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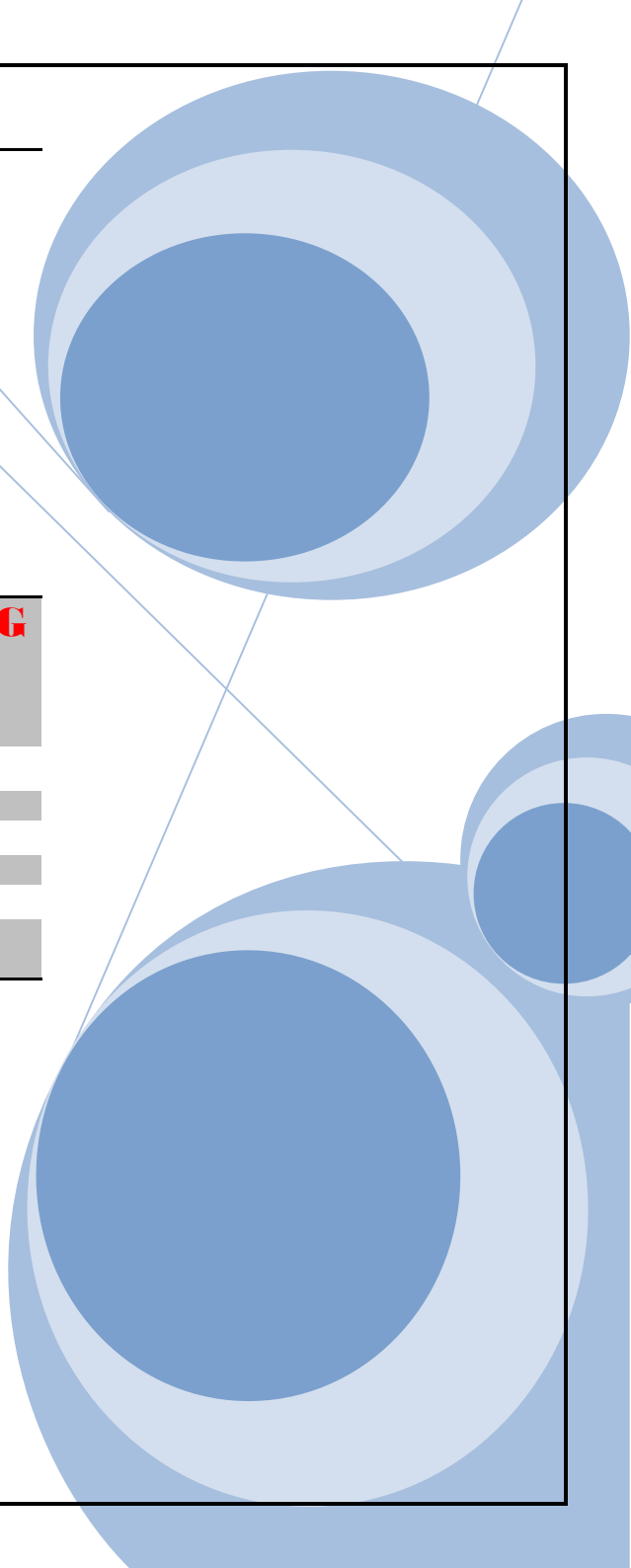
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## **DEDICATION**

This book is expressly dedicated to the man, woman and child in Christ. You made the best decision of your life the day you confessed your love for the Master, and presented Him with your life to do with as pleased.

You are now as He is, here on earth... 1 John 4:17

## **INTRODUCTION**

The ever rise in the number of New Religions in the world today should not be any “breaking news” to the active Christian, who has his or her hopes and trust firmly rooted in the Word of God. However, to all others; non Christians and “Christians” who mix the Word of God with the customs and traditions of men, this Book should be a very useful eye-opener material to you because; it explains the true nature and position of the Christian.

The Christian man, woman or child is not your ordinary every day person you meet in your local grocery store down merrily lane; neither is he or she just your local waste pickup person. Though, they may find themselves work in such positions amongst others, but it does not describe the person and character of the Christian.

There is more that describes the nature and character of a person who has accepted the Lordship of Jesus Christ over their life, and is committed to a life of servitude to Him, and His course.

Think of it this way:

A large number of World Leaders today were once “nobodies”, if we exempted those say for instance, from of Royal Dynasties. For example the Queen of England is a known Royal figurine. She is born into a family that has already established its name and relevance hundreds of years before she was even born. However, this is not the case for many other World Leaders today. A great number have family lineages that were never brought to limelight until their appointments or election into positions of power.

**How then is this illustration related to the Christian?**

A Christian, prior to his acceptance of the Lord Jesus Christ was not different from the many leaders of no significant ancestral background. Yes, I know and understand that some, prior to their call to Christ, do have impressive family histories but, how can one possibly compare the glorious “Lineage” of God, which is unknown, yet glorious, to those of mortals?!

I can guarantee you one thing is certain, and that is; if you would do a thorough background check on those Christians with “impressive lineages; you would find out that their ancestors stuck to

the principles in the Word of God. They were Christians. The same is to be said about their ancestors who weren't Christians.

I would love for you to grasp one very fundamental truth that is practicable everywhere in the world; and that is: Life is spiritual.

Biblical principles work for anybody who trusts and applies them, irrespective of location or Religious affinity. It does not matter if they knew whether the principles were from the Bible or not, it would work!

God is not partial. He confirms His Word, and not those of the individual. The life every human being lives is spiritual. Man is a spirit, has a soul and lives in a body. Therefore, if anyone applies Biblical principles, you will most naturally get the results it stated it would produce.

It explains why some, who are of Eastern Religions still have good successes in business and in family. Many have businesses that have being passed down for generations. It is no "magic"; no, it is simply application of Divine Principles, whether knowing, or not.

Take for example Tithing. The main principle behind the commandment on tithing is selfless giving.

Remember: God loves a cheerful giver. It never said God loves only the cheerful Christian giver; no, it did not. God loves ANYONE who gives cheerful, and not grudgingly. And when God loves someone who obeys Him, He makes it His business to reward such an individual irrespective of their Religious affinity. However, it is important that the substance been given is an acceptable offering. By this I mean, it is not ill gotten gains, and the offering must be for a praiseworthy cause that would bring accolades back to God. God will not honour any “ill” offerings.

He will not break one spiritual Law to uphold another. God is not a partial Judge. Also, it is important to note that your “good works” as a non Christian cannot substitute the Works of Christ in your life; never!

If you are not born again, you will not enter the Kingdom of God. It is that simple. This is where the line in differences is drawn between an active Christian, and all others.



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## **CHAPTER ONE**

### **THE NATURE OF A CHRISTIAN**

God's "Lineage" is without limit and is without record. He is Infinite. He is Supreme in His Image, Nature and Character. He is all Power and ever knowing. On the day you accepted His Son Jesus, your spiritual "family" lineage changed. You became a member of the **Elohim Family**. A Family well established and connected in all the universes out there. And just like Queen of England in our illustration in the introductory section of this Book, you too became a member of a far more exceedingly prestigious glorious Family, eons before you were ever born.

The Christian is literally a child of God (John 1:12-13). God is a Deity. **What then is a Deity?**

A deity (popularly referred to as a 'god') is a supernatural being that lives in a supernatural world. Deities are believed to dwell in shrines or temples, and possess extraordinary powers to change circumstances and situations beyond the abilities of mortals (human beings). Deities are most often than not, worshipped by human beings in hope to gain favours from them in

many areas in their lives that require supernatural “touch”.

A deity must have a base from which it operates. God is The Deity of all deities. In fact, He made all creatures; everything that exists in Heaven, on earth and underneath the earth. All the other deities for example, Appolyon, Belial, Abaddon, the Beast, Magog, Leviathan, Asmodeus, Baal, Ariton, Mammon, Beelzebub, and even Lucifer himself were all His creation who rebelled against Him.

God is the Deity of all deities and, He has a Base - a Temple, or a Seat of Power; a Throne.

## **THE TEMPLE, HEAVEN AND MOUNT ZION**

God is in Heaven, but not in all of it per se, though His Glory and Power saturates and encompasses it all. Now, this does not mean that He does not rule over all of it; no, He does.

That a mortal President lives in the Nation's capital does not mean he lives in that entire city; however, he has rule over it.

Heaven is in Zion. Zion is the Realm of God (Hebrews 12:22-23), the "earth" as it were, where the Gods, the Holy Living Creatures, the Holy Angels, and all the Departed Saints who once dwelt here on earth reside. Heaven on the other hand, is the Capital of Zion, where God's Holy Temple is located.

Therefore, when you got born again (John 3:3, 2Corinthians 5:17), you became a Temple for God to reside in, here on earth. This is why it is so imperative you care very well for your body. Your dress sense should be descent. Your personal hygiene should be top notched. And most

importantly, flee sexual immorality. Control your tongue.

When you became God's Holy Temple; your immediate sphere, which is your home or your place of work became the "heaven", the capital where God's earthly Temple is situated. "Zion" is the Local community, or State or Country you find yourself in. Zion is the whole of earth. You became God's mobile Temple on earth. It further explains His "Omni-Present Abilities because; we, Christians, are all His Mobile Temples spread across all the earth.

So, each time you step out, remember that you are a walking holy deity made by God Himself to rule over the negative circumstances and situations on earth. You are to take charge as would a Royal King or Queen over his or her Kingdom (Revelation 5:10).

Each time you come in contact with an active Christian in your neighbourhood, be careful the kind of thoughts your harbor in your mind about such a person. God will always confirm His Word in, and around their lives. It does not matter if

they heard you talk bad about them; “for the Word of God is a **discerner** of the thoughts and intentions of men.” (Hebrews 4:12)

Think about it for a while as a food for thought.

The Christian is a holy deity. Remember at one time God had said to Moses, “I have made thee a god (deity) to Pharaoh.” Exodus 7:1.

Now if Moses, who was not born again at the time was been made a god unto Pharaoh by God’s words; how more the Christian who was made a god by the Power of the Spirit? (John 3:3-7).

You have got to be awakened to these realities. This is beyond the mere philosophical doctrines of men. This is who we truly are.

The Christian is not to be toyed with. And the Christian is not to walk about with head faced down in show of defeat to the circumstances and situations of this world. You are a holy deity made by God Himself. This is a present hour reality. Assimilate it! Walk in it!

## CHAPTER TWO

### FUNCTIONS OF A DEITY

By definition, we described a deity as a supernatural being with supernatural powers, living in a supernatural world. What this means is really simple; it means that the deity is far above human beings and animals. It is an EXTRA-ordinary being. It has something extra when compared to the ordinary.

It is one thing to be bestowed a status as magnificent and honourably glorious as a deity, but it is another to know what is required by the One Who bestowed such gift. By understanding the uniqueness of the responsibilities to such position, the Christian will begin to come into full knowledge of his or her true nature, as they exercise the various tasks therein for them.

These tasks are spread across the four synoptic Gospels. Consider these very words of the Master to His Disciples below;

While the two were telling them this, suddenly the LORD himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were terrified, thinking that they were seeing a ghost. But he

said to them, “Why are you alarmed? Why are these doubts coming up in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet, and see that it is I myself. Feel me, and you will know, for a ghost doesn’t have flesh and bones, as you can see I have.” He said this and showed them his hands and feet. They still could not believe, they were so full of joy and wonder; they worshipped him even though some of them doubted; so he asked them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of cooked fish, which he took and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, “These are the very things I told you about while I was still with you; everything written about me in the Law of Moses, the writings of the prophets, and the Psalms had come true”. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you.” Jesus drew near and said to them, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth.” He said to them, “Go throughout the whole world and preach the gospel to all mankind. Whoever believes: baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. Whoever does not believe will be condemned. Believers will be given the power to perform miracles: they will drive out demons in my name; they will speak in strange tongues; if they pick up snakes or drink poison, they will not be harmed; they will place their



hands on sick people, who will get well. As the Father sent me, so I send you". Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit". Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, "if you forgive people's sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

(Luke 24:36-41a; Matthew 28:17; Luke 24:41b-44; John 20:21; Matthew 28:18; Mark 16:15-16a; Matthew 28:19b-20a; Mark 16:16b-17-18; John 20:21b-22; Luke 24:45 and John 20:23; GNT)

By itemizing our functions as deities we have;

- a. Go throughout the whole world and preach the gospel to all mankind.
- b. Whoever believes: baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you.
- c. Believers will be given the power to perform miracles: they will drive out demons in my name.
- d. Believers will be given the power to perform miracles: they will speak in strange tongues
- e. Believers will be given the power to perform miracles: if they pick up snakes or drink poison, they will not be harmed.

- f. Believers will be given the power to perform miracles: they will place their hands on sick people, who will get well.
- g. If you forgive people's sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.

Do you now understand why I said we are not ordinary?

## **CHAPTER THREE**

### **THE SNAKE AND SCORPION “HANDLERS”**

“Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.”

Psalm 91:13 KJV

On several occasions, we have heard over the various Media; of how some individuals have tried to put the above Scripture into practice. I have watched a video of how a man was marred by a lion that was supposedly said to be “domesticated”. He was marred pretty badly.

Some have also attempted to keep large pythons and boa constrictor as pets. Now, we might be tempted to want to argue over the validity of the Scripture Genesis 1:26-28, as it is often their base line for trying to attempt such feats. Nonetheless, the scope of this work is centered and limited to our authority as Christians who have been made deities over spiritual matters.

The true purpose of this chapter is to teach the Christian on the principles taught by the Master Jesus Christ in the desert, when He was been tempted of the Devil.

Jesus Christ exhibited the sound understanding of the words of the Father. It explains how at every turn, He countered every attempt of the Tempter to get Him to show off and abuse spiritual authority vested on, and in Him. This is a lesson to us all. (See Luke 4:1-13; Matthew 4:1-11 and Mark 1:12-13).

When Moses made that prayer to the congregation of God's people in the wilderness (Psalm 91:13), what did he have in mind when he mentioned about "lion and adder"?

Or, was Moses simply implying that the people were to go about and step on any lion they encountered their way or did same to any snake? What was he trying to say?

In the Gospel according to Apostle Luke, when reading from Chapter 10:17, Luke wrote;

"And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall any means hurt you."

Luke 10:17-19 KJV.

Let us read it from another translation.

The seventy-two men (some manuscripts have seventy. Though, this is insignificant) came back in great joy. “Lord,” they said, “even the demons obeyed us when we gave them a command in your name!” Jesus answered them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Listen! I have given you authority, so that you can walk on snakes and scorpions and overcome all the power of the Enemy, and nothing will hurt you.”

Good News Translation.

From the Scripture above, we find Jesus using the same figures of speech to his disciples as did Moses to the Congregation of God’s people in the Old Testament.

This time Jesus says, “To tread {walk} on [snakes] and [scorpions].”

What was the Lord trying to communicate also? Was He saying it was OK to walk on snakes and scorpion, and that no harm would come to us?

After His death and resurrection, the Master appeared before the Eleven. And after series of discussions He gave them a clear cut defined task. He said to them:

“Believers will be given the power to perform miracles; they will drive out demons in my name; they will speak in strange tongues; if they pick up snakes or

drink any poison, they will not be harmed; they will place their hands on sick people, who will get well.”

Mark 16:17-18 GNT.

There, we find the Master also using the word “snakes” but, instead of scorpions He used “drink any poison”. Was His message in Mark 16:17-18, and Luke 10:19 one and the same things? Was he making reference to the same thing or person?

Let us look at His communication more closely.

Now, the evangelists have just returned from their evangelical work. They were all excited and jubilant. Who would not be! I mean, considering the fact that they were Jews who have never tried any of such things before. They have heard and read of the many might acts of God through his prophets but, never did they imagine that God could wrath such feat by their very own hands. They considered God too Holy to use just anybody especially, if such an individual was not an anointed prophet by God.

You can image the reason for the “great joy” they expressed when they returned. “Wow! Did you see how that lad fell down when I laid a hand on him and said, ‘Out in the name of Jesus of Nazareth!’?” Someone might have certainly thought in this direction.

Nevertheless, Jesus still had some vital information to pass on to them. In an effort to get their attention, the Master said; “Listen!” When they finally settled down, He proceeded to tell them the full extent on the use of His name.

Jesus narrates to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Listen! I have given you authority, so that you can walk on snakes and scorpions and overcome all the power of the Enemy, and nothing will hurt you.”

I want you to pay very good attention to His statement above. After they had settled down, He went further to tell them that the authority in His name could make them walk on “snakes and scorpions” and overcome all the power of the Enemy... He linked snakes and scorpions to an Enemy. This teaches us something. It teaches us that the “snakes and scorpions” the Lord mentioned were not literally snakes and scorpions. They were a metaphor for typifying an Enemy, and his vicious and vile strategies of operations.

If we substituted the above interpretation to the meaning “snakes and scorpions”, we would get this;

*Jesus answered them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Listen! I have given you authority, so that you can go on the offensive against the vicious*

*and vile operations of the Enemy, and overcome all the power of the Enemy, and nothing will hurt you.”  
Luke 10:18-19 KJV. Emphasized; mine.*

“Believers will be given the power to perform miracles: they will drive out demons in my name; they will speak in strange tongues; [if] they pick up snakes or drink any poison, they will not be harmed; they will place their hands on sick people, who will get well.”

Mark 16:17-18 GNT.

We find the same use of snakes in the Scripture reference above but this time around, He adds “drink any poison” to His statement. The use of “If” connoted the sense of a probability. Meaning peradventure they unknowingly did “pick up snakes or drank poisonous drinks.”

*“Believers will be given the power to perform miracles: they will drive out demons in my name; they will speak in strange tongues; if they peradventure came under attacks of the vicious and vile operations of the Enemy, they will not be harmed; they will place their hands on sick people, who will get well.”*

*Mark 16:17-18 GNT. Emphasized;  
mine.*



So, when Moses made that pray in Psalms 91:13, he was not implying that the people walk on lions and puff adders whenever they felt like it; no, he was not. Moses was saying the same very things the Master communicated to this audience at the time.

Moses was simply saying, “Peradventure you are attacked by the strong kings of the many mighty Nations around about you; or by help of their spies in our midst; those true to God will not be harmed.”

He was not saying to go try tame lions or wild snakes for the amusement of it; far from it. He was communicating onto spiritual, and not carnal. The “Lion and Adder” are references to one and the same group; the Devil and his cohorts.

### **WISE WORDS FROM THE MASTER**

4. But Jesus answered, “The scripture says, ‘Man cannot live on bread alone.’”

8. Jesus answered, “The scripture says, ‘Worship the Lord your God and serve only him!’”

12. But Jesus answered, “The scripture says, “**Do not put the Lord your God to the test.**”

Luke Chapter 4:4, 8, 12

## CHAPTER FOUR

### THE CONCLUSION OF THE MATTER

As full glorified Kings and Queens of the earth; we are to rule with authority as would a crowned Monarch. We are to “Malak” Hebrew for to reign as would a king or queen over a given territory or kingdom. We are to reign with Agape Love – the God Kind of Love with our Fellow Christians, and bring the non Christians to Christ through the Gospel of the Christ Jesus.

If we are in a community where there is spiritual darkness, we are to step in and bring the Light of the Gospel to that community. We are the “Gods to the pharaohs” in those communities.

If we encountered persons demonized by the Powers of Darkness, we are to cast them out with the name of Jesus Christ.

Where there are matters of utmost attention, and we were taken unawares. What do we do? Simple! We speak in strange tongues, generating, making and distributing dynamic Power available in us by the Spirit to cause positive changes. We are to bring all spiritual “walls” crumbling down by the Power of the Holy Spirit.

And what say it about our personal safety? It says we are in protection already! Hallelujah!

So, we are to reign as God's certified, sanctioned, and commissioned glorified deities on earth.

We are 100% Supernatural encapsulated in 100% flesh and blood.

We are not ordinary!

We are as Christ is in Heaven, here on earth (1 John 4:17).

## PRAYER OF SALVATION

We trust you have been blessed by this Book. We invite you to make Jesus Christ the Lord of your life by praying thus:

“O Lord God, I come to You in the Matchless Name of Jesus Christ. Your Word says, “Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Acts 2:21).

I ask Jesus to come into my spirit to be the Lord of my life. I receive eternal life into my spirit and according to Romans 10:9, “That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved,” I declare that I am saved; I am born-again; I am a child of God! I now have Christ dwelling in me; greater is he that is in me than he that is in the world (1 John 4:4)! I now walk in the consciousness of my new life in Christ Jesus. Hallelujah!”

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**See beyond the ordinary... God Bless You!**

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This Book communicates the Mind of the Holy Spirit to you. It is time to return to your true Family.

“Welcome home, my beloved child!” says the Spirit.