



THE RISING OF THE STARS (1)

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2025: OUR YEAR OF FULFILLED DREAMS GENESIS 41:1, GENESIS 42:9

- God steps in when we have come to the end of ourselves. It does not take Christ even a moment to turn any situation around (**2 Kings 3:1-20**). There is no such situation as impossible with God, and there is no such thing as time-limiting with God (**Luke 1:37, Jeremiah 32:17**).
- In **Romans 8:19-21**, the Bible speaks of the *earnest expectation of the creation waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God*. I believe creation would no longer be waiting if the heroes of faith recorded in **Hebrews 11:1-40** were alive today and shone in our time as they did in theirs. This suggests that something is a m i s s i n o u r g e n e r a t i o n — s o m e t h i n g h i n d e r i n g t h e t r u e manifestation of the sons of God.
- As stars, are we shining at full capacity? As salt, are we seasoning at full strength? Are we a true force in our communities and spheres of influence? Do our communities feel our absence when we are not there, or are they unaware that we even exist? What has the enemy done to keep us from shining at our full brightness? And how have we, perhaps unknowingly, cooperated with him to dull our glow and dim our light? (**Matthew 5:13-16**).
- As stated in Scripture, the word “let” implies that a force exists which hinders or forbids something from taking place. Yet, it also affirms that the power to overcome that resistance lies within you (**Revelation 12:9-12**).
- As sons and daughters of destiny, we must not be ignorant of the enemy's schemes, his subtle distractions and diversions designed to keep us from our divine purpose of manifesting as the sons of God. His strategy is to keep believers in constant motion, yet without true movement or progress.
- Satan is still strategically stealing, killing, and destroying, sowing tares and planting distractions that keep believers in a state of stunted growth and spiritual immaturity. He is not overly troubled that people are saved; what he dreads is their

growth, maturity and manifestation as the sons of God. Yet Scripture warns us not to be ignorant of his devices—deception, discouragement, fear, unbelief, pride, envy, malice, gossip, and every scheme—which are designed to fracture our unity (**2 Corinthians 2:11**).

- Like Joseph's brothers in **Genesis 37**, instead of uniting to confront the true enemy and bring stability to our homes, our lives, and our circumstances, we often allow strife, envy, and pride to divide us. We have unconsciously embraced the very devices of the devil—pride, envy, and anger (**Galatians 5:19-21, NKJV, TPT**).
- In **Ephesians 6:11-20**, the Bible reminds us that we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against spiritual forces of evil. Therefore, we are admonished to put on the whole armour of God, that we may stand firm against the wiles of the devil.
- How then do we shine as stars and rise to the heights we were destined for? Are we even ready for this divine call? Sadly, many of us are more preoccupied with

what we will eat and how our personal needs will be met, while Scripture clearly instructs us to seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness (**Matthew 6:33**).

- Like Joseph, we must rise and take our place as sons and daughters of destiny, willing to pay the price and surrender all for the sake of the gospel of Christ (**Isaiah 60:1-7**).
- When you rise as sons of God and shine as the stars that you are meant to be, the glory of the Lord will rise upon you. For there is a light within you, and you carry the power to illuminate the world.
- What you are chasing after will naturally begin to flow towards you when you align yourself rightly. You must first understand your kingdom assignment and purpose as a son or daughter of the Kingdom, whom the whole world eagerly awaits to manifest, just as Joseph did (**Genesis 37:1-5**).
- When God gives you a dream, you must rise to your full stature to make a difference, even in a corrupt environment like Joseph did.

- The challenges we face today stem from a lack of vision and the evident works of the flesh.
- One of the enemy's greatest attacks is fostering disunity at every level, whether at home, in the church, at work, or in any other area of life, through the works of the flesh that fuel division and strife.
- The strength of a broom lies in its unity; so, does ours. Instead of fighting one another in our marriages, homes, churches, or friendships, let us unite and stand together to fight against anything that seeks to divide or separate us.
- It is high time we rose to our full stature, firmly maintaining the sphere and space God has entrusted to us. We must not permit the works of Satan to thrive around us, but let our light shine brightly for all to see.

Prayer Points

1. Thanksgiving for Revelation and Grace Father, thank You for the revelation of Your word and the grace You have given us to understand our purpose and assignment as Your children.

2. Grace for Spiritual

Maturity and Manifestation Lord, grant us the grace to rise to our full stature in You and become true blessings to mankind.

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3. Strength Against the Works of the Enemy Father, empower us to stand firm against the works of the enemy and to walk daily in victory through Christ Jesus.

4. Grace to Remain Rooted in God's Word Lord, help us to put on the whole armour of God and to remain rooted and grounded in Your word at all times.