

I'm Fruitful in God's Mission Sunday 5th June 2022

Foundation Scriptures:

2 Peter 3:18 (NKJV): "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen."

Hebrews 6:1 (NKJV): "Therefore, leaving the discussion of the elementary principles of Christ, let us go on to perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God,"

Matthew 28:18-20 (NKJV): "And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen."

John 10:10 (NKJV): "The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."

2 Corinthians 12:1-11 (NKJV): "It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. 6 For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to [b]buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore, I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong. I have become a fool in boasting; you have compelled me. For I ought to have been commended by you; for in nothing was I behind the most eminent apostles, though I am nothing."

The Agenda of God

The agenda of God and the greatest thing in the heart of the Father is the salvation of souls.

"In everything we do and strive for in life, when all is said and done, the bottom line is the salvation of souls." Pastor David Adabale, New Wine Church London.

What does it profit for man to gain the whole world and lose their soul? God does not desire any soul to be lost but that all souls are saved and brought into His Kingdom.

Empowered for the Task!

We are empowered for the assignment of saving souls.

The best proof that we have been empowered for the task is that we have been commissioned - Matthew 28:18-20 captures this.

The commission that the Lord has given to us is the salvation of souls.

Grow in God's Mission!

Initially, when children are born, they can't feed themselves. However, over time, they will learn to feed themselves, and eventually others. For such a person to do that, they must get past the elementary things.

Similarly, we are instructed in **Hebrews 6:1**, to 'move past' the elementary things, and 'go on to perfection'.

We must move past the basic things and move onto the 'nitty gritty' - what is in the heart of God. Fulfilling God's mission to win souls is a sign of growth.

The Heart of God

"The salvation of mankind is the biggest thing on God's mind." Pastor David Adabale, New Wine Church London.

"There is nothing that puts a smile on God's face like the salvation of souls." Pastor David Adabale, New Wine Church London.

We Are Called to be Fruitful

Fruitfulness manifests itself in 3 ways:

- 1. In our **spirit**, for soul winning
- 2. In our **soul**, providing answers and solutions; and
- 3. In our **body**, for procreation, as reflected in **Genesis 1:28**, saying: "...Be fruitful and multiply..."

Lastly...

2 Corinthians 12:9 says: "But He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness. Therefore, most gladly I will boast in my weakness, that the power of Christ may rest upon me."

In accomplishing God's mission, be encouraged:

"The thing you are using as an excuse to not do what you are called to do is only an opportunity for God to show forth His greatness." Pastor David Adabale, New Wine Church London.

In your daily activities, **PDA** – pray, document, and act on - how you can be **fruitful in God's mission**.