

DOUBLE GRACE, FIRE & FREEDOM

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The word of the Lord is: Not by might nor by power but by my spirit says the Lord of hosts. Who art thou O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain; and he shall bring forth the headstone with shoutings crying Grace, grace unto it. Zech. 4. 6-7

If the Son therefore shall make you free you shall be free indeed. Jn. 8. 32.

Now the Lord is that Spirit. And where the spirit is there would be freedom. 2 Cor. 3.17

God relates with mankind primarily by grace. Adam was a creation of grace or unmerited favor. So was Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Samuel, Saul, David and all the followers of Christ before and after His resurrection to date. Everyone of us came to a knowledge of personal salvation by unmerited favor or grace. Five is the number of grace. In this month of October, we enter into a season of double grace.

The key to experiencing the doubling of grace is our reaction to this initial offer of grace. Many continue to refuse this offer and remain in their evil ways even when they speak and act religious. Those who receive the initial grace but continue in disobedience remain stunted. On the other hand, when we submit fully to the Lord after receiving the initial grace, God increases His strength of workings or dimensions in us by His Spirit. The

Holy Spirit and Grace forever work in tandem with each other. We submit to the Lord and His Spirit through alignment, purification and discernment. Alignment means not grieving the Holy Spirit (Eph. 4. 30). We are purified as we open ourselves to the cleansing fire of the Holy Spirit. All that is not gracious in the Lord's sight is roasted by fire as we present ourselves to Him daily. This is how we end up looking exactly like Him at the rapture or the end of our lives here on earth (1 Jn. 3.2-3).

The more of His Spirit and fire we carry the greater the liberty and freedom we have to live and operate as sons of God. We receive discernment by His Holy Spirit as we become sensitive to His every leading in small and big matters. With the Holy Spirit in our lives, all great mountains --problems and challenges---come tumbling down and are turned into plain with shouts of grace and greater grace filling our mouths.

It is therefore important that the Lord's people take the center stage in the affairs of our nations because without the grace and liberty that the Holy Spirit brings any other form of freedom--political, economic, social, spiritual --would prove a mirage as the story of all nations to-date attest.

Welcome to the month of Double Grace, Fire and Freedom.

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