

Knowing God and do Great Exploits 10

The God of New Beginnings

Jubilee of Exponential Increase

Last days – challenging times – but also exciting and rewarding time

Great oppor**t** for **ENTP** – do **business** – **Exo INC**

Realise God is a Supernatural God

Limit ourselves – looking at nat Cant **INC**: Don't have the **talent, connection, fund**

Just ruled out the supernatural touch – supernat God

Rel – debt - healed

Don't think **ma** can be **restored**
Don't think get out of **debt** – at this rate – 150 yrs bef paying off my debts

Wont get **well** – all medical reports say - chronic

Prob - forget that – ano report – live not die – declare works of God

Anything too hard for God?

Genesis 18:14

Rel? – sick – resources? 5

Rel – too far gone – God to restore

Too **sick** for God to heal - got to live with the sickness – rest of life
Too little **resources** for God to use?

5 loaves – 2 fishes - God can multiply your what you have — 5,000 peo – effort

2. God **has** the way when there seems to be no way

Don't see – no mean – no way
God has a **thou** ways to bring your dream to pass

3. You are called to **believe** and not to **figure** out how

Don't have to **see** how – not your job -

"Lord, I believe,"

Sick? God says – you will be well – Lord I believe

Debt? Econ down?

God wants to **surprise** you with His goodness - anything too **wonderful**?

Lots of **surprises** in life

End of year – **wao** – God outdid it again

God of New beginnings
Leviticus 25:10b

It shall be a jubilee for you; each one of you is to return to his family **property** and each to his own clan.

Start life all over again – new beginning

Philippians 3:13

13 Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead.

Couple – not good in memories – doc asked

write down – I like to have ice cream – I will get it – better write – oh short dist – came back with beacon and egg – there you are – you forget my toast

Sometimes, good to be able to forget – easy to lay hold of new things God has for us

1. Forget the old things and press on to the new
Don't get stuck with a set way

How are we stuck in the old ways?

Just becous something **worked**
prosper 5 yrs ago – not mean – work today

1968 – Swiss - leader – **80%** profit

In **1968**, the **Swiss** dominated the world of watchmaking. They had **80%** of all profits, **65%** of the world's market share.

They were the **undisputed experts** in watchmaking.

10 years – 10% - 50,000 of 60,000 jobless – not open to the new **paradigm** shift
But in **10 years**, they went from 65% to **less than 10%** of the market share ... and they had to layoff **50,000** of their 65,000 watchmakers!

Who leader? - Japanese

Why the sudden change

Quartz movement

Who invented - Swiss

But when the researchers presented the whole idea to the Swiss watchmakers, they **totally rejected** it.

No spring, **no** bearings, **no** gears ... it is not a watch!

Later that year, in the **World Watch Congress** ...

2 from outside the industry

TI + Seiko came along, grabbed the technology ... and the rest is history!

Learn their lesson – came out with an inexpensive, colourful Swatch – get back into the game

God is God of new beginning

There were down but not out – bounce back

2. Arise out of the darkness
Isa 60:1-2

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. 2 See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you.

What are the darkness that God wants us to come out of?

The darkness of despair

Life unfair - dysfunctional fam – don't oppor**t** – college – don't get stuck with disappointments –

Life may be unfair – **God** is fair – lemon – lemonade

The darkness of excuses

I can't do it – don't have the **skills** -

I am will able – equipped, anointed, empowered

Too old!

– not used to it – these **gadgets** for young – renew your youth

Age – matter of **thinking** – if you feel old – think old

Too late!

Amazing – see some people – amazing creative abilities – give **excuses**

If they channel **their creative** energies in making excuses to improve their job performance, they will get amazing results.

Comment on the statement above:

Professional thief – escaped 21 yrs

Always outsmart them – some of the most brilliant FBI

Caught – look like a typical middle class businessmen – don't look like a thief

With all your skills why did you choose to steal

That's all I knew – dysfunctional family

If he could steal successfully for 21 yrs – surely can run his own business

Even born in **dysfunctional** fam – not mean you must become dysfunctional – new creation

The darkness of past failures

Some peo live a life of **regrets**, **beat** self over mistakes

Oh I blow it – lost change – just settle with what I am

It's not over – till God says it's over

3. Shine with the glory of new opportunities and new dreams

Isaiah 60:4-5

4 "Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the arm. 5 Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come.

Rel, health, wealth – every area
God can turn your dark day into good days!

God is the good of new beginnings – you can experience resurrection power

Ephesians 1:19-20

19 ... his incomparably great power for us who believe. ... 20 which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms.

Failures are never final, because God is a God of New Beginnings

God knows how to get you – final destination

In the center of main street in

Alabama,

Strangest monument – insect – destroyer - beetle

Cotton – beetle infested – crop failure

Once everyone raised cotton. A serious pestilence of beetles infested the area - crop failure

On day – idea – peanut – nut – back scientist - George

Washington Carver

Used in hundreds of ways – cosmetics paints, plastics and nitroglycerin

Made more money in several months than they normally did in a while year

- peanut center of the world.

Monument – testimony – crop failure → crop of opport

What are the beetle of your life?

What are some of the 'beetles' of your life?

God can turn it around – opport for inc

George W Carver, himself is a great testimony - overturn the ugly stereo type image

(born bef slavery abolished in Missouri 1864 – blacks regarded then as – inferior)

But in Times Magazine 1941 – honoured as the Black Leonardo – GWC day Jan 5 National holiday

Amazingly – criticised – New York Times 1924, – inconsistent with the sci approach bec of his testimony –

God guided him in his researches and received revelations from God on the discoveries

Book by David Collins: Man's slave – God's scientist

So rise up out of the darkness and slavery of despair, excuses, failures

John Osteen

I can think of a worst story of – Rahab – heard great stories – embrace the faith – creation

Isaiah 43:19

19 See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.

Be open to new ways and new dreams

4 Lift up your eyes and look about you ... from afar ... carried on the arm.

Look up – about – far – opportunities come in the arm of a loving God who has given us His most precious Son – what withhold?

How to look up, look about and look far?

Moses died, Josh face with Jordon – first test of his leadership

imagine – go top of hill – raise his rod morn to sun down – didn't part

God - get the priest – march down the river

Don't get set with old ways

Story of a kid asking mummy – cut ham at the end – why?

Don't know – my mum does that

Ask grand ma – don't know – ask great grand ma – size of frying pan

4 feet 9 inches track

Prov 18:15 The intelligent man is always open to new ideas. In fact, he looks for them. LB Phil. 1:6

Don't give up easily

When one dream dies, dream another dream

One door closed God open another door

God would not allow one door to be closed if there is no other doors

Didn't get the job – apply another

When one gal says no – news – not end of world – look for another

Oh – this is only girl that I would fall in love – cut it – God has a better one prepared for you

Oh I am already quite successful

Don't be a slave of past vict! Your greatest VICT is not in the past – yet to come

Why is it important to be open to new things?

Open to what God has for you –

otherwise - when Opport come – new business, promotion, inc –

we shrink back

Open for surprises!

Divine opport – connection: new business – diff field, position, beyond your capacity

Be excited and look forward to fresh dreams

5 Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth ... nations will come.

Dream a new dream – excited – smile – laugh – enjoy life

- new hobbies, new friends, new cloth, food skill

New spouse? No - Same

spouse – new freshness of rel

Fall in love with spouse – start preparing for Valentine Day

How do we open to new things in the same job and calling?

Could be same job, same calling – do things in new way

New ATTITUDE –passion love for job God called you – creative ideas

– more than reqd – uncommon GWC – Learn to do common things uncommonly well

Your attitude determines your altitude!

A reason to live – expect another great new day

You are not just existing, surviving – thrive