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INTRODUCTION:

To reign is to be in charge; the hallmark of a king is the manifestation of power (Ecclesiastes 8:4), and this is God's purpose for us, His children. Nevertheless, if a king is a child, he remains under tutors, not empowered to rule. In fact, he is no different from a servant because he cannot be in charge until he grows into maturity and becomes a son.

The route to reigning as kings begins with partaking in His divine nature, as no man is made king on earth except he has royal blood flowing in him.

Bible Text: 1 Peter 1:19-20; 2:9; Genesis 1:26-28;

Ecclesiastes 10:7

KEY INSIGHTS COVERED IN THIS BOOKLET:

- 1. Partakers of His Divine Nature
- 2. Spiritual Growth: Key to Kingdom Reign
- 3. Reigning Through Knowledge

1. PARTAKERS OF HIS DIVINE NATURE (Part 1)

Note: Reigning becomes a mirage until we partake of the nature of the King of kings.

A. What does partaking of His divine nature entail?

- We become a new creation 2 Corinthians 5:17
- We are born of the incorruptible seed 1 Peter 1:23; 1 John 3:9
- We become gods John 10:34–36; Psalm 82:6
- We are adopted as sons Galatians 4:3–7; John 1:12
- We have everlasting life 1 John 5:11–13; 1 John 3:16

B. How do we partake of His divine nature?

- Acknowledge your sinful state 1 John 1:8–10.
 Don't assume you are saved because you attend a
 Pentecostal church, are in a service unit, or hold an
 important position in the church John 3:1–3; Acts 9:15
- Believe in the Lord Jesus Acts 16:27–31
- Confess your sins Romans 10:9–10; Proverbs 28:13
- Stand firm in your newly found faith Galatians 5:1, 13

PARTAKERS OF HIS DIVINE NATURE (Part 2)

THE SALVATION PACKAGE

Salvation is a package with many gifts. When you are saved, you receive the life of God, which entitles you to all things that pertain unto life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3), amongst others.

- We now have dominion over sin Romans 6:14;
 Philippians 2:5
- We are now kings and priests to reign on the earth over all situations and circumstances Revelation 5:10
- We are better positioned than the Old Testament people
 1 Peter 1:10–13
- We have access to the Spirit of God John 4:13;
 Romans 8:9,11

• We have access to the presence of God – Hebrews 10:18–19

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: KEY TO KINGDOM REIGN (Part 1)

What is spiritual growth?

Spiritual growth is the process of developing a deeper knowledge of God and understanding of His will and way – Ephesians 3:16; 1:18–20; Psalm 103:7

TIPS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

- Studying, meditating on and doing God's Word Joshua
 1:8; 1 Peter 2:1–2; 2 Timothy 2:15
- Witnessing / Continuous preaching of the gospel Acts
 1:8
- Not forsaking the fellowship of the brethren Proverbs 27:17; Hebrews 10:25

• Right association – Proverbs 13:20; 27:7; 2 Corinthians 6:14; 1 Corinthians 15:33

NOTICE: From these tips, it is obvious that to reign takes a conscious and determined effort by you. Remember, no baby is allowed to rule. Therefore, take these tips as your key to reign and rule.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: KEY TO KINGDOM REIGN (Part 2)

As we learnt in Part 1, it takes a son to manifest and reign. In this Part 2, we shall see the need to grow and how to manifest power and rule as kings.

THE NEED TO GROW

It is essential for every believer to grow unto sonship so as:

- To be able to stand against the wiles of the devil Ephesians 6:10
- To avoid being tossed to and fro Ephesians 4:14
- To be able to reign as a king and dominate over situations and sin Galatians 1:4
- To know the mind of God Ephesians 6:19

• To be able to access the promises and inheritance of God – Hebrews 6:12; 2 Peter 1:4

MANIFESTING YOUR SONSHIP

We can manifest our sonship by:

- Preaching the gospel of salvation Luke 4:18–19; 2 Timothy 4:2
- Ministering healing to the broken-hearted and the sick Mark 16:17–18
- Ministering deliverance to the captives and oppressed of the devil Mark 16:17; Luke 4:18
- Passing decrees against the wish of the devil Ecclesiastes 8:4
- Accessing your inheritance in God Isaiah 45:3

Note: The hallmark of a king is the manifestation of power – Ecclesiastes 8:4. Go and take charge. The contrary devils are not in charge.

REIGNING THROUGH KNOWLEDGE

1 Peter 1:3; Hosea 4:6; James 1:23–24

A wise saying says, "Knowledge is power." From Ephesians 1:18, it is obvious that your level of reigning is a factor of how much of Him you know. The reason why a child does not reign is that he is limited by knowledge based on age (Galatians 4:1–2). So also, if a child of God is not reigning in life, it is because he does not yet possess the requisite knowledge of God – 1 Peter 2:2.

WHAT IS KNOWLEDGE?

Knowledge is the ability to know, acquire, and possess information, facts, ideas, truth, and principles.

- Knowledge could be sensual acquired through sensory organs and intellectual capacity – James 3:15
- Or revelational divinely revealed Philippians 3:10; Ephesians 1:17–18

Revelational knowledge comes through:

- Logos (the written Word) Matthew 22:29; John 5:39;
 Luke 24:27; John 2:22
- Rhema (uttered or spoken Word) John 6:63

Through Rhema, special revelational knowledge beyond human understanding is acquired with the help of the Holy Spirit through guidance, comfort, enlightenment, answers and assurance.

NOTE:

Acquiring knowledge is not sufficient in itself. What produces results and brings about reigning as a king is wisdom, which is the right application of knowledge – Proverbs 4:7; 10:13

HOW TO ACQUIRE THE KNOWLEDGE OF HIM – James 1:19–25

Knowledge is not a function of age, but a product of search. The knowledge you need to reign in life can be made available through the following means:

- By thirsting and yearning for more of Him John 7:37–38
- By labouring in the Word of God 2 Timothy 2:15;
 John 5:39
- By express release of revelation from God this comes by irrevocable commitment to His presence – Daniel 2:19–22
- By impartation of the spirit of knowledge and wisdom Deuteronomy 34:9
- By reading Christian materials
- By listening to the testimonies of God's wonders
- By listening to sound teaching of the words of the truth

CONCLUSION

Deep calls unto deep.

No valuable thing is got on the surface.

If you want to experience the reality of God's Word for this year in your life, you must go in search of knowledge.

Labour in the Word and throw yourself into His presence.

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