



THEME:

FROM THE MOUNTAIN TOP

- PART 4 (IN PARTNERSHIP WITH FIRE)

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BIBLE TEXT: EXODUS 3: 7-12

talk to me about giving my Life to Jesus, forsaking my sins, et cetera. I didn't like it at all. They didn't ask me to pay - They asked me to stay. I Thank God that I came as a Customer but today, by the Grace of God, I'm a Partner. I Pray for all of you who are Customers,

that before this Night is out, you will become Partners of the Most High - Amen.

Then in every Company, you have the People we call the 'Staff'. These are the People who keep the Company going - They earn their living there. They are called the Staff. And some of them, you look down on them because you think they are very Low - Like Cleaners, Messengers. But do you know without the Cleaners, the Company is not going to last long as you think? For example, there are some People who have dedicated themselves to washing every chair in this Auditoriums - The ones here and the ones in the Old Auditorium. That's why when you come, you don't have to clean your chair because it has been washed by Volunteers. They are not paid for it - They just come; large number of them, wash the chairs. You may not recognize them, you may not consider them as important, but God is watching and is keeping a record of all their activities.... So we have the Staff. And of course, the Staff are in Categories - Like I said, Cleaners, Messengers, then you begin to go higher: Cashier, Accountant, Manager, Senior Manager, etc.

Those who are called the Staff, their very Life depends on the Company - If the Company should sack them, they will have a bit of a Problem feeding their families. But then there is another Group higher than Staff and that's the ones we call - "PARTNERS". Partners with the Owner of the Company. When we begin to talk about Partners, I am sure you must know that there are two (2) Categories of Partners: - We have the Senior Partner: Usually the Owner of the Company. - And then we have maybe one (1) or two (2) Junior Partners. The Senior Partner is called the Chairman. He is the Big Boss - He owns the Company but he shares with the Junior Partners certain things.... And we will discuss these things tonight. Now, Partnership is originally the idea of God Himself - From the very, very beginning, He was interested in Partnership. We all know that He is the Almighty, He can do anything He wanted to do. But when you read Genesis 2:19-20, after He created everything: Every animals, every birds, He took them to Adam and said: Hey Adam, I have been doing a lot of work, creating this, creating that;

now, be my Partner, name them for me. And whatever name you call them, that's the name they would bear. So, the first (1st) Partner with God was Adam.

In the Bible Text we read today that we want to discuss in details - Exodus 3:7-12. He said to Moses, I have seen the suffering of my People; I've decided this suffering must stop! I hope somebody will agree with me that the sufferings in our Nation must stop - Amen. And then He turned round to Moses and said well, let's do the work together - Go and bring my People out of Bondage. Moses said, I thought you said you have come to set them free; who am I that I have to go and face Pharaoh? Remember, God said, "I will be with you - We are going to be Partners." When you read Isaiah 6:1-8, you will discover that up till now, God is saying, "who shall I send? Who shall go for us?" He a saying, "I am still looking for Partners." As a matter of fact, something that He said in Ezekiel 22:29-31 is almost frightening. He said when He looked down on a Particular Nation and He saw all the evil that they were doing; when He looked down on a Nation and He saw Corruption, Banditry and all kinds of evil; He said, And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the Land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none. If only I can find just one (1) man who will stand before me and say Lord, I know you are angry; but please, consider me and don't release your anger. He said, "I found none." He was looking for just one (1) man and He said I couldn't find one. Well, I release my anger. If God is looking for one man so that He can put an end to His anger against our Nation, who will volunteer? ... Nobody said anything. You are afraid. It reminds me of what used to happen in those days - Whenever I offend my mum and whether you believe it or not, mother's don't want to cane their children. Because as they are caning the children they are feeling the pain. And yet they know that if you don't handle your child very well, the child will get rotten. I've done something wrong, my mum wants to deal with me and she will pretend to be looking for the cane, creating a space so I can run out. How many of you know what I'm talking about? Any other mother like that here? By the time she finally finds the cane, I've already found somebody, an Elderly somebody and I am clinging to that fellow. She will say, 'ori e yo e le ni'meaning your head saved you today or God has

Well lift your Voice to the Almighty God and bless His Holy Name - Give Him Glory, give Him Honour and give Him Adoration. Bless the King of kings and the Lord of lords; bless the Ancient of Days - Worship Him as He is Worthy to be Praised and Adored. Exodus 3:7-12: 7. And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my People which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows; 8. And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that Land unto a Good Land and a large, unto a Land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites. 9. Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them. 10. Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt. 11. And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt? 12. And he said, certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the People out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this Mountain. Someone here tonight or reading now, you will never walk alone again - Amen. In every Company, there are People who come to buy goods - We call them, 'Customers'. They come, pay for what they want, collect and go. We have People like that in the Church - They come, expecting to get something from Jesus Christ, and they are willing to pay: "Just tell me how much I need to pay here, then give me my Miracle and I go." I know because that's how I came to the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) - I had Problem that my Mathematics could not solve. Somebody told me that if I get to the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG)! God is answering Prayers there. I came, I told them my Problem and I was expecting them to tell me how much I will pay so that I can get my Miracle and go back to my home. Instead, they began to



rescued you. She didn't want to do it to start with, and she was looking for someone who will stand in the gap. Who will stand in the gap for your Family today? Who will stand in the gap for our Nation today? Let me hear you say Amen - Amen! Now, that brings us to a Big Question:

WHY DOES THE ALMIGHTY GOD NEED A PARTNER?

Why does the One who has the ability to do everything - why does He need a Partner? Well, Psalms 115:3 says He is Sovereign. So He can do as He likes. But it's a little more than that. If God were to come down to Nigeria today or any other Nation in the world to deliver a warning, they won't be able to see Him. In Exodus 33:18-23; He told Moses "No man can see me and live." So if He wants to call somebody out of danger, "come and be saved," He can't come directly Himself because you won't see who is talking to you. Secondly, the way He speaks makes it necessary for Him to get a Partner. I Kings 19:11-12 says when He is speaking, He speaks in a very small voice—Very few People can hear Him as He barely speaks above whispers. I told you the first time I attended a Fellowship after I became Born Again at the University of Lagos; and somebody took me there to their Fellowship. As they were singing Choruses and so on, all of a sudden as if by cue, everybody became silent and then a brother began to Prophesy: "Thus saith the Lord," he began - I nudged the man who took me there and said, when did God say that? He said shhh, God is speaking. I said, I am not hearing anything. Several times People have asked me, "you will be preaching and all of a sudden you will stop and say, Oh! Daddy said... When did Daddy say that?" I pray for somebody here today or reading now that God will open your ears - Amen. Now, if He doesn't speak in that small still voice; if He raises His voice, People will think it is thunder. In John 12:28-29; He was speaking to Jesus Christ and the People around said, it to a Thunder. So, it is either He speaks silently - That many People won't even hear or when He is speaking loud, you will think it is Thunder. As a matter of fact when you read Exodus 20:18-19, the People said to Moses, "Go and hear from Him and come and tell us. We don't want to hear from Him." So God needs a Partner when He wants to deal with People. In the Name that's above every other name, I Pray that He find a New Partner here tonight - Amen.

THE SENIOR PARTNER. Now let's consider the Senior Partner, because He is the most important Person in the whole Business. - The Senior Partner in our own case, is the Owner and He has absolute Control of everything that He wants done in the Company. - Whatever the Junior Partner does must be done in the Name of the Senior Partner. You cannot be a Junior Partner and dictate to the Senior Partner. There's a Senior Partner who will tell the Junior Partner what to do. You must do everything in the Name of the Senior Partner. For example in Mark 16:16-17; He said, And these Signs shall follow them that believe; In my name .He said whatever you are going to do, do it in my Name. You remember the Story in 1 Samuel 17:42-51 - David said to Goliath, "I come to you in the Name of the Lord of Host."

In Acts 19:11-17, where the Bible says God Performed Special Miracle by the hand of Paul the Apostle. And some People said, "in the Name of Jesus that Paul Preaches, Demons come out!" Demons said, "Jesus we know, Paul we know, who are you?" Maybe I should add this and say tonight: I decree in the Name of Jesus, that all your Problems will be consumed by Fire - Amen. So the Junior Partner must be subject to the Senior Partner - That's very crucial. If you are ever going to become His Partner, you must be Subject to Him. In Luke 7:2-10, the Centurion said, "Jesus I know you are under the Authority of Your Father in Heaven, that's why you can tell Sickness go and it will go; Demons, go and Demons will go." You want to be His Partner? You must be ready to be Subject to His Authority. My son said during his own Sermon that you must not argue with Him - You don't argue with a Senior Partner; whatever He says do, you do.

THINGS YOU WILL GET FROM THE SENIOR PARTNER.

Now, what are the Things that you will get if you are Subject to the Senior Partner? This is very important - As soon as you know, just like I said in Luke 22:42, Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my Will, but thine, be done. "It is not my Will, but Thine be done." The moment you can get that one clear, from that moment onwards your Christian Life will become enjoyable. After you have Prayed, quoted the Bible and you have done everything, you must still remember: "He is Your Senior Partner." And you know, when He says Yes, it is Yes. If He says No, it is No. The Senior Partner now performs certain things for the Junior Partner:

1. He provides for the Junior Partner using whatever Method that Pleases Him.*

Thank You Father. The Lord asked me to tell Someone here tonight, inclusive those reading now He said: "You won't faint again" - Amen. The fellow concerned heard me loud and clear: The Almighty God says you won't faint again - Amen.

I Kings 17:2-17 when He decided to Provide for Elijah He said He would send birds (ravens) to bring bread and to bring meat. And everybody knows that birds love bread and ravens in Particular, they love meat. But when God sent them on an errand, they won't tamper with whatever He asked them to deliver. In the Name that's above every other name, your Miracle will not miss your Address - Amen. When the brook dried up, He decided, "Alright, now there is no need sending birds here, let me send you to a Widow." When God is speaking, many at times we try to understand with our brain, we forget that we are dealing with the one who is called the All-sufficient God. In one of our Meetings I think it was in Slovakia, about two (2) weeks ago, the Word of God came, thousands of People there and God just said, "there is someone here, I know how to take care of the crisis in your family."

How will I know? The Program took Place on Sunday. How will I know that there was a couple there that were getting ready for divorce? By Monday Morning they

said, no more divorce. What God did that night that led to reconciliation of the two People who had made up their Mind that they are going separately, only God can explain. Let me also borrow that for you and say: Whatever crisis may be in your Family, will be over tonight - Amen. He Provides! That is why the Bible says in Philippians 4:19, But my God shall Supply all your Needs according to his Riches in Glory by Christ Jesus.

2. HE PROTECTS: Isaiah 54:15-17, He made a Promise to His Partners, He said don't worry, there may be those who would gang up against you. He said, but I will deal with them. They will fall for your sake. And He went on to say, No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; A daughter of mine was giving a Testimony of what happened when she was just a small girl - There was this River where they go to fetch water for the School where she was attending. Students were there fetching water and there was this old woman who came and brushed them aside to fetch her own water first. This little girl said, "no, you can't do that, we have been here," - not knowing the kind of woman. That old woman got home, got a Calabash, put some water there and began to chant some Incantations and the Calabash broke. The following day she came to confess, "this fellow cannot be touched." I Pray for you: Anybody chanting any form of Incantations against you, the Calabash will break - Amen. He Protects! Psalms 20:7-8 says, Some trust in Chariots, and some in Horses: but we will remember the Name of the LORD our God. They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright. When they fall, we will stand!

3. HE DEFENDS: My son had mentioned to you 2 Kings 1:9-12 - When some Soldiers came to arrest Elijah and they said Elijah, you are under arrest. He said, you don't know who I am. I am - A Partner of the Consuming Fire. Anybody trying to arrest your Progress, the Fire of God will deal with him - Amen.

Thank You Lord. Let me first of all sing this Song, because it is slightly different from the one you know. Because a family will be Singing this Song very soon - Amen. Hosanna in the Highest, Hosanna in the Highest, My Family's Singing Hosanna in the Highest... If it is your family, sing it now. Write it down: within the next one (1) Month your Family will be Singing that Song - Amen. And you know very well, in 2 Kings 6:8-17 - When a King sent a whole Army to go and arrest Elisha, Elisha asked God to open the eyes of the Servant after he had told him, "those who are with us are more than those who are with them." I want to assure you: You become His Partner, wherever you go, His Body Guards will go with you - Amen.

4. HE EQUIPS THEM: In Mark 3:13-15; when He had selected twelve (12) People out of the crowd, He gave them Power. And like my friend from Germany has said, in Acts 1:8, the Almighty God said: But ye shall receive Power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: He will equip you for your Assignment - Everything you need to succeed in your Assignment, He will make available. That is why Philippians 4:13 says, I can do all things through Christ which Strengtheneth me.