

*Welcome to The Citadel Global Community Church where stars are born and great futures are created. Welcome to the home of consummate and conscientious nation builders whose hearts are open to the plans of the Holy Spirit, and in whose lives all things godly are possible because we choose to win by righteousness.*

# REACH OUT FOR SOMETHING BEYOND YOURSELF

*...renouncing the natural, embracing the supernatural*

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## No Destiny Is Fulfilled in Isolation

The battles of life are not meant to be fought alone. God never leaves men and women of destiny to struggle without help. In His wisdom, He appoints destiny facilitators—those who strengthen us in weakness and steady us when weary—lest we fall prey to destiny mutilators.

A newborn cannot survive without the care and protection of parents, who serve as the first facilitators of destiny. As the child grows, teachers, mentors, and leaders shape the journey. At every stage of life, regardless of talent or strength, we all need others—for no one is truly self-made. Pride blinds people into taking all the credit, but it leads to collapse (**Proverbs 16:18**). True strength is found in humility—accepting help, counsel, and protection beyond one's limits.

## Abraham's Allies in Battle

Consider Abraham, the father of faith. When Lot, his nephew, was taken captive, Abraham did not go to war alone. Scripture records that he mobilised three hundred and eighteen trained men born in his house. But beyond them, Abraham also had allies—Amorites who stood by him (**Genesis 14:13-16**). Together they pursued the kings, defeated them, and rescued Lot.

If Abraham needed allies, who are yours? Jesus had a company, Paul had a company, and the apostles went to their own (**Acts 4:23**). No destiny is sustained alone. Every man or woman of purpose needs a community to share vision, strength, and prayer. A problem shared is half-solved—not weakness, but God's design.

## Judah's Blessing: A Pattern for Destiny

Moses' blessing upon the tribe of Judah in **Deuteronomy 33:7** reveals a divine pattern:

1. **"Hear, Lord, the voice of Judah"** — access in the Spirit.
2. **"Bring him to his people"** — the blessing of a relationship.
3. **"Let his hands be sufficient for him"** — resources and capacity.
4. **"Be a help against his enemies"** — victory and dominion.

These four pillars serve as God's provisions for His people. No destiny prospers without them. As members of the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, we inherit these blessings in Christ: spiritual access, godly relationships, sufficiency, and dominion. You are not meant to journey alone.

## The Need for Spiritual Covering

Though believers have authority in Christ (**Luke 10:19**), spiritual rank is real—it takes a prince to bind a prince. We must honour divine order and coverings (**Joel 2:7-8**). God Himself is our covering (**Psalms 140:7**), yet He works through leaders, mentors, and intercessors who strengthen us until maturity. Even Moses needed seventy elders (**Numbers 11:16-17**). No matter your anointing, you will need others to stand with you.

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## WHO WE ARE

"We are a people sent to the nations, governments and powers of the earth as the voice of reason, possibilities and hope. We are the instrumentality of catalysing change and centralising God in the governance of nations. Our mandate is to enforce the Kingdom of God over the kingdoms of this world that have become the Kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ. We are men and women, boys and girls who love God and love people and who serve God and serve people. We always seek to give hope and to be at the forefront of driving change both spiritually and governmentally. We exist, primarily, as a fully functional church and conceptually as a governmental force for change, good governance and leadership."

### THE CGCC CREDO

- ➔ Love God, Love People
- ➔ Serve God, Serve People
- \* By doing the above, we glorify God individually and corporately.

### OUR COMMITMENTS

- ➔ Wholehearted Worship of God
- ➔ Prayer
- ➔ Ministry of the Word
- ➔ Evangelism
- ➔ Seeing People Grow Deeper (Discipleship)
- ➔ Helping People Build Vital Relationships with Other Believers

### OUR CORE LEADERSHIP VALUES

- ➔ Compassion
- ➔ Intelligence
- ➔ Responsibility
- ➔ Judgement
- ➔ Influence



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## Moses: The Limit of Flesh and a Tale That Is Told

From the moment Adam fell in the Garden, humanity moved from spiritual dominance to fleshly vulnerability. Adam, once a spiritual being with a soul and housed in a body, became enslaved by the flesh. Many today—including Christians—identify only with external qualities. They nurture the body but neglect the spirit and soul. Yet Jesus was clear: “That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit” (**John 3:6**).

**Genesis 6:1-3** declares man's years as one hundred and twenty, but this is not a universal rule. Moses himself spoke of seventy or eighty years in **Psalms 90:1-12**. Yet, in **Deuteronomy 34:5**, he died at one hundred and twenty “according to the word of the Lord,” fulfilling the prophecy of **Genesis 6:1-3**. His life was a tale God had written (**Deuteronomy 31:1-3**). Thus, the 120-year prophecy was specific to Moses' destiny (it does not apply to everyone on earth).

The importance of the story told is that one hundred and twenty years mark the boundary where flesh ends, so the spirit dimension can take over. That is why in Solomon's temple, when one hundred and twenty trumpeters sounded their horns together, the Spirit descended, and no flesh could stand before Him (**2 Chronicles 5:11-14**). Likewise, about one hundred and twenty people gathered in the upper room, and the Holy Spirit entered (**Acts 1:15**).

## Declaring War on the Flesh

The fundamental essence of fasting is to forsake the natural to embrace the supernatural. Ezra declared a fast by the River Ahava, seeking God's protection (**Ezra 8:21**). Moses also fasted for forty days and nights repeatedly, receiving revelations that shaped nations. When in God's presence, natural hunger is paused.

Whenever you feel overwhelmed by circumstances, do not wait for a corporate fast. Declare war on your

flesh. Fast, pray, and invoke heaven's intervention. Jehoshaphat exemplified this in **2 Chronicles 20**. Confronted with formidable enemies, he proclaimed a fast, sought God, and achieved supernatural deliverance as his enemies turned against each other.

## Jesus: From Fullness to Power

Jesus Himself demonstrated the importance of renouncing the natural. After His baptism and being filled with the Holy Spirit, He was led into the wilderness for forty days of fasting (**Luke 4:1-2**). There, He faced temptation—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life (**1 John 2:16**). Each time, He overcame with the Word.

Notice the progression:

- He **entered** the wilderness *full of the Spirit*.
- He **returned** from the wilderness *in the power of the Spirit* (**Luke 4:14**).

The difference is ignition. Many believers today are full of the Holy Spirit but lack ignition—no power, no evidence. But when the flesh is subdued, the Spirit ignites. Jesus emerged doing good, healing all oppressed by the devil (**Acts 10:38**). His fame spread because power followed His fullness.

## Practical Pathways to Reach Out Beyond Yourself

### 1. Humble Yourself to Seek Help

Destiny is not a solo endeavour. Surround yourself with wise counsel, godly friends, and mentors who can stand with you. Do not isolate yourself out of pride.

### 2. Value Spiritual Covering

Respect divine ranks and coverings. Submit to spiritual authority, not for exploitation but with humility. A soldier out of formation becomes an easy casualty.

## OUR 4-DIMENSIONAL OPERATIONAL DYNAMICS

- ➔ Church-in-the-House
- ➔ Church-in-the-Community
- ➔ Church-in-the-City
- ➔ Church-in-the-Cloud.

## OUR 4-DIMENSIONAL GROWTH DYNAMICS

- ➔ To grow up.
- ➔ To grow big.
- ➔ To grow very rich.
- ➔ To grow together.

### 3. Prioritise the Spirit Over the Flesh

Invest in your inner being. Nourish your spirit with the Word, prayer, and worship. Do not let outward appearances deceive you into neglecting the eternal.

### 4. Practise Fasting as a Way of Life

Cultivate fasting not only during crises but as a consistent discipline. Fasting heightens your sensitivity, breaks the influence of the flesh, and summons supernatural power.

### 5. Seek Ignition, Not Just Fullness

Ask God to move you from being full of the Spirit to walking in His power. Power is given not for show, but for service—to go about doing good.

## Walking in Jesus' Example

You cannot fight the battles of life alone. From Abraham to Jehoshaphat, from Moses to Jesus, Scripture teaches that human strength is never enough. God in His wisdom designed helpers, coverings, and supernatural provisions for every person of destiny.

Pride isolates; humility welcomes help. The flesh weakens; the Spirit strengthens. Natural effort is limited; supernatural empowerment achieves victory.

As you reach out for something beyond yourself, asking God for His power to serve and establish His kingdom on earth, you will not only survive life's battles but overcome them, walking in the reality of destiny fulfilled.

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