

Sunday 12 October, 2025

LIVING BEYOND LIMITATIONS

MEMORISE: “And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.” – Genesis 21:19 (KJV)

READ: Genesis 21:13-19 (KJV)

13 And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because he is thy seed.

14 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba.

15 And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs.

16 And she went, and sat her down over against him a good way off, as it were a bow shot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sat over against him, and lift up her voice, and wept.

17 And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is.

18 Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation.

19 And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR: Matthew 27-28

Elijah was a man who experienced the help of the Holy Spirit to rise above human limitations. In a time of grievous famine, he enjoyed good food and water (**1 Kings 17:3-6**). While others were dying of hunger, he enjoyed supernatural provisions throughout the famine. When you have an encounter with the Holy Spirit, you will receive divine instructions that will keep you from experiencing some hardships that other people experience. In times of famine, you will be satisfied, and you will not be ashamed in the evil time (**Psalms 37:19**).

In **1 Kings 18:44-46**, when the Lord sent rain to Israel, Elijah outran the chariot of the king of Israel. Kings always have the best and fastest chariots and horses in the land, yet Elijah outran the best of the best because the Holy Spirit was upon him. I pray in the name above every other name that the hand of the Lord will rest upon you, and you will begin to live above natural limitations.

Ignorance is one of the worst limitations any human being can face. A lot of times, people do not recognise the resources that can save and deliver them, even when they are under their noses. This puts a lot of people under very terrible limitations. Ephesians 4:18 likens ignorance to darkness and blindness. In this Scripture, Paul said that some people have their understanding darkened and are alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them because of the blindness of their hearts. When people who can see are in darkness, there is still hope that when light comes, they will see the things that surround them. However, when people who are blind are in darkness, that is another level of darkness altogether.

Ignorance limits people and keeps them from seeing what God has made available to them. In today's Bible reading, Hagar experienced this kind of limitation until God opened

her eyes. When your spiritual eyes are open, you will rise above the limitations that keep others down.

Beloved, you must soak yourself in the word of God so that your spiritual eyes can be open. When you engage with God's word daily, it will brighten your path and give you the understanding required to journey through life successfully (Psalm 119:105). I pray that the Lord will open your eyes to see the solutions He has provided to your challenges and remove every veil of ignorance that limits you from enjoying His fullness today, in Jesus' name.

PRAYER POINTS: Dear Lord, please open my eyes to see the abundant resources You have made available to me, in Jesus' name.