

## **Exposé 247**

### **Bucket Ministry Series 4**

#### **Title: Sit Before You Walk**

At the well.

Yes, and so like we started while back, the last translation was we were talking about... we moved from the Roundabout Gospel and then we went straight into the Body language. (John Chapter 4)

And so the focus was to see the unspoken words between Jesus and this Samaritan woman in John Chapter 4. So we want to go further in what we started the other time and so go more about this sitting.

Have we really said all about this body posture?

Well, really based on our last discussion that we had, we've just began to scratch the surface of this posture. This body language that Christ exhibited when he makes sure he was in that posture when that woman came to meet him by the well. And don't forget as we actually came to a point in our last discussion that this wasn't just something that Christ did at the well. It was an eternal everlasting principle that God himself displayed in Genesis Chapter 1 towards the last few verses and Genesis Chapter 2 for the first few verses.

And for the fact that Adam himself was actually created, Adam became conscious to encounter a God that was resting, that was sitted. Adam first day was God's seventh day of rest. We kind of tie down all those things together. But today we are going actually going further deeper into that.

Yeah, to remind anybody joining for the very first time. This is Expose 247 where we turn the light on, and we make Christ known much more just like he is already known. And so we are on the Bucket Ministry and this is going to be the fourth episode on Bucket Ministry. So you can go back to our YouTube page or Facebook page or our website [www.thenewnation.org](http://www.thenewnation.org) as you can see on the screen and where you can get more of this and some of our previous episodes.

So today we want to continue from where we stopped.

Thank you.

Now, let's move on.

Now, see in the last verses that we read. We read through Hebrews and through Colossians and book of Genesis.

Now, what we have began to emphasize that to Jesus, it was not the fact that the woman had to encounter Jesus at John Chapter 4 that was important to him, he had to make sure the woman met him sitting (met him resting and sitting) because there was something significant he wanted the woman to actually take from that particular encounter. And that is the very thing that Christ presented to you and I even at the new birth. We are supposed to encounter the Christ that is sitted in the heavenly places like we read in our last transmission Colossians Chapter 3.

Follow us today as we go to Ephesians. You know, why is it that the order is so important?

Yeah!

Why do we as a Christian, or why do you as a Christian or somebody who believe in the Lord Jesus had to start your creation from rest?

When I say creation, I presumed you understand that in the same way that Adam was created in Genesis Chapter 1, you also were created in Christ Jesus. 2Corinthians 5:17 says if anybody is in Christ, he is a new creation.

So when we start using the word creation, we will be going forward and backward between Adam creation and your creation in Christ Jesus. You are a new creation, you are a new specie. Old things have passed away, all things have become new. So you are God's workmanship, you are created in Christ Jesus.

So please when we use the word creation, we will be moving forward and backward between Adam creation and the second Adam creation. You know the scriptures say in 1Corinthians 15. He said **as we have borne the nature of the earthly man, that is Adam, the first creation. We also must bear the nature of the heavenly man, the second Adam, the second creation.** That is why we will make comparison between the first creation and the second creation. You are a creation in Christ Jesus.

So please let's go to Ephesians. The reason we are coming to Ephesians is because, why is it that the order is so important, that you must first sit?

Now, when we kept on saying sitting and resting in our last transmission, some of our viewers who are listening to our discussion might end up thinking are we so much focus on dormancy, are we simply saying once you are created, or saying that once you come to encounter Christ, is a sitted Christ just see him sitted and just forget it, is

all settled. Just sit down and do nothing. That will seem to be the thing we are actually promoting, but that could not be far from the truth.

Because we are not just promoting a dormant sitting position in Christian walk, because we understand scriptures that tell us that we were created in Christ Jesus unto good works. We understand that there were good works for us to actualize in Christ Jesus.

He didn't say we are created in Christ Jesus to sit down. He didn't say we are created in Christ Jesus just to understand that he is sitted and then do nothing. He said we are created unto good works. When we are created, God had a mission for us.

And that will seem actually in agreement with Adam as well, that when Adam was created, he was created to work. We now that. We saw the case where the scriptures says let them work, replenish, let them multiply, let them dominate the earth. There was an assignment for Adam to get into.

For you as well and for me as well, even the book of gospel of John, Jesus said in the gospel **you didn't choose me, I chose you and I ordain you so that you can go and bear fruit.**

People need to see something emanating out of our life. Can you see? None of those scriptures actually counter the fact that we have to go out there and show forth and demonstrate. Can you see? We are created unto good works.

So we are not promoting dormancy. We are not saying it is not important what comes out of your life after the new birth. That is not what we are saying. We are only emphasizing the order. That is it!

And see the order is everything. Which means where did you start from? That is what is important. And that is the problem. You see, where did you start from? Are you starting from a place of rest? It's important. The scriptures says rest must be your starting point.

Before you go to Ephesians, we cannot make light of the appearance of our host, even if you are the guest and we come for an appointment. If you see your host uneasy, you know you really feel uneasy yourself. So we cannot make light of the posture of Jesus sitting on the well. If we find your host very relax, you feel relax. But if you see him tense, you feel tense as well. You don't feel welcome. No matter the conversation. You don't really want to know what is it for. So really the posture of Christ here is very important.

Good! Thank you for making mention of that. Don't forget we said the posture of Christ is about the starting point. He want us to know this is where he want us to kick off from.

Look at the book of Ephesians. The reason I mention the book of Ephesians, is if you are a Christian and you want to understand the structure, the purpose and the goal of the church of Christ. This is one of the books you cannot brush aside. This is a very important book. It tells you about the mission, the purpose and the structure of the church of Christ. If you look at Ephesians, I tend to call it a 3-2-1 formula and I tell you the reason. 3-2-1 because if you notice, when this was written. It was of course by the title, Ephesians, it was written to the people of Ephesus.

Now, if you check the book of Acts, the journeys of Paul, the city of Ephesus keep coming up most of the time, and I will say not for a very good reason in most cases. That was the city that Paul went to that he met a magician and those into curious work and all that. In fact, the Ephesians were known for one thing, they had a principalities, a demonic entitle that was called Diana, the Queen of the Ephesians. Can you see?

This was a city that was under demonic siege. Can you see? Satanic attacks and all that. And they had lots of terrible people who were manipulating others with magic and curious works in that city.

Now, when Apostle Paul was going to write the gospel to the Ephesians, those in Ephesus. What do you expect him to do? You were going to expect him to say, you know what Christians? If you are born of God, it is time to get out there and demonstrate the power of God and counter the evil and the darkness in the land. But you see, it's amazing that when the book of Ephesians was written, for the first three chapters...

Now you can do this yourself, you can have a look at it, Chapter 1, 2, & 3, all the focus was to tell the Ephesians who were Christians that you are sitted with Christ in the heavenly places. It talks about the fact that you were redeemed. It talks about the fact that you were purchased by the blood of Jesus. He talked about the fact that you were forgiven. All these are the language that the Apostles Paul used in Chapter 1, Chapter 2 and 3 of Ephesians.

Now, if you just do a short discourse. Let's do a short read.

Chapter 1 verse 7 what does it say?

## **Ephesians 1**

## **7. In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace.**

In whom, can you see? We have redemption. Not over time. Not if I actually ask for forgiveness or if I actually try to please God, or if I'm serious with my Christian walk. He said in whom you have...

Have is something you are having in your possession already. Can you see?

### **In whom you have redemption...**

These are past tenses of God. This is what the sitted Christ... He is telling them about what they have, their position in Christ Jesus. So if you noticed all of Chapter 1 was written in the past tenses to the believers. That is what you see in Chapter 1.

Now if you go on to Chapter 2, the same thing. And in Chapter 2 is where we got the popular thing about **for my grace are ye saved through faith**. He said you are delivered, you are set free in Christ Jesus.

Chapter 3 carries on with the same tone. Can you see?

So that is the whole point. He talks about a believer who is settled, done and dusted in Christ Jesus for the first three Chapters of Ephesians.

Now, what happened, he moved on to Chapter 4 and change his vocabulary. The grammar change in Chapter 4 and 5. Chapter 4 and 5 talks about since I talked about what was done and dusted in Christ Jesus, what is available to you because Christ died and resurrected, the things that are available and how he has broken the wall. How everything is done.

Now, let's talk about how you can then begin to respond and walk and live your life in the world based on what the first three Chapters did. That is why Chapter 4 and Chapter 5 was focused on your walking in Christ. That is why Chapter 4 from verse 1 says

### **Ephesians 4**

**1. I therefore the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called.**

He says walk worthy. Can you see?

Am talking about how you live your life now. You don't start the gospel from how you live your life.

Now, this is the problem that people have. People want to start their own Ephesians from Chapter 4. You cannot do that. Your Ephesians must start from Chapter 1. You cannot ... that is why somebody get born again and they meet a savior. We start talking about how do you walk worthy. That is the twisting of the structure. That is why I said, it's all about order.

That is why is important to Jesus that the woman in John Chapter 4 met him sitting. It's not that this woman will be all the way sitting all through, she had to go and work. She had to work! She had to demonstrate to people. In fact, we will see later as we go on through John Chapter 4 in this Bucket Ministry series of a woman who went to the city and demonstrated to people, but first she had to meet a sitting savior.

So the Apostle Paul in Chapter 4 of Ephesians began to talk about the walking of the believer. And let me say this because I think this is one thing that we need to really bring out. When it comes to your walking as a believer, your walking as a believer has nothing to do about impressing God. I repeat that.

Your walking as a believer has nothing to do with impressing God. This is where some people get it twisted and that is what your sitting was meant to achieve, that you have no record to improve anymore with God because you have entered into his rest, not your rest. Because when God said everything I made was good, you entered into his rest. You've got the benefit of the work that he did.

So it means the Chapter 4 of Ephesians, if is talking about you walking worthy. Can you see? When it says walking, living a life, showing forth fruits. Giving expression in life to what is inside and the goal of that could not be because you want to say... you know the reason why God said everything I made was good?

Bible says God look at everything he made, don't forget he did that on the seventh day and man was made on the sixth day and he says it is good. Don't try to improve your record with me, for me is good.

And the same thing happening at the new creation at the cross. It is finished. Because people might just be thinking...

Your sitting is your record with God. That is why you were sitted with Christ. Your sitting is your record with God. Is how you relate with God. I repeat that.

Your sitting posture is how you relate with God.

Now, you want to ask a question, if Chapter 1, 2, 3 of the book of Ephesians addressed our sitting position with Christ. Now, the Chapter 4 talking about let's process. Let us demonstrate that to people. Let people see your light. Let them see!

Now, I have actually busted the bob because when I said, let people see it means your walking is how you relate with people. That is why you see... we are going to read some scriptures.

Anytime you walk worthy of the vocation you have received, what you are doing is you are shining the light. And you notice what the Bible says let your light so shine before God...

No! No!! Maybe he said so...

He said let your light so shine before God, so God can say oh! that means this is actually a true Christian.

So God can say Ah! I like the way you pray today. So that God can say I like the way you witness to people today or God can say I like the way you actually spoke the truth, in a very dire situation. So God can say your light has shown before me.

God doesn't need your light to shine before him, because you've entered into his rest. You are getting the benefit of his rest. God has already said this is good. God looks at everything he made including you and God said this is good. So if God says this is very good, what do you want to do again? to be impressing that you are much more very good? No!

That is why any time we shine as light in this world, we are shining to men. We are demonstrating to men that we have a new life in Christ Jesus. You are not doing that to impress God. That is the reason why the Apostle Paul spent three Chapters talking about....

But in that same Matthew Chapter 5, he was saying that when you shine your light the glory goes to the Father.

Yes, but who give glory to the Father?

When he says that, he is talking about men he said so that men will see your light and glorify the father in heaven.

Yeah am just trying to bring it out some people are thinking that is for God. So they really need to understand what that means.

That is a good thing. Thank you for mentioning that verse.

That place in Matthew says when you shine your light before **men**, **they** will see your good work.

God doesn't need to be impressed by your good works because ...

You know the reason why there is works?

I pray the Holy Ghost will help us this side, so that we actually put everything in perspective.

When you actually show forth good works, when you demonstrate that you have the life of Christ in you. When you shine your light when you put up the character that is in consistency with someone who is a believer in Christ Jesus. When you demonstrate, it actually achieve something.

The reason why people want to work...

Let's talk about people want to work today? Why do you want to walk worthy of the vocation you have received? Why do you want to display things? People tend to display things today just to demonstrate to people that am not a nonentity.

or I want to ask you a question...

The reason why we work today, the reason why people have a career, or a job or somebody in ministry want to make sure I don't want to preach to three or four people, you want to have a large number of people under your ministration. You want to demonstrate, and the reason people want to demonstrate is to tell someone, I carry the grace of God am not a useless person, am somebody to reckon with. I have the power. I have the anointing or I have the call of God. Every time we work, we are trying to prove something. It doesn't matter whether you agree with it or not, but that is the reality. You don't have to say it with your mouth. But underneath the whole work, there is something that you want to use to demonstrate to people that you carry something. Either in the secular world or in the spiritual realm, work is always tied down to demonstrating and proving something.

You know the reason why God said he was going to go into rest? God said this is very good. And because he said this is very good, then now I can rest.

Every time there is rest, is because somebody announce that this is completed, it is finished. But God gave Adam the opportunity to enter into rest. You don't rest until it is finished, until the work is completed, until there is an approval that says it is all sorted out. But once you get the approval, is like getting the approval at the beginning before the work is done.

What does it says?

So every time you are going to walk worthy of the vocation that you have received others are trying to walk so that they can prove a point. You are walking, even your

points is already proved. You already serve the points are already made before you start to walk.

So you see Chapter 4 and Chapter 5 of Ephesians talks about our walk.

Yes, in the long run, it's showing the different purpose for the walk. Serving different purposes, the two different people might just be doing the same things, and they have different... serving different purpose, the same walk.

Because somebody is going from the consciousness of I have already been awarded, I have met all the points, I have fulfill all the criteria, it is finished. I've completed. Before I could do anything at all, before I could lift my fingers or any initiative, I have already been awarded. It is already completed.

So you can imagine that, we compare that to someone that needs to achieve. He needs to do something to be awarded. That is the difference. And that is what we are using this exposition to challenge something, because people might run off and say we are doing the same work, does it really matter. It's work. It's good work.

What is the motivation for your good work? Are you trying to walk worthy so that you can get the approval? It means you are trying to walk so that you can sit.

Yes! walking to sit.

No! you are meant to sit so that you can walk.

This is what we have come to present today. Sit before you walk.

The book of Ephesians spend three Chapter talking about your siting before he began to talk about your walk in Chapter 4.

The world system tries to walk so that they can rest. You have to earn it before you can rest. You have to walk so that you can sit. That is how the world system works, in the order of God, in God's kingdom we sit so that we can walk.

This is what we see... This is why in John Chapter 4, we encounter a case where Jesus make sure this woman encounter him first sitting as a sitting savior.

It is good that people have to come to the consciousness, we are talking about the kingdom that works in diametrically opposite to the kingdom of this world.

Because for this world, you have to work for certain number of year before you can think of pension. Even some of those pension policies, you cannot access it until after some years. You have given this length of service so that is when you get left for

length of commensuration for this beautify service over the year. That is what happen in the world.

But we just have to remember this is the kingdom we are talking about, which runs opposite to what happened in the world. That you already have been awarded, and so you have to remember the new creation is already completed. We have our certificate of competency and completion, right before we could think of anything or even lift our fingers we are already awarded. And everything is already completed, so you can just walk in that consciousness. We still have to work but in the consciousness that I don't need to earn this anymore. I don't need to impress anybody anymore, and nobody is marking something anymore. It is already being marked. I have already completed the course even before I started and that is the whole difference that we really must know that difference today even when we want to do the work.

There is something we need to re-emphasize before we actually carry on with Ephesians. We need to emphasize the fact that sitting is how we relate with God. Walking from Chapter 4 of Ephesians is how we relate with men. It is men that need your walking.

Now if you are wondering do we have scriptures in support of this?

Well, am glad you ask. We might have to just have a look at this, some few scriptures that walking is how you relate with men. That is why they are the ones that need to see your light and glorify your Father in heaven.

Quickly, just to emphasize this few things.

You can go to Hebrews Chapter 12 verse 12-14, we'll look at 1Peter 2:12

## **Hebrews 12**

**12. Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;**

**13. And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.**

**14. Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.**

Now please read Hebrews 2:12, I want you to read 1Peter 2:12 before we then read the Hebrews first

## **1Peter 2**

**12. Having your conversation honest...**

Now when you see conversation, it is a very old English for lifestyle. It is not conversation as in talking. If you check the original Greek word, he says let your lifestyle. Now, that is your walking isn't it? You lifestyle, what you do, what you say

Now what does it say then?

**12. Having your conversation honest among the gentiles: that whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.**

He didn't say do it so that God can know that you qualify. Can you see that?

**Having your conversation (your lifestyle) honest among the gentiles:**

You see that clarify what I was saying the fact that when you are walking worthy of the vocation you have received, it is because of men not because of God.

Can you see that?

It is because of men. Men is the focus of your walking so that people can see that you have the light of God in you.

Now, you want to read that

**12. ...that whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.**

Well, some might not even like you. They might speak against you as evil doers. They don't like your face. They don't like the fact that you profess to be born of the Spirit, you are born of God.

What is the next there?

**..... they may by your good works which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.**

Can you see that?

So does that agree with Matthew that you just...

Yes, this is Amplified Translation

**Keep your behavior excellent among the unsaved gentiles...**

It seems that your behaviours, your conduct really is for the gentiles. It is not for God. You might be wondering, why are we emphasizing this? Does it matter? It does matter.

The reason it matters is, because like I said the other time you see when we keep saying behavior and conduct, do you know that we can actually extend this not just within the four walls of the church. We could extend it to Wall Street. We can extend this to universities, institutions, we can extend this to the market place, we can extend this to all of life, all of vocation because everything people work, every time people conduct themselves in anything of life. They have a purpose to trying to do it. And they are trying to impress people. That is true. But much more importantly, they are trying to impress themselves. They are trying to prove a point to themselves to say, you know what... to answer a question that am I very good? Am I competent? Do I have what it takes? Am I significant? Am I a person of value?

So what we are trying to do is, you are trying to get the next higher degree in the university so that people can know, so that you want to prove yourself that I can do this, am a person of value of importance, this is what we want to try to work to. To inform ourselves that we are very good.

But what did God says including the Adam he made in Genesis Chapter 1. God looked at everything that he made, and he said, it was very good including Adam. You are very good. Completed. You are finished. You are good. You are perfect. You are valuable. You are significant. You are somebody that is precious in the eyes of the Father. At the point of the second creation. It is finished. That is why you are valuable. You are my asset.

That is why I said sitting how the Father sees us, but you know one thing. Even though that is certain in Christ Jesus but when it comes to walking, people need to see what has been done in you. That is why we demonstrate, that is why we live honestly among men. That is why we speak the truth. That is why we conduct ourselves in the manner worthy of somebody who has received the grace of God into their lives. This is the purpose behind walking and that is what we can see there.

Now, have you finished that verse?

You are trying to read from that translation?

**Keep your behavior excellent among the unsaved gentiles. Conduct yourself honorably with graciousness and integrity, so that for whatever reasons they might slander you as evil doers, yet by observing your good deeds, they may instead come to glorify God in the day of visitation.**

So the honour goes back to God because of the fact that they can see what you are doing and glorifying God.

Now the Apostle Paul spent Chapter 4 and Chapter 5 of Ephesians to address our walking. Like I said, it's completely connected to how men relates with us not how God relates with us.

Now, you want to read Hebrews Chapter 12 as well as the third testimony to what we are talking about.

Now, Hebrews 12 verse 12-14 that we read the other time.

You can see we are talking about the structure, the order of the kingdom. You cannot get it twisted.

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**14. Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.**

Now watch that!

**Follow peace...** he didn't say with God... can you see that?

In Romans Chapter 5 from verse 1 to 3, he talks about the fact that through the grace of our Lord Jesus, we have peace with God. Through the grace we have received of our Lord Jesus, am talking about **in whom we have grace**. We have peace and we have grace.

So the point he is trying to make is, with Christ Jesus, with the very death of Christ, with the shedding of the blood of Jesus, the wall of enmity between man and God has been broken down and now we have peace with God. Can you see that?

That is why it doesn't make any sense, if somebody is trying to say our Father, let me have peace with him. Or you are praying such prayer, or you are seeking such thing. It doesn't make sense.

Now, what does it says there about the issues of peace

**14. Follow peace with all men...**

Now let's talk about your walking. Can you see that? How do you relate with men, that is where the issue of peace comes in.

**without holiness...**

No! No! If you say follow peace with all men..

You know am not sure whether you've actually seen some caption on some church flyers or people put as the motto of their ministry and they talk about the fact that without holiness no man shall see the Lord.

Now, this is where people get that scripture from. But let us see what that scripture is actually saying.

Can you go on and read that again?

#### **14. Follow peace with all men and holiness...**

Now does it make sense to then imagine and just by contextualization to simply say that the holiness he was talking about will have to be with all men.

Now, read the next phrase. What does it say?

**....without which no man shall the see the Lord.**

Now, again like I said in the last transmission, this is a word of truth and reason and I will seek your indulgence with this.

Let us have a rethink about this.

**No man shall see the Lord.**

Now, let's compare that with 1Peter 2:12.

He said **having your conversation honest among men so that they may see your good works.**

Now, who are the men that are meant to see something?

It is not you, the men, the gentiles, the unbelievers are the one that are supposed to see something in you because of your good works.

So when Hebrews 12:14 then says if you don't follow peace and holiness no man shall see the Lord. Which man was he talking about?

The gentiles! They will not see ... if your walking is not well done, they will not see the fact that you are sitted, even though you are sitted with Christ, people need to see the Lord in you.

He is not talking about you trying to dress up in a way, talk in a way so that you can see the Lord. If you do that, it means you want to start walking before you start.

I read from the **Message Translation**

**14. Work at getting along with each other and with God. Otherwise you'll never get so much as a glimpse of God.**

Now, you see the point is, the reason why the Message Translation had done that is, they try to make a sense of that verse.

Now I humbly do say, that is not a correct translation in the Message translation.

Now again, am going to, like a lawyer making a case, please don't believe what we are saying unless you are convince.

**Hebrews 12 (AMP)**

**14. Continually pursue peace with everyone and the sanctification without which no one will ever see the Lord.**

That is fine, but that doesn't still clarify very well, whether which one is he talking about.

Remember I told you, when it comes to reading and interpreting the scripture, contextualization is everything, before and after the verse. Read the context.

You can see that it say **follow peace with all men.**

Can you see that?

Now, let's see **and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord.**

Now again who are these men?

We just said if you follow peace with all men, looking at 1Peter 2: 12, using Matthew, the sermon on the mount, we should actually come to the same conclusion that those men are the people seeing you following peace ... that is why he said follow peace with.. He didn't say follow peace with God.

So when you follow peace with them, then they can see something in you.

Now, hold on to that another form of approval is the next verse that follow it.

Look at the tone of the next verse. Again contextualization is everything...

What this again Verse 15.

**15. Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;**

So if you look at this, I submit to you Chapter 12 verse 12, 13, 14 in context is about how does it affects others.

That was the context.

So it is wrong for people to just bring this verse 14 outside of the context.

There is nothing there that affects God. You have to read 12, 13 and 14.

In fact, in verse 14 when he says the reason you should not be bitter is because you don't want others to be defiled. You don't want to affect the way they see or what they see...

So in context, the three verses, verse 12, 13, 14 was all talking about how is it that what you do, how you say affect the Lord. And see the Lord in you. Follow peace with them and make sure you live a holy life, so that they can see something in you. So that you don't cause them to be defiled. You don't pollute them. It is about them. That is the context! You can read it yourself.

You don't even need to have a PhD in Greek interpretation to understand these things. That is the point.

So here again, we see another evidence that, the fact that anytime you walk right, is not for God. That is why I said when we started that your sitting is how you connected with God. But your walking is how you relate with men. Is not for God.

Now, the problem some Christians do have, why there is a lot of defeat today in Christian walk, where people are frustrated. Somebody says you know what? Today is victory for me, tomorrow is defeat. I don't seem to have a persistent, consistent joy of the Lord in my spirit. Could it be that you are trying to twist the order? Could it be that you are trying to walk before you sit? Or could it be that you are trying to walk and believing that your walking will impress God when the scriptures says your walking is supposed is to put an impression on men that you are already sitted?

Some might be thinking of walking so that they will see God...

Some says you know what? I have to make sure I live perfectly holy so that I can see God in my life or God can see them or they can see God...

No! No! It is for people to see Christ in you. That's why the Apostle Paul says walk worthy of the vocation you have received. It is about people. 1Peter 2:12 talks about it, Hebrews 12:12-14 and the book of Matthew, the Sermon on the Mount talks about it.

These are our motivational as Christians to make sure that we conduct ourselves rightly. We are not doing it for God. You are not doing it to score a record sheet with

God. You are already sitted with Christ in the heavenly places. It is finished. You are fully accepted in the beloved.

So you see the first three chapters... you have already seen the Lord and the Lord has already seen you. That is it!

Now, from then go ahead and walk worthy. And the others might see the Lord in you. Others need to see the Lord in you. Others need to glorify your Father who is in heaven when they see your good works. This is the purpose of our walking, this is not for God.

Yes, for people that might just thought, maybe for the last exposition and was thinking we are just talking about sitting, and so they are eager to walk. Yes we are supporting walk as you can see. But the order must be established which is sit before walk. And the purpose of the walk is not for you to make an impression on God or for you to see God or for God to see you. About the record, it is already completed. Christ has satisfied all requirements. He had satisfy justice system of God. So he had completed everything. So you don't need to do anything to that. It is already competed.

But the walk you are to do must even come from your sitting position, after you have sitted. So you cannot rush off. You cannot live your life from Chapter 4 of Ephesians, you have to start from Chapter 1 to know who you are in Christ and what Christ is he in you 1, 2, 3 after the ingrain that is when you can move out.

And in moving out, you need to understand that is for others to see God in you so that they can glorify God going through Matthew Chapter 5, 1Peter 2:12.

And so it is wrong for anybody to just pick a verse out of context and feel like I need to make an impression, we cannot find that.

So can you see? living holy is not negotiable. Walking worthy is not something you can say should I or should I not? It is very critical. We do not downgrade it. We do not even downplay on it. Because I know you and I, we don't want to live a life where people begin to misinterpret God because of us and the people get defile. We cannot allow bitterness because of us. Or somebody cannot even see who God is because of you, because we are not following peace with them. Because we are not living holy... Men are not seeing the Lord in you. You are blocking the rays. This is the reason we walk worthy. You don't have any such record sheet you are building up grade with God. No! We don't have it. Because Christ is the record of God for your life. And Christ was fully accepted by the Father. He says this is my beloved son in whom am well pleased. And that is what he says in Genesis, this is very good. Can you see? And now you are in Christ, so you are very good.

That is what we see in Chapter 4 and Chapter 5. Can you see that?

So again what happens in Chapter 6?

In Chapter 6 the Apostle Paul began to move from he was sitting in the first three Chapter of Ephesians, he was then walking in the next two Chapters of Ephesians, the last Chapter... you know we've done Expose on this in the past, Chapter 6 is where he says let's talk about your standing.. Then he begin to talk about your standing. That is when we talked about take up the full armor of God so that you can stand in the evil days. Can you see? He changed the posture in Chapter 6.

Now it is time to stop walking, it is not about just walking and demonstrating to people. Let's talk about how you relate with the enemy.

Can you see?

The sitting- how you relate with God. The walking- how you relate with men and the standing- how you relate with the enemy. Can you see?

So every posture in the realm of the spirit, has an intended target for a Christian. The target are different. Every posture has a particular person or a particular situation is meant to target. So your standing is how you target and deal with the enemy. And that is why we see that in Chapter 6 of Ephesians.

What I want to say is like some we really need to understand all these posture and we really need to get this thing in, and we need to throw in ourselves in all the scriptures. It is a training material. We need to train ourselves to be sitted. Some people they can't afford to sit. They can't sit down. We know that it is important for us to be able to know all these posture.

We have to know how to train ourselves to sit, to walk. When we need to sit, when we need to walk and the way we need to walk. And how we need to walk. And then when we need to stand and how we need to stand.

Because using the analogy, we have a child and we have an adult. Anybody who can sit cannot walk, walk and cannot stand. You know it is a problem because some people might be expert in walking but they did not even know how to sit. Some they don't know how to stand in those things that they have receive of the Lord and they can just do all walk and walk themselves to death.

So we really need to understand this and train ourselves to sit in the understanding of what he has accomplished. Today we can see people have programs in which they can do is about walking. Some cannot comfortably sit down understanding all he has

accomplished for them, sitting down. Hours of just sitting down to reflect on this, but they will rather do program to say let us walk, in walking out but not the sitting. So we really have to exercise ourselves and to be comfortable in all these and understand why they are.

Thank you. You've actually mentioned something that really is a food for thought in terms of this posture we understand the order, and the pattern in which we have to be established

Now the reason is, if you don't follow the order. If you don't follow the particular pattern of Ephesians in terms of the order of your posture in the realm of the spirit. For example, if you want to start your own very first day of creation with walking, unlike Adam that God make sure Adam started his first day of creation with resting. If you want to start your own day with walking, what happens you put the weight of your body on yourself. And that is why we have tired- frustrated Christians, who are trying to walk before they sit. Because the weight comes on you and how long can you carry on the weight? You will be tired. You will be frustrated. You will be weak.

That is why I says...

And then you are running up without making available of the resources you need for even the journey- for the walking. You need to sit up. You know he was talking to Elijah, sit and eat for the journey is long. Some People are running off without taking in to know what the book of Ephesians Chapter 1 was telling who they are. And you are getting fuel up. That is your point of fuelling up. So imagine running off without any fuel.

Do you know one thing that actually as you are talking, again I trust that the Lord wants us in a way expand the application of this discussion beyond the four walls of the church. To expand that into the market place, to expand that into your job, into your carrier, into your study, into every aspect of your life. I trust the Lord wants us to make that expansion.

You know for example, we see people today who are working, who actually have a career. People who actually have a profession. And the reason why people do this thing is because they want to achieve not just necessarily just working to be a blessing to humanity which is a good thing. But people are trying to do most of these things so as to feed themselves with that sense of approval, that sense of acceptance, that sense of significance, that sense of value. They want to put a value on themselves through those things.

That is why people are tired. Because every time you think if I do this, I think now people will know that am a person to be reckon with or am not a nonentity, once you do that, you think that is enough. And again you feel inadequate and you want to go for the next stage. That is why is tiring. It is fatigue. See! it is tiring that those with such a mentality and that is why you cannot keep up with walking. It is tiring. You cannot keep up with walking. You have to first sit. You have to first rest before you start walking

If you disorganize or in a way miss around the order, it will actually lead to frustration. And I think that is the reason when you read Hebrews 12 from verse 12, he says strengthening the feeble knees.

You see?

Every time the scriptures talks about be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might, it still goes all the way back to Ephesians 1.

Even when it comes to standing against the enemy. How did he start in Chapter 6 verse 10 what did he says?

## **Ephesians 6**

### **10. Finally, my brethren be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.**

Even before he says let's deal with the enemy, let's come against the works of darkness. He said if you are going to stand, if enemy will push against you and you keep standing, you will need to go back to Chapter 1 and gather strength and know where you are sitted. Know from where you are operating.

So that is why you see so many people say is actually important that this book of Ephesians was actually writing to people in the midst of serious demonic activity, like we said go to book of Acts and see what happen in Ephesus. Can you see that?

These are people that were in the midst of attacks, satanic manipulations in their days but yet it seems like the Apostle Paul was not too much in a hurry to push them all the way to standing to say you know what? I understand that you people are facing so much oppression, attacks and all that, the Diana, the principalities over the land, there are magicians, there are people who are using the works of darkness. Let's get at it, let's take our stand against the enemy.

Now, is it not amazing to you that the Apostle Paul only spend one Chapter on standing? I call it a 3-2-1 formula because he spent three Chapters on your sitting and two Chapter on your walking but only spend one Chapter on your standing. And the

reason he's done that, he said that he knows that you will stand anyway if you are strong in the Lord. You will stand if you are correctly sitted. You will stand if you are correctly walking. You will take your stand.

And this is what we see. And you see as we begin to talk now, it begins to occur to me that when we did our Knock Out series on the Armor of the Lord, all these armor he was asking us to take on, they were all things that are connected to our sitting posture.

I was about talking about that, because some people might just say sitting is a passive mode. Some people that are really agitated and people that are full of energy and say why? Am I just going into redundancy or hibernation? They thought that sitting position is just an hibernation mode. That is not.

It is a time you fuel up. You can see in Epehsians 1, 2, 3, a lot of what to... because information is power. Those three chapter talks about sitting. And then those information in Ephesians 1, 2, 3 that is all the power you need. You need to be empowered to know who you are. You have to know what is already the stuff

What happened to you at your new birth? The stuff you are made of. Or what is your DNA? or your position. Everything that is available for you. Who you are and who is it in you? That is those information and then we cannot just belittle those because we already know information is power. All the power you need, you get it from your sitting position because you are not putting the weight on yourselves, you are putting the weight on somebody else.

All this power that you will need to march out and walk you have to get it from your sitting posture. The power you need is the stamina to stand, you will need to get it from your sitting position. And so the sitting position is not a passive mode. It is burying yourself to know all that is accomplished for you and in you. You have to takes a lot in.

You have to feed yourself. You fuel yourself into that so that you will be able to stand.

But it is amazing today that so many people are living there life. It is not well apportion well. And the percentage of their life are just living in Chapter 6 alone. They live all their life in Chapter 6.

That is terrible!

And they are going to find it difficult in Chapter 6 because they are not properly powered for Chapter 6. They rush at Chapter 6. They really don't go and stay, to take your time in Chapter 1, 2, and 3. You have to take your time in your sitting. Even

Colossians was talking about it. See that you are sitted. We need to have all the understanding of these and stay in this. And make your standing so easy. People have found this standing so difficult now because they are not properly sitted.

That will actually agree with the book of Proverbs that says if you faint in the days of adversity, it means you didn't draw resources that are available for you at that time. And so the resources that are available are the things that he is emphasizing in Chapter 1, 2 and 3 of Ephesians. That is what he is actually illustrating there, the power source, the power bank.

And then the Chapter 4 and 5, the reason why Chapter 4 & 5 is actually a journey through to standing even though Chapter 4 & 5 is on walking, the point is if you don't actually walk through 4 & 5 and you want to run to 6. What happens in Chapter 4 & 5 is when people begin to speak evil of you, when your light does not reflect laws and order, when you have a bad testimony among people, they can set you up for condemnation so that by the time you get to Chapter 6 and you want to stand against the enemy, the enemy begin to use these things against you. Your relationship with others, what you said to this person, what you did to that person. That is why Chapter 4 & 5 are equally important in the journey to Chapter 6 of Ephesians.

Why are we saying all these things today? We are saying this to tell you why you cannot afford to miss the order, and why it was important to Christ Jesus that this woman first would encounter him as a sitting savior. The order was so important to Christ Jesus.

Does it bother you that most people are really interested in ministry or moment in Chapter 6, anybody that is talking about Chapter 6 will be something that they get animated. Oh they feel that is the most important thing. That is very serious. And then they shy away from every teaching moment. Some people don't even like teaching of things like this... who you are in Christ. And feel how important it is. But if it is about how to face the enemy like this, they will really want to ... people don't get the same kind of attention... they feel like this is not serious.

Ministry that are focused on sitting...

You know the irony is that some people might be looking as, what are these one saying? What is sitting? I wish somebody will say something that is relevant and they feel what you are saying is not relevant. We are not in touch. They feel we are out of touch. It is so easy for you to say that or something and feel like we are playing and this is child playing to them.

They really want, are you talking about Chapter 6 and get off if you are not talking of Chapter 6. And people are ready to click away. But you know you really need to know Chapter 1, 2, 3...

Thank you for making reference to that.

I will actually encourage our viewers and listeners. Again we will actually encourage you to go through Acts Chapter 19, 20 and 21. Those three Chapters in the book of Acts will tell you the status of Ephesus as a city when the Apostle Paul got there the first time.

It will tell you about Paul's journey and Paul's experience in the city of Ephesus. In fact it was so terrible, that it took Paul over three years to get fruits in that land, to get the fruits of his ministry, over three years! Bible says he taught for three years in the city of Ephesus.

The point we are trying to make is, that was not a very nice thing spiritual speaking. It was a hard ground. It was terrible!

So you don't probably have any excuse to say in your own life, things are actually terrible. And that is the reason why you have the right to jump straight to Ephesians Chapter 6 and start from there, because even when Paul was going to write to this same Ephesians. Paul said, I know you are going through a lot at the moment, I know you are hitching to deal with the things around you. And Paul said I have seen those things but I will write to you and I will spend three Chapters talking about your sitting. Even though it was not separated in chapters then we are sure of the volume...

He spent more, he focused more. That is why I call it the 3-2-1 ratio. Even if there are not six chapters there, but we could roughly say the volume was a 3-2-1 ratio. The 3-4 Your sitting and he spend two out of that ratio proportion to focus on

What kind of percentage will that be?

So if you are talking about 3, that is about 48 or 49%. Roughly 48% was focused on your sitting position. And then he moved on to just about 30% or 32% to focus on your walking and then he only spent just about 20% to focus on your standing.

So you couldn't give an excuse to say you are in a much more terrible situation therefore you want to spend your life in Ephesian Chapter 6. If you do and run to Chapter 6 of Ephesians and you misplace the order, you are going to have a lot of frustration. You will go round the circle. And that is the reason why people run in circle. People get tired easily, they repeat and go through the same circle again and

again with no result. Saying the same type of prayer points, same type of routine, same type of circle and still tiring.

Some people have the same prayer points every year and there is no end. And there is no end. Over and over again and if you do that, if you go to Chapter 6, they call it... something through your armor, when you have a space in your armor or something, an opportunity that the enemy can take advantage of it, because he knows there is a gap. There is a gap in your knowledge, there is a gap in your understanding... he knows what he can play on.

That is the reason why, if you remember when we talked about Knock Out Series, we have said it, you are not fighting the devil. That is why Ephesians 6 will tell you that take on the full armor so that you can withstand the schemes of the devil. What we are dealing with are the schemes of the devil, the wiles of the devils, the antics of the devil. What is the antics? to take advantage. That is why he says, we are not ignorant of the wiles of the devil less he takes advantage. What the devil does is, if he knows you are not sitting down, he takes advantage.

So what is the point of going to Chapter 6 of Ephesians without starting from Chapter 1? The enemy will take advantage anyway, that is why it is a pointless thing to go to Chapter 6 of Ephesians and start. Christ make sure this woman in John Chapter 4 met him sitted. The order was so important. And that is what we've actually began to focus on.

So today we want to enjoin you to say get your life in order. Sit before you walk and walk before you stand. Get everything in order in perspective.

I hope we were able to show and prove with all those scriptures and we enjoin you to go back and read all those scriptures again and see that it is not just about tautology or just playing with words. That the posture really matter and you need to sit well.

You need to sit well and you know what your sitting is achieving. It is a relational position with God. And your walking is about your relationship position with the world, the people and when you go to standing is about facing the enemy. So it's so important for you to sit and for you to walk after you have sitted well.

So today we hope we have been able to share that. Should you have any questions or comments on this. Please you can hit us on our Facebook

Before we finished, let me say this we have again not completed this issue of rest, so please you want to join us in our next transmission because you need to look at all these things together to get the full revelation of what we are sharing.

It is good to remind the people that we came from John Chapter 4. People might be wondering we are doing Ephesians.

Yes, we are showing the significance of why Jesus have to make sure this woman met him for the first time as a sitting savior. And that is what we see. And we now look at how that affects you. As a believer you must also encounter the Lord as a new creation as a sitting savior as well.

And that tells you if your Lord could sit, you need to sit down before you even actually get into the next posture which was what we've shown you today.

So we will like you to join us and share this with all your contacts. You need to share it by being the light, in your walking so that others see it. Much more that you work it out among the people.

We will not tell you that if you share this then the Lord will bless you one thousand times, because we know whatever you do does not affect God. No! Your walking is not for God is for the people.

So some people might just threaten you or manipulate you. The reason people manipulate others is because those people they are manipulating did not start with sitting.

So people might tell you if you do this God will bless you, if share this with somebody.

No! For you to share for others to see this and be blessed. That is the point. And they can glorify God.

Can you see that?

It brings glorify to God but not the way people talk about it. They are the one that will glorify God what you are doing.

You are free to share this and so you are free to leave this out so that others will see your good works and glorify God.

So till we see you next transmission. We want to say sit before you walk and walk before you stand.

God bless you.

Bye!