

Open Heavens 13 January 2026 Today Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heavens 13 January 2026 devotional for today is **WHAT IS MAN? III**

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TOPIC: WHAT IS MAN? III

MEMORISE:
But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.
Hebrews 5:14

READ: Psalm 82:5-7
5 They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course.
6 I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High.
7 But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.

RCCG OPEN HEAVENS 13 JANUARY 2025 TODAY MESSAGE

Over the past two days, I discussed Godâ??s original plan for mankind, which is to have dominion over the earth and everything in it. I also noted that some Christians are not operating in this God-given

dominion because they have not grown spiritually as they ought to.

Another set of Christians who are not living in dominion as God intends are those who have grown spiritually but are still not conscious of the tremendous power they possess. They still fidget when the devil threatens them and see certain acts of dominion as being exclusive to ministers of God. However, the Bible says in Mark 16:17-18 that every believer can cast out demons, heal the sick, and operate in dominion as God intends.

Years ago, while praying, I said, â??Lord, give me power to perform miracles for you,â?• and He responded, â??Keep quiet. What have you used the power I have already given you for? Have you been baptized in the Holy Spirit?â?• I said, â??Yes, Lord.â?•

He then continued, â??What does Acts 1:8 say?â?• I quoted it to Him, and He responded, â??Since the Holy Ghost has come upon you, then you have power.â?• I then said, â??But I donâ??t feel powerful,â?• and He replied, â??Did I say that the just shall live by feelings or faith?â?•

This happened in the middle of the night, and the next morning, I was asked to pray for a little girl who had been so sick that the doctors had given up on her. I was afraid that she would not be healed if I prayed for her, but I remembered my conversation with God and proceeded to pray for her.

While I was praying, the girl went limp. I immediately thought to myself, â??Iâ??m in trouble. It seems this girl has died.â?• When I finished praying and opened my eyes, I saw that she was sleeping. She had not slept for days, and when she woke up, she was completely healed. From that day on, I started using the power that God has given me to take dominion over situations.

Beloved, when power is stored without being used, it remains dormant. However, when it is used often, it grows. As Peter used the power he received from the Holy Spirit, he grew from having to drag a lame man to his feet (Acts 3:1-8) to his shadow healing the sick (Acts 5:15-16). The more you use the power God has given you as a believer, the more dominion you can exercise.

PRAYER POINT

The more you exercise your God-gen authority, the more it grows.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Genesis 42-43

HYMN 12: ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS

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MEMORISE: Hebrews 5:14
â??But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.â?•
This verse reveals the pathway to spiritual maturity: it is not merely the passage of time, but the active *exercise* of oneâ??s spiritual faculties through constant use. Maturity is proven by a discerning mind and a life that consistently applies spiritual truth to earthly realities.

BIBLE READING: Psalm 82:5-7
This psalm is a divine indictment against unjust â??godsâ?• or rulers who walk in spiritual ignorance and darkness. It contrasts their instability with the exalted inheritance of the righteous, declaring, â??Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High.â?• This points to the high calling and authority bestowed upon Godâ??s covenant people.

The Crisis of the Unconscious Giant

Daddy Adeboye now addresses the second major hindrance to dominion: not a lack of growth, but a lack of *consciousness* and *exercise* of the authority already possessed. Many believers are like sleeping giants, possessing tremendous power but living in fear and hesitation because they are not awake to their own identity and arsenal.

1. The Dormancy of Delegated Power

Possession vs. Consciousness:
A believer can be baptized in the Holy Spirit (possess the power) yet live in spiritual timidity (lack consciousness of it). The problem is not the absence of power but the absence of a faith-filled awareness and conviction that â??since the Holy Ghost has come upon you, then you powerâ?• (Acts 1:8). This unconsciousness renders the power dormant.

The Tyranny of Feelings Over Faith:
Godâ??s poignant question to Daddy Adeboyeâ??â?•Did I say that the just shall live by feelings or faith?â?•â??exposes a great enemy of dominion. We often wait for a *feeling* of power before we act, but faith operates on the *fact* of Godâ??s Word. Dominion is exercised by faith, not by emotional confirmation.

2. The Divine Tutorial: Activating Stored Power

The Test of Immediate Obedience:
Godâ??s response to the prayer for more power was a call to audit and use what had already been given. The subsequent healing of the girl was not just a miracle; it was a practical tutorial. Daddy Adeboye had to step past his fear (â??I was afraidâ?•) and act on the revelation he had just received. The power flowed when faith-action was taken, despite feelings.

From Theory to Territory:
The transition from knowing Acts 1:8 intellectually to seeing its manifestation physically is the birth of conscious dominion. That first miracle became a point of reference, breaking the paralysis of fear and launching a lifetime of exercising authority. Your first act of faith in a specific area breaks the seal on that aspect of your dominion.

3. The Law of Use: Power Grows Through Exercise

The Peter Principle of Increasing Authority:
Peterâ??s journey is the biblical blueprint: he began with a direct, physical action (â??taking him by the handâ?¦ lifted him upâ?• â?? Acts 3:7) and grew to a point where his very shadow carried healing virtue (Acts 5:15). The principle is clear: the faithful use of basic authority unlocks greater dimensions of grace. Dominion is a muscle that atrophies with disuse and expands with exercise.

â??By Reason of Useâ?•:
Hebrews 5:14 states that mature senses are trained â??by reason of use.â?• Each time you command a sickness to leave, rebuke a spirit of fear, or declare Godâ??s peace over chaos, you are not just solving a problemâ??you are doing a spiritual workout. Your â??discernmentâ?• (ability to see from Godâ??s perspective) and your â??authorityâ?• (ability to enforce His will) grow stronger.

How to Awaken and Exercise Your Dominion

Audit Your Spiritual Assets:
Ask the Holy Spirit, â??What power and authority have You already given me that I am not using?â?• Review the believerâ??s rights in Scripture (e.g., Mark 16:17-18, Luke 10:19, James 4:7). Acknowledge them as your present-tense inheritance.

Start with the â??Little Girlâ?• in Front of You:
Identify a situation in your life right now that seems â??given up onâ?• by the worldâ??s systems (doctors, bankers, counselors). This is your training ground. Approach it not with fear, but with the conscious declaration: â??The Holy Spirit in me has power over this.â?•

Create a â??Faith-Actionâ?• Plan:
Deliberately plan to exercise authority this week. For example: â??I will lay hands on and pray for every family member who reports feeling ill.â?• Or, â??I will speak to the mountain of debt and command it to be removed.â?• Record the results and let them build your faith-consciousness.

Warning: Unused Authority Invites Oppression

Power stored is power neutralized. The devil is not afraid of a believer who knows the Word but never applies it as a command. Your hesitation and fear validate his threats. By not using your authority, you grant him illegal space to operate in your sphere.

Conclusion: Pray for Consciousness and Courage

Pray this:
â??Holy Spirit, awaken me to the reality of the power within me. Forgive me for living by feelings instead of faith. I renounce all timidity and embrace my identity as a child of the Most High, endowed with authority. Today, I step out in faith. I will use the keys of the Kingdom You have placed in my hands. Exercise my spiritual senses through use; let my dominion grow from faith to faith, from glory to glory, in Jesusâ?? name!â?•

Action Steps:

1. **Scripture Confession:** Daily confess aloud: â??I have received power. The Holy Spirit lives in me. Therefore, I have dominion over [name a specific area] today.â?• (Based on Acts 1:8).
2. **The â??First Useâ?• Challenge:** This week, consciously address a minor problem (a headache, a persistent worry, a conflict) with a direct, verbal command in Jesusâ?? name, as if you have the authority to do soâ??because you do.
3. **Keep a Dominion Journal:** Record instances where you consciously exercised spiritual authority, no matter how small. Note the process and the outcome. Review it monthly to see your growth.
4. **Partner for Accountability:** Tell a mature believer, â??I am working on consciously exercising my spiritual authority. Ask me this week what situation I spoke to in faith.â?•

Remember: You are not waiting for power. You are deciding to use it. Every act of faith is a rep in the gym of your spirit, building you into a mature governor for the Kingdom.
â??By reason of use have their senses exercisedâ?¦â?• (Hebrews 5:14). Use it or lose it.

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