

# **SERMON**





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### **BIBLE TEXT: 1 JOHN 4:4 AND MATTHEW 11:12**



\_2 Chronicles 1:6-12: 6.

onight I will be talking to you on the Topic: Possessing your Possession.

Matthew 11:12, And from the days of John the Baptist until now the Kingdom of Heaven suffereth Violence, and the Violent take it by Force, From time to time Tonight, I might be led to ask you to Stand Up to Pray - And I mean the Younger ones. If you are Younger than I, you are Young; and if you are Older than I, then you are Old - I am only eightythree (83) years Old. All those Younger than I, let me hear vou shout Halleluiah - Halleluiah. In many cases, things that are already yours, you may have to fight for it. Tonight we want to fight for everything that is yours, that the devil is trying to withhold from us. You know the Story in Numbers 13:17-38 - God has given the children of Israel the Promised Land, but they still have to fight for it. And in Numbers 14:1-10, the Land that is flowing with Milk and Honey has been given to the children of Israel, yet they have to fight for it.

1. HEALING: I want you to know, Beloved children, Healing is yours. Jesus Christ Paid the Price for your Healing. In 2 Peter 2:24, your Greatest Friend, the Lord Jesus Christ Paid a terrible Price to Purchase your Healing; All you need to do is ask yourself: "Since they knew they would crucify Him, why still beat him? It is because, by His Stripes He Purchased Healing for "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." Even though Healing is yours, according to John 10:10, there is a thief who comes not just to steal, but to kill, and to destroy. That thief is the devil - You have to use all Violence to take your Healing from him. "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have Life, and that they might have it more Abundantly." If you are sick here, inclusive those reading now and you Pray the way I am going to ask you to Pray, you will get your Healing Back Tonight. If you are Healthy, and you Pray the way I am going to ask you to Pray Tonight, you may never be sick again. I know People have asked, "If you are never sick how are you going to die?" Who told you that you have to be sick before you die? When you have lived Gloriously, and its time to go you can just leave. I am sure I have told you how I want to go Home - It will be on a Sunday, no doubt about that. I will go to Church, have a wonderful time, come back home, eat Pounded yam and go. Tell Someone by your side: "I will never be sick again." - In Mark 2:1-12, they brought a Man who was Paralyzed from neck down to the Lord Jesus Christ - There was no room at the door and the windows to pass through. These People decided to get Violence - They climbed the roof, broke the roof, and lowered their friend at the feet of Jesus.... Nobody told us who repaired the roof. Jesus Christ saw not just their Faith, he saw their Violence - They carried the Man in, he walked out, carrying what carried him! I Stand before you Tonight to decree that one of you who came here sick, including those reading now on the Label of DMC: you will go home back home hole - Amen! In Mark 5:25-34, the Bible tells us the Story of the Woman with the Issue of Blood he had been sick for twelve (12) years. She had ed all Doctors, but they kept on referring her to other Doctor until she had spent everything she did. She heard that Jesus was passing by - She

Whole - Amen! In Mark 5:25-34, the Bible tells us the Story of the Woman with the Issue of Blood -She had been sick for twelve (12) years. She had tried all Doctors, but they kept on referring her to another Doctor until she had spent everything she had. She heard that Jesus was passing by - She didn't sit and say, "Lord, I'm here. I know that You are busy. Can you just spare me a Minute?" The Bible says there was a crowd, but she Pressed her way through and got her Healing. In Matthew 9:1-4. the Bible tells us about a huge crowd coming down with Jesus Christ as He was coming down from the Mountain. A Leper saw Him: He knew that he was not allowed to be seen in Public. He knew that if he should be seen, they would want to Stone him. If a Leper was to come to Public in those days, he was to be shouting, "Unclean!" so that People would get out of the way. But this one said, "No, if I am going to die, let me die. I am going to visit this One who has the Ability to Heal me." And he got his Healing. You have heard the Story of one of my daughters who was very sick - The Doctors have told her, "There is no Hope for you, and there is nothing more we can do for you, go home and die." She said, "Is that so?" They said, "Yes!" She called her children and said, "I want you to take me to the Church." "What are you going to do there," the children asked? She said, "That is none of your business, take me there." "Mama, today is not a Church Day, the Pastor would not be there," the children said. She said to them; "Who told you I'm going to see the Pastor. The One I am going to see doesn't travel - He is always at home." If you are that fellow who is going to have an Encounter with Jesus Christ Today, let me hear you shout hallelujah - Hallelujah. They took her to the Headquarters Church in Ebute Metta (Lagos State Nigeria). And she said, "Thank You - Help me to get inside the Church. Just take me to one of the Pillars." She entered and told the Almighty God - Your Word tells me that You are the Great Physician, and You are the Lord that heals me. Your Word tells me that People may not believe Your Report, but I believe -"I am in Your House right now; they told me that I am going to die. I am in Your House. Great Physician, Prove Yourself." She touched the Pillar, and she was made Whole instantly! Stand on your feet, Please. Raise your voice to the Almighty God wherever you are right now, inclusive those reading now, Say Father, I am in your House, I must be Healed Tonight. Receive your Healing, in Jesus' Name - Amen! I will hear your Testimony by tomorrow - Amen. Please be seated!

2. PROSPERITY I want you to know that Prosperity is yours. By now I'm sure you know that I am not a "Prosperity Preacher" - I am a "Holiness Preacher". The One who owns the Earth and the Fullness thereof, the One who said, "Silver is mine, Gold is mine," Paid a terrible Price so that you will not be Poor. 2 Corinthians 8:9 says: For ye know the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became Poor, that ye through his Poverty might be rich. But the devil does not want you to Prosper. The moment we begin to talk about getting rich, they tell you that you are in Jesus Christ because you want to make money. When a Sinner makes it big, nobody talks but the day they see you, a Child of God, Prospering, all hell breaks loose - They don't want you to be rich. They know that if you become rich, you will be able to do the work of God - And they don't want that to be done. Just imagine how we can have this kind of Convention with all the Millions of People around? I was among the children this Morning, and I was afraid - The little ones and the Teenagers outnumbered us the adults. It's incredible. How can we have this kind of Gathering for a whole week and everybody is fed? Can a Poor Man do this kind of thing? They don't want you to be rich so that the work of God cannot be done. They don't want you to be rich so that we cannot send Missionaries to the whole world. They said that you are supposed to be poor because you are a Christian. Is that so? No! 'You are a Christian, don't talk about Financial Breakthroughs" Tell me, in what Nation in the world would you go and you get to the Petrol Station: and they fill your car and you say, "I am a Christian, I don't have to Pay?" In 2 Kings 4:1-7, the Bible tells us the Story of a Widow. the husband believed in Poverty, so he died poor -He died with a load of debt. One day the Creditors came and they told the Widow, "If you don't pay us tomorrow, we will sell your two (2) sons.' cried to the Man of God that day. As long as she kept quiet, the All-Sufficient God sat in Heaven and did nothing. As long as you want to remain Poor, you will remain Poor; but that is Changing Tonight - Amen. The day she cried and said no more Poverty, that was the day her Breakthrough came. They will tell you that it is written, "Money is the root of all evil." Wrong! That is not what the Bible says. The Bible says, "Love of money (1 Timothy 6:10). If you allow Money to become your 'god'; then you will have a Problem. But if you want to seek first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness, how many things will be added to you? All Things!

(Matthew 6:33). How many of you would love to be Divine Treasurers? Tonight, we are going to wedge war against the devil that has been keeping you away from your Prosperity. Prosperity was Purchased for you by the Poverty of the Lord Jesus Christ. Several years ago, around 1983 or 1984 - One Young boy came and said, "Daddy, Pray for me. I want to be one of the three People who would Sponsor the Convention. At that time, the crowd was about ten thousand People - He said that he wanted to be a Divine Treasurer; and I Prayed for him. It wasn't long after that, he was sacked in his Place of work. He came to me and said, "Daddy, I said I want to be a Divine Treasurer, and they



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sacked me." I said to him, you want to Sponsor the Convention with your little Salary? God heard your cry - He had to close one door to open another. Before one year, he was able to return - And he gave at least one-third (1/3) of what was needed to Sponsor the Convention. There is Someone here listening to me Tonight, inclusive those reading now who would say: "By this time Next Year, no matter how big the crowd. I alone will Pay. If you are that one. Please Stand on your feet. Say Father, I want to be a Divine Treasurer. No more Poverty in my Life. In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed -Amen. Please be seated. I've told you before: I. If God Prospers you, the enemy will criticize you -"It's because of Wealth you are coming to Jesus'. II. If you are dying poor, they would still criticize you -They would say, "Where is your God?" III. You fail to pay your house rent, they would say, "Every day you call on Jesus; can't you tell your Jesus to Pay your House Rent?" In the Name that's above every other name. I decree to as many of you who are Tenants Here Tonight, inclusive those reading now on the Label of DMC: You will be Landlords very soon - Amen

3. NO MORE BARRENNESS. God Himself said that there should be no Barren Fellow in His Kingdom. Exodus 23:26 - There shall Nothing cast their Young, nor be Barren, in thy Land: the number of thy days I will fulfil. The very first Blessing that God Pronounced on His Children in Genesis 1:26-28 is to be Fruitful and Multiply. He didn't say: "Be Barren". Tonight, with you joining your Faith with mine, Barrenness will come to an end in the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) -Amen. In Genesis 30:1-2, a Lady got Violent -Racheal is her name. She said unto Jacob: Give me children, or else I die. The husband said, you want to be Violent and you are talking to me? Talk to the One who shut your womb. She said okay. Read your Bible, it's there in Genesis 30:22-23 - And God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb. And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away my reproach: You are to remind God, your Word says: None shall be Barren on the Land. We have to agree Tonight, that Barrenness must come to an end in our midst. In 1 Samuel 1:1-20, Hannah has been going to Shiloh all the time, but nothing has been happening. One day, she got Violence and Prayed so hard that only her mouth was moving. That very day, God granted her Request. Because of this Convention; Barrenness must come to an end - Amen. You are going to Pray Violently Tonight. I remembered years ago - I visited America; we were having a Programme in an Open Field, and they got a Van, parked it for me to Pray inside. As I was there, there was a woman who somehow discovered that I was Praying there. So she was walking around Pretending not to Notice. And it was time for me to go to the Meeting Venue. In America when they give you Body Guards, they know their job. As they led me to the Stage, they saw the woman walking around, but she was not looking our way. But as soon as I come out, she dashed into the van, and sat on the chair. Before the Body Guard could realize, and try to send her out, she said, you are already late - I have gotten what I wanted. That very Month she became Pregnant. She forced her way to Fruitfulness. Rise on your feet. You are going to Pray for everyone who is barren in the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG) and around you -Including those reading now. Say Father, today, Barrenness Barrenness must cease in our midst. In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen. So shall it be, in Jesus' Name. Please be seated.

**4. LONG LIFE IS YOURS;** There is a command to all of us on the issue of Long Life. Do you know Long Life is yours? Isaiah 65:20 says, there shall be no more thence an Infant of days, nor an Old Man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die a

hundred years old; but the Sinner being a hundred years old shall be accursed.... The Plan of God is that if you die a hundred (100) years you are a child. What does it mean? - You are not supposed to die Young. - You are not supposed to die before your days. We are all going to cry to God Tonight - We are not going to die but we are going to live and declare the works of God in the Land of the Living (Psalm118:17). The devil wants to kill you, but we must stop him Tonight. In Genesis 32:24-29, when Jacob learnt that his brother, Esau, is coming to meet him - His brother had Promised long ago to kill him. That Night Jacob had a Wrestling Match with an Angel of the Almighty God. And He said, "Let Me go, for the day breaks." But he said, "I will not let You go unless You bless me!" Say: I Refuse to Die! We are going to Pray a Prayer of Agreement Tonight; that Premature Death will not come near any of us at all. A Young Man came to me several years ago; Daddy, I need help. "What's the Problem?" He said, the oldest in his family always die before they are forty (40) years Old - At the time, he was thirty-nine (39) years Old. He said "forty (40) years is approaching" - And he didn't want to die. "What do you want?" I need a Prayer of Agreement, because the Bible says two of us shall agree concerning a thing and it shall be established (Matthew 18: 19-20) So I want you to agree with me that I won't die. I agreed with him in Prayer. And that was over thirty (30) - He is still alive. Like that Young Man Who Testified this Night, an Old Man of eighty-four (84) years also came to me to agree with him before he would die. Why do you want to die? He said, because when he was forty (40) years, he met a Prophet who told him everything that would happen on his Life. He said, "everything the Prophet told me have all come to pass; and the age he said I would die is in two (2) weeks' time.' looked at Papa, I said: now that you are already Born Again, do you want to die? He said, No. Thank God for that Prophet; by the Grace of God, a Greater Prophet is here - I Prayed with him. The Papa who wanted to die at eighty-four (84) years lived a few years more. A few days before his 100th Birthday, he sent for me; Pastor, Thank You! I would like to go now! I said okay. The sixteen (16) years he live for God, he attended the RCCG Bible College, and did many things for God. I am telling you Tonight: Even if you want to die, I refuse to let you go, in Name of Jesus - Amen. Stand on your feet

Say Father, in the Mighty Name of Jesus, we are in Agreement: None of us will die Young. Tell your Neighbour: We won't die before Fulfilling our Purpose. You will not die but you will live and you will do the works of God.

5. NOT UNDER FORCES OF DARKNESS; We must not remain under the Power of Forces of Darkness anymore. Because in Genesis 1:1-3, the first word that came out of the mouth of God is, "Let there be Light" and there was Light! And in John 8:32, 36 the Bible says, and you shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you Free. Therefore, if the Son makes you Free, you shall be Free indeed. How can I be a Child of God and still be tormented by the Forces of Darkness? In Mark 10:46-52, when the Lord Jesus Christ sent for Bartimaeus, He asked, "What do you want?" Bartimaeus asked for Light: "Give me Light, and the rest will take care of itself." No matter how mad somebody could be, if he sees a glimpse of how he could get Light, he will go for it. In Mark 5:2-20, the Madman of Gadara was a Madman among Madmen. But when he saw the Light of the world; Even though he couldn't Pray, at least, he fell on his knees and Worshipped. That day, Darkness gave way to Light. There are many of us who have been suffering all manners of attacks from the Enemies. I listened to the Testimony of that Kabiyesi (Meaning "King"). Take my word for it: In your Kingdom there will be no more Darkness - Amen. I decree by the Authority vested in me by the Most High God: in the Kingdom of all the Traditional Rulers that are Present here, inclusive those reading now, No More Darkness - Amen. We will no longer tolerate Darkness! In our Houses, no more Darkness. In our Places of Work, no more Darkness. Every Agent of the devil, manipulating your Business, your Life, and your Marriage will be bound forever Tonight - Amen. You have heard the Story of a woman who came from the North. We have just finished a big Convention like this, and I was extremely tired, going round and making sure that everything was clean. Everybody has gone, and I was just doing my duty - By the time I finished and I came back home, I was very, very tired. So I told my wife, "gather all the children together, let's Pray. I want to sleep." As soon as we gathered together, instead of the normal Procedure where we will sing Praises, I just said, "Everybody knee down." Then I Prayed a very Short Prayer - You know the kind of Prayer You Pray when you are tired: Almighty God Thank You for Today. See you tomorrow! As soon as I finished Praying, I went Upstairs, and I lay on my bed - I was so tired that I couldn't even remove my socks. Almost as soon as I hit the bed, I was already dozing off when my wife knocked at the door. What is the Problem? "There is someone from the North who wants to see you." I said, "I told you that I am tired." She said, "My dear, the woman down there says she is not going anywhere, you better add this one to your tiredness." I came down and asked, "What is wrong with you ma?"

She said, Thank You for coming! This Head that is always refusing Good Things - That anytime I am about to have a Breakthrough, something will come; You must do something about this Head before I go back. We Prayed a Simple Prayer, and the devil left her alone. The God that I serve - The God who sent me to you, is saying to all of you here Tonight, inclusive those reading now: In the Name that is above every other name; in your Life, there will be Light-Amen.

#### ALTAR CALL

If you want to Surrender your Life to Jesus Christ, come to the Altar so that we can cry to Jesus Christ together to save your Soul so that the Light of God can come into your Life. Cry to the Lord Jesus Christ and say: Lord Jesus, please save my Soul Tonight. I know You are the Light of the world. Come into my Life; save my Soul; forgive all my sins; come and be my Lord, come and be my Saviour, come into my Life. Jesus, please save my Soul and have Mercy on me. The rest of us, Please, stretch your hands towards these People and intercede for them that: The Almighty God who saved our Souls would save their own Souls also. Ask God to have Mercy on these People and save their Souls also. Thank You Father. In Jesus Mighty Name we have Prayed - Amen!

### PRAYER FOR SALVATION

Saviour, I want to Thank You for Your Word. I want to Thank You for these People who have come forward to Surrender their lives Genuinely to You. Please receive them in Jesus' Name. Have Mercy on them in Jesus' Name. Let Your Blood wash away their sins in Jesus' Name. Save their Souls, in Jesus' Name. Write their names in the Book of Life in Jesus' Name. Receive them into the Family of God in Jesus' Name. From now on, let the devil have no more Control over them, in Jesus' Name. Anytime they cry to You, please answer them by Fire. In Jesus' Mighty Name we have Prayed. Amen! God Bless You!