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OPEN HEAVEN 19 JUNE 2025 TODAY DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: DIVINE RESTORATION

MEMORISE:

And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

Joel 2:25

READ: Matthew 12:9-13

9 And when he was departed thence, he went into their synagogue:

- 10 And, behold, there was a man which had his hand withered. And they asked him, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath days? that they might accuse him.
- 11 And he said unto them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift it out?
- 12 How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days.
- 13 Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it forth; and it was restored

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 19 JUNE 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

While I was a lecturer at one of the universities in Nigeria, there was a man who was not promoted for 12 years because somebody hid his file. When God was going to restore all this man had lost, the head of his department was changed, and his replacement asked to see the files of all staff in the department. They searched for this man's file until they dug it out from where it had been hidden. When his file was opened, they discovered that he should have been promoted at least twice, so they gave him a double promotion.

God can restore all the years you seem to have lost. He can reverse the irreversible and bring back the opportunities you missed in the past.

In today's Bible reading, Jesus entered the temple and found a man with a withered hand. Before Jesus left the temple that day, He ensured that the man's withered hand received life and was divinely restored. In the name that is above every other name, if there is anything that is withered in your life, it will receive an instant restoration today.

Some Christians' walk with God can also be described as withered. For example, when a Christian who used to spend hours in God's presence can hardly spend up to thirty minutes with Him in prayer, such a Christian's walk with God is withered.

Some Christians could heal the sick and cast out demons in Jesus' name in the past, but now, they have become victims of sicknesses and demonic oppression. If you are reading this devotional and your walk with God has withered, I pray that you will experience a divine restoration today, in Jesus' name. The Lord will breathe afresh into you and cause you to experience a greater realm of glory than the former days (Haggai 2:9).

Job said that no matter how badly a tree has been cut, as long as its stump is in the ground and it can perceive the scent of water, there is hope for it (Job 14:7-9).

Beloved, since you are still alive to read this today, it means that there is hope for you concerning any withered situation that might exist in your life. All you have to do is submit completely to the Great Restorer and seek His face for help. He will step into your situation and restore all that you might have lost, in Jesus' name.

OPEN HEAVEN 19 JUNE 2025 KEY POINT

As long as there is still breath in you, God can fully restore everything you have lost.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Psalms 81-88

HYMN 15: Pass Me Not O Gentle Saviour

OPEN HEAVEN DEVOTIONAL 19 JUNE 2025 COMMENTARY

God's Restoration Power in Action

This devotional presents a powerful message of hope – **no condition is beyond God's restorative power**. Through biblical accounts and real-life testimony, we discover that God specializes in reversing the irreversible and resurrecting what man has written off. Whether it's lost years, missed opportunities, or spiritual dryness, Jehovah Rapha (the Lord our Healer) is ready to breathe new life into every withered area of our lives.

1. Biblical Examples of Divine Restoration

A. The Withered Hand Made Whole (Matthew 12:9-13)

- **Condition:** Chronic disability (likely years of limitation)
- Divine Intervention: Jesus' command to "Stretch forth thine hand"
- Result: Immediate and complete restoration
- Lesson: What medicine couldn't heal, one word from Jesus restored

B. Job's Double Restoration (Job 42:10-17)

- Losses: Health, wealth, children
- Process: Maintained faith despite unanswered questions
- Result: God restored twice what was lost

C. The University Lecturer's Testimony

- 12 Years of Stagnation: Due to hidden files
- Divine Turnaround: New leadership uncovered injustice
- Result: Double promotion
- **Principle:** God knows where your "file" is hidden (Psalm 139:16)

2. Areas Needing Restoration

A. Physical Restoration

- Withered health (like the man's hand)
- Chronic conditions
- Medical impossibilities

B. Temporal Restoration

- Lost years (Joel 2:25)
- Missed opportunities
- Wasted time

C. Spiritual Restoration

- · Withered prayer life
- · Diminished spiritual power
- Lost first love (Revelation 2:4)

D. Material Restoration

- Financial losses
- Business failures
- Stolen blessings

3. The Process of Divine Restoration

A. Recognize the Withered Condition

- 1. Honest Assessment:
 - Like David asking "Why art thou cast down?" (Psalm 42:5)
- 2. Avoid Denial:
 - The man with the withered hand didn't hide his condition

B. Position Yourself for Restoration

- 1. Be in God's Presence:
 - The man was in the synagogue (Matthew 12:9)
- 2. Respond to Divine Instruction:
 - o "Stretch forth thine hand" required faith in action

C. Receive by Faith

- 1. Job's Confession:
 - "I know that my redeemer liveth" (Job 19:25)
- 2. The Psalmist's Hope:
 - "He restoreth my soul" (Psalm 23:3)

4. The Promise of Complete Restoration

A. Scriptural Guarantees

- 1. Joel 2:25:
 - Full restoration of lost years
- 2. 1 Peter 5:10:
 - o "After you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, settle you"
- 3. Zechariah 9:12:
 - "Return to the stronghold, you prisoners of hope"

B. The Tree Principle (Job 14:7-9)

- Stump Represents:
 - Your remaining faith
 - o God's preserving grace
- Water Represents:
 - The Holy Spirit's renewing power
 - The Word of God

C. Greater Glory Promise (Haggai 2:9)

- The latter house shall be greater than the former
- Not just restoration but upgrade

Prayer for Complete Restoration

"Father of mercies, I bring every withered area of my life before You today – my health, time, spiritual fervor, and lost blessings. Like You restored the withered hand, breathe new life into my dead situations. I claim Joel 2:25 over my life and declare that every lost year is being recovered. Fill me afresh with Your Spirit, in Jesus' mighty name. Amen."

Conclusion: Your Restoration Story is Being Written

1. God's Timing:

- The lecturer waited 12 years
- The man with the withered hand waited decades
- But restoration came suddenly

2. Your Response:

- Maintain hope (Hebrews 10:23)
- Stay obedient
- Expect greater glory

Final Encouragement:

That thing the enemy stole? God's about to return it multiplied. Your withered hand? It's about to receive new strength. Your lost years? They're being redeemed. Your restoration is here!

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