

with *Uncle Pee.*

ONLY BY HIS GRACE

Zechariah 4v6, Eph 2:8-10

That is by His grace that we are saved and not of ourselves. It is the gift of God not by works lest anyone should boast. Sometimes you hear people asking questions like 'Do you know who I am, do you know who you are talking to? How dare you speak to me like that? I will deal with you etc. All these kind of questions are borne out of pride. The truth is that every human being was made from the dust of the ground and will eventually return there (Gen. 3v19) it is only grace and favor of God that has brought us this far. (I Corinthians. 15v10).

If you think that you are successful because of how smart or brilliant you are, my question for you is that did you create your brain? Could you have single handedly created all the opportunities that you had while climbing the ladder of success. Last night while sleeping did you know where you were, you only woke up when God sent his angel to wake you up. You did not wake yourself because throughout the night you did not know where you were even in your dream. It is by His grace that we are what we are.

In Col 1v16-17 the word of God said that all things exist in God and we are created by Him and for Him. Everything we are and have is by God's provision and by His grace alone. This is why our bible tell us that no one can boast before God. He is the Almighty God who knows the end from the beginning. He lives in heaven and does what pleaseth HIM because He made us for His pleasure.

Even if you consider yourself to be educated or a PhD holder you could have ended up as a farmer or truck pusher if God had not given you all the opportunities either through your parents and other people. Your dreams would have ended up in the trash. You would not be where you are today. This is why we cannot afford to be proud because without His help, support and grace we are

nowhere. It is by his grace and mercy that we are where we are not because we are too intelligent or know how to do it, he can pull us down if He so wish and there is nothing anyone can do about it. No one can question Him because He is the Alpha and Omega.

In the bible even though King Saul was initially aware of his humble state before he was crowned king (1 Sam 15 vs. 17) pride began to set in his heart as time went by. He got to a time when he began to feel like he needed more respect from people consequently he lost his position and the kingdom was taken away from him (1 Sam 15 vs. 22- 31). By the time we get to 1 Sam 16 vs. 1, God was already telling Samuel not to waste his time praying for Saul because he had rejected him.

My brother and sister do not allow pride into your heart. The moment a fellow becomes proud destruction is waiting at the door (Prov. 16 vs. 18). Never forget about God's abundant mercy and grace that has brought you thus far and be careful never to think that you are superior to other people. God is the one raising you and all the glory must be given to him. If you are still living a life of your own feeling and thinking that the life belongs to you, it is time to take a rethink, humble yourself and submit to His authority and Lordship. This is the only way you will receive salvation and be assured of a guaranteed future.

Whether you believe it or not, He own you, He owns your today and your tomorrow so you have no option than to surrender to Him to lead you to His purpose for your life. Say unto Him as you read 'Father thank you so much for your grace, please help me never to boast in myself but in you alone. I surrender completely to you take over my life from today and lead me on. Read me again next month.

