

# *I Will Take The Children Part 11: The Turnaround*

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<sup>12</sup>Everything is permissible, (allowable and lawful) for me; but not all things are helpful (not good for me to do, expedient or profitable when considered with other things). Everything is lawful for me, but I will not become the slave of anything or be brought under its power. (1 Corinthians 6:12 AMPC)

<sup>12</sup>Just because something is technically legal, doesn't mean that it is spiritually appropriate. If I went around doing whatever I thought I could get by with, I'd be a slave to my whims. (1 Corinthians 6:12 TPT).

Pastor John, "When you're spiritual, you can hear the voice of God and He can use your body, your resources and your life, to bring His life into the earth - so that others can be changed and see salvation."

*Say: The point of my Christianity is to become spiritual. I am spiritually led and hear from God what to do. Putting God first gives Him the opportunity to bless me. The glory of Jesus is displayed through me (the church) to principalities and powers and rulers of darkness. I do not live in a lawful condition, I live in a profitable condition. I do not plan my own way for my life. I live, not to the dictates of the body, but according to His Spirit. God has a plan for me. His grace is alive in me to obey Him.*

<sup>15</sup>Don't you realize that your bodies are actually parts of Christ? (1 Corinthians 6:15 NLT)

*Say: My body is a sacred place, it is the place of the Holy Spirit. Jesus paid the price for it, it is not just mine to do with whatever I choose. My children belong to God. I will not plan my children's lives or have social norms dictate me. God has the last say. I give my children's future destiny, -assignments, -activities in life over to be led by God.*

The prophetic Word of God to Pastor John is to be bold and to go big - so that God can take us to the next level.

Pastor John, "The Holy Spirit has placed it on my heart to ask you to repent".  
Allow the Holy Spirit to show you how to repent, and let Him make Himself real to you.

We need to repent for thinking that our bodies are our own to do with whatever we want and from thinking that we've got our whole future planned out for ourselves and for our children. We need to repent that we have potentially lived as we chose and desired, and in many, many times we have just chosen without seeking God and without knowing what the will of God is.

Repent means to turn around.

It is a choice that you do once and then you follow that choice forever

Pastor John shared a brief synopsis of the Apostle Paul's life from Acts 9:5-7 (AMPC).

I'm asking you by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit to have an encounter with God. Ask Him for an encounter so that you can never look back from that encounter. Every message that you receive from that point onwards will be a direct guidance to your future and the power of what God wants to do in your life. You need to encounter God in such a way, that when God sends messengers into your life, that you understand the role that they play. All messengers are only supposed to

glorify Jesus and to exhort you in your own walk with God so that you can encounter Him regularly so that your messaging to the world can become more powerful.

It is time to live in our encounters with God. It is time to live with God in such a way that we live everything with Him. The world is going to get darker, and it is our time to get brighter. It is our time to live big in God, and to live with a boldness of encounters with Him, that no matter where you find ourselves, we're ready in a moment, to speak about Jesus, and to live for Jesus.

*Say, "I'm a son of God, and I ask You today Father, through the Person of the Holy Spirit, I'm ready for an encounter with Your presence, with Your Word, and with the plans You have for my life, and for all of those that are around me, that are precious and dear to me, in Jesus' name. Father, I'm willing, ready, and able to encounter You. I'm asking You to encounter me with Your life, Your light, Your Word, and Your Power. I am asking You to undo radically all of my cultural, intellectual, theological baggage that I have. I'm asking you that when You encounter me, You put a fire in me, put me ablaze in such a way, that from that moment onwards, I will follow You, with everything I've got. I'm asking You, Lord, to help me shift from having my program in life to having Your program for my life. Holy Spirit, give me the conviction. Strengthen me on the inside and help me so that I can give You everything.*

I believe this is the time for the finest hour of the church. It's going to be up to us who are going to live a life that is for Jesus.

Imperfect as we are, we are made perfect in Him.

It's time for us.