

Description

Today's Open Heaven devotional (3 March 2025) is FOR HIS PLEASURE

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OPEN HEAVEN 3 MARCH 2025 DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: FOR HIS PLEASURE

MEMORISE

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

Revelation 4:11

READ: Mark 8:22-26

22 And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and besought him to touch him.

23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when he had spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought.

24 And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking.

25 After that he put his hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he was restored, and saw every man clearly.

26 And he sent him away to his house, saying, Neither go into the town, nor tell it to any in the town.

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 3 MARCH 2025 MESSAGE

God created the heavens and the earth in the beginning (Genesis 1:1-3). Today's memory verse also says that He made all things for His pleasure. Thus, He can control all things, and this is why the wind and the sea obeyed Him (Mark 4:35-41).

You were made for God's pleasure, but He cannot get any pleasure when your body is sick. In Mark 3:1-5, Jesus saw a man with a withered hand in the temple and must have thought to Himself, "Hand, I didn't make you to be withered; I made you for clapping." The man with the withered hand didn't pray or ask for healing; the Lord healed the hand because it wasn't giving Him pleasure.

There was once an elderly man who was driving his Ford car when it suddenly broke down by the roadside. As he stood by the car looking confused, a rich man stopped right next to him and asked if he could help. The rich man got out of his car, opened the trunk of the faulty car, touched a few things, and attempted to start the car. Immediately, the car started. Amazed, the old man turned to the rich man and asked, "Why did you stop to help me?" The rich man replied, "My name is Henry Ford. I made that car to run, not to stop by the wayside." Beloved, the One who made you is passing by now, and He will deal with everything in your life that is not giving Him glory, in Jesus' name.

When something is not as God created it to be, it doesn't give Him pleasure. If there is any part of your life that is not revealing God's purpose, rather than complain, begin to speak God's counsel over it. God does all things after the counsel of His will, and when you stand on His will concerning anything, that thing must align to give Him pleasure (Ephesians 1:11).

In today's Bible reading, a blind man was brought to Jesus. Jesus led him out of the town, spat in his eyes, and put His hands on him. When He asked the blind man if he saw anything, the man replied, "I see men as trees walking." Even though he could now see, his eyes were not working optimally. Jesus didn't leave him to 'manage' the eyes; He laid His hands on him again, and he saw clearly. God wants every aspect of your life to perform optimally; nothing less than this gives Him pleasure.

PRAYER POINT

Lord, please transform my life so that everything that concerns me will always give You pleasure, in Jesus' name.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Deuteronomy 30-32

HYMN 25: THE GREAT PHYSICIANS NOW IS NEAR

RCCG OPEN HEAVEN 3 MARCH 2025 COMMENTARY

1. The Divine Intent: Creation for God's Pleasure

The Open Heaven devotional for today begins with a foundational truth: **Everything exists for God's pleasure** (Revelation 4:11).

- God designed you for His glory (Isaiah 43:7).
- Sickness, lack, and dysfunction were not part of His original plan (Genesis 1:31 "It was very good").

Illustration:

• Just as Henry Ford fixed his malfunctioning car because *he designed it to run*, **God steps in to restore what is not functioning according to His will.**

Application:

- ? Recognize that your life is not your own (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).
- ? Stop tolerating what displeases God (e.g., chronic sickness, bondage, stagnation).

2. God's Displeasure with Dysfunction

In Mark 3:1-5, Jesus healed a man with a withered hand without being asked because:

- A withered hand couldn't clap in worship.
- A blind man couldn't behold God's glory (Mark 8:22-26).
- A broken life cannot fulfill divine purpose.

Key Insight:

• God doesn't want you to "manage" dysfunction (e.g., "I see men as trees walking"). He wants full restoration (John 10:10).

Application:

- ? Identify areas in your life not glorifying God (health, finances, relationships).
- ? Speak God's counsel over them (Jeremiah 29:11).

3. The Process of Divine Adjustment

The blind man in Mark 8 received healing in stages:

- 1. **Jesus led him away from the crowd** (v. 23). Separation for divine attention.
- 2. He spat on his eyes and laid hands (v. 23). Supernatural impartation.
- 3. He asked, "Do you see anything?" (v. 23). Faith activation.
- 4. He touched him again (v. 25). Complete restoration.

Lesson:

- Some breakthroughs require persistent faith (Matthew 15:21-28 Syrophoenician woman).
- God won't leave you halfway—He completes what He starts (Philippians 1:6).

Application:

- ? Don't settle for partial miracles (e.g., "I'm a little better").
- ? **Keep pressing in until you see clearly** (Mark 5:25-34 Woman with the issue of blood).

4. Speaking God's Counsel Over Your Life

Ephesians 1:11 says God works all things after the counsel of His will.

- Your words must align with His Word (Proverbs 18:21).
- Complaining reinforces bondage; faith declares freedom (Numbers 14:28).

Example:

• Instead of saying, "This sickness won't go away," declare: "By His stripes, I am healed!" (Isaiah 53:5).

Prayer Strategy:

• "Lord, adjust every area of my life that doesn't reflect Your glory. Heal my body, restore my vision, and perfect all that concerns me, in Jesus' name!"

Final Thought: You Were Made for More

- God didn't create you to struggle (3 John 1:2).
- He takes pleasure in your wholeness (Psalm 35:27).

"The One who made you is passing by today. Will you let Him fix what's broken?"

Action Step:

- 1. List areas of dysfunction in your life.
- 2. Speak Scripture over them daily.
- 3. Expect full restoration.

"For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the humble with salvation." (Psalm 149:4)

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