

# Come Out of Babylon: MiXchange Part 2

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<sup>18</sup>Christ suffered and died for sins once and for all, the innocent for the guilty (1 Peter 3:18 TPT). If the Holy Spirit can bring Jesus to life, then He can bring anything in your life to life. This is the resurrection power of God. When we exchange with His Word and the truth, there is nothing too dark, too bad, too sick, too severe, too poor, that He cannot bring to life. The whole purpose of the cross was to make this trade.

That's why I prayed that we have ears to hear, that we will come and exchange with the Lord to receive the burden-moving, yoke-destroying power of God. <sup>1</sup>The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because the Lord has anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor. He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound, <sup>2</sup>To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn. <sup>3</sup>To console those who mourn in Zion, to give them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness, that we may be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified (Isaiah 61:1-3 NKJV).

Isaiah is saying, "Come on church, there is a trade here, an exchange you are able to make. Come and make it. You are able to bring your ashes for His beauty. What are your ashes? Those are the burn-up places in your life. Those places of failure, which seems over and final, where it looks like nothing good will happen, all hope is gone. But your life is changing today, because you've got to come and make the exchange.

When we make the exchange every day, a transformation happens. We receive His life, the resurrection power. We are being transformed from weakness to strength, from mourning to joy, from poverty to riches, by the resurrection power of our God, That's why we are and will be called trees of righteousness.

<sup>4</sup> And they shall rebuild the old ruins, they will raise up the former desolations, they will repair the ruined cities and the desolations of many generations. <sup>5</sup> Strangers shall stand and feed their flock; And the sons of the foreigner shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers. <sup>6</sup> But you shall be named the priests of the Lord. They shall call you the servants of our God, you shall eat the riches of the Gentiles and in their glory you will boast. <sup>7</sup> Instead of your shame, you will have double honor. Instead of confusion, you will rejoice in your portion. Therefore in the land, they will possess double; everlasting joy will be theirs (Isaiah 61:4-7 NKJV).

The devil wants to hinder our walk with God. He will do anything to stop us from accessing our destiny and our inheritance in Christ Jesus. When we are ignorant of these things, we are easy to manipulate, we are weak and easily let into deception and slavery. Many times people do not value their inheritance. Satan comes quickly to offer them an appealing easy way out for the glamour of this world. *MiXchange* that God gave Pastor John, which includes *I Will Take the Children*, depends on whether we are exchanging with God and His plans or with Babylon.

Healing is an exchange. <sup>5</sup> But He was wounded, for what? What exchange? For our transgressions, He was bruised for our guilt and iniquities; you can and you must come and exchange. The chastisement [needful to obtain] peace and well-being was upon Him and with His stripes [that wounded] Him we are healed and made whole (Isaiah 53:5 AMPC). By faith, everyday, we have to come up in our healing.

Another very important exchange. <sup>8</sup> For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes, He became poor, that you through His poverty, might become rich (2 Corinthians 8:9, NKJV). The Apostle Paul is talking about finances here. As Jesus suffered on the cross, He exchanged His riches for our poverty. Therefore, the spirit of poverty no longer has the right to dominate our lives.

Exchanging is a spiritual activity. It starts with repentance. Repentance is not just saying, "Sorry, Lord," and then you go on with your life. Repentance means you say, *"Forgive me Father, I have sinned." I acknowledge that I exchanged with the enemy when he came to tempt me. Lord, I now realise how Babylon impacted me, how I have exchanged with the enemy to trade with Babylon. Lord, when he tempted me and offered me a different way than God, I took it. Now I come to repent."*

Jesus dying on the cross was the greatest legal transaction. With that exchange, Jesus became sin, so that we could be made the righteousness of God. <sup>9</sup> If we [freely] admit that we have sinned and confess our sins, and not just lip service, He is faithful and just (true to His own nature and promises) and will forgive our sins, and [dismiss our lawlessness]. And He will [continuously] cleanse us from all unrighteousness, to be a tree of righteousness, [everything not in conformity to His will in purpose, thought and action] (1 John 1:9 AMPC). When I confess my sins, I grant God the right because of the blood of Jesus to forgive me.

<sup>7</sup> But if we [really] are living and walking in the Light, as He [Himself] is in the Light, we have [true, unbroken] fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son, cleanses, (removes) us from all sin, and guilt [keeps us cleansed from sin in all its forms and manifestations] (1 John 1:7 AMPC). *I say: The cleansing flood of the blood reaches deep into my heart, and purifies every defiled place, all the places satan had openings to; all the inroads into my soul that the enemy had place to. All condemnation, guilt and shame are removed because of the blood, because of this great exchange that happened on the cross.*

Satan does not want us to repent. Satan wants us to stay stuck in the exchanges that we've already made with him. <sup>5</sup> Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour (1 Peter 1:5 NKJV). The Greek word for adversary is *antidikos* and it means – *one who brings a lawsuit*. This same word is found in Luke 18 - the widow woman comes and says to the Judge, *defend, protect and avenge me from my adversary*. Sin allows satan to come against us legally. When we repent, God forgives us and dismisses our lawlessness.

Pastor Sharon shared with us how to come to God, the Judge of the whole earth, to claim what the enemy stole. What does it mean to come to God as the Judge? John 14, <sup>1</sup> Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. <sup>2</sup> In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a

place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And where I go you know, and the way you know (John 14:1-4 NKJV). This word *mansion* means *dwelling place*. It's the Greek word *moné*, to *abide*, with God. God's Word says, *Go into your room, close your door, and pray to your Father, who is in this secret place*. This is a spiritual place where you very personally come and dwell with God. In this place I talk to God, I sing to Him, I ask Him and I cast my cares upon Him.

This is a different place to standing before the Judge. <sup>1</sup>Also [Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not to turn coward (faint, lose heart, and give up), <sup>2</sup>In a certain city there was a judge who neither revered and feared God nor respected or considered man. <sup>3</sup>And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, *Protect and defend and give me justice against my adversary*" (Luke 18:1-3 AMPC). We come to the Judge and claim what Satan stole from us. In Luke 18, God has placed prayer before the Judge of the whole earth. Prayer before the Judge can do what prayer cannot do in the secret place. Our sins and transgressions have given the enemy legal right to take our blessings and our resources from us. Before the cross that legal right stood against us and that was the reason, the enemy could hold on to your stuff.

The redeeming sacrifice of Jesus Christ erased the enemy's legal right against us. That's why Pastor Sharon brought us *Move the Hand of God*, that powerful message of Brother Jerry, *Claim Back what the Enemy Took from You*. The Lord said to Brother Jerry, *My people are letting their adversary get away with too much, and they are not making him pay for what he has put them through*. Brother Jerry said, *You are letting the devil off too lightly. You are not making him pay for damages. You are not taking what belongs to you*. Now this is personally for your family and for our nation. God said through Brother Jerry, *"Give Me an assignment. appoint Me and give Me a commission."*

Isaiah 43: 25 says, <sup>25</sup> I am He who's blotting out your transgressions for My sake, it's part of the exchange. And I will not remember your sins. God says, "I'm blotting out your transgressions, and you've repented." He did not stop there. Verse 26, <sup>26</sup> Put Me in remembrance; let us contend, state your case (Isaiah 43:25-26 NKJV). The Hebrew word for *contend* means *to start a litigation process*, not just press with prayer. Start a litigation process, start a legal process, a judicial contest to enforce your legal rights. <sup>26</sup>Put Me in remembrance. Let us contend - you have to come before the Judge of the whole earth. If you've never done that, this is a time for you to understand that you can come to be with God in this way as well. Together, state your case (Isaiah 43:26 NKJV). What is your case? Is it that you come to exchange your ashes for His beauty? What God did for us on the cross for healing? By faith, ask that the verdict of the cross be executed on your behalf.

Jesus knew that we need to claim back what the enemy stole from us. The enemy will not just return everything that was stolen. He's a liar and he's a thief, he keeps it till we come to lay a legal claim to get it back. Satan knows that Jesus nullified the trade. He knows the blood of Jesus removed his legal right to take your blessings but he wants to know if *you* know. Because "My people perish because of a lack of knowledge." If you know what the blood of Jesus really did for you, he is holding on to your stuff till you claim it back. Your provision and your destiny. How do you do that? *I say: I come to the Judge of the whole earth. And I thank You, Lord, for my legal*

*document. I come for my legal document and I come to exchange everything that the enemy stole from me. I take it back, I claim it back.*

The work of the cross reversed every curse and overcame every sickness and disease and poverty. The blood of Jesus has the power to annul every wrong exchange you and I ever made, and to defeat every enemy and to redeem every purpose for which we were created. Jesus made the exchange, He paid the price so that we can claim back everything that we have lost.

In Philippians 4 the church supported Paul by sending him a gift. Paul responds by saying, <sup>19</sup>and My God shall supply all of your needs (Philippians 4:19 NKJV). God immediately had something to say about the way these people came to exchange. Our exchange - that is what God is after. Every time we exchange with God, bringing an offering, laying down your self will, not to go where you want to go and do business, or to buy stuff, or to do things, because Babylon is giving you opportunities. Every time you lay down your self-will, and we give Him our best, our first fruits, in this place where God is planting us - this is what God can do, to decree in our own lives, in our cities.