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Sunday, September 29, 2019 I woke up feeling energized, really energized to write something for you esteemed reader. I reached for my bible, opened the book of St. Mark, and begun reading Chapter 9. When I finished reading this awesome chapter, my mind was quickly taken back to verse 23 which reads;

Jesus said to him; "if you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."

Dissecting this portion of Scripture, I soon found myself on my laptop writing what looked like *spoken-word* kind of poetry — a piece which, a few minutes later, ended up giving birth to the concept behind this exciting book.

No one can write a good book in less than ten days. Well, who said so? I believed God's word in **Mark** 9:23 and this insightful work right here is a product of that belief.

Many thanks should go to my beautiful, loving and caring wife, Clara, and to my

astoundingly adorable daughter, Karyn, for their invaluable support.

On two, if not three occasions, I wanted to give up due to the fact that this was, to some extent, robbing us of our 'together time' as a family, but thanks be to God Almighty who, besides giving me this revelation, also made sure my wife and daughter understood the importance of this book that neither of them complained about a thing throughout the period I was penning it.

Dear reader, I can guarantee you that this book will not leave you the same. It will not.

It's a must-read book which will, without doubt, challenge you left, right and centre and leave you salivating at the prospect of an extended version.

Thank you for getting yourself a copy. Enjoy your reading and please dare to share!

Robin Pemba, Author.

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DO YOU BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD AND THAT HE CAN DO ALL THINGS?

Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour, is the only begotten Son of God and He can do all things (**John** 3:16; **Matthew** 21:22).

He can raise people from the dead (**John** 11:1-44). He can deliver the demon possessed (**Mark** 5:1-20). He can feed the hungry (**Matthew** 14:13-21). He can comfort the oppressed (1 **Samuel** 1:12-20).

All the situations, challenges or difficulties encountered in this journey called life have names. Struggles have names. Diseases have names. But "God exalted Jesus Christ (His only begotten Son) to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth, and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the father." Philippians 2:9-11. Amen.

DO YOU BELIEVE IN THE EXISTENCE AND POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Dear reader, the Holy Spirit does exist and He is a helper who teaches and reminds (**John** 14:26).

The Holy Spirit does exist and He convicts the world of sin (**John** 16:7-8).

The Holy Spirit does exist and He dwells in believers and fills them (1 **Corinthians** 3:16).

The Holy Spirit does exist and He is a source of revelation, wisdom and power (1 Corinthians 2:10-11).

The Holy Spirit does exist and He guides into all truth (**John** 16:13).

The Holy Spirit does exist and He gives spiritual gifts to believers (1 **Corinthians** 12:7-11).

The Holy Spirit does exist and He is a seal in the lives of believers (**Ephesians** 1:13).

The Holy Spirit does exist and He helps in a Christian's weakness and intercedes for them (**Romans** 8:26-27).

The Holy Spirit does exist and He makes believers new and gives them eternal life (**Romans** 8:10-11).

The Holy Spirit does exist and He sanctifies and enables believers to bear good fruit in their lives (**Galatians** 5:16-25).

I, Robin, believe in the existence and power of the Holy Spirit. Do you believe?

DO YOU BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF PRAYER?

Elijah prayed that it should not rain for three years and it did not rain for three years (1 **Kings** 17; **James** 5:17).

Hannah prayed for the fruit of the womb and she was given the fruit of the womb (1 **Samuel** 2:1-10).

Hezekiah prayed for more years and he was given more years (**Isaiah** 38:5).

Jesus prayed for Peter that his faith may not fail and Peter's faith did not fail (Luke 22:32; Matthew 26:75).

Peter prayed for a lame man and the lame man walked (**Acts** 3:1-12).

Cornelius prayed and the bible records "his alms were remembered before God" (Acts 10:31).

Zechariah prayed for a child and his wife Elizabeth bore him a child (Luke 1:13).

Prayer is our way of communicating our thoughts, needs, and desires to God.

It is an avenue that God has provided for the believer of making known the deepest feelings of our heart(s).

Do you believe in the power of prayer?

Prayer can strengthen your soul (**Psalm** 138:3). Prayer can impart peace (**Philippians** 4:6-7). Prayer can be a source of stability and preservation in our lives (**Psalm** 121). Prayer can result in forgiveness (**I John** 1:9, 2:1-2).

And while it is true that God has ordained prayer to accomplish great things, you as a believer should always remember that prayer was never designed to accomplish that which is outside of God's will. His will always prevails (**Proverbs** 19:21).

Do you believe that?

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE MORE THAN A CONQUEROR?

Yes you! You who is reading this book. No opposition. No accusation. No condemnation. No separation. Why? Because you are more than a conqueror (**Romans** 8:31-39).

"And since God refused to withhold His only son but gave Him up for us all, He will most surely - without any doubt or possibility of failure - provide for us." - John Chrysostom (AD 349 - AD 407).

You are more than a conqueror so there's no need to be holding back in fear. You are more than a conqueror so there's no need to be doubting God's power to heal your physical or mental weaknesses.

If you believe this to be true then "lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely and run with endurance the race that is set before you," **Hebrews** 12:1.

You are more than a conqueror! Oh yes you are!

DO YOU BELIEVE YOU CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS YOU?

Robin, wait, did I hear you say all things? That's right — I said ALL THINGS!!!

You can pray for the sick and the sick get healed through Christ who strengthens you.

You can slay every Goliath in your life through Christ who strengthens you.

You can go out and make disciples through Christ who strengthens you.

You can bear fruits of the Spirit through Christ who strengthens you.

You can pass those tough exams through Christ who strengthens you.

You can advance in your career or business through Christ who strengthens you.

You can beat your addiction to porn, your addiction to sex and drugs, through Christ who strengthens you.

You can have a happy and fulfilling marriage through Christ who strengthens you.

You can defeat sin in your life, and overcome your fears, through Christ who strengthens you.

You can do away with procrastination through Christ who strengthens you.

The bible says all things. All things you can imagine or think of — things acceptable before God — can be done through Christ who strengthens you (**Philippians** 4:13).

Do you believe that?

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT GREATER IS HE WHO IS IN YOU THAN HE WHO IS IN THE WORLD?

In 1 **John** 4:4 "*He who is in you*" refers to Jesus Christ — your personal Lord and Saviour, your provider, your defender, and your everything.

"He who is in the world" refers to the devil or Satan — that old serpent (Genesis 3:1; Revelation 20:2) — the accuser of our brethren (Revelation 12:10)

There's no doubt that Satan, the evil one, is strong and fierce, but our God is much more powerful. Through Jesus Christ, the Lord's mighty strength dwells in us and equips us to overcome the enemy.

Given a chance to rewrite 1 **John** 4:4 Robin's version would, most certainly, read as follows; "Jesus Christ who dwells in you is greater than the devil who dwells in the world." You don't like my version? I bet you do! Glory be to God!!!

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT THE DEVIL COMES BUT TO STEAL, KILL AND DESTROY?

That's right! He runs a three-fold ministry: steal, kill and destroy (see **John** 10:10).

He comes to steal your joy. He comes to steal your happiness. He comes to steal your peace. He comes to steal your blessings.

The devil comes to kill your plans. He comes to kill your goals. He comes to kill your passion. He comes to kill your vision.

The devil comes to destroy your body. He comes to destroy your spirit. He comes to destroy your future. He comes to destroy the very things you have worked for.

Any time the devil comes knocking on your door, be assured he is strong-willed to steal, and kill, and destroy. Don't, I repeat, don't open the door for him. He is so cunning!!! (2 Corinthians 11:3)

DO YOU BELIEVE FAITH COMES BY HEARING AND HEARING BY THE WORD OF GOD?

Hebrews 11:1 defines faith as "The substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen". That's 100 percent correct! But do you know that minus hearing the word of God it's impossible for you to have faith?

Yes, you must hear the word of God first — through whatever means — for faith to finally come to you (**Romans** 10:17).

And the specific message that must be heard is the word of Christ, that is, the good news about Jesus Christ as the one who came to give us eternal life (**John** 3:16). The good news about Jesus Christ as the one who came to seek and save that which was lost (**Luke** 19:10).

Fundamentally, it is the word of God that produces faith. Any time the true gospel of Jesus is communicated, there is potential for faith. Hallelujah!

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN WALK ON WATER?

Walk on water? Yes, walk on water. What does that mean?

It means doing that which the human mind doesn't perceive as possible — doing that which laws of nature say it's beyond our reach — walking on water.

When the disciples saw Jesus Christ walking on water they thought it was a ghost (Matthew 14:26-33). They thought it was a ghost because to them walking on water was something humanly impossible. It was something beyond their mental agility.

Peter himself had to say to Jesus Christ "Lord, if it's you, command me to come to you on the water" (Matthew 14:28) just so he could verify it was Him who was walking on the water. What happened afterwards is surely a discussion for another day but the bible does record that Peter walked on water with Jesus Christ. He walked on water.

So, if Peter, a human being just like us, could walk on water, what can stop us from doing the same? What can stop us from walking on water and leaving people asking questions like "How is that possible?"

The doctor's prognosis was that this man was going to die within a year, how come he is still breathing three years after?

They said her womb was badly damaged and that she couldn't have a baby, how come she is eight months pregnant now?

When you are walking on water, my dear friend, any report besides God's report becomes useless (see **Romans** 3:4).

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD TO THOSE WHO LOVE GOD?

All things (meaning everything; good or bad) work together for good (turn out right/perfect) to those who love God (those who keep His commandments, see **John** 14:15).

The Bible also teaches in 1 **Thessalonians** 5:18 "Give thanks in everything for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you," and in **Philippians** 4:4 "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice."

In a nutshell, dear reader, there's no need to become jealous or envious - no need to become bitter - no need to do anything that is false or deceptive - no need to lose your self-control - no need to think that anyone or anything is standing in your way - no need to get upset. Why? Because "All things work together for good to those who love God" (Romans 8:28).

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN LAY HANDS ON THE SICK AND THE SICK GET HEALED?

Oh yes, you don't have to be Reinhard Bonnke, Kathryn Kuhlman or Jentezen Franklin before you can start praying for the sick. You don't have to be T.B Joshua, Pastor Chris Oyakhilome or Apostle Joseph Ziba for you to be able to lay hands on the sick and the sick get healed.

One common mistake a majority of us believers are making these days is not utilizing the power we received the moment we accepted Christ as our personal Lord and Saviour. It's almost like we don't value that which was given to us and therefore don't seem to know or understand what we are called to do.

Maybe it's because of our lack of faith (Matthew 8:26). Maybe it's because of our laziness in reading the scriptures (Hosea 4:6). But whatever it is, believers all over the world have the power to heal Asthma, HIV, Cancer and all kinds of sicknesses (Acts 5:16; Mark 16:18).

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT YOU CAN SPEAK IN NEW TONGUES?

Some people nurse the belief that speaking in new tongues is for a particular group of people. Or that speaking in new tongues is a calling — that no one can speak in new tongues unless they are called.

Could this be true?

Honestly, I don't know what you think about this but is it not recorded in the Bible that speaking in other tongues is a sign that will accompany those who believe (Mark 16:17) and that anyone can speak in other tongues provided they are filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4)? Is it not recorded?

About seven years ago, I attended a certain gathering in Lilongwe where I witnessed a Pastor teaching others how to speak in new tongues. Like seriously? Where do men and women of God get this idea of teaching others how to speak in new tongues? Where?

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT IF YOU SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS ALL THESE THINGS WILL BE ADDED UNTO YOU?

Yes, all you have to do is seek. Seek first God's kingdom and His righteousness.

What this means, dear reader, is that you have to lay aside everything and prioritize God. It means you have to let God be at the centre of your life and surrender to His authority at all times.

Ok. Great. So what things will be added unto me if I seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness? All things. What do you mean by all things? I mean all things...the desires of your heart...all things (**Psalms** 37:4).

In everything you wish to do — your decision making and your planning — "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added unto you," **Matthew** 6:33.

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT UNLESS ONE IS BORN AGAIN HE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD?

Don't be satisfied because you were born in a Christian family, you go to church every Sabbath, you pay tithe, you hold a leadership position — "unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God" (**John** 3:3).

Don't be satisfied because you don't listen to secular music, watch ungodly movies or patronize clubs and brothels — you must be born of water and the Spirit for you to be able to see the kingdom of God (**John** 3:7-8).

But what does it mean to be born again?

To be born again means to undergo a spiritual rebirth.

It refers to a change of heart from indifference or hostility toward God to a love for Him and a desire to live out His best for us.

The moment we become born again God gives us a new purpose and new goals for living. We no longer live for ourselves but for Him (2 **Corinthians** 5:15).

If you look closely at **Colossians** 3, you will discover that it also gives a very good description of what it means to be born again, starting with: "If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory" (**Colossians** 3:1-3).

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DO YOU BELIEVE THAT WHOEVER BELIEVES IN JESUS CHRIST WILL NOT BE PUT TO SHAME?

I mean, why should you be put to shame when the one you believe in created all things (**John** 1:3; **Acts** 7:50)? Why should you be put to shame when the one you believe in controls everything? Why?

The statement "Whoever believes in Him will not be put to shame" not only points to the fact that all believers are guaranteed to partake of the blessings which accompany those who follow Christ — this statement also seals the revelation that those who believe in Jesus Christ will not perish but have everlasting life (**John** 3:16).

Why should you be put to shame when the one you believe in has promised a 'Crown of Life' to those who believe? Why should you be put to shame when the one you believe in has promised salvation to anyone who believes (Revelation 2:10; Romans 10:9)? Why?

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT IF YOU ASK ANYTHING ACCORDING TO HIS WILL HE HEARS YOU?

The question you are probably asking yourself right now is; "How can I tell if I am asking according to His will or not?

Well, it's easy to tell if you are asking according to His will or not. When you are asking according to His will, your prayers are not offered in such a manner as to suggest God should do it your way. When you are asking according to His will, your prayers are offered in such a manner as to ask God to do it His way.

It doesn't matter what you are asking Him to do for you, it doesn't matter. But if what you are asking Him to do is not in sync with His will, verily, you will be asking amiss (**James** 4:3).

Yes it is true the bible says in Matthew 7:7 "Ask and it shall be given to you", it is true — but should God give you something He knows you will not be able to handle? Should He give you something

He knows will destroy you? I mean, just because you asked, should He go ahead and do that which is not according to His will or purpose for your life?

I guess your answer is no!

And being a good God that He is, His perfect will and desire is that we should have good things. Things which do not, in any way, go against His ultimate will, purpose or plan for our lives.

"If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him " Matthew 7:11.

Ask him, yes, but always ask according to His will.

Read **James** 4:3 and 1 **John** 5:14.

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO THOSE WHO BELIEVE?

All things are possible to those who believe is enough a statement to make us conclude that belief is a vital element that should always be embraced in the life of a Christian, it is a vital element (Matthew 19:26, Mark 9:23, Philippians 4:13).

"Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours," Mark 11:24.

My dear friend, the story doesn't end at asking. The story ends with believing that whatever you have asked for you have received it already and here the bible is very clear that it is this act of believing which makes things happen.

Oh yes!

"He that comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him" **Hebrews** 11:6. Belief invites God's blessings. Belief makes things certain.

"Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" **Mark** 9:24.

If you ask me, dear reader, I'll tell you this man understood the power of belief. He understood it hence he asked Jesus to help his unbelief (just in case there was any in his heart). His son needed deliverance. His son needed healing. This man knew all these things wouldn't happen if there was unbelief in his heart. He knew.

In **Luke** 1:20 Zechariah was punished for his unbelief "And behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time."

I, Robin, believe all things are possible to those who believe. Do you believe?

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