMINION MATERIALLY.

Materially, He also wants you to have Dominion. For Example, in 3 John 1: 2, He says, Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest Prosper and be in Health, even as thy Soul Prospereth.... More than anything else, you will Prosper and be in Health. In other words, God is saying, where Material Things are concerned, you are to have Dominion -He says, that is His Will for you above all things, Number one (No. 1) of all the things He is wishing you above all things, is that you'll Prosper. Which is why I am believing God for everyone of you; in the Name that's above every other name, you won't die Poor - Amen. As a matter of fact, I believe God for you that very, very soon: Poverty will become a Stranger to you and your family - Amen. Not only that, the One who is saying: I want you to be in Charge Materially, tells you how you can have Dominion Materially. In Luke 6:38, He says, all you need to do is learn to give. Because if you give, you shall receive. Give, and it shall be given unto you; Good Measure, Pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall Men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. And then Malachi 3:8-10 makes it clear, if only you would honour God to pay to Him your Tithes and your Offering; He said He would make sure He gives you just one Breakthrough: He'll open the Windows of Heaven and pour you a Blessing. That's the Promise of God. Bring ye all the Tithes into the Storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and Prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of Hosts, if I will not open you the Windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive

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it. And when we talk about giving your Tithes, some People now want to tell us, "that is the Law - That is not in Grace." Tithes giving came long before even Moses was born; not to talk of the Law. In Genesis 14:14-20, the Bible tells us that Abraham gave Tithes: And Melchizedek King of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the Priest of the Most High God. And he blessed him, and said. blessed be Abram of the Most High God, Possessor of Heaven and Earth: And blessed be the Most High God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him Tithes of all. And if Abraham gave Tithes before Isaac was born; before Jacob was born. And Jacob finally became known as Israel (as you know him now). Before Israel landed in Egypt, spent four hundred and thirty (430) years in Egypt, before Moses came on the scene. You would notice therefore, that Tithing came long before the Law. And the Almighty God says: "And Prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of Hosts, if I will not open you the Windows of Heaven, and pour you out a Blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. \*Sooner or later, the Windows of Heaven would open for somebody listening to me, including those reading now on the Label of DMC; who would continue to be obedient in giving his Tithes to God - Amen.... Not only is God asking you to have Dominion Materially;

In 1 John 4:4, He says that if you are a True Child of God; Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because Greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world. The one that is in the world; of course you know He is talking about the devil. The devil is the one controlling many of the things happening in the world spiritually. You know yourself that the Spiritual Controls the Physical. Now He is saying, whatever any evil force may want to do against you, because God is dwelling in you; you will overcome because you have Dominion Spiritually. And He says in Acts 1:8, - But ye shall receive Power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: So I am believing God that those of you who are already Born Again, but have not been Baptized in the Holy Spirit; that you would receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit during this Convention; and

5. \*DOMINION SPIRITUALLY. He

wants you to have Dominion Spiritually.

- He wants you to have Dominion Physically.- He wants you to have

you would receive Power - Amen. Power

to deal with any evil force whatsoever -

Dominion Mentally. - He wants you to have Dominion Emotionally. - He wants you to have Dominion Materially. - He wants you to have Dominion Spiritually. What else? What other area are you looking at to have Dominion?. You see, God requires something from you - He expects you to do something, so that you can continue to experience this Dominion in every facet of Life. And what is it? It is found in Proverbs 16:32; He that is slow to anger is better than the Mighty; and he that ruleth his Spirit than he that taketh a City.

6. DOMINION OVER YOURSELF.

He wants you to have Dominion over yourself. The Scripture that I just read (Proverbs 16:32) says: "And he that ruleth his Spirit than he that taketh a city. In other words, if you want to exercise Dominion in every facets of Life, Godexpects you to have Dominion first and foremost, over yourself. - He expects you to be able to control your Anger;- He expects you to be able to control your appetite; - He expects you to be subject to the Almighty God, the One who gave Dominion to the Original Man. And of course, for so many People, they try to control themselves without the support of God. In other words, you cannot control yourself except you are under the control of God Himself. And that's why Jesus Christ said in Matthew 11:28-30, come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. But He added immediately, that you must come under His Authority. In other words, if you are to have Dominion in the world, you must be under the Authority of Jesus Christ and you must be under His Management, so that you will have the ability to have Dominion over yourself. That is why if there's anyone of you under the sound of my voice including those reading now on the Label of DMC; and you have not yet Surrendered your Life to Jesus Christ Genuinely; you would then understand the reason why it s difficult for you not to lie; difficult for you not to cheat, difficult for you not to do all those evil things that you yourself know are not according to the Will of God. But when you Surrender your Life to Him; that is why we use the word 'Surrender' - When you handover the rest of your Life to Him; when you ask Him to be your Master and your Saviour, your Lord and Controller: All of a sudden, the ability for you to have

Control over everything - Starting with yourself; would become available to you. **ALTAR CALL** 

So, I am appealing to you tonight, including those of you reading now .If you have not yet surrendered your Life to Jesus\_Christ,\_do\_so\_right\_now. I will suggest to you that wherever you are, you would stand up now. God wants you to know that when you surrender your Life to Jesus Christ Genuinely, you are doing so with the Consciousness that you are asking that Jesus Christ will take over your Life. So that you would be able to have Dominion over yourself first. And by having Dominion over yourself, you would have Dominion in every facets of Life. I will Pray for you first; but then, after I've Prayed, make sure you don't go back to sin again. And I can assure you, from this moment forward, you will begin-to-enjoy Dominion Physically, Dominion Mentally, Dominion Emotionally, Dominion Materially, and Dominion Spiritually - Amen.. And by the Special Grace of God, one of these days; I will either see you here alive, or we would meet together in Heaven -Amen.

Let us pray! PRAYER FOR SALVATION AND CLOSING PRAYER My Father and my God, I want to thank you for Your Word. I want to give you all the Glory, all the Honour for all those who have heard this Message, including those reading now and for all those who are now making up their Mind that today, they would surrender their lives to You Genuinely. Please LORD, receive them. Forgive them. Save their Souls. As they've asked you to become their Saviour and their Lord, save their Souls. And Lord God Almighty, receive them into the Family of God. And from this moment onward, whenever they cry unto you for anything, answer them by Fire. Thank You my Father and my God. And for all Your Children who are in this Convention, including those reading now, I Pray that if there is anything at all that has been dominating their lives before now; from today onwards, they would be the ones dominating such things: Physically, Mentally, Materially, Emotional, Mari tally, spiritually, and in every facets of Life. Almighty God I pray that you will give them the Power to have Dominion. And that very soon, I'll be hearing many Wonderful Testimonies from Your Children. In Jesus' Mighty Name we have prayed - Amen. Thank you so much for staying all through to read.

Amen.