

Jesus- The Carpenter

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power and goodness to overrun my life, as I humbly kneel in your presence. Lord, make my life whole again for your glory and praise. Amen!

Do not be in a hurry to leave your pray-ing posture. While still kneeling, hold your pause; wait quietly on God s move into your life at least for five minutes before you say, thank you (God) for a new dawn in your life. It is well with your soul. Then, pick up a copy of the Bible and start to read with deep reflection Mark s Gospel from chapter one. Before you finish reading all the chapters of this gospel in two or three days, expect God to do some more marvellous things in your life. Amen!

Note: If this tract message has imparted spiritual values to your life, we will be delighted to see you worship with us at our weekly meetings: Sundays at 9:00am in Divine Worship; Wednesdays at 5:30pm in Strength Building. Venue: Ever-Flowing Grace Assembly Inc. Plot 12 Block 46, Aye-toro Housing Scheme, Along Oyo-Ogbomosho Expressway, Oroki Area, Oyo Town, Oyo State, Nigeria.

* Counseling and deliverance prayer could be arranged for anyone who is one form of problem and another. All you need to do to call (don t flash): 0803-3952947 or 0803-2460619.

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hen Jesus took his teaching of God s kingdom to Nazareth: his hometown where he grew up, the people there asked a question about him. What was the question? The quest-ion was: Isn t this (i.e. Jesus) the car-penter? ... (Mark 6:3 NIV). What kind of question was that? It was a derogatory one. What they meant was that, Is Jesus not a common worker with his hands like the rest of us? In their minds they found it difficult to understand how Jesus they knew as the Carpenter came about teaching the kingdom of God to them. In fact, they could not reconcile the carpenter s work to teaching the kingdom of God. But with deep thought one would find that the carpenter s work is not in any way less significant at all. The carpenter is a very important person in the society, noting fully his work. In literal sense the carpenter puts roof over our heads by roofing our houses. Even when the roofed ones are leaking, the carpenter repairs them. The carpenter is a skilled person in designing and fashioning good furniture for our homes and offices. The carpenter is always called upon to fix-up (repair) broken furniture or wobbling (unstable) furniture. So, without the carpenter in the society some vital aspects in human life will suffer greatly. Hence Jesus vocation in car-pentry was not a useless one. It was very significant. I need the services of the carpenter very much as well as anyone else do. The carpenter and his work must never be underrated.

In the history of God's people there were four horns (symbolic of powerful nations) that came to scatter them, but God sent four carpenters (symbolic of divinely empowered restorers which could be men or nations) to bring restoration to his people again (Zechariah 1:14ff KJV). Jesus is our anointed carpenter (anointed beyond measure John 1:14; 3:34) in this messianic era for all who will look up to him in faith. All who had contact with Jesus in his earthly work were never disappointed. They all shared in his grace. The grace of God in him flowed freely to all who by faith approached him. It will be so for you too. Applying these valuable facts about the carpenter's vocation, you would of necessity need Jesus in your life as the divinely anointed carpenter. He occupied the status of the Carpenter as well as the status of the anointed one. With these two statuses Jesus can design and fashion your life for optimum good. The issues are:

Is your life experiencing some wobbling, some spiritual instability? Then call on Jesus in a private prayer to restore your valued or needed stability.

Are you experiencing some forms of disorders in your life? Invite Jesus, the divine carpenter into your life to restore good order.

Do you need a solid spiritual shelter (a covering) over your life? You should now consult with Jesus the divine carpenter. He will provide the best spiritual covering you deserve as one who believes in him.

Spiritual instability, disorder and lack of shelter over your whole life will be a thing of the past as you sincerely consult Jesus in a private prayer moment. Will you do that now? Yes, of course. Go now in faith into a private praying moment. On your knees, you may pray in these words: Lord Jesus, I come to you by faith with all my life. I confess to you that I am a helpless sinner; that my life needs a complete spiritual overhauling through your power. And now I place my life on your altar, kindly allow your