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RESURRECTION Power

If the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He ...shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwells in you. -Rom. 8.11.

We bless the Lord for bringing us to the fourth month. It marks the end of the first quarter and the beginning of a new one. Many parts of the world had their clocks moved by an hour to usher in the new season. It is our prayer and hope that everyone of us would experience the major celebration of this season, the resurrection power that brought the Lord Jesus back from death to life, never to die again. This power enables us to operate as spirits in the order of God's original creation for productivity and fruitfulness.

But it also means death, rebirth and renewal. Unfortunately, many would celebrate the Easter season but would not have an experience of the Lord's resurrection power--as expected of God's children and as expressed above by the greatly transformed apostle and many others since.

There are three conditions for experiencing this resurrection power. First, repentance. This means accepting God's assessment of our natural condition. The human heart is desperately wicked without a touch of the divine. We align with God, confess and turn away from all that is evil. (Pro. 28.13).

Second, we retribute our ways. We make good what we have done wrong e.g. returning what we stole, telling the truth where we lied etc. Finally, we die to

self and begin to seek ways to be a blessing to others, especially those who are less privileged who cannot pay us back- Jn.12.24.

These transformations occurred in the life of Zacchaeus, a stinking rich tax collector who made his fortunes by fraudulently overcharging people of their taxes and using false accusation to send them to prison if they don't pay up.

Hear his declaration in response to those who accused the Lord Jesus of staying in the house of such a terrible sinner: '...the half of my goods I (now constantly) give to the poor. If I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore four-fold'. The Lord made clear that His mission was not only to rescue us from sin but to enable us function as we were originally created to be --in the image of God the Father, able to operate in the realm of the supernatural (Lk.19: 7-10).

Aspire this month therefore to live in the realm of the supernatural by determining to overcome sin, self and death by the power of the Holy Spirit that dwells in you once you give your life to the Lord Jesus. Your journey to full restoration commences.

Welcome to the month of Resurrection Power.

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