CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS

The world is waiting for news from heaven. News that will bring healing to the sick, hope to the hopeless, new expectations for the broken hearted and news of freedom and liberty from the deceitful oppressions of Satan. We become such Ambassadors. Christians are the highest ranking officials of God representing the interest of God on earth. Christians are entrusted with good news of peace because we have been given all the resources of heaven to bring deliverance and salvation to this orphan world.

Matthew 10:1-13 says we are given power over all unclean spirits to heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the death and to bring the gospel of peace to the world. We are told to release the peace of God to people that are worthy (that accepts what we carry) and we also have the ability to take back the peace that we give out. Peace is the Presence of God in a situation (Christ spoke peace to the storm) and we are to be entrusted with such Presence so that in all situations a people who believe in what God has given to us will be able to receive the Presence of God that brings them deliverance. Jesus again spoke to the disciples at the start of their ministry and gave them Peace (John 20:19-23). This peace came by the release of the Holy Spirit on them. The disciples, with this peace, can call forgiveness of sin for those guilty and to redeem those heading for destructions.

The church needs to carry this Presence of God that releases Peace in every situation. This is the only solution to the problems of the world. We need to be the highest ranking officials of God on earth (Ambassadors of Christ) with the right to speak Peace and deliverance into this world. We need to carry this Peace so that we can effectively carry out our salvation duties. We have to understand

that this Peace is the Person of the Holy Spirit, the Presence of God. As Jesus went through with His baptism He came out in intense prayers and the Heavens opened and the Holy Spirit of God, the Presence of God, the Peace of Heaven came upon Him. From then Jesus became the Ambassador of God on earth bringing peace and deliverance to a hurting world. Remarkably, Jesus moved to dwell in Capernaum and the whole region of Zebulon and Naphtali was filled with the Presence of God continuously (Matthew 4:12-17). The effect of an Ambassador of God carrying the Presence of God is a blessing indeed to the world. This is the same instruction Jesus gave to the disciples to tarry for the Presence of God, the Holy Spirit, the Peace of Heaven so that they can be endued with power and authority to heal their land. Nothing is more pressing for the Christian than to carry this Presence. Bible says we then receive the ability to show forth the praises of God, who called us out of darkness into His marvellous light (1 Peter 2:10).

To carry this Presence in our world should be every Christian greatest quest. **2 Corinthians 3:6** begins with an assurance that God has made us able minister of this New Testament mandate (carrying of His Presence) in the power of the Spirit. The scripture continuous that what we have been entrusted is more glorious than what Moses carried, which caused His face to shine with glory. We carry the Lord's Spirit, who is the Liberty of the word. Then **2 Corinthians 4:1-2** continuous with this theme that seeing we have this ministry we do not faint because great mercy (favour) has been given to us. Grace called us into this ministry of carrying the Presence so we will not have to fear any impossible situation. Fear drives people into half-hearted service of God. Fear causes us to "cut corners" in our worship of God so that we are unable to fully trust God. Fear is what short-circuit our connections with God which causes us to fail to

carry the abiding Presence of God. But when we understand what this ministry is (carrying the Presence of God) and we know the grace that called us into this ministry and really understand what this ministry can do for us then we are filled with hope and love not fear. To do this we have to begin by building up intense interest in the Word of God. Faith comes by hearing from God and that hearing is only possible by the Word of God in us (Romans 10:17). Stay around the Word of God and do not depart. This is what gave Peter the ability to stick with Jesus in John 6 when most of the followers of Jesus departed. Peter said "to whom do we go to? Thou has the Words of Eternal Life". This same Peter made another awesome statement in Acts 6:4 that "we shall give ourselves continually to prayers and the ministry of the Word of God." Prayers in conjunction with the hearing of the Word of God strengthen our resolve in God and builds faith to a high level. This is what finally gives us the capacity and stability to carry the Presence of God. We have to understand that the Holy Spirit has been poured upon all flesh (meaning made available to all). But people who carried this Presence had one thing in common: continually giving themselves to prayers and the ministry of the Word of God.

We are the ambassadors of God with heavenly rights to bring the world into experiences with the greatness of our God. If we can carry this Peace of Heaven, the Holy Spirit, the Presence of God then we can be of a great blessing to the world.