## WATCHMAN CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL MOVEMENT FASTING FELLOWSHIP 1 – 3 July, 2023

# Theme: THE COVENANT AND YOUR DESTINY (Day 1) Texts: Gen.15:1-18, 17:1-10, Ex.3:7-8,13-15, 12:29-36 (Day 1)

Blessed be the Most High Who has sustained us through the first half of the year in all our endeavours. We are still in the age of awesome amazement and bound to jubilate and join in the forth coming march of praise. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the leap declarations; and the prophesied events are gaining momentum.

From our texts, God got Abram into a covenant and later, his offsprings' experiences were in consonance with the content of the divine agreement; hence our theme: the Covenant and your destiny.

A **Covenant** is simply an agreement or relationship between two or more partners who make binding promises to each other, and work together to reach a common goal. It can be **divine**, **human** or **demonic** (Gen.15: 1-16; Jos. 9:6-16 cp. 2Sam21:1-3; Isa.28:18).

**Destiny** in our context is a series of events or circumstances that can happen to a person either now or in the future.

Our message shall come under 3 sub-headings.

Day 1 : CONSCRIPTION THROUGH ANCESTRAL CURSES AND COVENANTS Day 2 : BLOOD COVENANTS Day 3 : COMMANDING THE MORNING

## Topic: CONSCRIPTION THROUGH ANCESTRAL CURSES AND COVENANTS Subtexts: Gen.9:24-27, 2Kgs.5:25-27

## To conscript means 'to take arbitrary possession of somebody for a use; to commandeer

Though the subject matter of destiny is controversial, there are very key players in the field viz God Who has the master-design, and man whose personal choice of action determines the nitty gritty (practical details) of what he will experience in life.

The fact that one's activities can influence his life and that of his offsprings is not questionable. **Cain and his seeds'** lives were altered by his murder of Abel (Gen.4:1-13). **Ham's** ignoble behavior brought a curse unto his off springs (Gen.9:21-27) **Gehazi's** unfaithfulness brought leprosy to his off springs (2Kgs.5:20-27). They were born into the adverse conditions and lived in the cursed state.(cp. Gen.49:3-4; Deut.33:6)

Even the Almighty promised retribution to the 4<sup>th</sup> generation of those that hate Him (Ex.20:5). Though when Judah was rife for judgment God said He (God) will begin to judge His people according to their individual works (Ezk.18:20); yet, this does not negate the fact that life runs in families and a man's good does yield blessings to his off springs (1Kgs.15:1-5, 2Kgs.8:18,19), and his evil can yield retribution especially where demonic activities are involved (Jn.10:10, 1Sam.15:1-3). Devils don't terminate their dealings with a generation unless resisted.

There are believers (and or their offsprings) suffering under the yokes of ancestral spirits or curses; *inexplicable health challenges; near-success-syndrome; herd mental challenges; addictions; recurrent herd sins/habits, laziness; uncanny weakness; incessant misfortunes; delays; always struggling for things of life; divorces in the family; etc.* 

Ancestral covenants and contemporary demonic covenants (even if ignorantly engaged) do affect the life of a man (Eccl.10:8, 1Cor.5:6)

The will of God is that all His children prosper (3Jn.2, Ps.37:23). And the Lord Jesus enjoined the disciples to pray that God's will be done on earth as it is in heaven (Matt.6:10).

When a child of God discovers that his life is not reflecting the expected will of God (which is the divine destiny), he is expected to scripturally act to resist the unsavoury condition.

## The provision of the scriptures for resistance includes:

(1). Prayer of supplication (Lk.18:1-7), (2). Prayer of declaration (Mk.11:23,24), (3). Faith declaration/confession of scriptures (Rom.10:10), (4). Fasting exercise (Matt.17:20,21), (5). Decree of elders (Jas.5:14-15, Matt.18:18) (6). Praise and worship (Ps.67:5,6; 2Chro.20:20-24)

NB: Yokes vary in strength and so does their degree of resistance. Therefore, if the evidence of freedom tarries, the believer must not give up until the day dawns in his life (cons. Lk.18:1-7, Mk.8:23-25).