

## The God that Takes Pleasure in Blessing you Much More

Know why God can take pleasure in blessing you MUCH MORE, as you know HIM and WHO HE REALLY IS and WHAT HE DID for you.

2 Peter 1:2

2 Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. NKJV

One key reason why he came – show

John: 7 signs 7 I AM

First sign – turning water into wine – supernat God - know

Jesus Our Business Partner

Invite him your Senior Partner – how?

INVITE Him into business (David Sol) – do - same - presence

SAME boat - place season

Right side, 5000 – logistic nightmare – what have, 153

Expect to avoid till you are embarrassed

Luke 19:17

17'Well done!' the king exclaimed. 'You are a trustworthy servant. You have been faithful with the little I entrusted to you, so you will be governor of ten cities as your reward.' NLT

Use what given – 10 minas – 10 cities – out of proportion

Building – great opport – partners with God – exp out of proportion blessings

Like the previous building:

Realise God uses ord → extraord

Dear Pastor Joshua and Pastor Carey,

Thank you, Pastor for your teachings and messages all these years which taught me to tithe and give obediently, joyfully and faithfully. Our God is so wonderful. I want to thank Him and praise Him. In the period of Extraordinary Miracle Seed, I was prompted to give an amount which was very large to me and I did not have the amount at that time, so I doubted it was from the LORD.

Yet the prompting kept on for a week or so. I got a personal loan from my mother and gave obediently and faithfully. I claimed by faith double fold blessings in the name of JESUS everyday. Surely at the end of the year 2010, I had a double-fold blessings. Not only that, from 2011 there were several income that added up to ANOTHER double-fold blessing. Also I got a free trip from my company to Los Angeles and Las Vegas, USA. Sister-in-Christ

Zech 8:12

12 For I am planting seeds of peace and prosperity among you. The grapevines will be heavy with fruit. The earth will produce its crops, and the heavens will release the dew.

Once more I will cause the remnant to inherit these blessings. NLT  
Context – have nothing – but when project begun - flourish

Cf. Zech 8:9-10

10 Before the work on the Temple began, there were no jobs and no wages for either people or animals. No safety traveler was safe from the enemy, for there were enemies on all sides. I had turned everyone against each other.

Ano incident – tells us ano powerful Pict about Jesus

John 4:4-39

4 Now he had to go through Samaria. 5 So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. NIV

Way to Galilee – deli pass thru – tired – sat down by a well – Jacob's well

7 When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?"

8(His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

Most – gather in morning - why – avoid - know - some

Why come at such odd hours – background – 5 husb

Know – how some peo like – lady of 5 coming – quick – bef water got dirty

You know how some people are like – draw water

– wo with 5 is coming – quick – before water get dirty

Ladies giggle: You know ah – some peo never never happy one you know – 5 also Not you lah

9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

Invisible wall – don't asso – peo – not like us: dress – live – think – colour

Very peo – avoided – could be – divine

connection – for dream come to pass

10 Jesus answered her, "If you KNEW the gift of God (how generous God is) and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

Amazing – just when we think God always asking from us - \$ time

He asked to give opport to receive much more

Imagine while drinking – say –if know HIM – gift – I AM

The giving gives her opport – know him – gift – who he is - ask for more

**I. Know Christ Himself is your greatest gift**

John 4:11-18

11 "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? 12 Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his flocks and herds?"

13 Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

Sir – give me water

15 The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."

16 He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."

No husb – true – one living with - not

17 "I have no husband," she replied.

Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. 18 The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true." NIV

You pervert? - You have 5

Sounds too direct – but gently show – not happy – gone to all the wrong places to find happiness – not you

You pervert – s addicts

Wrong sources – 5 husb ... – More amazing case Sol 1000 wives – end - vanity – today

Achievements – status – drugs – sexual indulgences

Studies – s addition – rampant – even among ladies

Destroying rel – career – life - homeless Often – main cause – porn; not the root cause – like a tree

– inner insecurity – fear of abandonment (having been left homeless from young) – fear of emo intimacy – something only Jesus can fill

Key – flee – Joseph – rel with God

A fisherman – lay resting with hat over face on beach

4 numbers – why – money – things – peo look up – acceptance – already

have Christ – 1 room – feel like – big vision

Set vision big – have Jesus – enjoy process happiest man

Even Legitimate sources - Jacob – father - frust

Thank God – all the great peo – God's blessings – father mo children friends good boss – if look - frust

But if look to them – satis deepest need - frust

Sometimes – expect - Spouse meet all needs

Man and wife – arguing – till give each other the silent treatment

next day – get up early – catch a flight – note side table – please wake me at 5 am – got up 8 missed flight – why – found note – please get up it's 5

Hebrews

If single, don't let any tell you – you must ma

Sometimes, make getting ma – all consuming focus – Must – ½ - destroy – control demanding frust – zap life out of any rel – priority – let Jesus love you to wholeness

If single – must – happy – many- frust

Dream to get married – great - No such thing as must

Don't let any one tell you – must – if make ma all consuming goal – frust - many singles – live a fulfilling life

Oh – fell like ½ look – satisfy - I want

someone to talk to – share my feelings and dreams – destroy any rel - priority – dev wholeness

Sometimes – make kids – centre – deter – so focus endanger

Best way – love spouse kids – make Christ centre

Only Jesus can fulfil deepest needs – altogether lovely

Kind - not soft – walk over

Overturn tables of corrupted money changers

Auth firm – not hurtful overbearing hard legalistic - worst

Worst time – first of 7 word - Father forgive them

Col 1:16-17

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 17He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. NIV

All things are made for him – hold together by him

Living water – HIMSELF

Not more laws - prins – truths - many

Many truths: even your times table – great - not living; Jesus is the Living truth

Himself - Restoration – Adam lost!

2. Know He's the "I AM" that can bring real happiness

John 4:25-26

The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."

26 Then Jesus declared, "I who speak to you am he." NIV

Jesus said to her, (Εγώ ειμι) I AM! The One speaking to you. LITV

Moses – first hear this name – asked to deli – cant talk

God – who made the eye – tongue – go – what name – I AM – everything you need

Know him as – I AM – everything you need

Sick – health; poor – pros; hurt, broken hearted – restoration; no connection – supernat connection

Bible – even helm of garment – tail end – never blood

– heal – today – peo lined up – personal glimpse celebrities – scream; got a high 5 – almost faint – nothing happen

The celebrity – pay watch – laughing to bank – never shed drop of blood for you

SEE Jesus – **supplies** come

More know him - **more** receive – Judas

– all Lord am I - Rabbi

**John 4:28-30**

28 Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, 29 "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Christ?" 30 They came out of the town and made their way toward him. NIV

**Left** water pot at the well – why? fountain

Amazing one lady – **colourful** past – one encounter – so **transformed** - led a city to Christ!

Don't **limit** yourself!

– no **talent** – no **edu** – too **old** – too young – too many **mistake**

Just becos - **didn't work** last year – this is a **new** season

Last week **testimony**

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not be in want. When the church collected Miracle Seed for our current building,

I was in financial difficulty and was not able to sow (I thought) but God touched me to sow my jewelleryes.

Since then my finances had keep improving until I was able to buy a house with cash. For this new building, God prepared the finances for me to sow.

Cash - I was able to sell the house at a price way above market value, bought a bigger house and sowed to the miracle seed.

Praise be to our Lord, God Almighty.

2 Corinthians 9:10

**Young** man grow up in Africa – Congo – poorest nations – one of 7 – Kembe Mutombo

all re – live sm house – so much sickness – no clinic – hundred of miles – dying – disease easily treated – broke heart – God put dream – build a hosp – natural – impossible – as poor as other peo – something different – serve **Big** God – pray bold pray – help build – started to grow – 6'7 – 7'2" – so tall – basket ball dirt courts – academic – George town Uni – unheard – to be doc – 2<sup>nd</sup> year – coach saw – try – star player – professional – **Kimbey Mactombo** – Rockets in Houston

– donated – 15 m dollar – together with some players dedicated 30 m hosp

What God put in your heart – believe – BIG GOD

Even mentioned in the State Union Address

**One day – many of you – made mention in**

– God's own state of the universe address – what did house of God

**Ezekiel 34:26**

I will make **THEM** and the **places** round about my HILL a blessing and I will **CAUSE** showers of blessings season. The trees yield fruits and the land her INCREASE and they shall be **SAFE** in their land and they shall **KNOW** the **LORD** that set them **FREE** from their **YOKES**. JY

**Place** **mira cles** explodes – healing;

**abundance** blessings rest – **raise** up

ENTP - cause

Cause you to inherit – cause others to inherit

**Many come** – find abundance of grace

Fear – joy

**Many come** eat **fruit** of land

**Testimony**: God prepared way ahead

Just wanted to thank God for **He never delay HIS blessing** to us. On 23/10/11, Pastor Carey prophesied that *someone here think that the promotion is long overdue and the LORD says your promotion is on the way. Immediately I received it by faith* and I know that 'someone' is me. The next day, 24/10/11, one manager tendered resignation within 24 hours and this has created a vacancy for manager and section head. There I got my promotion after nine years. Nine years is a long period but **God knows the best time to bless us. He prepared** us way ahead so that when **He manifests HIS blessing**, we are able to **contain and enjoy** it.

*Sister-in-Christ*

**Word** of God go forth – 4 corners

**Spearhead** gospel of grace all across penin

– Asia China – flood – light

– **centre** for nations – impact the world

**3. Know He takes pleasure in blessing you!**

**John 4:34**

31 Meanwhile his disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat something."

32 But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you know nothing about."

33 Then his disciples said to each other, "Could someone have brought him food?"

**Master – eat something – got food – don't know – ask – someone brought you food?**

34 "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. NIV

Enjoy a good meal – feel satisfied – best

KOBE – dom briyani

**Ps 35:27**

"Let the LORD be magnified, Who has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant." NKJV

**Not just bless – no choice – good – but delight!**

**First miracle – don't do God favor**

You do not do God a **favor** by asking less – **takes pleasure**

Takes pleasure in the prosperity of his servants

Even if **rebuke** – believing less

- O Man of little faith

**Last** word – blessings

*Luke 24:51 Last glimpse*

51 While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. NIV

Why does God take pleasure in blessing you much more?

1. Paid highest price for your blessings – sow life – **blood** – we – some **seeds**

*John 4:35-38*

35 Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. 36 Even now the reaper draws his wages, even now he harvests the crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together.

37 Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true. 38 I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labor." NIV

*1 Peter 1:18-20*

18 For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, 19 but

... redeemed ... with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. NIV

**Create** – spoke; **Redeem** – bleed – **Virgin birth** – why – just show off power?

**Virgin birth**? – studies – baby did receive blood of mo – father determine – blood is divine

**Christ** – **sin offering** – examine lamb not offender - (**come** to receive)

– lay hand – why such **uncivilised** metd – **stone age**

**Lamb** – priest examine lamb – not offerer – lamb perf

**Lay hand** – sins passed – perf passed to offerer

**Pict Sin** – destructive – cancer - eating us alive

**Surely die** – walking – like a – **zombie** - **health** slowly degen, **rel, slave** – **cannot enjoy - s**

OT – 7 times - 120%

OT – soln – kill – Korah – earth open up – flood

Pay back – 120%

How many – if only - right choice - I wish – go back in time –

– like the lady at the well – Moses – spoken instead of striking - Prince

– Prince marble - Ipoh

Prob – want to make restitution - often can't – like the **thief** – **say remember me** in paradise

By way - right or left – **know** identity – Paul's

**Know identity** – Paul's father – **KJV** old died with him on cross – Rom 6 6 – our old man cruci with him

**Prob** – can't – like the thief

**Remember me**: If Jesus: Got to do **restitution** – like to - stuck

**Yet - Today** – paradise - **So easy?** Not **cheap**

Jesus took what we **deserve** – thief suppose to pay in OT 7 times more – **Jesus paid infinitely more – so receive much more (ROM 5 – 5 times much more)**

**Christ** – what did (the Gospel) – **Ans** to every human need – deepest satis

**Guilty** – R; **sick** – health; **hurt**, broken heart – peace; lost **opport** poor choices – restoration

2. How come – God takes pleasures – he sees Jesus – lamb – not you the offender - **Moses** did enter – saw Jesus

Jim Elliot – Beyond gates of splendor –

SAmerica – remote jungle – cannibal killed "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." Jim Elliot

Got – guns – rather gave life killed Indians **wondered** – why not kill them – **grasp** – truth – Jesus - years later

Years later – plane – wife – preached – all got saved – chief – know evangelist

*Eze 36:25-30*

I will **make** you **clean** and give you a **new** heart. I will put My Spirit in you and **cause** you to walk in my way. Then you shall **dwel** in the **land** and I will **CALL FOR** (command, summon, invite) the **grain** and make it **abundant**. I will **multiply** the fruit and the **increase** of your fields. JY

– double – Ok - encouraged