

**1. Bro. Stephen Ojo**

During the three-day fasting and prayer in January 2019, I tapped the anointing of the Man of God over my International passport. To His glory, God opened an international door for me to go for a competition and He gave me victory in the competition. I return all glory to Him.

**2. Sis. Ronke Obalade**

After my wedding, God used the Man of God to destroy the plan of enemies concerning my marriage through a charmed padlock that was packaged with one of the gifts given to us. I give God all the glory for His faithfulness, my first child celebrates his 6<sup>th</sup> year birthday today.

**3. Bro. Abiodun Obisesan**

I thank the Almighty God for the success of the recent Youth program (**Praise Until Something Happens**). Also, I appreciate Him for providing a wonderful job for two of our brethren.

**4. Mommy Gbadebo**

I appreciate the faithfulness of God over my life and my family. He gave me divine healing and put the devil into shame over my life and lives of my children.

**5. Evang. Shade Adekunle**

I thank God for establishing me and giving me the grace to be doing wonderfully well in the journey of destiny. 🙏



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**Sermon ▶ MARY MAGDALENE'S TEARS ON EASTER MORNING** John 20:11-18

Text ▲

**E**ASTER DAY is a day of Joy and celebration, but Mary Magdalene was sorrowful and full of tears on this day. Why would Mary be weeping on a day of triumph, victory, and joy? Mary got to the tomb of Jesus early in the morning on Easter day, because she did not see the body of Jesus inside the tomb, she became troubled not knowing that Jesus has risen.

■ **After our deliverance and salvation**, just the way Mary Magdalene persevered and did not give up as she still went to the tomb of Jesus; as Christians, **we should remain steadfast with Jesus** and not allow the cares of the world to take us away from the presence of God.

■ **Mary Magdalene's emotion** and state of mind did not allow her to recognize the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ even when He was standing before her, read Verse 14.

■ Brethren, at every point in time, **do not allow your challenges**, troubles, and emotions to distract you from the presence of God.

■ **Jesus Christ gave Mary Magdalene a mission onto His brethren**, read Verse 17. Every good thing the Lord has done in our lives supposed to trigger us to serve Him.

■ **FINALLY BRETHREN**, the resurrection of Jesus Christ is our greatest testimony. The power of resurrection is the power that conquered death, read 1 Corinthians 15:55.

This means as Christians, you cannot carry the... *continues on center page...*

**Lessons from Mary's Actions**

■ **Mary was in tears** because she was so close and devoted to Jesus after He had delivered her of seven demons, the reason she must have appreciated Jesus and felt His crucifixion. However, Mary was in tears because she did not have faith in the promises of Jesus.

■ **In the midst of challenges** and troubles, **the presence of God is definitely with His children**. Therefore, as Christians, we should always hold on to the promises of God, and not allow the challenges of this life to erode the promises of God from us.

■ **The blessings of God** on Mary and her deliverance from the seven demons each of which would have represented seven different evils and afflictions in the life of Mary made her to draw near to Jesus.

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**BIBLE STUDY**

Tuesday **8:30**

Theme:

**WASTED GRACE**

**family week**  
Theme: **Glorious Family**  
Mon. 20 MAY  
Sun. 26 2019

- Mon. May 20: Individual Family Prayer
- Tue. May 21, 6:30 pm: Family Bible Study
- Wed. May 22, 8 am: Family Solution Hour
- Thurs. May 23, 6 pm: Family Presentation Hour
- Fri. May 24: Individual Family Prayer Altar
- Sat. May 25, 9 am: Family Outreach to the Orphanage Homes
- Sunday, October 24: 8 am - Sunday School, 9 am - Glorious Family Service

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## Service Schedule

1. Praise and Worship
2. Prayers
3. Congregational Hymn
4. Bible Reading
5. Love Offerings
6. Testimonials
7. The Choir
8. Impartation & Sermon
9. Prophetic Offerings
10. Announcements
11. Prayer and Benediction

## What To Avoid

**Avoid being  
left behind,  
you will  
face it all alone!**

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## Wisdom Nugget

**It does no good  
to charm a snake  
after it has bitten you.**

## Congregational Hymn

### MY FAITH HAS FOUND A RESTING PLACE *Matthew 11:28*

1. My faith has found a resting place,  
Not in device or creed;  
I trust the ever-living One,  
His wounds for me shall plead.

Refrain:

I need no other argument,  
I need no other plea,  
It is enough that Jesus died,  
And that He died for me.

2. Enough for me that Jesus saves,  
This ends my fear and doubt;  
A sinful soul I came to Him,  
He'll never cast me out.

3. My heart is leaning on the Word,  
The living Word of God,  
Salvation by my Savior's name,  
Salvation through His blood.

4. My great physician heals the sick,  
The lost He came to save;  
For me His precious blood He shed,  
For me His life He gave. ♪

**...from the Sermon: MARY MAGDALENE'S TEARS...**

power of resurrection and still carry dead womb, sickness and afflictions; for you to carry this power you need to give your life to Jesus. Now is the time and it is possible. Let us pray. ♪

## WASTED GRACE<sup>3</sup> Key Scripture: 1 Peter 4:10

### Introduction

Of what benefit is a new car with full tank of fuel but parked in the garage for years without being driven anywhere? In a matter of time, it will become useless to itself and its owner. Read **Hebrews 6:7-8**. A man who does not recognise the 'gift' of God in him is a waste to himself and God.

### V. WASTED GRACE – CASE STUDIES

**Hebrews 12:15a** - *Exercise foresight and be on the watch to look* [after one another], *to see that no one falls back from and fails to secure God's grace* (His unmerited favor and spiritual blessing) ...AMP.

#### i. Abinadab – 1 Samuel 7:1-2

The Ark of the Lord rested at the hillside home of Abinadab for 20 years. Neither he nor his household benefited from it. On the contrary, the same Ark of the Lord was moved to the home of Obed-edom of Gath for 3 months. The Lord blessed him and his entire household – 2 Samuel 6:9-11. Abinadab wasted the time of his visitation from God and his period of grace was without benefits! What a shameful waste!

**You cannot have grace for what you do not embrace.**

#### ii. King Uzziah – 2 Chronicles 26

He was 16 when he became the King of Judah. During his 52-year reign, the Great God helped him to become successful (vs 5), famous and powerful (vs 8), and wonderfully very powerful (vs 15). After these gifts of grace, he became proud and this led to his downfall (vs 16 & 19). He fell from the grace - Galatians 5:4.

#### iii. Samson – Judges 16:4-21

Samson was **called** by God, **carried** away by lust, **comforted** by Delilah, **captured** by the Philistines, **crushed** by his enemies, **caged** at Gaza, and was finally **cut** off with his enemies! The best that Samson's soil could bring forth unto God, despite

the showers of gifts, was thorn and thistles – Hebrews 6:8. What a regret and a waste!

#### iv. Gehazi – 2 Kings 5:20-27

He was a servant to a great prophet of God – Elisha. He witnessed several mighty and awesome miracles done through his master. **He lived with a man of God, but the God of the man was not in him.**

He had trained himself to be greedy (2 Peter 2:14b) and he incurred the wrath of his master (Hebrews 13:17). The best legacy that he left for 2 generations after, was leprosy - vs 27. If you also indulge in robbing your parents, you are a murderer and due for judgement – Proverbs 28:24. Wasted grace indeed!

#### v. Ananias & Sapphira – Acts 5:1-10

The 'spirit' of Pentecost had no meaning to these couples' spiritual journey. They lied and died! Their death opened a new chapter of holiness, godly fear and mighty miracles for increase in the church. What a tragic example of wasted grace found in them!

#### vi. Judas Iscariot – Luke 22:1-6

He had uncommon and unequalled position among the 12 Disciples of Jesus Christ. He became greedy of filthy lucre. He did not experience the 'Pentecost' but had a plenty loss – Matthew 27:1-10. He was chosen to share in the ministry – Acts 1:17, but he lost it all - Acts 1:18-26. He saw, met, and fellowshipped with 'Grace', but he eventually lost it to greed and wasted it!

**2 Corinthians 6:1** - *We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain.* NKJV

### Next Week

We shall conclude this study series. Pray about it and invite someone. Let us pray. ♪