

Family Clinic 3

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Gbile Akanni teaches that in Christian marriage, spouses must unite their callings and ministries, with wives supporting and submitting to their husbands to fulfill God's purpose together.

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Description

In this teaching sermon, Gbile Akanni explores the biblical principles of unity and partnership in Christian marriage. He emphasizes the importance of spouses bonding their callings and ministries, with wives supporting their husbands to fulfill God's purpose together. Using the example of Rebecca and Isaac, Akanni illustrates how God joins the destinies and blessings of a married couple. The sermon also highlights practical steps for fostering harmony and shared vision in marriage ministry.

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Telephone numbers 0703 03636 59 0703 76811 98 Email address lsmedia.livingseed.org Or visit our website at www.livingseed.org Let us sit back and listen as the servant of God brings forth the Word of Life. To God the nurse in discharging our ministry of raising disciples. So we are going to attend to a few questions and then we will go ahead.

Shall we pray together? Father, we ask you to please come along with us and guide our thoughts, our discussions and our study tonight. We pray Lord that as we share, even though the poor things have to travel, we ask that even in this you will help us. And that Lord, this finest Lord of the family clinic will again be a blessing to each one of us as we go back home.

In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen. We will try to attend to a few questions very quickly and then we will go on to the real issues that we have for today. Because of what we have been discussing about bonding, both in our heart, in our mind, in our spirit, in our vision, in our calling.

There is a question that somebody has asked. My question is particularly in the area of bonding of our calling. I married my wife when she was already a pastor with a ministerial vision.

Now we are married, I am also a pastor with my ministry visions. Her vision seems to be parallel to my vision. She is always trying to do her own ministry and I am also trying to do my own.

How can we now go together as we are talking of the need to be bonded in our calling? Would you like to attend to that question? Please try. I don't know whether the wife is also around because she is the one, first of all, to speak to. The vow we take in marriage says, will you go with this man? That's the question to the woman.

And what did we say? Yes, I do. In marriage, a woman goes with a man. That's the first thing I want to say.

That's the question they also asked Rebecca when she was to marry Isaac. Will you go with this man? And she said, yes, I will. And that was when marriage began.

So the wife, as a matter of fact, must be ready to go with her man. She has a vision, she has a calling, but truly, no matter the calling of a woman, all that calling is only to help her husband. All her gifts, all the grace of God in her life, everything that God has put inside this woman, for you it was put.

The Bible says, I will make a help, meet, not for God, meet for him. And it's important for us to obey the word of God. And as women, that's where we will find fulfillment.

You were made for him. And if you will obey God and get fulfilled, just be for him. Use your grace, even that pastoral gift, use it for him.

Collapse whatever it is that you think God has put inside of you. Collapse it into his own. And together, you will serve the same purpose.

The second thing I want to say is that, from the original understanding of marriage from Genesis chapter 2, the Bible says that a rib was taken from the man to make the woman. The man is not complete again, and the woman is also not complete. So no matter the calling, the pastoral calling of this woman is an incomplete call.

And the one of the husband is also incomplete. If we are going to have a complete and wholesome call, collapse it together. This is even very easy.

Pastoral call, pastoral call, what is the difficulty in collapsing? I'm becoming what? He's the old man. He's the old man. I think so.

I think so. So it's important for us to note what the scripture says. You were made for him.

This also goes, if I will extend it a bit, to wives who are doing maybe some civil service job, where the husband is a pastor, a minister. And you feel maybe you should pursue that career, and you will use the money to help the husband. It is not the money that is married to your husband.

You are the one that is married to him, who is to help him. So whatever call, I mean whatever civil service job or business is taking you away from the man that you should be a help unto, away with that job. The Lord who called you and your husband is able to feed you.

He knows what he is doing. He is able. It's alright.

Just go ahead. He is able to feed you. The best thing to do in fulfilling God's mandate of marriage is to leave all and follow this man.

To help him. You cannot be in Porter Court and your husband is in Ibadan, and you are doing some civil service job. It means you have two husbands.

One is your husband, the other husband is the job. Leave that thing. Go with the man that you vowed to go with and help him.

Let distance not put asunder what God has joined together. Do you see why you have to come with your wife now? Can you go home and tell your wife this kind of thing? And she will say, what are you coming with? Your wife needs to hear this kind of thing. That there is no ministry, no call, no vision that must separate between you and your husband.

As she was trying to answer that question, and she noted the story of Rebecca, I thought I should ask you to read Genesis 24 very quickly. Because though it's one question, we use it to press further what God is asking us to look into deliberately. Now, you remember they said in verse 58, And they called Rebecca and said unto her, Will thou go with this man? And what did she say? I will go.

And they sent away Rebecca, their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servants, and his men. And they blessed Rebecca and said to her, Thou art our sister, be thou the mother of thousands, of millions, And let your seed possess the gates of those which hate them. Have you noticed that verse 60? Now, I want you to look very quickly back at Genesis 22.

Now, this was happening in all Okadia, in a Syrian city. Now, I want you to see in Genesis chapter 22, What happened on the month of Moriah, When Isaac was being offered to God as a living sacrifice. Can you look at it? Verse 16, And said, By myself, I rise to one, says the Lord, For because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, even your only son, That in blessing I will bless you, And in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, And as the sand which is upon the seashore, And thy seed shall do what? Shall possess the gates of his enemy.

What do you notice from Genesis 22, 17, and Genesis 24, verse 60? Eh? The same blessing. Did you see that, this thing that we are talking about, It's possible that Isaac may just be about 17 years, or 18 at that time. Now he is, he was 40.

That means, the destiny that God has put on his life, For over 20 something years. The day God was bringing a woman who said, I will go with this man. What did God do now? God has joined their destiny.

God has joined their blessing. God has joined their calling. The day you said, I will go with this man.

Everything that you thought was your calling, is already collapsed. God is never an author of confusion. Sometime, you are married, but maybe because your pastor, Or the people that you are under their ministry, They are holding, say, though you are married, you are still our pastor, So you must keep coming back to pastor.

Let's tell that sister to go and tell them, Do not delay me. Don't let them delay your bonding. Don't let them prolong your take off, For your marriage to become what God wanted it to be.

God has joined them together. When we say, what God has joined together, let no one put a son there. I want you to know that, it is not just that they were joined like this.

It is that their destiny, what God ordained for him, Is what God has placed on her. If you don't understand that, then you cannot understand this matter of bonding. The truth of the matter is that, honestly speaking, The blessing on your husband's life, is what God has made your own blessing now.

Are we together? His fruitfulness is your own. There is no need to say, when God calls me, I will give account of myself. When it comes to marriage, God only has one effort of ministry for a man and his wife.

We wear it together. And we must not allow it to tear. Do you understand? I want to go a little further, Because I am only using this question to answer so many other issues, That may be cropping in your mind.

That what God has joined together, What God has joined together in a man and his wife, Is not just their body alone. He has joined their journey. He has joined their ministry.

He has joined their vision. And he has joined everything he expects them to do. He has joined it together.

Therefore, there are no more two. I want us, before I return to this, Can someone quickly from Living Bible, Mommy you used to have Living Bible, To read for us Malachi chapter 2. Let's quickly go to Malachi chapter 2. All of us please, we are looking at these crucial issues. Everyone be well rested.

That when you throw your whole self, Your whole grace and anointing, Into your husband's life, You are not doing anything wrong. You are actually doing well. Before you are married, we know you are a mighty pastor.

Now so you have become follow follow. We never even hear you preach again. You mean you have lost everything to that your husband? That person who is saying that, He doesn't understand the mystery of marriage.

He doesn't understand that, All that they used to know you with separately, God has bonded it together. And we are going to be seeing now later on, When we begin to look at togetherness in ministry, You will now see that two are better than one. One of you may be chasing a thousand here, The other one is chasing a thousand there.

But when the two of them decide to combine together, What did Bible say they will do? They will chase tens of thousands. Greater reward. Now you are happy not to read Malachi chapter 2. Will you please read verse 13, 14, 15.

Yet you cover the altar with your tears, Because the Lord doesn't pay attention to your offerings anymore. And you receive no blessing from him. Why has God abandoned us? You cry.

I tell you why. It is because the Lord has seen your treachery, In divorcing your wives, Who have been faithful to you through the years. The companions you promised to care for and keep.

You are united to your wife by the Lord. In God's wise plan, When you married, the two of you became one person in his sight. And what does he want? Godly children from your union.

Therefore, guard your passions. Keep faith with the wife of your youth. For the Lord, the God of Israel, Says he hates divorce and cruel men.

Therefore, control your passions. Let there be no divorcing of your wives. Thank you.

When you got married, As far as God is concerned, You became what? One person in his sight. He doesn't see two ministries. He only sees one.

And because God has joined you together, He has joined not only your money, He has joined your ministry, your call, Everything is one. No two. In fact, if you see my wife doing anything, She is only doing it on our behalf.

What she does is my work. What I'm doing is her work. We'll be telling you later on, When we come to dealing with this togetherness, In raising disciples and in ministry.

We'll be sharing with you from our own understanding and our experience, That we have seen in these several years, That God has granted us opportunity. Now, return back to the Genesis 24 that we read. Because there is still one more issue that I need to highlight.

My wife may speak into it, But let me highlight it quickly. Now, I stopped reading in chapter 24 verse 60, isn't it? Now, go to verse 61. And Rebekah arose and her damsels, And they rode upon the camels and followed the man.

And the servant took Rebekah and went his way. Now, verse 62. And Isaac came from the way of the well, Lahairoi, For he dwelt in the south country.

And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the evening tide. And he lifted up his eyes, And he saw, and behold, the camels were coming. Are you with me to that point? Now, and Rebekah lifted up her eyes, And when she saw Isaac, What did she do? Eh? She came down from the camel.

You don't ride camels into your marriage. You may have camels in your father's house. You may even have camels of ministry, With servants running after you.

You know some of our sisters are big mummies in the fellowship. That as they are coming, there are so many servants that are running up and down for them. When you get married, And you will lift up your eyes to see your husband, What do you do, please? Let me tell, Now, you see, I told you to keep bringing your wife here now.

Who will you now tell? When you are sitting with your brother. Come down. Let me tell any sister you see around you.

Say sister, Come down. Eh, come down. Kai, The sisters are getting persecuted here because, There were many more men.

Many more men that are shouting and say come down, come down, come down. Right now, What we are trying to say is that for correct bonding, It doesn't matter all the experiences, All the acquisitions, Including degrees, You may even be a very highly professional person before you came to marry. When you are stepping into your marriage, Do what? Come down.

Even if you are a lawyer, Please come down from that coming. When you come down, And then look at what she did, And Rebecca lifted up her eyes, When she saw Isaac, She lighted up the camel, For she had said unto the servant, What man is this that walketh in the field to meet us? And the servant said, It is my master, therefore, She did what? She took a veil, And did what? And covered herself. What is the meaning of that? Don't go to your husband's house with open eyes, No matter how civilized you are, No matter how educated you are, Wives that want to get into the fullness of the matrimony to their husband, They must come in with what the Bible calls shamefacedness.

Shamefacedness means a woman ought to have a covering over her eyes. It's not that you don't know how to see the road before by yourself, But now that you are coming under the hand of a husband, Allow him to see ahead of you. He will not mislead you.

So whatever level of ministry you have, Come down. And put a veil on it. Hallelujah.

Your husband will unveil it by the grace of God. Are you hearing me? You know, we do it when we go for wedding. But you see, to us, it's a mere ceremony.

Sometimes I even see ministers, they don't understand the gravity of every item of the marriage vow. We make it so light that people forget what is the implication of it. It is the wife's responsibility to come down from the camel, And to put a veil over the face to show a sign of humility, submission, and surrender.

And to give the husband the leadership right to unveil the package. The things that God has put in your life, Allow God to use your husband to do what? To unveil it, to bring it out. When God uses your husband to begin to bring out the treasure in you, it will be wonderful.

But if it is the wife, I said, I said, look, I know what I am before I came here. As you see, also I can see. What do you know that I don't know? Are you sure that marriage will work? It will not.

And you see, when we come into the issue of togetherness in ministry, which is the issue we are raising today, One of the things that has hindered many men to labor together with their wives in ministry, Is that they are afraid the wife is going to outshine them. Because the wife has not allowed the veil for the man to be the one, by the grace of God, doing what? Unveiling it. So several husbands are so afraid.

Even before I could do anything, my wife is already on top there. So you know what the man is doing? He is jittery and he wants to block it. Husbands, God will give you wisdom to unveil the treasure that is in your wife.

Hallelujah. Before I leave, because my wife will need to talk about this matter of coming down from the camel. And the veiling and the unveiling.

Because it is very important that we deal with it practically. Because we are looking forward now to how to, by the grace of God, labor together, So that the purpose of our matrimony is fully achieved, by the grace of God. He said, and the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.

And what did Isaac do? What did Isaac do? Verse 67. Please check for me. What did Isaac do? And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent.

Hey, brother. That woman, by the grace of God, that God has brought to your life. Are you hearing me at all? There is no other place that is fitting for her, than where you used to place your mother.

When you become a correct husband, you will know that that is the mother now. That that woman that God has brought now, she is going to take the place of your mother in your life. Ah, that is more difficult, but that is it.

When you put your wife where your mother used to occupy in your life. You are giving her space to be what heaven wanted her to be in your life. Someone said, so where will my mother be now? Where will my mother be now? Yes, I will tell you where your mother will be.

Your mother will now enter the guest room. Mama now is what? Is a guest. And you see, unless you handle it very well, it is always going to be, you know, a quiet challenge.

In between, if you don't handle it very well. And Rebekah, and he took Rebekah, and she became his wife. And he loved her.

Look at those four important steps that Isaac took. Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. Are we together? Number two, Isaac took Rebekah.

What does it mean that Isaac took Rebekah? Isaac accepted. Isaac was contented. Isaac Faramah, his wife.

That's what it is. He took Rebekah. Not that he took Rebekah's money.

Not that he took Rebekah's food. Not that he took Rebekah's, no, what did he take? Rebekah, everything that Rebekah is. Good or bad, he took Rebekah.

What is the next thing he did? She became his wife. You might be thinking that that is tautology, no. She became his wife.

What's the meaning of that? She became his object of love. When we talk that somebody became a husband. Husband, not horse band.

You know, H-O-R-S-E. Is what? Horse. We are talking about H-U-S-B-A-N-D.

What is that? Husband. And the word husband comes from husbandry. What is husbandry? The act of taking care of what? Of animals.

The act of tending animals that could have been wild. Until they become household pets. Tameable.

Don't allow your wife to continue to be the wild animal that is roaming around in the bush. May she become your wife. Did you understand what I said? And she became his wife.

That is, she became that which the man is husbanding. You might think that your wife is already ready made. No, no, no, no, no, no.

She needs to be husbanded. Is that a good English? Aha. She needs husbandry.

This husbanding of a woman. That care that releases her and takes away every wild, wild nature. You know, if you see a wild animal, maybe a wild rabbit or a wild anything.

What makes them wild? Can I ask you, what makes an animal wild? Eh? Lack of care. Lack of cultivation. Because he has to fend for himself, that's why he grows wild.

But when you get an animal that you have brought in, even if it's a dog. Do you know that a dog will never bark the one that feeds him? Ah, you are not hearing me anymore? Aha. You will see that that dog, if it sees a stranger, it will bark.

Ya, ya, ya, ya, ya, ya, ya, ya. But if the one that feeds him comes, it will just come and wag the tail all around him. And begin to greet him and say, welcome sir, welcome sir.

Because that is the husband. May God make you a genuine husband. Husband that will make your wife contented to be at home.

Relaxed. There is nothing she is agitating about again. She knows that inside this man, I will find what to live for.

I will find fulfillment. I will find what God has called me to do. I will be what God said I will be and I will be fruitful.

And I will not be stranded. When a wife becomes contented and there is no agitation, Ah, if you don't press, this man will forget you. You will see that all those wide, wide giri giri giri giri that you see with many women will not be there.

Your wife will be so simple, submissive and gentle. Whenever I hear someone say, my wife is not submissive to me, my wife is this, my wife is that. I used to wonder if I were to ask a direct question.

Are you a husband? Or are you a horse band? Horse band in Yoruba language. I want to guess. Mommy.

Those who ride on horse. It's only in the night. You say, oh yeah, oh yeah, now.

He said, look now I'm tired. He said, no, you can't be tired. I want to guess.

You will jump on the horse like this. Horse rider will just do ch, ch, ch, ch, ch, ch, ch, ch. When he is finished, he is already sleeping.

Eh, eh. We are needing horse bands. Praise the Lord.

I should not go beyond that too, so that I don't enter into trouble again. And Isaac was comforted. after his mother's death.

And, you know, I said there are four things he did. He brought her into his mother's tent. He took Rebecca.

I say he took Rebecca whole. Whole. Not just her money, not just her food.

He took Rebecca for who she is, all together. She became his wife. She became his object of attention, his object of care, his object of husbanding.

And number four, he did what? He loved her. If we would do these four things, and you see that the woman only did, she came down from her camel, she put a veil. If a wife would do that, husbands, please don't fail to do the four things that we are reading.

Anything you want to help me add here? I know time, but these are crucial issues. Now, when we talk about coming down, it's very practical. Because it's possible that a woman is highly pleased and maybe because also he has not had the call of God.

As I said before, the civil service job is pushing and pushing and pushing. But honestly, the right thing to do is to come down, even from that. So that the joining together, the cleaving can actually take place.

And then we will have opportunity to help our husbands. I also talked about the fact that what God has joined together, let nothing put us under, including a job. That's what sometimes a woman needs to come down from.

When we got married, and there was no need for me to look for a job around here. I had already served, I had already worked for one year in this state. But in those days, even up to now, they didn't have many doctors in Benue State.

And I know that any doctor that came here at that time, you will easily get a job. But I was already here, my husband was a lecturer in the higher institution. So it was as if, since I have even worked there for one year, they should now take me as a permanent person, right where my husband lived.

But when I applied for a job, that time there was no separation between Kogi and Benue State, and Plateau State. It was Benue-Plateau State. Now, when they were to post me, when they were to give me appointments, they said they would post me to Dekina.

My husband was living in Kasina Ala, we were living there together. Imagine the distance. And there was no good road in those days.

You may take a whole day to travel between Kasina Ala and Dekina. When I looked at those that were interviewing me, I told them to their face, I cannot leave my husband because of a job. It was not a job that brought me to his life.

I'm not taking this appointment. I left him. Because I felt that if I allow a job to put us asunder, if anything happens to our marriage, I caused it.

God said, let nothing, no man put us under. And me also, I told God, I said I will go with this man. So what is it that will now separate us? So I decided I prefer to sit at home.

Even if it is galley, we will be drinking together. There is no problem. Let me not lose my marriage.

Because if I gain a job and I lose my marriage, money cannot buy marriage. I dropped it and I was ready to suffer. But see what God did.

Within two weeks, a Christian hospital came to ask me to come. They want to interview me. They heard that I'm a doctor.

I didn't even want to apply. They said I should quickly, quickly come. They will interview me.

I should just write a letter now, now, now. They are ready to give me a job. That's how, within two weeks, I got a job, even with a better pay.

And we are living together. So let no job put us under, what God has joined together. Come down even from that.

Let's obey God. God may do his own. The second thing about the issue of veiling ourselves.

I saw that, you know, as a single lady, you are seeing. You are able to pray and even see the will of God. You are able to see what you want to do to take your decision by yourself.

But now that you are getting married, now that you are married to your husband, you have already lost your eyes, your head into him. He now becomes your head. Accept that.

It is not, it is not wrong. And that's the reason for the veiling. It's like saying, I accept that I'm no longer seeing.

You will see for me. Do you hear that? Because the eyes are in the head. That's the kind of thing I enjoy.

The ears, the eyes, the nose, they are all those special senses are in the head. So when you cover your head and your face, you are saying, I don't know how to see, I don't know how to talk. I don't know what to do.

Can you direct me? Be my head. And God will back you up because that's the word of God. The husband is the head of his wife.

Leave the man to take responsibility to be a correct head. I know some heads are not correct. I'm aware of that.

Some people have heads that are not correct. May your head be correct. Amen.

May we not have heads that are not correct. But as women, let's trust God and obey him. Do your own part.

God knows how to handle your husband. So to cover the face is to accept the headship of your husband. And when a woman accepts the headship of her husband, honestly, that husband will not only be happy, but that's what actually brings the love.

Because he will say, ah, this woman has submitted so much. Why would I not love her? It's very important for us to obey God. Do you follow? Eh? Sisters, I didn't hear your voice here.

You are following. The Lord will help us. But one good thing that I want to tell you is that it is good.

May God help us in the name of Jesus Christ. You know, we spent time dealing with that question because that question was answering, I mean, was raising all the various issues that I see so many other questions trying to ask. That's why we decided to go that way.

Now, let me go quickly and introduce you to the next issue. Togetherness. You can see now that we have already laid a foundation for it.

The fact that God joined them together. He joined their vision. Whatever vision a woman has, put a veil on it.

Just put a veil on it. It is not lost. When your husband will unveil it, it will come with bigger glory.

Are you hearing me? Whatever you thought God has called you to do, when you come into the life of a man, put a veil on it. And be ready to pour it into him as if it is lost. When it will be unveiled, it is going to be coming with a glory.

That is the last point I should make on that before I now ask you to please go with us to Ecclesiastes chapter 4 which we are going to read. While she is getting to that passage, I say that it is the man that by the grace of God will be calling forth the treasure, the grace, the endowment that God has embedded in this woman because she has veiled it under his leadership. Will you now go to Ecclesiastes chapter 4 for us while we now talk about togetherness in discharging the purpose of God on our lives.

Ecclesiastes. Ecclesiastes chapter 4 verses 9 to 12. But how can one be warm alone? Though one may be overpowered by another, two can withstand him, and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

Hallelujah. Wow. Those brothers who helped us with that mic, maybe he is dead.

Now, there are a few issues that we need to note about togetherness. And as we highlight them here, I want you to note that it is the matter of togetherness that is very critical in this passage. And I would like you to notice like this.

He said two are better than one because they. Do you notice that if we are not talking of togetherness, he would have said two are better than one because each one will have a good reward. But the togetherness is that what she can do alone, what I can do alone, if we are working separately.

Are you hearing me? She can chase 1,000 by herself and because I am doing my own also, how many will I chase? 1,000. Even if we now decided to combine the results, how many do we get now? Only 2,000. There are many couples that they are married, but they are not together.

They don't work together. What the husband is doing, he does on his own alone. The wife is also working very hard alone.

That kind of aloneness, even though you are living together, does not fit into what we are talking about. What we are talking together is that these two are better than one for one reason, because they have combined together. Hallelujah.

They have done what? They have combined together. There are no more two. They are now one together.

What did the Bible say will be the result of their work? They have a good reward. For what? For their labor. The first thing is that if the two of us decided that by the grace of God, the thing that God has called us to do, we will do it together.

What is the implication of that? What it means is that what she has that is peculiar to her, which is deficient in me, when she brings it in, do you know what it does now? It immediately supplies that that will have been the weakness of what I am doing. And the thing that I carry that she never could be able to do, when I bring it and we jam it together, what it means is that that aspect that will have been deficient in all that she is struggling to do is covered. And these two together, the Bible now says, the kind of reward that they will have is a multiple of tens.

Hallelujah. So that's the first thing we want to note. Even if you are staying in the same house, but you are not thinking together, you are not mixing your capacities together, your understanding together and your perspective, you will still not get what we are talking about.

So let's take for example now, do you know that many times you have seen some of our books? Have you been blessed with any of the books? Even though you see Brother Gbile's name on this book, Ah! Dignity

of Manhood, Gbile Akane, Brother Gbile can write. What we didn't tell you is that it's just because she has decided to veil herself into Brother Gbile. This book, she was the one who said, this message that you preached, we need it.

She gathered the tapes and organized how to transcribe it. When she finished, she gave it to some brothers and said, you go and do this for us. When they finished transcribing, they brought it to her.

She has not bothered me yet because she knows that if she gives me that kind of raw script, I will throw it away. So what did she do? She meticulously worked on it. She is sorting it out because she knows what I wanted to say.

There is no other editor that can edit me like herself. Because she is the only one that knows what I wanted to say that I did not write. Did you hear what I am talking about? She is the one that understands that there are some certain grammar that I am speaking from my village.

You know sometimes I am speaking English but I am not speaking English, I am speaking Yoruba. She is the one that knows. She is the one that knows that.

No one else can understand it. So when she carries all of that, she pulls it out. I noticed what my husband is saying that it did not come out well.

She put it, put it, put it. When she had no need to point, she said now that it is your turn. Now sit down, sit down and work on it.

I said I am busy. She said no, you are not sleeping tonight until you finish. I will be bringing you granotes, I will be giving you tea.

So she will be making tea and granotes. And you will be saying well done. Sometimes she is keeping that night vigil with me just for me to finish what I need to do.

Are you understanding? If it is left for me alone, this book will not be out. Sometimes, mistakenly, somebody will transcribe a tape and say yes, this is that. When I open it and I see so many things, I say no, no, no, there is nothing in this, there is nothing in this.

Put it away. But give it to my wife. She has eyes to see all the things that are locked up in what look like rubbish.

And she will pull it out for me and say now, this is the outline. Start developing this. If she is not here, I am not sure I will be able to finish what I ought to finish.

Are you getting what I am talking about? So the question of working together, thinking together, talking together, praying over every issue together is the reason for your marriage. God is not expecting a married man like you to bring a poor resort home. Please agree with me.

The reason why God brought that woman to your life is that God is expecting a bountiful harvest. That if you have been chasing one thousand before she came, just because she has now come and you are now thinking, praying, talking, standing, thinking, reasoning together, collecting her perspective, mixing it with your perspective, God is expecting tens of thousands. Do you get what I am talking about? Even when you are going to preach, man of God, how I wish the two of you are kneeling together and say, God give us a message.

Give us a message. And when you finish preaching, to go back again and then say, how was that? And you say, Kai, thank God that was something. I even saw something like this.

And then the next time the Holy Spirit opens that door, she can become an inspiration to you while you also become an encouragement to releasing that thing that she decided to veil into you. Do you get what I am talking about now? It is not just enough that madam, you are passive. You say, well, I am supporting my husband.

He knows what he is doing. Me, when he comes, let me be sure that his food is ready. Sister, you have not understood why you are here.

If it is just to cook, a house girl will soon take your place. Because they will cook for him. God is bringing you into his life to be part and parcel of him.

From the very structural beginning of everything. And we want to pray that you will understand this togetherness, even in your ministry together. Your ministry as a man will not be balanced without her making input.

You don't just need a wife that doesn't trouble you. That is not what I am talking about. There are some of us, by the grace of God, we have achieved a marriage where our wife doesn't trouble us.

But she is not part of what you are doing. You are still underutilizing that great provision that God has made. How I pray that the Holy Spirit will give us further input.

In understanding that two of them are what? Are better than one. Even in their labor. So, Sister Jade, what would you like to add to this? Because I want you to help us more practically on this together.

Because when they work together, the reward is far, far, far beyond what each one of them can do singly. Maybe I should share a little testimony of even disciple making. Making disciples.

The two can be better than one. If they work together on the life of a disciple. I remember there was a time a lady was coming close to my husband because she has met him.

And she has been interested in discipleship. She is born again. And she was so hooked by the word of God and she wanted to be discipled.

But this lady, each time she comes to see my husband, she has a way of sitting with him for hours. Sometimes, she would like to stay all night talking with him. Bringing one question after another.

One discussion after another. First of all, I would not want to disturb them. Of course, I know that this is with all purity.

But I saw that this girl is wasting my husband's time. What is her problem? I am a woman. Send her to me.

We will finish it. We will sort it out. What are you doing? All day, all night with one lady.

Send her to me. Let's settle it. So, he sent her to me.

We first sat together and then he brought the matter and said, Look, my wife is going to begin to help you. You know she is a woman like you. I think she will understand your case better.

This case that is never finishing. By the time I began to sit with this sister, what he would sit with her for five hours discussing and she would not be satisfied. She is coming again another time.

Within less than one hour, everything was sorted out. And it is not that she was told to go away. The problem was resolved.

And that was the end of the matter. So, even in labouring together over souls, you can gain time. You will have a greater reward for your labour.

Your life will not be wasted unnecessarily. Just because you are doing it alone. So, this is God's wisdom.

If two work together, they will have a great reward for their labour. How grateful I was to God. When I discovered that, what I would spend hours.

I am talking. I just got that. She just enjoyed hearing.

It never finished. When I realized that. And she said, send her to me.

And I said, sister, please come. Me and my wife, we need to talk to you. So, when she came and I introduced.

I said, look, this mummy. She is going to handle it very well. If there is any challenge, she will tell me.

And that happened. I have rested. Since then, I have come to.

You know, sometimes the devil does not allow you to recognize the treasure in your wife. Sometimes you may be thinking that she will not understand. That she will not know what to say.

Can I inform you? If you will unveil your wife. You will soon see that there is a treasure there. And it is there to help you.

I have seen that in recent disciples. It is actually more advantageous. More time conserving.

More effective. If the two of us do it together. Even sometimes the brothers.

That are coming around. When the two of us decide to focus on even a brother. I realized that.

There is so much gain. There are things that my wife will see. And call the brother and say, look, look.

In this area, they are not growing well. Sometimes the young say, yes, yes, yes. Because you know, by culture.

Men are told that you do not listen to a woman. By culture. Even though this woman is as old as your mother.

You are told, no, no, I do not listen to women. But you know, it depends on how you honor your wife. Before your disciples.

Are you hearing me? It depends on how you present your wife. If you present your wife as Mama Yad. That does not know anything.

You know that even young men will trample her. But when you allow them to know that this is the woman. That makes input even into my own life.

And by the grace of God. We are standing together. Whatever you see me do.

We have done it together. Do you know that when such brothers come. And it is her.

That has a chance. Sometimes those brothers have found what she said to them. Very, very, very instructional.

And they run with it. So when discipleship is going to succeed. It must be in the context of your relationship.

But like I said yesterday. Or the day before. We cannot introduce ministry.

When we have not bonded. Are you hearing me? The reason why our first two days. We talk much more about bonding.

Is because if you have not bonded. And you have understood each other. Do you know that.

While you are trying to raise a disciple. It may be the beginning of your quarry. Because a mummy may say something.

And then when you open your mouth and say. Well. Even though my wife has said something.

But I want to say something that is much more important than that. Ah! And your wife says. You are the one who knows how to say more important things.

Just leave me alone. And that will be the beginning of the trouble. But when you are bonded.

Even your language has been bonded. Your smile. You know when your husband smiles.

And it is from his heart. And you know when he smiles. To dismiss a matter.

Because you are bonded well. Are you getting what I am talking about? So. Even in raising men for God.

How good it is. To sit together like this. When I say like this.

Don't think that I am just talking about disciples alone. I am also talking about even our children. Even children.

Our children. Right from when they are babies. This is how we normally sit together.

So. Each of our children have ever seen us. Sitting together.

So when a child. When we need to instruct a child. What do we do? We call that child.

Together we sit here. If it is very very serious. And it is private.

We take that child directly to our bedroom. Where we are. She will sit there.

And then we are talking. Yes. So if every child knows that there is nothing you will say to mummy.

That mummy acts upon. Without daddy. And they know that.

There is nothing they have said. Even if it is in the hearing of their dad. That mummy has no heart.

They just know it. And they understood very clearly that. These two are one.

You can't play in their midst. So in raising even children. Don't let me see you call your son aside and say.

You know I am your father. You won't. This is.

I am your father. Are you hearing me? It doesn't matter what your mum said. If your father didn't bless you.

You are not blessed. You hear me? What are you doing? You are tearing apart. That child.

And you are tearing apart your home. It is better together. Praise the Lord.

I have talked about together. I want to say that this together. I wish I can say it again and again.

They must sleep together. On the same bed. Don't let God bless you so much.

That now because you are now a big man. You now have master's room. And the mistress room.

And you are sleeping on this side. And madam is sleeping on that side. That is not prosperity.

That is problem. That you have brought to yourself. This togetherness.

That married bed. We started on a how many spring? Eight spring bed. Thank God.

No matter how narrow it was. That is our bed. And then it grew to ten spring.

And by God's grace. It has enlarged. Don't allow.

Anything. To come between. Together.

Together. Very critical. They must be together.

Even in prayer. When you kneel down together. Whatever the two of you shall agree as touching anything that you will ask.

On earth. Your father that is heaven. We do what? Give it to you.

Now. Look at the next matter of togetherness. That I am saying.

That we need to build. So that. You know there are many things we could be saying in marriage.

But during this clinic. We wanted God to please. Strike you with the need of.

This bonding. And togetherness. I am not just talking that please don't quarrel.

I want you to be together. That is where the reward of your matrimony. We break forth from.

Amen. For if they fall. One will lift up his fellow.

But what to him that is alone. When he falls. Did you see? What are we talking about here now? If they are together.

If one stumbles. Before he crash lands. What happens? But when you are alone.

The enemy may plan for your downfall. And your wife thought you are still in the spirit. Has it happened before? Eh? Because you told her that you have gone to pray.

And you are in the spirit. But thinking that you are in prayer. You have gone on the internet.

And the internet has taken you. To the other side. But supposing you are together.

When you are advancing to the net. And your voice is quiet. And you are telling her.

What will she say? Say what are you doing? What is it? Why are you smiling to yourself? Do you know that because she is there. She jolts you back. And that side.

That you are running into. That could run you into trouble. What do you do immediately? You switch it off.

Even her being with you. Delivers you from temptation. That is why God put her there.

Madam. The reason for your marriage. Is for you to be together.

Not to marry by correspondence. Please take note of this. The way God wanted your marriage to be.

Is like the snail. And the shell. Whenever you see the snail going.

Where is the shell? The shell is there. It is not that she is witch hunting you. It is not that she is doting your feet.

No, no, no, no, no. It is that she is standing with you. To forestall a fall.

And if your husband is there. Do you know that there are times that something is happening. And as a sister you want to say something.

To somebody who has said something against you. But because your husband is there. It is not time to talk.

What has she done now? She has delivered you. From what? From careless talk that will become a problem. For another three months.

But when you are always away. She will have misbehaved in your absence. By the time you are coming back.

You are only gathering troubles. Please sir. Woe to him who falls.

When he is alone. For there is nobody to help him up. Now what I am talking about here.

I am talking about that togetherness. That makes you to work together. To stand together.

If possible to travel together. When we are raising children. It is wonderful.

That yes. She said go for us. I will be with the children.

It is wonderful. But as your children. Are beginning they are your passengers.

And they will soon drop from your bus. Am I right? How many of you have begun to lose your passengers? Let me see. Aha.

Some of them have gone. Suddenly you are discovering that your net has become empty now. If you don't know how to sit together.

There will be problems. You need not only just to. To live.

You need to live together. You need to sit together. Over issues, over family, over everything.

You need to eat together. Eh. Am I communicating with you? How many of you still have dining table? You know how many of us have turned our dining table to.

Book table. Junk table. Where is that togetherness? That you sat together to eat together.

Such that. As you are eating together. So many discussions.

That you could not create time. To say we are discussing on the table. We are talking it and chatting.

And you are building your togetherness. Do you know that food is only sweet. Eh.

When you have somebody to share with. Is that not one of your RBA program? Aha. That's the local program.

Somebody wrote me here and said. He has a question. If my wife's soup is always salty.

Should I still stand up. And say, Kai this is very delicious. Is asking such a question.

Do you know that. When. You learn to eat together.

The salt that is too much in that soup. Who is eating it? Both of you are eating it together. If it burns your tongue.

You don't even need to say this is your food. She will see it. Immediately say, oh Kai.

And I didn't know that it would be too salty. Kai. Kai, I'm sorry.

You know that. You don't need to say this is your food. It's only salt.

I thought I was coming to eat food. I didn't know that I'm going to eat salt. No.

You see, if you have been together. You will soon see that even your tastes. Are regulated together.

We are talking about little, little things today. And you say, where are they going to sort details. It is because.

The ministry of the man of God. Is very greedy. As soon as God begins to bless your ministry.

The first thing that if you don't know how to maintain. That will be eroded. Is what? Is your marriage.

A time will come when. She has cooked. She is expecting that we will eat at 1pm.

Or 1.30 or 2. And the food that she put on the table. Because the man of God is casting out one demon. The food is still there till 7pm.

While you are doing that. One good sister quickly went. And brought snack.

And brought a. Malt. And you drank that. And you are alright.

And your wife is in the cooler. You know a woman cooks. Fast.

So that her husband can do what? Can eat and enjoy it. Which woman likes to cook? And only in the night. When everything is cold.

The man of God comes and says. You know. I thank God you know.

Sister Christy. Actually went. I was very very hungry in the office.

Just brought me some. Some. Boli.

And. And. And granote.

Plus malt. And then she quickly went and brought pepper soup. Do you know that as you are reporting that.

What are you doing to your wife? You are irritating her. Sorry for the chair. Is he alone when he fell? The wife was with him.

Thank God. You see the madam just say. That's why his back was not on the floor.

You know sometimes God is very wonderful. He gives us illustrations here. Now what we are trying to note is that.

Little little things of togetherness. Must be established. Even before your ministry becomes worldwide.

If you did not grow a togetherness. When your ministry is still small. Your marriage is likely to suffer.

Catastrophe. Catastrophe. When your ministry enlarges.

I wish you will begin to determine. Some simple discipline. No matter.

The work in the office. All of that. When it is time to eat.

Tell them. I'm going to have lunch with my wife. Don't let them say.

You know. You see where you are busy. Let's just get something to eat for you.

No. They are breaking your togetherness. They are beginning to destroy it.

If the nature of your work is that you can't eat lunch. Then dinner. You must come together.

So that the Bible can be fulfilled. The Bible in Psalm 128 says. Blessed is that man.

Who fears the Lord. You know. You know that after every wedding.

Those of you that are ministers. What do you do? You know the psalm of blessing. Do you remember the psalm of blessing? I'm not hearing you.

You know that you must. You must pronounce it. And read it for me.

Psalms 128. Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord. Who works in his ways.

When you eat the labor of your hands. You shall be happy. And it shall be well with you.

Your wife shall be like. A fruitful vine. In the very heart of your house.

Amen. Your children like olive plants. All around your table.

All around your table. Behold those shall demand be blessed. Who fears the Lord.

That's it. Your children will be like olive plants. Around your table.

Don't say they are too small. Can you please put them around the table. And you eat together.

It's family. As you are developing your family life. You are creating a room for those children.

To love one another. And to respect their dad and mom. And even when you are bringing disciples.

And they already see that. This is a family life. This is a place where husband and wife.

Eat together. No matter how busy we have become. When you come to my house.

You will see that. Dad and mom. They eat together.

It's not that we are eating anything different. If all of us are eating gari in the house. They serve baba's gari and mama's gari here.

With their granotes. And we are there together. Please.

Don't allow your togetherness. To be sacrificed. On the altar.

Of preaching. Up and down. It is okay.

When your itinerant ministry becomes so much. And she cannot be with you all the time. It's okay.

But let it not be your habit. To drop your wife somewhere. And be flying about.

Woe to him. Who falls. When he is alone.

God will not allow you to fall. In the name of Jesus Christ. And then.

This togetherness. That does not allow you to fall. Is part of ministry.

So as we look at this togetherness. For listening men. And for fulfilling our ministry.

Please note. That together. God intends that you will not fall.

And then that shows the kind of wife. That God wants us to. Knowledge and.

Train. A wife that can forestall a fall. A wife that is sensitive enough to say.

My husband. She is not shouting at you. She is not rebuking you.

She is only saying. Watch that thing. Watch that thing.

And you say. Thank God. Thank God.

I didn't notice that. That is the reason why we are together. If we cannot be of help to one another.

At the point of falling. What are we there for? Do you want to say anything about this? I can go ahead. I thought you should say something about the wife.

Not letting her husband fall. Before she will start complaining. Because you know sometimes.

It is when the man has Yakata. That the wife will start saying. You know.

I have been warning him. The last bit of that verse 10. It says.

For he has no one. To help him up. That again shows the ministry.

Of a wife. The ministry of a helper. And it means also that.

As a woman. The instruction. Is that we will help our husbands up.

And that means. We must have enough strength. To be able to help.

If it is a wife. That has no strength. A wife who is.

A child. Then it will be very difficult. Because the wife.

Who is a child. Has to be carried. She cannot carry anybody.

She cannot bear the burden. Of anybody. So I can also see that.

It is important for us as women. To build up our faith. In the Lord.

To build up our spirits. So that we will not be. Baby.

Baby wives. Who cannot bear the burdens. God.

Wants us to be helpers. And as helpers. We are meant to be people.

Who are strong enough. Who have our feet. Firmly in the Lord.

To lend a helping hand. So it's not. The time when the fall comes.

That we will now start. Looking here and there. If we had grown enough.

And our senses have been able to discern. We'll be able to quickly detect. When for example.

Because of busy schedules. This man is missing his quiet time. But when he goes out to preach.

He brings you. Chicken. He brings you.

Bushmeat. He brings you Rapa. And then you are just enjoying that.

But you are not looking. You know as a woman. You are in the best position.

To know when your husband is missing his quiet time. Church members cannot know that. He will come and preach.

And the anointing may be hot. But in the bedroom. He is missing his quiet time.

That's the right time. To quickly detect it and say. What's happening? Let's pray together.

What is happening? You are becoming too busy. To connect with the Lord. Let's pray together.

And before you know it. You forestall that fall. But a woman.

Who is not strong in the faith. Will not be able to do that. So as a helper.

We are. We are to contribute. To the lives of our husbands.

That help. We are not to consume them. A helper is a contributor.

Not a consumer. Let's watch out for those things. A helper is an assistant.

It's not a resistance. We must ensure. That this is what we are.

As God's children. And as helpers to our husbands. Help him.

That's what God says. Not consume him. Not resist him.

Help this man. And you would have fulfilled your ministry. Are we together? May the Lord help us.

In the name of Jesus. Time will not let us. Go into all of this.

But let me read. The verse 11 and 12. And then we can tie.

And close the curtain for tonight. And then we can close. The family clinic.

For this time. Trusting that God. Will go with our brothers and sisters.

And bless their matrimony. In Jesus name. Again.

If two lie. How? Then they have heat. But how can one.

Be warm. Alone. Did you see the togetherness.

First. In. Creating warmth.

Of fellowship. I don't know. I know you know.

If something good happens to you. What is the need. That immediately arises.

In the heart. In the heart of somebody. That something good has happened to.

What is the need. Is looking for someone to. Share with.

Am I right? Let's imagine that. You suddenly got a letter of promotion. And your wife is not at home.
To share with. And nobody is around to share with. And you say.
Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Somebody that is passing.
What will they say? They say this man. Is quarter to madness rule. Let's take him to psychiatry.
Joy. Without a companion to share with. His madness.
Even if. You had a wonderful ministry. And I want you to.
Sisters please yell. It is a big problem. For your husband to go out.
And see something good. In the ministry. And you are not available.
For him to share with. It creates more problem. The warmth.
Of fellowship. Is part of the health. He needs someone to share with.
She needs someone to share with. If there is joy. You need a companion to share with.
If there is sorrow. If you have someone to share with. Half of the problem.
Is what? Is solved. Brothers and sisters. One primary reason.
For your marriage. Is that the two of you. Can lie together.
And make yourself warm. The warmth of fellowship. The warmth of assurance.
The warmth of encouragement. But then. Even the warmth.
Of conjugal relationship. Conjugal sex. Let us establish here.
Though we don't have all the time now. To say that. God.
Does not want you. To be seeking warmth. Alone.
Even conjugal relationship. Is part of this togetherness. That prepares and lubricates.
A man of God. For his work. But that could be a whole subject.
For another clinic. Some say let's deal with it now. Now, now, now.
The time will not allow us. I would just like to say to you that. Sex.
With your husband. Is not Kana. Are you understanding? It lubricates him.
Sometimes he is. Just seeking the face of God. To receive message.
He has prayed and prayed and prayed. And there is no anointing. Then his eyes.
Suddenly saw you. Where you are trying to dress up. And something rises inside of him.

It's a different kind of anointing. And you say no, no, no. You are preparing for message.

Let's do it first. Let's do it first. God understands.

Please don't resist him. That may be the open door. For the heaven to open.

Hallelujah. Now what we are saying is that. God makes that provision.

Within the confines of marriage. You don't expect him to be warm alone. We must.

Give a blanket please. Provide blanket. It was David.

Even at old age. When they say he kept feeling cold. And they kept looking for drug.

They got all kind of drug. But one of his old friends knew him. This kind of cold that you are talking about.

I know my friend. So they went and got one young lady. To keep him warm.

And after that. He does not need extra blanket again. You know this warmth.

God recognizes it. And please brothers. I mean sisters.

Never you think that your husband is just being abnormal. He is not. That he is a spiritual man.

Does not remove this need. From his life. It's a genuine need.

And you need to share it together. And the wife also. The wife also feels cold.

It's only that. Her own expression. Her own desire.

Takes a different route. To wake. The husband's own.

Is on the spot. Once his eyes see. He said no, no, no.

The wife said no. Not yet. People are still around.

Nobody is around. You see. That's the man for you.

And the wife is asking. Is the door locked? He said nobody will open the door. He said no.

Go and lock the door first. The reason is because. Even though she loves it.

She does not want. Because it's her private life. It must never be interrupted.

Never to be eroded. The wife said. She can never relax.

When she's hearing people. Talking behind the window. The husband doesn't hear that noise.

When the thing rises. He said there's no. I'm not hearing anybody.

I'm hearing. May God help us. In the name of Jesus.

What of your bed. That makes noise. Brother.

That bed when you enter. Me. Noise.

Go and knock that bed very well. You hear me. Make it strong.

So that. There be no. No.

Please. We are talking all of this. Because we are servants of God here.

Isn't it? And it's a need. And no church member will be ready to teach you. If your marital sex is in trouble.

Who can you talk to? That's why in our clinic. We take it upon ourselves. To share what is biblical.

And what is within the growth of our lives together. And ministry. This warmth.

Is necessary. It cannot be warm alone. So please.

Don't separate bed. Don't arrange pillows. In between.

Please get a baby cot for your babies. You hear me. A baby cot for the baby.

The baby must not come in between. Sister. Don't put that baby in between.

Make I see how you climb on the baby. Please. Please.

When it's cold. Place cordu around him. It will release him.

And give him freshness. And even at that point. Whatever you agree before God.

He will do it. Praise the Lord. What of your praying together? He said.

And if one prevail against him. Two shall we stand in. And a three-fold cord.

Is not quickly broken. Laboring and standing together. In spiritual warfare.

Over sorrows. Over souls of men. Over anything.

If you labor together. Ah. And we have seen that so much.

In our lives. We have seen. Great breakthroughs.

When we need together over a soul. There are people that we try to talk to. And they will not change.

My wife said. Don't worry sir. That will provide.

When we get inside that our closet. And we say Lord. God answers.

Sometimes very speedily. And we see results. Over the work of God.

That we are doing together. When we need over any matter. We are seeing God.

Bringing us results. Please sir. Don't waste this provision in your house.

Don't let me see you flying up and down. Looking for prayer partners. When your wife is late in the cold.

That is your suitable prayer partner. Please. And when the two of you combine.
In the presence of God. That is a three-fold cord. That cannot be easily broken.
May God. Add increase to the things that we have said. And may the Holy Spirit.
Please. Help us as we go from here. The clinic continues.
When we meet next. I only want to request you. Don't forget what you promised me.
Did you remember your promise? Alright. That you are going to get what we have said. And carry it.
And present it to her. As your special. May present.
May blessing. And I am telling you. Next Sunday is Mother's Day.
Aha. Let it be your Mother's Day present. And then.
You will now sit together. As they told us. That we must sit together over this.
Create that space. Eh? Mommy. There is no question about that one.
Alright. Praise the Lord. May the Lord help us in the name of Jesus Christ.
Mom. Any final comment from you? Okay. Is there any question that hooks somebody's throat.
That will not let you go. Tonight. Just one.
Yes. They said the DVDs are not available. Eh? Please.
Before we finish. We will let you know. They will help us work with it.
The media they are hearing me. They will assist us. Yes.
Please take that question from that sister. Yes. Please.
Please mom. Sorry. I want to ask this question.
Mom. I want to direct my question to mommy. Yesterday when you are teaching us in this clinic.
It's like I look my life. It's like vice versa. When you are saying that.
There are some. Women they want to discuss. With their husband.
And their husband will not have time. Listening to them. But in my own case.
It's like my husband want to discuss with me. Talk to me. I will look at it.
Is it necessary? I will not even. I don't know what. The real problem.
I don't know. That is my question. It's such a very.
Important question. Because it's not normal. It's important to pray about it.

For your own life. Why is it. That when my husband wants to talk to me.
I don't just. Want to listen to him. There could be a relationship problem.
It could be anything. Whatever it is. God will reveal it to you.
But it's important to know. That that is not normal. We must pray about it.
We must have listening ears. To one another. Because there is no way.
To become one in your mind. And be able to plan together. And agree together.
Without communication. So whatever that thing may be. God will reveal it to you.
In Jesus name. And we are going to pray together over it. As our sister has raised it.
We are going to ask God to. Intervene for us. The reason is because.
Even though she is saying. Is there any need. The truth of the matter is that.
There are issues. In her mind. That she is unable to.
Express. And sometime. When that kind of thing happens.
She may turn her. Attention to children. And begin to.
Release that to children. And the trouble will be that. When children are no more there.
You now become very lonely. And if a husband is coming home. And wanting to talk to you.
Talk to you. And you are not giving attention. What may happen is that.
He might switch over. And begin to gist. With those who want to hear him.
And you know there are. Several Jezebels. That are everywhere.
That as your husband is coming. Down from the. Car.
My dear person. That is a wonderful message. Car.
I really thank God for it. You have any little time for me. To even talk to you about.
What struck me. About what you preached. Hey.
That girl is going. If your husband will not take time. Suddenly you know.
He will begin to pour. On a listening ear. We want to pray that.
That will never happen. So please give him space. And you can overcome him.
From this clinic. In the name of Jesus Christ. Yeah.
We take the last hand here. Just the last. All other questions.

We will pray over. Thank you sir. I would like to start with.

The issue of counseling. Sir. The environment.

Where I came from. The way we were brought up. There.

Before. Including myself. Before we.

Have a new bishop. Now. What's that? If you wear a earring.

You are going to hell fire. And. Some of the sisters in our churches.

They believe in our message. As pastors. But because my wife wears a earring.

They see her. As not born again. So.

They will not want her to interfere too. Since she is wearing a earring. And they are not wearing.

They are older than she. So they cannot go to her for counseling. But.

I am tempted to say. To conclude that. In that case.

I will not cancel any of them. Because I know. What.

Non-earring wearing sisters. Did to me. Before God delivered me.

So. Sir. I am tempted to believe that.

Some of them call me for counseling. That they are saying they cannot go to her wife. What they want.

Is more than counseling. We know that. So.

Daddy. I don't know. I stand to be corrected.

If that resolution is right. Another thing sir. Is about.

Mutual respect. When I was to marry my wife. She was staying with her pastor.

So each time I visited. I would say sister. And the pastor and the wife.

They would make jest of me. And she told me herself that. This sister is too big now.

Why don't you call me by my name. Now we are married. I call virtually everybody.

Brother. Sister. But on her own.

She would just call them by their name. And she did not see anything wrong in it. And sometimes.

Nobody had complained. But I used to feel within me. That.

With these people not think. This woman is not following her husband's full step. By calling her by her own name.

And the husband is respecting us. So please have some. Alright.

Thank you. Thank you for these questions. I would like to quickly say that.

Number one. What will resolve. What you are talking about.

Is your. Bonding your life together. That's what will resolve it.

Straight away. For example. Paul said.

I became. When I went to Rome. I act as what? As Romans.

If. There is something that will be a stumbling block. To the ministry.

To which you and your wife. Are being caught. And you can see that.

This thing is a blockage. To. What we need to do.

And the two of you. Have sat together. And you prayed over it.

Are you understanding? The first thing would have been. Okay. If this is only to help us.

To reach men. What can we not give up? When the two of you. Have sat together.

But now. The question is whether. All the people.

That we have brought up in our churches. Not to wear earrings. Whether they have done so.

Out of personal conviction. Or they are just pretending. So that is where.

The aspect of ministry. Will now come in. Whereby.

Even if your wife decides and says. Let me remove my jewelry. So that.

I can win the heart of the people. That we are ministering to. She is doing it.

As a service to the Lord and to you. But now. Ministry goes beyond that.

To not begin to. Reach out to these people and say. This thing that we are even doing.

Is it out of a conviction. Or we are simply doing it. As a legalistic approach.

You understand? Now that is when. You will now begin to see. When you remove your earrings.

Sometimes they are coming. And it is something else. Because you see we only remove their earrings.

We are tearing their clothes. And we have not torn their hearts. When you begin to understand.

That the holiness of life. Is first of all of their hearts. Not of their appearance.

When your ministry begins. To get to that level. You will get better results.

Together. Now. The manner of.

Sister. Brother. Sister.

Brother. Again. It will be a matter between the two of you.

Discussing it. And praying together. And say look.

In this place of the culture. Is that you respect people. By saying sister.

Brother. When I first came here. The shock I had of my life.

Was wonderful. When I came here to Thieve Land. A young man will look at his father.

Right in his face. And call him by his name. And the father is very happy.

And if. He wants to greet. His own mother.

He does not just call his mother. By her name. He calls her by her father's name.

He says the daughter of Mr. Do you understand her now? That's what your son calls you. As a woman. When I first came.

I will be going. Small baby like this. And when they call me like that.

They will be laughing. They will be. They will be so excited.

That I know his name. And I have really greeted him. He feels that he has done me so much a proud.

And he calls me by my name. From where I was coming from. I say my God.

What kind of thing. I will be boiling and boiling and boiling. I say what kind of thing is this? Until I began to realize that.

Actually. That is the culture. And that is the height of respect.

They can give me. That he knows my name. So when I'm passing now.

They say. And he will not say good morning. He will not say how are you sir? He just say.

He has greeted me. And everything is alright. So you see.

When you move into a place. You need to. Understand.

Now. Wives. Can I beg you.

Try to understand. The man you have married. And where.

His environment is. If our clinic. Comes back next.

And we have the space. We will go ahead and talk about. So how does our oneness.

How do we protect it. From tradition. From.

In-laws. Interference. What do we do? That because I'm one with my wife.

I do not make an enemy. Of everybody. In the compound.

How do I do that? We will be speaking into that. When our next clinic. Is allowed to gather.

May the lord bless you. And guide you. And guide you in the name of Jesus.

Please let's not take another last one. Because there are always one. After the last.

The lord will bless us. Shall we pray together? Please stand up with us. And if your wife is by your side.

Please join hands with her. And let's pray together. Those of you that didn't come with your wife.

Lift up your two hands to heaven. Let's pray and say. Lord bless our marriage.

Cause this clinic. To bring advancement to our matrimony. That after this clinic lord.

Our home will become a platform. For the glorious manifestation. Of your glory.

Please pray for your wife. That is standing by your side. Or the one that is at home.

Begin to bless her. Tell god that. That treasure that god put in her for you.

Shall never be wasted. And that you will see her break forth. You will see your husband become the man.

That can stand at the gates. With the elders. Let's pray for one another.

This evening. Say lord. This provision that you have made in our home.

It shall bring increase to your kingdom. Our oneness. Two of us becoming one.

Shall bring a great reward. To our labor. It will bring an increase.

To the body of Christ. And it will bring fulfillment. Even to our children.

Thank you father. Thank you for standing with us. Thank you for years.

And years and years. That you have been with us. We hold your hand again together.

Tonight. Bind us father. Bind us lord.

Much more than we have ever known. Holy spirit. Thank you.

In Jesus name. We have prayed. Our father.

We stand shoulder to shoulder. Tonight. As couples.

And those of us whose. Wives are not here. We lifted up our hand to you.

On their behalf. That lord in blessing. Bless these couples.

In advancing. Father advance them. All that we have spoken about.

In the past three days. Bring an increase to it. Cause it to manifest.

The great grace of god. In our homes. As we bond together.

And as we stand shoulder to shoulder together. And as we face our task. In the ministry together.

You will lead us unto greatness. Money. Is not going to be a hindrance to us.

You will meet our needs. According to your riches and glory. There may be couples here.

Standing together. And they have been waiting for the fruit of the womb. Tonight father.

Visit them in the name of Jesus Christ. Whatever it is that stood before as obstacle. Whatever it is that has been a barrier.

Whatever it is that was confronting our brethren. He said if two of you shall agree as touching anything that you will ask on earth. My father in heaven will do it.

Lord on any issue that these couples are standing together tonight on agreement. Please answer them speedily. In the name of Jesus Christ.

Concerning the ministry to which you have called them. They will never make a shipwreck. Thank you father.

Lord as we conclude this clinic. And as we bring Clarek to a conclusion. How we trust you.

That the glory of God will break forth upon us. And that father we will move from one degree of glory to another. And our ministry unto you and unto the people of God.

Shall bring increase. And the body of Christ shall be edified. Thank you father.

We remember to pray for the widowers. Lord comfort them. And in your wisdom.

Lead them aright. For the widows please undertake for them. We trust Lord that they will not have double sorrows.

In the name of Jesus Christ. For our single men. And single ladies.

Lord in heaven. You say who so finds a wife finds a good thing. And has obtained favour from the Lord.

Please Lord let your favour come to them. And you have helped us for these several several years. We are trusting that our brothers also.

They will receive your help. The help that is meet for their lives. You will bring to them in the name of Jesus Christ.

The bone of their own bones. The flesh of their own flesh. You will bring to them in Jesus name.

Thank you father. Thank you for hearing our prayers. And thank you for you will do much more than we could ever ask or imagine.

According to your riches and glory. In Jesus Christ name. We have prayed.

Amen.

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