

## Exposé 247

### Bucket Ministry Series 20

#### Title: Don't Keep this appointment

So in case you are here looking for patronizing line, all these quick motivations and leadership style from the Bible, those are surface level materials. These might not be the place for you. Well, if you are looking for the gold, the treasure, to unearth the treasure, then this is where you should be.

I will like you to call those people that has the similar interest with you. We are about to go into that conversation we've been having in John Chapter 4- the unfolding never ending conversation that Jesus had with the Samaritan woman.

And this is very interesting because this is not just like we are called to eavesdrop on these things, because sometimes we read about material of great men and people wrote about people's Autobiography, memoir, the thought life and the life style and the victual life of people. And people want to know what was their daily conversation? What was the butler thinks of them? They want to know the inside detail but here we are not just reading about the autobiography, memoir, but we are reading from the butler, for some people to....

We are called to actively participate in this because in this John Chapter 4 we can see our ourselves and see our saviour better. So we will like you to go and not to forget about the irony in this John Chapter 4 verse 10. We see the irony of Jesus asking this woman give me to drink and he is the same one that says I am the living water, if anybody thirst. We see so many twist and turn.

So go back to John Chapter 4 verse 10 and I will like to read verse 10 again, so that we can kick off the conversation today on that.

John 4

**10. Jesus answered and said unto her if thou knowest the gift of God and who it is that said to thee, give me to drink, thou wouldest have asked him and he would have given thee living water.**

Well, thank you for the things you've talked about in terms of the vision of the Bucket Ministry Series.

So viewers all over the world, on that note I welcome you to another episode and we trust the Spirit of grace to grant you revelation, light in the knowledge of who Christ is.

Don't forget we are actually shedding light on the communication between this woman and Jesus, and using that as a springboard for us to understand the implication of the gospel for you that believed in Christ Jesus.

But as we go on into this transmission, let me emphasize one thing. We fully understand that this was a discuss between Jesus and this woman before Jesus went to the cross.

We know that but you only need to understand that if you are reading the scriptures. When you see what Jesus did in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John it tells you of what Christ will accomplished as he is on his way to the cross. For us who are New Covenant believers in Christ Jesus, we are looking back to what he did on the cross, but we can gain lots of divine insight to what he did on the cross, from what he said he would do when he was going to the cross. That is where the gospel of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John comes.

It means if you follow us as we go through the book of John Chapter 4 specifically for the past few weeks, it is things that Jesus said he would do. Things he said he's come to accomplished. They helped us to look back at the cross and see what he did from what he said he will do. That is why we are looking at the gospel.

The reason why I mentioned that, some people begin to say well, as believers in the New Covenant, we should live in the epistles and not live in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. I understand that. We are fully aware of that. But how do we know what he did, unless we understand what he said he has come to do? That is why on that note, welcome to John Chapter 4, the Bucket Ministry Series.

We are going back to the b part of verse 10 quickly. And the b part of verse 10 that you read was where Jesus said give me to drink. He said **if you know the gift of God and the person that said give me to drink.**

Can you see?

**You would have asked him and he would have given you living waters.**

In our previous transmission, we've highlighted that Jesus decided how he wanted to be known.

You know for example, if you meet somebody today or you come across somebody online or in a book even if it is not physically speaking. There are so many things you might actually hear about who they are. But most importantly, I think people always have one thing or probably some few things they want to be known for or to be remembered for.

Infact some people on their death bed, if they know they are going to leave the planet, they always say I want to be remembered for this. It doesn't mean that is everything that

they did. But it seems that those very things they talked about they want to be remembered for are the things that is close to their heart.

Jesus didn't just asked this woman to meet him, he said I want you to know he that said to you, give me to drink. Woman today we might have so many discussion. Woman of Samaria Jesus was saying we might have so many communication today but I want you to remember he that said to you, give me to drink. I want you to remember me for that statement.

That is why that statement should be of utmost significant to you as well, about not the fact that you are knowing Jesus generally, but you are coming to meet the Christ Jesus who said this is what he wants to be remembered for, that he said give me to drink. And that is what we've been looking at.

And then we've come to the conclusion what this drink was, what this water was because we did say. Just to give a kind of back drop of what we are going to talk about today.

That Jesus was going to offer living water to this woman like he said in the b part of John Chapter 4 verse 10. Then we have to understand that what he was going to take away from this woman has to be the opposite of living water. It has to be water that is releasing death, a water that is releasing corruption, a water releasing pollution. That is what she has. She couldn't have had living water and Jesus was still offering her living water. That doesn't make sense.

And then we came through so many scriptures. Please if you missed all our previous transmission, please do listen to them because we are not going to make a case today for things that we have made a case for in the past transmission.

We've made a case through the scriptures to conclude that this waters from this woman is just the curse of sin and death, the law of sin and death. We've actually gone through this in the past.

And from that today we are going to progress with that as we go quickly to Hebrews Chapter 2. We are going to begin discussing on the significance of meeting the Christ who said give me to drink, not meeting another type of Christ or not meeting some other things that flow from Christ or some things that Christ did and said when he was walking the earth in the flesh. But what are the key things, what are the significant thing you need to know of Christ. That is the way Christ want to be known.

Hebrews Chapter 2 let's go there. You can read from verse 9 please when Jesus said give me to drink.

## **Hebrews 2**

**9. But we do see Jesus who was made lower than the angels for a little while.**

It means that is the incarnation of Christ Jesus even though he was God...

Can you see?

He did not count it robbery to be equal with God. He was made like the form of a servant. I am quoting Philippians Chapter 2 from verse 9, 10, 11, 12.

The scripture says he made himself of no reputation, He took up the form of a servant. So he was made a little lower than the angels.

Now go on please,

**by taking on the limitation of humanity.**

The restrictions that goes with being human. Can you see that?

He took up those limitations. And that is why any time the scriptures tells you that in the epistle that you know the grace of our Lord Jesus that even though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor.

Now, you might then begin to understand that when the Bible says Jesus became poor for our sakes, far beyond the fact that Jesus was going about scavenging on the road, looking for what to eat or looking for what to drink. Because these days when we talked about poverty most people end up thinking about somebody who was begging for food or homelessness.

Well, Jesus wasn't begging for food to eat or whatever this and that. But you have to understand that the poverty of Christ must be understood in the context that he took on the limitations of humanity, the restriction that goes with being human.

Can you see that?

This is God. The Bible says in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God and the Word was God.

So he being God from the beginning then took on himself the restrictions and the limitations that come with being human. Just because he wanted to save us for our sakes, he became poor. He took on those limitations, took on those restrictions.

It means the same Jesus who knew all enough, who could be there and there at the same time now is now bound by restrictions of humanity.

Can you see that?

So when the Bible says for our sakes he became poor, he took on some restriction. You've got to understand that in that context.

Go on please

**crown with glory and honour because of the suffering of death.**

Now please put that in the context, give me to drink, asking the woman to give me everything you've got, everything you have was death.

And that is why in most cases, when we talked to people the fact that, give your life to Jesus. I know that's a very common statement we use to invite people to come into a new life in Christ Jesus. But in reality, there is nothing that we have without Christ. All we have is death without Christ. The waters flowing from our life is a water of death like this woman in John Chapter 4.

So maybe instead of telling people to be giving their life to Christ because they've got nothing to offer anyway, we better put it and say you need to receive the life of God into you. You are dead in your sins and trespasses (Ephesians Chapter 2). You have nothing to offer. You are full of death. The water of death is all you have. There is nothing you can bring to the table. You need life.

So the Bible tell us that when Jesus began to tell this woman in John Chapter 4 verse 10, give me to drink. So we understand that Jesus was taking nothing of value from us. He was taking the suffering of sin. He was taking the curse of sin and death. He was taking the corruption that came with the fall of humanity in Adam. He was taking every bad thing that denoted our identity.

So really Bible says for the suffering of sin and death, he took all these on himself. And we see the reason why he had to be human, Bible says he was made a little lower than the angels. He couldn't suffer for us unless he was like us. That is why the Bible says he is an high priest that fit us. You have to be like the people you want to redeem.

So for the sake of redemption, he had to become like one of us like human, restricted by humanity so that he could then suffer the very consequences of the nature that we carried. So we understand the light when he said give me to drink to that woman.

Now go on please,

**So that by the grace of God, extended to sinners, he might experience death for the sins of every one.**

So does that not make it clear then? In fact, the KJV translation did say **that he might taste death for everyone.**

So when he began to tell this woman I want to meet him that said to you, give me to drink. Am going to taste, am going to drink, am going to taste whatever you have to release.

So we now saw the Bible says he experienced death or in the KJV translation, he tasted death for everyone. He drank everything. He tasted death for everyone. And that is why anytime we meet Christ Jesus the man, you need to understand that you must come to encounter Christ as somebody who tasted, who drank, who actually siphon from you everything that spells the law of sin and death at work in your system.

Have you notice one thing that we have as human, you don't probably have to be philosophical to notice this, there is a corruption to decay on humanity. For example, if you notice if you park your car outside or you put something outside there you don't need to pray or wish that the thing will begin to get corrupted before you notice that there is a rust, there is a rot. The system is a decay at work already. It's not just on creation, it's also at work in humanity. That is why the Bible tells us in Roman Chapter 8 that the curse to decay is on creation.

That is why if you notice people begin to grow old over time, over years, there is a decay set in, pollution set in, corruption set in. There is the water of death flowing from every man, flowing from creation. And Jesus said when I go to the cross, am going to taste that. Am going to drink that, am going to taste that corruption. That is why he that knew no sin, he that could not die, somebody that could not be subject to death, that is why Jesus, he could not be subject to death.

Now if you are doubting that, when they came to arrest Jesus, when he said who is it? He said I am he. And when he said that, everybody fell down.

Can you see that?

This man was invincible. He couldn't taste death. It's impossible.

So the reason why he actually was subject to death on the cross must have been he was taken on something that never belong to him. That is what we saw. There is a corruption on humanity, the pollution, the waters of death that Jesus told this woman about, give me to drink.

And we saw in Hebrews 2 verse 9, 10, 11, he says when Jesus went to the cross. He tasted it for every man. He tasted death. He swallowed it. He drank that water that was coming from every man. This is what you must understand as the basics of the gospel. If the gospel is not presented in this light, it's not the true gospel. So every time I come to Christ Jesus, am always consistently reminded of the man Christ Jesus, who went to the cross and drank every pollution, and drank every corruption and drank every death that is coming from my system because am human. He drank it all. He tasted death for every man.

Now, the good news is this. Why is a good news is because he didn't just taste death for Christians. He didn't just taste death for those who are now born again, the Bible says he

tasted death for everyone. So there is somebody there who is not save today. It is not because death was not tasted on their behalf is because we have refuse to believe and receive and acknowledge and it takes the acknowledgment and the receiving to make it work in our system. So he had tasted death for every man.

So we now know that when Jesus in John Chapter 4 verse 10 came to this woman and said woman am asking you to give me to drink, Christ was making a very superb announcement of what he was going to do on the cross.

Hebrews 2 tells us that. That is what we see there in the Word of life.

Verse 10

**10. For it was fitting for God, there is an outwarding of his divine nature that he for who sake are all things, and through him are all things in bringing many sons to glory, should make the author and founder of the salvation, perfect through suffering, bringing to maturity, the human experience necessary for him to be perpetually equip for his office as high priest.**

**11. Both Jesus who sanctifies and those who are sanctified that he is spiritually transformed made only and set apart for God's purpose are all from one Father. For this reasons, he is not ashamed to call them brother and sisters saying I will declare you, the Father's name to my brethren in the midst of the congregation I will sing the praise.**

Verse 14

**14. Therefore since this his children share in flesh and blood, the physical nature of mankind. He himself in a similar manner also shared in the same physical nature but without sin. So that through experiencing death, he might made powerless, ineffective, impotent, he who had the power of death, that is the devil. And that he might free all those who through the hunting fear of death were held in slavery throughout their lives.**

So when Jesus came to this woman and said give me to drink. What was the mission of Christ? To break the woman lose.

For this one says in verse 14, the only way Jesus came to destroy the person that has the power of death and the only reason why Jesus came to free people who were held bound by the fear of death was because he had to taste death.

So when Jesus told this woman, give me to drink. It means behind that statement you have to see the announcement of free gift. You have to see the declaration of liberty and behind that statement because Hebrews 2:14 says the only way Jesus could break free people being held by the power of death and the power of corruption to decay, the only

way he could smash that power over our lives was that he decided to take that consequences, that nature, that law of sin and death away from us and taste it on behalf of every man.

And say in the tasting of that, the goal is not just to taste and to say I think I did the taste. But the aim behind the tasting was that the people who acknowledge that this tasting was done by Christ on their behalf, they would break free. They are supposed to have death lose from them. They are supposed to have the fear of death breaking free from them. That is why the only reason why there is a fear of death or the power of death that can hold people bound is if they had not met the Christ that said give me to drink.

See! You have to understand that Jesus statement in John Chapter 4 verse 10 to this woman was a declaration of liberty to tell the woman that everything that the enemy has over you, this death, this outflow from your life that the enemy is using to hold you bound. I'm going to drink it from you. Am going to siphon it from you. I am going to taste it on your behalf. And when I do, the enemy will have nothing else to register against your life.

And that is why if you are a believer in Christ Jesus. You have to understand that the law of sin and death doesn't work in you anymore. You know why it doesn't work in you? Because Jesus is saying I have tasted death on your behalf.

Can you see that?

That means the law of sin and death doesn't work anymore in your system. The fear of death is not supposed to work in your life anymore. Every time the fear of death knocks the door, you can tell that fear and say, I remember that somebody tasted this death on my behalf.

Any time the enemy knocks with the fear of death, say death was tasted on my behalf by Christ Jesus. He solved it all. The corruption that was supposed to work in me because of sin, Jesus took it to the cross.

So the scriptures says in Hebrews 2: 14 that the tasting of death of Christ Jesus was meant to be your liberation, was meant to be your freedom. That is what we found out in Hebrews 2 verse 14.

Follow us quickly as we go to Hebrews Chapter 9 verse 26, 27.

Now, you begin to understand why Jesus wanted this woman to encounter him as the one that said give me to drink because it was a declaration of liberty, a declaration of freedom.

Let's see what this announcement of give me to drink actually signifies for us.



Start from verse 24,

**24. For Christ did not enter into a holy place made with hands, a mere copy of the true one. But he entered into heaven himself, now to appear in the very presence of God on our behalf.**

Can you see that?

It means when he appear before the Father, he will be telling the Father the way you accept me now is the way they will be accepted before you.

Now go on please,

**26. None did he entered into the heavenly sanctuary to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enter the Holy place every year.**

So he was comparing that to tell you why he is far better.

If you notice in the book of Hebrews, the key thing about the book of Hebrews is... normally we think the book of Hebrew is a comparative book in the Bible. Which means it tell us why Jesus was better than the angel, why Jesus was better than Moses, why Jesus was better than Aaron the high priest. He is always comparing and contrasting and the reason for that is because the audience for the book of Hebrews were the Hebrews because they already had the oracle, they already had the form of worship.

So the goal of the writer of the book of Hebrews is to show them that Christ is nothing compared to what they have before. You couldn't write this to the gentile, they don't need that because they had nothing of God anyway. That is why if you notice the language of Hebrews, is always a comparative language.

He said ye have not come to the mountain that quakes, is all comparative almost all through from Chapter 1. Everything is comparative because they had the oracles of God.

So he is saying here that see! one difference between the ministry of Christ Jesus and the ministry of the High Priest that you have before. The high priest you have before had to keep reenacting the promises, he had to keep going and going again to keep making offering for sin.

You know one thing that is a shame today, it is a shame that there are some believers today who still relate with God with the mentality of the high priest, of a mentality of Aaron, the mentality of the sons of Aaron, they operate with God that way. Some people always, they say things and pray prayers that seem to make God appear in such a way that maybe he forgot what he did in Christ Jesus.

So they used their prayer to re-fire God to remembrance. That is why some people will tell you a lots of things about the fact that our sins are not forgiven unless that we made God

to see how sorry we are and all these kind of stuff. We addressed these kind of things in some of our previous episodes.

You see! there is nothing that you can do to make God redo what he did in Christ Jesus. This is not the ministry of Aaron where they have to go again into the Holy of Holies once in a year to refire or renew the forgiveness of sins. In Christ Jesus there is no renewal of forgiveness of sins. God in Christ forgave your sins and he did not even invite you to see whether you are sorry enough for your sins to be forgiven. All you do when you become born again is to receive the forgiveness of sins. That is why the Bible talks in the book of Acts, he said go and preach the forgiveness of sins.

And we said in one of our previous episode that forgiveness of sins has gone from being a Verb, it is now a Noun. It is something that God did in Christ Jesus. So he is trying to warn us here and said listen! what happened in Christ Jesus was once and for all. It is not like a running Aaronic priesthood that we have to do again and again.

Let me quickly add this, it is not only that some people are doing this bad thing to themselves, some are actually institutionalize and canonize other human beings to be the high priest for them. They go in between the mediator for them. They had their own Aaronic priesthood in form of somebody, the religious leader, the denominational head. And they have to go year in, year out. And so they will say they are disregarding the offering of Christ, what he has taken on their behalf for everyone. And they said no! they are excusing themselves by choice or by willing ignorance or stubbornness and rebellion, because we don't know where to actually place it.

Some it is ignorance, some they actually know they can quote the verses. All these ones going to Hebrews Chapter 9, some people knew this and they can quote this offhand, but yet willful ignorant or rebellion against what he has done and say No! We are going to have an high priest, no matter what. Somebody that is going to go in for us. He has never go in every year. So we have some program targeted and is under in the way of the high priest. You see some people cunning, they build up platform, they build up program like Aaron for them. So every year, let's come in and offer this again... So is not only them doing it for themselves.

I think you mentioned something I think is worthy of note that we actually give some illustration so that people can get better picture of it.

You know there are times people organize programs and meetings and they said this is the time that the power of God will turn around your situation or some people this is going to be a New Year, cross over night. And they tell you that do you want God to favour you in the coming year? You cannot miss the prayer of tonight.

And then you wonder what are happened to the favour that we declare the year before or what happen to the declaration that happened last month. It probably seem that this God he had to be kick starting like a reluctant father, who has to be kick started, who has to be reminded every time of the fact that he favour you. So if you don't pray your way in a way to remind him and to command him next year, he will forget.

This is the mentality of Aaronic priesthood that they had to go in year in year out to give ensuring that their sins are forgiven. It's what some people have reduced the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to.

Are we saying it is wrong to pray continually? No! We are not. In fact, we commend praying without ceasing. Praise God!

Praying without ceasing was writing in the epistles not even in the Old Testament. It means as a believer in Christ Jesus, we pray without ceasing. But the motivation for that prayer is not to kick start God. Is not like an engine that is knocked. You have to then say you know what? If we don't do this, he has forgotten that he has forgiven sin. Or if I don't do this, he has forgotten that he has declare that is a season of his favour. If I don't this, he might have forgotten that he said never leave me or forsake me.

So unless I do that, he would have forgotten. I have to kick start him. I have to restart him, and go for the annual program to ensure that this year will be great, and all these kind of things, what they tend to do is to put in peoples mind the blockage of the Aaronic priesthood which was shattered when Jesus showed up. Jesus said am not like Aaron. What I am going to do, it will be once and for all time. So he contrasted that for us to see clearly in the picture.

So every time you look at Christ Jesus, Christ is saying am not like Aaron. And that is why most times, I will like the way Jesus always talk in some cases, he will say you have heard that it was said this and this, but I say to you. This is a different dispensation. This is a different mentality. You cannot put new wine into old wineskin. I've come with a different order. This is the New Covenant in my blood. If something wasn't wrong with the Old Covenant, they will never put away that covenant.

So it means if you are still grabbing with your mentality living with God under the Old Covenant system. What you are doing is, you are actually taking to mind and taking to heart what God said something was wrong with. Can you see that? So we see this, it is a big contrast. This is not Aaronic priesthood. This is once and for all.

So what do we then do in the place of payer in the New Covenant?

What prayer does for us better in the New Covenant is that it could bring us to a point where we renewed our minds in what Christ said he did for once and for all. Because Christ doing things once and for all doesn't mean that we accept it once and for all.

In fact some of us will have to accept it ten times before it sinks into our system. Some of us need to accept it hundred times before it sinks into our memory. You see that is why the Bible says if you keep in memory the things I taught you.

You see Peter, the fact that Jesus tell them about the New Covenant. Jesus Christ said this is the New Covenant in my blood when he broke the bread, and Peter was then at the table when Jesus said this is the New Covenant in my blood. You know what? Peter took some a lot of cases scenario even after resurrection of Christ for him to come to terms with what Christ said he did once and for all.

Look at the place when Peter was going to be sent to the house of Cornelius, Jesus knew that even though Peter understood that the gospel is not based on human performance, the gospel was based on Christ performance on the cross. So it's got nothing to do with race. Nothing to do with ethnicity. Nothing to do with your social status, economic status, your morality, your morality rating. It's got nothing to do with it. It's all based on the grace of God.

Peter knew that, but it took a lot of convincing over and over again. See what happened! He had to be given a vision where he saw the animals coming down saying whatever I've called clean, don't call unclean. This was even after Peter knew intellectually that this has nothing to do with the performance of humanity, it has everything to do with the performance of Christ on the cross.

So the point am trying to make to you is this, even though Christ did it once and for all, what prayer does for us, what meditation does for us, what Bible study does for us, what Bible meetings does for us, what Church service should do for you is to always to bring you into a consistent remembrance of what Christ said he did once and for all.

So until you come to a place where it becomes part and parcel of your system so that it becomes a reality in your life. That is what all these spiritual exercises is supposed to do for you as a believer in Christ Jesus.

In other word, so all these program should be aim at breaking our resistance and reluctance to accept that what he has done for us.

It is not easy to accept, you might think because...

So any program is not aim at that, that is positioning somebody here like he can do it better, he can get it faster this way, that is not actually working on your own reluctance and resistance to accept what Christ is given is just out of place.

Thank you for that.

That is why you then understand that the whole purpose of the epistles because if you are born again today and you are save in Christ Jesus, and then the reason why you are still

here with the epistles is because God doesn't just want you to come to a point of being saved in the Lord, but there is something beyond that.

Before we continue to Hebrews 9: 26, I want you to read 1 Timothy 2 verse 4 please.

## **1 Timothy 2**

### **4. Who wishes all people to be saved...**

Who will have all men to be saved. This is the vision that God has in his heart for all humanity.

Well just a bit of digression, if you please that is to tell you people that says, the Calvinist and the Armenian debate the fact that there are some people that God have elected for salvation, some people have not been elected for salvation. Right there you have it. He says God wants all men, every single person today on this planet, God has a desire for everyone to be saved.

Go on please

**to come to the knowledge and recognition of the divine truth.**

Exactly!

My KJV translations says **and to come to the knowledge of the truth.**

So God want you to be saved, and if you are saved bless God for your life. But he says God wants you to be saved and not just to be saved with an empty head.

Can you see that?

Not to be saved with an ignorant soul, not to be saved with an empty mind, not to be saved and not to know the implication of your salvation.

He says God wants all men to be saved **and...**

My KJV says **and...**

And when you used the word **and** in English, it means you are saying in addition to the fact that he wants you to be born again, but also much more important to the heart of the Father is that you will come to the knowledge of what happened to you.

Oh! does it mean some people are saved but they have not come to the knowledge of what happened to them? The **and** is missing.

That is why I am saying that God wants men to be saved but also he want men to come to the knowledge of what they have possessed, the knowledge of what happed to them

because he knows knowing what happened to them is an explosion that will release what they have in them and that is why Paul told Philemon.

He says **that the communication of your faith can become very effective as you begin to come to the knowledge of the truth that you have received.**

Can you see that?

So you might want to twist that the other way round to say that, you might have faith but maybe that faith might not be very effective. Maybe your environment will not feel the effect of that faith. Maybe your circumstance will not feel the effect of that faith. Maybe your colleagues at work will not feel the effect of the faith. Maybe your situation will not feel the effect of the faith if you have not come to acknowledge every good thing that you have in you in Christ Jesus.

So the whole point, one of the vision of the Bucket Ministry Series as you listen to each of our episodes is that, we know that even if you are saved, this is for you. You need to come to the knowledge of the truth. You need to come and to come to the knowledge of the truth. And that is what we are doing on this transmission. We are doing something very critical, something very significant if you understand the whole point that God has for salvation.

So God wants all men to be saved and also he wants those that are saved to come to that knowledge, to know what happened to them in our salvation.

So today we are bringing that knowledge to you to know what happened. That is what we are doing in Bucket Ministry Series. If you are there when we shared our vision for the series to understand the implication of the gospel. That is the point.

Now having said that, we can go back to Hebrews 9

**As the high priest entered the Holy Place every year with blood that is not his own.**

He had to use the blood of animals. You see the reason why he couldn't use his own blood is that, there is something wrong with his own blood as well.

The high priest doesn't even qualify even if he wanted to, God will not accept it. If you notice this is not our focus today but we can just make a hint about this, that in the Old Testament when God was foreshadowing the New Covenant. I used the word foreshadowing, we've said before in one of our transmissions that the Old Testament is to give you a picture of the New Testament.

Please don't actually follow those who said the Old and New Testament are at loggerhead to each other. In reality, they are supposed to work in consonance. The picture God showed in the Old Testament is of the New Testament.

In the Old Testament, the picture God showed us about redemption he says, if you are going to bring anything to redeem something else to me, it has to be anything without any blame. That is why they always use a perfect lamb. If the lamb has any form of blemish, you cannot bring it because how can something faulty redeem something that is faulty? It doesn't just make sense. If you are going to redeem something with error, it means you need something perfect to redeem that that has error.

So he says the lamb that you are going to bring must not have any single dot of blemish if it will be acceptable as a redemption sacrifice. So it means are you going to ask Aaron to bring his own blood? That is not going to happen because even the blood of Aaron wasn't going to be a perfect blood anyway because the Bible says the high priest had to make sacrifice for his own sin first.

So he can't even use his blood. There is something wrong with his own blood to start with. So that is why Jesus! the perfect man, Jesus! the hundred percent man that is exact picture of how humanity should be...

That is why the Bible says in Ephesians 4 that we might all come to the full stature of Christ unto a perfect man. He is the perfect man. No error, no blame. That is why his own blood could be used. He could use his own blood because he was a perfect man. No blemish, no wrinkles, no any such thing was found in him. He said it by himself. He said the prince of this world has come, and Jesus said he found nothing in me. So trust that blood that was perfect. That is why the high priest could not use his own blood. But our high priest, Christ Jesus could use his blood.

I feel like going over that over and over again, because that is a big blow to the credibility of the high priest. The scriptures was saying he has no saving value, no economic value, he is as useless as anything. You are both as useless as the same. You both need Christ.

In case you have position someone as your high priest today, so that is just have to know the rating, how does your high priest stand today. He is as useless as you are without the grace of God. So know that is a big blow to it.

So know that he cannot offer, he has nothing to offer you because the people today they have position people so much that they have even attract copying the way they talk, the way they dress, their prayer life. People going to know how did they pray? They have positioned themselves in their stories. So they take pride in their background and people are trying to imitate them, copying ascent because that is the high priest to them. But now we are seeing the true picture. How does your high priest stand? The rating of the High Priest. Even Aaron in his best, has no saving value for any one.

He couldn't even use his blood. He wasn't going to be accepted.

They are just on the same place like your priest.

You know the reason why its good you are pointing this out, somebody did say one time that high priest is taking from among men.

Can you see that?

And the fact is, when you make such a statement or you actually think that way, is not even a positive thing to say. It is a negative thing to say the high priest is taken among men. Because he then denotes that he is equally culpable, equally polluted, equally corrupted.

What the Bible says in the book of John about Jesus is that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, is not in the same way in which people like Aaron was taken from among men, its not in the same context. The reason is this, even when the Word became flesh and he was tempted as we are, Hebrews Chapter 4 says, yet he was without sin.

So Jesus wasn't a man, he became a man. Christ became man, the Word became flesh but yet Hebrews 4 tells us despite the fact that he took on humanity, he was without sin. But the high priest that were taken from among men like Aaron, like Phinehas and his sons and grandson. When they were taken among men, they were taken with the same infirmities, the same sin, the same waters of death flowing from them.

So you couldn't put Jesus and the humanity in the same context as the humanity of Aaron. It's not the same way, you couldn't use that. And that is the reason why Christ in his own humanity could use his own blood to save, but they in their humanity they even knew their blood couldn't be accepted because there was no point offering that polluted , corrupted blood. And that is what we see there.

How do we know that? Because the Old Testament says you cannot bring for sacrifice unless the lamb is a perfect lamb without any blemish. That is what we see there...

Verse 26,

We are going somewhere just watch it!

Again don't forget we have come to this place from John 10 we are going somewhere, follow us as we go on.

**26. Otherwise he would have needed to suffer over and over since the foundation of the world.**

Again, making a case for why Jesus sacrifice was once and for all.

So when he told that woman give me to drink, we know that when he tasted what was coming from that woman, the drink of death, the corruption that sin brought into our lives to determine who should wash at that time. When Jesus was going to go to the cross to put that one to an end, he did it once and for all.



And let's not forget this, the Apostle Paul said something. He said if I rebuild again what I destroyed I become a transgressor. If the Bible says it was done once and for all, if you begin to resurrect it and say it should be done again and again. You are a transgressor. You are going against the norms. Once and for all means, once and for all. It must be accepted that way.

Go on please,

**for now once for all at the consummation of the ages. He has appeared and being publicly manifested to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.**

He put away sin. He takes the death once and for all.

Now, I want you to take note of verse 27 because verse 27 is going to tell us the implication of verse 26.

So verse 26 tell us that he tastes the death, he experienced the death for every man. We saw that in Hebrews Chapter 2 verse 9. He drank the waters.

So he told the woman in John 4:10, if you know he that said to you give me to drink, or you can put it this way. "If you know he that said I will go and taste this on your behalf, he that said I will drink this from you."

Now, look at that implication of verse 27.

**27. And just as it is appointed to**

Now watch this... There is an appointment. For who?

**and destined for all men to die once.**

Every person to die once,

**and after this comes certain judgment.**

**28. So Christ**

Watch that word! **So**

**So Christ having been offered once and once for all**

Now please let us really be slow at this point.

How many times it is appointed unto men to die once? Once...

It's not something you have a choice about.

So may I say this, in John Chapter 4 verse 10 when Jesus showed up and was waiting on this woman, you have to understand that he was waiting on somebody who has an appointment. This woman had an appointment of death over her.

You know appointment will mean that whether you like it or not, the time is taken. Whether you like it or not, the date is set. The time is set and everything you are doing is culminating unto that period. You have to meet up with that time. That is why it's an appointment. It means it doesn't matter how far you go or where you go. You must meet that appointment. If somebody can give you an appointment, they could give you an appointment in ten days. They can give you an appointment in a year or two years.

Have you notice that every day you keep being alive, the time to that appointment is taken down. It means if it was a year before, it goes down to few months from few months, it goes down to few weeks, it goes down to few days. The appointed day keep getting smaller, keep getting closer until the D day comes.

Let me say this to you. If you are listening to this, whether you are saved or not. There is a consequence, the law of sin and death that works in humanity. And that thing is producing corruption and is setting mankind closer and closer to the day that thing will fully manifest itself in both physical death and the second death.

And you have to understand that this is an appointment that was appointed unto every man. As soon as Adam have fell in the garden, as soon as there was a separation between God and man... you know in the garden when God said to Adam, where are you? It doesn't mean that God was blind, it doesn't mean that God... The Psalmist tell us that even if I go into the wrath of the water, he said your eyes will follow me there.

God wasn't blind when he told Adam where are you? He was simply trying to highlight to Adam that we are separated now. You've discontented yourself from life. And because you disconnected yourself, there is an appointment you have to keep. Something will eventually show up in you. That is why he told them the day you eat of the fruit, that day you will surely die. It doesn't mean that it was day one he fell down. But you see, Adam had an appointment from that day.

It means the day Adam eat the fruit and he was separated from the life of God, from that day an appointment day was set. It didn't actually mean the appointment was that day but the day was set on that day. And you have to understand the Bible says it is appointed unto every man once to die.

Now, when you are saying death in this case, is it physical death we are talking about? May I say this to you, it is death in all ramification. Because if you notice the death that came to Adam in all ramifications... spiritually he was separated from the Father.

Can you see?

That is why if you notice, right from the time Adam left the garden of Eden, we have no single record that Adam had any further communication with the Father of light. He was disconnected from the communication, from the fellowship right there.

And before we know it, the Bible tells us few Chapter down the line that the thoughts of men became continually evil. So we saw what began purely as a spiritual thing- death culminated into something psychological, into something mental... Men now, their hearts are continually evil. And before we knew it, it eventually showed up in the flesh of Adam because eventually he died physically.

But what happened is, the appointment date was set. The day he actually disobeyed and broke that communication life. And the Bible says for every humanity then in Adam, there is an appointment date set for every humanity and the Bible says just in the same way there is an appointment that is set of death for everyone.

Now watch verse 28.

Verse 27 says an appointment date is set upon every man and the judgment that goes with them.

## **28. So Christ**

Verse 27 is a bad news. Verse 27 is not good. It is green. It is gloomy.

Look at verse 28,

## **28. So Christ**

So Christ knew there was an appointment

**Having been offered once for all, to bear as a burden the sins of many, will appear a second time,**

What happened when he bore the sins of many?

What happened to Christ Jesus? What did he taste for every man?

He tasted Death.

What appointment was there in verse 27 that every man has to keep?

Death.

What did Christ taste on the behalf of every man?

Death.

You know what the Bible is telling you? He said Christ kept the appointment for humanity. It's appointed unto men once to die. He said even so Christ came on the scene knowing there was an appointment.

So when Jesus met the woman in John 4:10, he knew this woman had an appointment to keep. And Jesus said I've come woman. He said he that said to you give me to drink. I've come to keep your appointment with death- spirit, soul and body. Separation from the Father spiritually, separation from the life of God in your mind and ultimately the power of physical death holding you bound.

He said I've come woman, I am telling you today to give me to drink because I want your appointment to be mine appointment so that my appointment can become your appointment because no doubt, Jesus also had appointment with the Father, the appointment of life.

So what actually happened in John 4:10 was Christ was trading an exchange of appointment. He said woman I've come to keep your appointment.

Hebrews 9: 27, 28 says that every man is appointed to die once.

Can you see that?

But he says even so Christ showed up and say am going to take and experience sin and taste death. Am going to keep that thing that is looming upon humanity. That appointment that is upon your life. I've come to keep that appointment.

And that is why you as a believer in Christ Jesus, no more can anybody tell you, you have an appointment with death. You know people always say we all have an appointment with death.

In fact, they say there is an appointment every man must keep. But for you in Christ Jesus because you need to remind yourself that Hebrews 9:28 says even so Christ showed up. Christ knew what was in verse 27 no doubt, but he showed up in verse 28 and says bring it on, give me the appointment and the Bible say he met that appointment, he met his death on the cross. He kept the appointment on behalf of all humanity.

To make it a bit clearer to you, for example, if somebody tells me that I need to meet them tomorrow by 10am and I have to be there by 10am and I must be there because it is a very important meeting that will affect lots of things that will be discussed at that appointment.

Well in some cases, it might be allowed, I could send a representative to be at that appointment. I don't have to keep the appointment, I will send somebody on my behalf to keep the appointment for me because I can't make it.

Now, the Bible says every man has an appointment with death in verse 27 of Hebrews 9, but Jesus showed up and I said, I will keep it for every man. And he kept your appointment with death.

That is why today, don't let anybody tell you, you have an appointment with death. We don't see people like Paul, we don't see people like Peter, we don't see people like Simeon in the gospel, we don't see even Jesus also himself... all of them we saw them talking as people who don't have appointment with death. That is the point.

So it means for you and I, even physical death become something of what you become to agreement to a choice, you are not being pushed to say you have to keep that appointment. No! The Bible says the appointment with death in Hebrews 9: 27 was cancelled in verse 28. That is what you need to understand.

Jesus said give me to drink. He says woman let me keep your appointment. I will go for you tomorrow woman. I will be your representative at the meeting of death. When I get there and they asked me, where is the woman of Samaria? Jesus said I will tell them I've come to keep the appointment on her behalf. And he did on the cross. He kept the appointment.

That is the benefit of the cross and that is why Hebrews 2: 14 must then be understood in that light when he said that he might free them who were held bound by the fear of death. Do you know why there is a fear of death? Because to say well, the appointment day is getting closer. He said No! that is cancel out. I've met the appointment on your behalf. Now, you have dominion over death.

Now some people might be saying today, let me say today oh No! that is talking about spiritual death because every man is appointed to die physically.

Again, I remind you its not about the death, it is about the appointment that Christ came to smash or break into pieces. He said you don't have an appointment with death. You have an authority, you have a dominion over death that you have in Christ Jesus. So the fear of death is out of the window for you. Simply because you understand that Christ kept the appointment on your behalf. He was your representative and he kept the appointment. Don't live as somebody who still have an appointment to keep.

In fact may I say to you, the Apostle Paul get to a point where he says in the epistle, where he say we shall not all die.

It is good that you clear that out. Some people will just think are you going erroneous... but its good for you that you show some example to people, people who did not show up for the appointment. They didn't show up. As Simeon, he has to beg and say let your servant depart in peace for my eyes have seen your salvation... that is a good prayer. Some people have not seen the eyes.

And you see in the book of Psalms, even the Old Testament ye shall not die but live to see... he said with long life I will satisfy you and show you my salvation.

We see Simeon enjoying that, saying my eyes have seen this. People want to see that but the reason why you are living is not to just to mark calendar and to mark birthday but he said for you to see the goodness of the Lord. And Simeon will say I've seen...

Some people have not seen and they are keeping an appointment. And we have the example of Paul with people who have dominion who says no! We cannot be bound by this, we cannot be harassed by this, we cannot be hunted by this... We have the control of the time and space of how it should be.

If that is the case, it means is no more an appointment. And appointment is something you have to keep, but when choice comes into it...

When people have to pray for it like Simeon was saying let me go, that is no more an appointment. And that is what we are clearing up for people to understand that it is possible. We've seen people in the Old Testament, we've seen people in the New Testament...

And I'm going to 1Thessalonians 4

**16. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a shout of command with the voice of the archangel and the blast of the trumpet of God and the dead in Christ will rise first.**

**17. Then we who are alive or remain will simultaneously will be cut off, raptured together with him- the resurrected one in the cloud to meet the Lord in the air and so we will always be with the Lord.**

So there will be people that are going to remain, so we are going to... because people might want to see the willful ignorance of something and want to keep an appointment. He said there are some bands of men and women who are going to remain whether you like it or not and that is the company I want to be- the remaining company. People who are going to understand just like today we talked about the knowledge of what has been done that somebody has kept this appointment, somebody for you who has represented you. And has kept the appointment.

That is why you are going to read Hebrews 9: 27, 28 together. You can't read it in isolation. The scripture is all one thought.

So it is a choice. If you go again and keep any appointment that is already kept for you, fine that is a choice. We know that there are some saints that we see, he said some saints are there in Christ. So it might want to be like that. And you might want to be in the remain company. It is a choice. We need to make it open that it is impossible.

We've seen people who tasted of the ages to come. And we saw the time that when Jesus was talking with the disciples and they were talking about John, he says if I want him to remain, what is that to you? He would have remain... that is it!

Thank you for that...

You know one thing? It is very important that we talk about that today. You might be asking a question which is probably coming up in your mind.

Again today our focus is not dominion over death, we are just simply trying to tell you that when the scriptures talks about death, is talking about death. You might wondering what am I talking about? I will repeat that.

Anytime its talking about death, is talking about death. Which means like 1Thessalonians Chapter 5 when he says may your spirit, soul and body be kept blameless until the coming of our Lord Jesus.

He says am the Lord sanctify you wholly, may the Lord sanctifies you completely. And then when he says the Lord sanctifies you completely and...

**23. Now may the God of peace himself sanctifies you through and through that he separate you from profane and vulgar things, make you pure and whole and undamaged, consecrated to him, set apart for his purpose. And may your spirit and soul and body be kept complete, and be found blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

He is saying there should be no corruption not just limited to your spirit.

It means if Jesus said he tasted death for every man, am asking that the pollution and the corruption that Jesus says he was going to drink from this woman in John 4:10. Am asking that the effect be made obvious not just in your spirit, but also in your soul but also in your body.

So when I said that Jesus said he tasted death for every man, what death... it means death. Whatever comes to your mind spirit, soul, body in all ramification. It doesn't mean that if you are not experiencing the blamelessness in your soul, or the blamelessness in your body, it doesn't mean you are born again. But we are simply saying that we are not yet living out the full implication of the gospel, which is why we are here for God who wants all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of what happened to them.

Unless you come to the knowledge of what happened to you, it is possible that your spirit man is blameless because you are a new creation, if you are new creation in Christ, but there could be blame in your soul. There could be blame in your body. There could be corruption still working. That is why Romans Chapter 12 says we should be renewed in our mind.

Can you see that?

Be transformed by being renewed in our mind. So there could be corruption and pollution still happening in the soul realm and still happening in the body.

But the Bible says, that is not the goal of the gospel, the gospel wants a blamelessness spirit, soul and body. So when we say death, we mean death in all things you can think about.

So there is nothing so hard or theologically complicated about it. It's just simple. Even if you are not experiencing that now, that is why we are here that you can draw on that and understand the fact that Jesus is saying I kept the appointment with death so that you don't have to. (Hebrews 9, 27, 28).

So that your body, spirit and soul be blameless and complete. None of them will keep the appointment. That is the reason why if you notice, you might be asking that the Apostle Paul that shared this revelation, the one you read that we shall not all die, eventually physically die. You might want to say that, I am glad you ask the question.

But you need to understand that the death of Paul is not a fool's death. There is a place where David says Adonai die the way fools die. Paul did not keep an appointment with death and I can prove to you from the scriptures because there are so many instances where Paul was beaten. In fact, the Bible says he was shipwrecked many times and left for death. And the Bible says in the next Chapter, they found him preaching the gospel.

You know for you to stone somebody and think that the person is dead, I want to submit to you, he wasn't probably moving any more on the floor. He was probably there unconscious. But when they found him next, they didn't found him saying my neck, my shoulder. No! He was preaching the gospel. This man seem to be invincible, nothing could catch up with him. Everything was just there. And at the end of his life, 1 Timothy Chapter 4, he made a statement that is an explosive bomb.

He said in 1 Timothy 4 when he was writing his last letter to Timothy, he said I am now ready to be poured. Think about that!

Paul said now I decide that I think it is time to go, because I have made my choices about death. That is not keeping an appointment with death. That is authority. That is what we are talking about.

Even Peter was saying am ready to put off this earthly tabernacle. That is what we are talking about. When men by the grace of God looked at death in the face means I have no appointment to keep with you, I go when I want to go.



Even Paul was saying I don't know whether to remain or not... that is the kind of conversation you should be having. You don't say that if you are compelled to keep the appointment. If you have a haunting wave of death over you, you don't say that.

That is why for you as a believer, all those theories and ideologies that you might had before the light of the gospel came into you that are not of Christ. You have expunge them from your system by receiving the knowledge of truth.

And the fact is, people say well, maybe there is a day somebody has to die, there is a particular day that is writing down. And people says when that day comes, don't let me be found wanting. Those are humanistic theories that came from the pit of hell. They are not in Christ Jesus. In Christ Jesus we see men say to death, I have no appointment to keep with you, I have only come because I know that anyway I think is time to go because I just feel is time to go. That is what we see there.

And we see Jesus himself do the same even in the flesh. When he said this life nobody takes it from me and I lay it down of my own accord. That is what we are talking about.

So Hebrews 9: 27, 28 give us that formulation to say it is appointment for men once to die...

I know you could go on and on but because of time we just have to stop today. And I hope our viewers have got this and grab this, that even if you choose to go, you should be in charge, you should have the control, the timing and make sure that you have seen the salvation of the Lord. Make sure that it was stretch forth just like Simeon.

Should we put it this way? You will be the one making the appointment not you keeping the appointment. Let's put it that way. It means you make the appointment, you don't keep the appointment.

Jesus said I give it of my own, he did not take it off from me. He set the time. It's something you have a discussion with, should I?

And so we hope you've been blessed by this episode.

If you don't mind I want to chip in one thing to wrap it up in John 4. So when Jesus met the woman and say give me to drink. He was saying woman let me keep your appointment for you. So that is what he was saying in John 4:10...

I will save you the stress of keeping an appointment. I will taste it on your behalf, I will drink. Give me to drink,

And so let us remember that it was this same woman that Jesus was trying to let this woman to know that see me, I am the one that can keep an appointment for you.

I hope we will be able to see Jesus in that light because we started to say how Jesus wanted to be known for this woman.

So today I hope you've know that Jesus wants to be known as somebody who has kept the appointment for on your behalf. And I hope you will remember that. Spirit, soul, body and be kept blameless.

So we hope that you are blessed by this. And we have some people saying they had not seen some of our transmission on Facebook, because of the algorithm we just advise that you set it for view first. If you set it that way, you are not going to miss it or you come to the page frequently as often, maybe once in a week to check for updates.

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So please do live this revelation, live the life of it and share this around. Till we see you next time, we want to say you don't have any appointment to keep any more, Jesus had kept it on your behalf.

Bye!!