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TOPIC: BURNING YOUR "ODUMAYAKA"

TEXT: Psalm 33:12

The word declares that blessed is the nation (or man) whose God is the Lord (Psalm 33:12). Therefore, the reverse implies that cursed is the nation or man whose god is not the Lord.

You may be asking, what is "odumayaka"?

On November 30th 2001, a man called Pastor Daniel Ekechukwu in Nigeria was traveling by road. Suddenly, his brakes failed and he had a fatal accident. He then was rushed to the hospital as an emergency case because of how fatal the accident was. To cut the long story short, he died while being transferred from one place to the other. After he died and was confirmed by a doctor as a corpse, his dead body was immediately transferred to the mortuary amid tears and agony by his wife. The corpse was then dropped in the mortuary for the embalmment proceedings to begin. While the mortician was about to start embalming Dan Ekechukwu's corpse by cutting the skin and injecting chemicals in it, something like electricity shocked him from the corpse. According to the mortician, this is a familiar occurrence in the mortuary because when a corpse that has charms in the body is brought for embalmment; there will be a reaction like the kind of reaction felt by the mortician. As an experienced mortician, he had a charm called "odumayaka" that he often used to calm any corpse that has charms in it so that the embalmment process can begin. As he tried to calm the corpse with his "odumayaka", a force pushed him away and he realized that this is quite unusual. No corpse has ever resisted his "odumayaka". Engulfed in frustration, he went to bed that night with the intention to continue the following day. While asleep at night, he heard a Christian song that was being sang very close by. He thought it was a Christian group having a night vigil so he ignored the song. As the song continued with great disturbance, he went out of his house to see where it was coming from. When he went out, he knew there was no Christian fellowship going on. The mortuary however was not far from his house and the sound was coming right from the mortuary. The closer he moved to the mortuary, the louder the song became. He then got to the mortuary and opened the door. All of a sudden, no song was heard, nobody was present and it was quiet. He then ran back to his house very disturbed and as soon as it was morning, he went to the register to locate the address of the owners of that disturbing corpse so they could come and take their corpse away. He told them when he got to their house that ever since they deposited the corpse, he has not known peace. He immediately went back and burnt his charm – "odumayaka" and he repented to God when he realized his charm was powerless! He did not need any preacher when he saw there is a greater power (HALLELUYAH!).

[To hear more details of this testimony and see how God in His Divine Excellency raised Pastor Daniel Ekechukwu from the dead in December 2001 – after 3 days, visit the video page of this website and click on: "Last Warning" and "Richman"]





From this testimony, we see that the mortician's god was his charm – "odumayaka". However, when he realized that a greater power had neutralized his "odumayaka", he quickly repented, burnt up his charm and surrendered his life to Christ. The word declares "**every knee shall bow**" (Isaiah 45:23). The word further confirms it again in Romans 14:11 and Philippians 2:10.

• Isaiah 45:23 –

I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me **every knee shall bow**, every tongue shall swear.

• Romans 14:11 –

For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, **every knee shall bow** to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.

• Philippians 2:10 –

That at the name of Jesus **every knee should bow**, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth

Either willingly now or unwillingly then, as a matter of necessity, every knee shall bow! Not just human knees but every power that has ever challenged the power of God – even the devil.

I am writing this as a warning from Almighty God that you should turn away from anything that may constitute "odumayaka" in your life. Your own "odumayaka" may be money, it may be fashion, it may be women, it may be pride, it may even be food; whatever that will hinder you from living a life of total surrender and holiness to God must be burnt today.

Only the people whose God is the Lord are blessed, every other person as the text implies is cursed. The only way out of this curse is Godly repentance. The book of Jude clearly spells out the curse that awaits those who keep strange gods.

• Jude verse 11 – 16

- (11) **Woe unto them!** for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.
- (12) These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;
- (13) Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, **to whom is** reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.
- (14 And) Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,





- (15) To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.
- (16) These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.

After this warning, to think that you can keep strange gods and be safe is only self deceit. It does not have to be a physical charm like the mortician for it to be a strange god. Anything that represents the kingdom of darkness in your life must be burnt up today. For some, it may be lies; others, fraud; some, fornication; perverseness; disobedience; anger; bitterness; malice; hatred; an so on. You know what things you need to be burnt in your life today if you really want to make heaven. For the bible says: nothing that defiles, shall be found in heaven. Heaven is a prepared place for prepared people. It is a place filled with righteousness as iniquity cannot stand the presence of God. Even on the cross of Calvary, the holiness of God caused Him to take His eyes of Jesus who was at that moment carrying the sins of the world. My brother, my sister, if you have heaven in mind, please do away with iniquity. This is a warning from heaven.

• Revelation 21:27 –

And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Do away with sin. Sin only destroys. A person ruled by sin, will be ruined by sin. That thing that looks like pleasure is only temporary and it can destroy your soul forever. Always remember how valuable your soul is when you are confronted with sin. Sin destroys the soul. Nobody can sin successfully. Sin can be abbreviated to mean Success in Nothing.

S – Success

I - In

N - Nothing

This shows you cannot sin successfully. Your sin will surely find you out. If you manage to cover it up throughout your life on earth, you better be aware that that same sin will find you out on the Day of Judgment. That's why the Lord has sent me to warn you today to burn everything called sin in your life. Rededicate your life to Christ and vow to turn away from sin. Peradventure you have not yet given your life to Christ, surrender to Christ today. Tomorrow may be too late. It is appointed unto man to die once and after that, the judgment (Hebrews 9:27). Heaven is a serious affair and hell too is. That is why the Lord in His infinite mercy has spoken to your heart to repent today. Be like the wise mortician that instantly burnt up his charm. Do not let these words stand against you on the Day of Judgment.

If you want Jesus to be Lord of your life, say this prayer to God from your heart:





"Lord Jesus, I believe you are the Son of God, I believe you came to earth 2000 years ago. I believe you died on a cross for me. I believe you shed your blood for me. Please come into my heart. Wash away my sins, make me clean. Thank you for coming into my heart. Teach me to do your will and live to please you. I promise to serve you from today. Thank you for giving me a new heart to serve you. Thank you Lord Jesus, in Jesus name (Amen!)".

Now that you are saved, make sure to get a bible. Read it everyday so God can speak to you daily. Speak to God everyday through prayer and join a bible believing church around you so you can fellowship with other believers and grow spiritually.

Welcome to the family of God and to the inheritance of the saints through Christ Jesus!

• 1 Corinthians 2:9 –

But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

Psalm 33:12 (Bible text)

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

