

FOR PROPER UNDERSTANDING
OF THE WORD TO MAKE
OUR FAITH STRONG

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## **Author's Note**

There is no doubt that the Bible contains the word of God and that this Word is God (John 1:1). We need to realize that it is the responsibility of all of us to read and understand what the Bible says, so that we can be led out of spiritual captivity.

This book hopes to teach the attitude of believers with emphasis on love and humility towards others even as it offers fundamental training to believers. In 2 Timothy 2:15, it is stated: "Study to show thyself, approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

This is why it is important to read and understand the Bible in order to sufficiently know about God and rightly walk with Him. Acts 8:26-31 draws attention to the issue of the Ethiopian Eunuch who read the book of Isaiah but could not understand it. In order that he may understand, the Spirit of God directed Philip to ask him if he really understood what he read. He replied, "How can I understand except someone should guide me?" It is in this context that this book is produced.

There are quite a number of questions which believers have had to grapple with in their quests to unravel the mysteries in the Bible. I have for decades provided materials on some vital topics for teaching in Bible classes and each time, questions keep arising. These questions have now been compiled, and it is some of them which I consider necessary to provide answers to, with a view to helping Bible readers and believers in advancing their knowledge and understanding of the Bible, that appear in this volume.

I have no iota of doubt that readers of this book would derive immense benefits from it in fulfilling the great commission:

"Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations" - Matthew 28:19.

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### **Foreword**

My relationship with Prophet Segun Adewumi is very precious to me and when I read through this highly inspiring and positively impacting new book, I could vividly picture his many facial expressions, having severally seen him in action. Prophet Segun Adewumi is a dynamic Preacher and spirit-filled Teacher. The same qualities of excellence and authority I have witnessed in him privately as well as in his public ministry have found expression in his writings.

Pastor Segun Adewumi's unique experiences with the Lord bring refreshing and impressive solutions to many life's challenges. He is a man who deeply loves people and is honestly committed to seeing people fulfil their destiny. This book, to a large extent, is a great treasure, as it aims at addressing a number of questions which may be agitating the minds of Bible readers. The fact that the production of this book is coming at this time is commendable as it would offer exceptional services to the Body of Christ as well as to humanity at large.

Personally, my life has been deeply enriched by the life and teachings of this author, and I am persuaded that every reader of this book will receive significant impartation and be eternally blessed by it.

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# Topic 01 Freedom of the believer

Text: John 8:36:

"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Mankind is in the bondage that resulted from the disobedience of Adam. Our real enemy and that which puts us in bondage is our misunderstanding of the real issue in creation. That enemy is self. The blood of Adam through whom we came is contaminated, but the blood of Jesus will purify it. Our personality will now be relocated from our soul to our spirit. Freedom is release from animal life. Questions and Answers

#### 1. What is Bondage?

Bondage could be ignorance in the manner of Gideon who did not realize that he had the power to rescue himself and the children of Israel from the oppression of the Midianites until he was told.

"And the LORD looked upon him, and said, Go in this thy might, and thou shalt save Israel from the hand of the Midianites: have not I sent thee?" (Judges 6:14)

Similarly, the widow whose two sons were taken into custody for the debt of their late father did not know that her pot of oil would pay the debt and solve her problem of poverty.

"Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the LORD: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen. <sup>2</sup>And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not anything in the house, save a pot of oil. <sup>3</sup>Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy

neighbours, even empty vessels; borrow not a few. 4And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full. 5So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out. And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, There is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed. Then she came and told the man of God. And

he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest." (2 Kings 4:1-7)

So also, every believer possesses what can set him free from every challenge, but he may lack the proper understanding.

#### 2. What is Freedom?

Freedom is our situation when we are released from animal life. Man is entrapped and stranded in ignorance occasioned by animal life. He lives for food and sex, demonstrated in his striving for wealth and fame, which he pursues by every means, ethically and unethically. The day he realizes that man shall not live by bread alone is the day of his freedom. Consider the conversion of Saul.

Saul, yet breathing "And threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, 2And desired of him letters to **Damascus** to synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound Jerusalem.3And unto as journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: 4And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? 5And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am

Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what

thou must do. And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink." (Acts 9:19)

#### 3. Why do we need to be free?

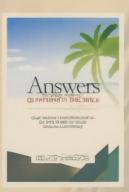
We need to be free so that we can redirect our lives to align with the agenda of God for which He has created us. Our earth-life is the test of our spiritual integrity. Whoever dies in ignorance has wasted that golden opportunity for eternal life.

# 4. Who are the enemies that put man in bondage?

The enemy is Satan the devil who took advantage of our animal life (ignorance), which makes us cherish and place the desire for wealth and fame over and above our integrity with God, the situation that puts us in bondage.

#### **ABOUT THE BOOK**

The main reason for failures of faith is ignorance. This book explains the mysteries that raise questions and doubts in the minds of believers; it simplifies the difficult issues that require explanation and understanding. The answers in this book are reminiscent of the wisdom of Daniel on the dream of Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 2:27&28) and Joseph on the dream of Pharaoh (Genesis 41:14-39).



Absolute freedom and the power to withstand and surmount all obstacles lie in the proper understanding of the Word. I believe that access to, and reading through, this book will make us better believers with the faith and conviction of a David against his Goliath.

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