

LOVE IS THE INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNANCE

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First Bible Lesson: Matthew 22: 36-37

"Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind."

Second Bible Lesson: John 13: 34-35

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

Golden Text: 1 John 3:23

"And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment."

Brethren, let everybody open his ears and eyes, and broaden his intellect. Do not make noise. Do not fidget. Listen with rapt attention to the words proceeding out of the throne of God. That is necessary because as the whites say, "start well, end better." Today marks the beginning of Akwa Ibom State. Similarly, today is also the beginning of Cross River State. Because it is only one person who owns them both. The owner of the two States, who also owns other states in the country, as well as the continent and the world at large, sends this message to all the four corners of the world. This celebration is not exclusively for Akwa Ibom, or Cross River, or Nigeria, or Africa, or any particular geographical description. It is for the whole universe. This celebration was designed before the foundations of the world were laid. But as our Lord Jesus Christ said, heaven and earth shall pass away but my words shall not pass away till all are consummated. *"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away"* (Matt 24:35; Luke 21:33) Today marks the consummation of the word of God. Do not rejoice because of a state or a country. Do not rejoice because of a city or in feasting. This gospel, the Word of the Lord, is the exhortation sent to you today. A state is not a new thing. A country is not a new thing. A republic is not a new thing. Independence is not a new thing. But the gospel now preached, is the new thing before you.

It is said, a child who walks circumspectly will kill what killed his father, but a child who does not walk circumspectly, whatever killed his father, will kill him. It is for this reason that Isaac told his son to hunt for venison and make savory meat so that he could eat and bless him. *"Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and go out to the field, and take me some venison; And make me savoury meat, such as I love, and bring it to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless thee before I die."* Gen 27:3-4) Know this therefore that what we have gathered here for, is not to thank God but to receive blessings. You came to receive the key to

the city of God, which states and nations lack. The Father says you should today come and receive this key. Today's gospel is for all generations. It is my wish that it should be produced in a booklet and disseminated to all parts of the world because it is the key to the Kingdom of God, as well as the foundation of any state. A spiritual song says, a child asks of the Father in love, the Father accepts to give to the child in love, and the child should receive from the Father in love.

People mistakenly assert that God does not require anything from man. Who tells you that God does not require anything from man? I want to declare to the hearing of all the inhabitants of the world that God wants something from you. The heir, as long as he is a child, differeth not from a servant. In the same token, God told Abraham when he was not given any land, when he was yet without a child, nor where to place his foot: *"...Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance."* (Gen 15:13-14)

After they had been removed from bondage to that Promised Land, listen to what happened. As you have already been told through songs, and gospels, do not forget that the Israelites were under bondage in Egypt for about 430 years. Similar things to what happens now also happened in greater dimensions in those days. For this reason, when Moses was sent to remove the children of Israel from bondage in the hands of Pharaoh, God also promised that He would harden Pharaoh's heart. *"And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt."* (Exodus 7:3) *"And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and I will be honoured upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host; that the Egyptians may know that I am the LORD. And they did so."* (Exodus 14:4) *"But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go."* (Exodus 10:20) In the end, Moses answered that the people will neither believe him nor hearken unto his voice. And the Lord said unto him; what is that in thine hand? And he said, a rod. And He said, cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent. *"And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it."* (Exodus 4:3) God showed Moses other signs which he had to use in persuading both Pharaoh and the elders of Israel.

This goes to show that this is a shortcut to heaven while the other is a very long route. Moses showed the signs. He caused water to turn to blood but Pharaoh did not let the Israelites go. I do not want to treat the story in detail, but to make it as brief as possible so that I may deliver the core of my message to you. Because, when there is a consensus, there is harmony. You are the children of Israel and today history has repeated itself. You will learn a lesson from the analogy. The whites say that experience is the best teacher. You will have your lessons to learn so that what befell them may not come to you. All the same, to say God forbid, does not prevent the occurrence of death because what has been written has been written. What happened thereafter? At the manifestation of each sign, Pharaoh promised to release the Israelites. At the end of such a sign, he would refuse to keep his word, and challenged that Moses should do whatever he wished.

All the resistance by Pharaoh was caused by the Father. This is so because God had told Moses to ask for the release of the children of Israel, but that He would harden the heart of Pharaoh. All the happenings around are caused by the Father. No man is responsible for any event; neither shall man be responsible for any future events. That is the bit I want you to understand. In the end, God told Moses that the Israelites should celebrate a feast. *“Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house: And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats.”* (Exodus 12: 3-5) Everyone was to kill it in the evening and use the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat. No part of the animal was to remain till morning. Whatever remained was to be burnt.

You are familiar with the spiritual chorus: *“It is only the King who knows the secret of his Kingdom.”* We all float like oil on top of water. When He instructs you to do anything, go and do so, no matter how stupid it appears. Do it without questioning. When the Israelites were celebrating the feast, the Egyptians looked at them as inconsequential and stupid. Early the following morning all the male first born in Egypt, including Pharaoh's son, died. It was after this that Pharaoh sent for Moses: *“And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, and get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the Lord, as ye have said.”* (Ex 12:31) Brethren can you see what feast can accomplish? Do you see the handiwork of God? What man cannot do, God can do.

Brethren, I do not want to expatiate in detail. I am merely scratching the periphery. Connect the illustration above to our own experience. I am merely linking up the past with the present. Realize that before it was said that they shall come to this land and serve me, there was a particular thing they were meant to go and do. I do not want to delve into the inconveniences they met on the way. I am using this analogy as a premise so that we can guard against what happened to the Israelites. The exhortations you receive today were such as were meant for you before the creation of heaven and earth. It is for this reason that I say that today's lesson is a guide to every home and state. No matter the volume, it will be printed into a booklet so that if you want to depart from the path, it would serve as a reminder to all of you.

When the children of Israel left Egypt, they thought that the Canaan of their dream was an already built and furnished city, which flowed with milk and honey. They equally expected such provisions as store buildings, ocean going ships, money stored for them in hundreds of thousands. They were eager to inherit that land. Republicanism is not a joke. You Blacks do not understand the true concept of Republicanism. You do not understand what is meant by independence. The whites are also ignorant of its true meaning. The gospel I have given to you is

meant for all Nigerians and Africans. Today, has the whole world been given true independence? Whatever was left will be released, so that this injunction may be kept by all the inhabitants of the world without hindrances.

Firstly, two spies were sent by the Israelites to study what the Promised Land looked like. When they arrived, one of them wanted to discourage the other regarding what they saw. Throughout their exodus in the wilderness, they had not met with such strong persons as the occupants of that land. One of the spies wanted to go and tell others that they would not be able to penetrate the land. The other spy discouraged him from his pessimism. When they returned, they told God that they had not found that land. The land they saw, since they started fighting, they had not met with such persons. Some people had twelve faces, while others had four. They were very gigantic. That was the land kept for their fathers by God. What reply did God give to them? God told them that He had no other land to give to them, that the land they saw was that which was promised. If they could, they were to acquire it, if not, it was their business. That was the first hurdle.

Secondly, when they had completed the acquisition of the land, Joshua stood up among his people and said, choose you this day whom you will serve, whether the God that had eyes but could not see, ears but could not hear, legs but cannot walk, but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord who brought us and our fathers out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. *“And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”* (Joshua 24:15) Remember that God had promised to lead the Israelites out of bondage to a land He had promised them, where they will serve God. They no longer had to serve themselves but on that land, had to serve the Lord God.

What can a murderer do for God? What can a person who holds tenaciously to the traditional belief that God does not die and the Ikpo masquerade does not die, able to do for God? What can a person who says that God does not die and so the Ekpe, or Obon cults does not die do for God? Do you not realize the situation clearly enough? God has saved Nigeria so that we may come and serve Him. God saves Africa so that we can serve Him. God saves the entire world so that they may serve Him. He has now created the Akwa Ibom State so that we may serve Him. It is not for us to serve ourselves or to continue in indulgence in the preparation of concoction, hatred, murder and strife. If we should continue in this way, what will be the use of such an act of benevolence? What shall it then benefit God? This now explains why you are today gathered here, to be told, *"This is my commandment that ye love one another."* (John 15:12) That is the commandment of this new Kingdom.

We are all true witnesses to the fact that Cross River State and indeed this part of the world lacks in economic and political powers. But religious power is sufficient unto us. God, even the Holy Spirit, is sufficient unto us in this part of the globe. However, I do not want to delve into that

area, because it is better to inherit God from your father and mother than to inherit wealth. The scripture says, seek ye first the Kingdom of God and its righteousness and all other things shall be added unto you. *“But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.”* (Luke 12:31) That is the great injunction. At all times, the Word of God is a two-edged sword. After God had created everything, He commanded Adam and Eve to freely eat; *“But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.”* (Gen 2:17) God gave Adam the power of superintendency over fishes, animals, birds, trees and other creatures of God and also gave him the injunction not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil for any day he ate of it, he shall die. Because of disobedience, the world is beset with problems. At all times, God had a plan and purpose for His chosen people. By right, the first thing you should seek to know after manifesting on this plane is the plan of God for you. You should find out why He has sent you, who your maker is, and what He wants you to do. If you are a chosen one of God and you do that which God wants of you, you will reap the fruits of your labour.

You will recall that during the exodus, before the Israelites finally settled on the Promised Land, Moses went to the mount to receive commandments from the hands of God. The commandment stated why God wanted the Israelites and what they were required to do. Today, has the Lord set for Akwa Ibom, Cross River, Nigeria, and indeed the whole world, to receive this commandment from God in the manner given to Moses? I want you to read Exodus Chapter 20. I do not want to recite anything by heart. Many of you claim you are Christians and do attend Qua Iboe Church, Lutheran, Roman Catholic and so forth. Some claim to belong to different geographical environments. Check yourself whether you have conformed with the will of God as prescribed in the text below.

Exodus 20:1-17

“And God spake all these words, saying, I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it. Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou

shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's."

Let our first lesson be read.

First Bible Lesson: Matthew 22:36-37

"Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind."

Who is the man who says that God does not require anything from man? Can you not see what God wants? God wants us to love Him with all our hearts, and with all our souls, and with all our minds. He has given us this state, given us independence and granted us freedom. He has sent us here so that we may love Him with all our hearts, with all our minds, in all our lives, and all about us. The fore requirement is: Thou shalt have no other gods before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them. You should not eat their food nor have anything to do with them. But love your God. All the commandments revolve around this.

This explains why God gives us the freedom to liberate the whole of Africa and the world at large so that we can serve Him, love Him with all our hearts, and souls, and minds. When you are under a foreign rule, you are like a little child, and no better than a slave. Then you are subjected to worshipping strange gods. Now that you have been liberated, and have been given a state or land of your own, you are free to love God with all your hearts, and souls, and minds, and to serve the Lord God alone. What happens to Nigeria, and Africa, and the whole world is like unto what happened to the children of Israel. What happens to all the inhabitants of the world is what happened to Adam and Eve. That is why I tell you that the word of God is a two edged sword. God kept gold, other precious pearls, as well as other good gifts of God in the Garden of Eden and kept Adam and Eve to enjoy them all. There was neither hunger, nor lack, nor sickness, nor night. There was no problem. There was nothing like quarrelling and fighting among them. Man and animals lived together. That was as long as man kept God's instructions and did not violate the law of God by eating of the forbidden fruit. But right from the time he ate of the forbidden fruit, God removed him from the garden. Right from that day, man became subjected to punishments and sufferings.

This explains why I tell you that a child who walks circumspectly will kill that which killed his father, but a child who is not circumspect, even what killed his father will kill him. When the Israelites left the worship of strange and false gods in Egypt, they were given the commandment to usher in a new way of life. They accepted the commandments with joy. But in the long run, they returned to their former deeds, sacrificed unto idols, poured libation to the gods of their fore-fathers, committed fornication, murmured against God.

If you read 1st Corinthians 10:7-11, you will see what happened to them. It says: *“Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Now all these things happened unto them for examples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.”*

The Israelites themselves, in the face of their fate, regretted having come out of bondage, from the land of Egypt. Today have Africans not regretted? Have the inhabitants of the world not regretted? Can you not see the magnitude of man’s suffering? Where is life? Why are things the way they are with you? It is because you have forgotten the exhortations of the Lord and have entered into the path of iniquity. He saved us so that we may serve Him but you have all the while refused. It is for this reason that we are called today, to bring to our remembrance all that we had forgotten and reaffirm God's stand concerning His expectations. What is going to be our instrument of governance in this new Kingdom of God?

Let our second lesson be read.

Second Bible Lesson: John 13:34-35

"A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

I have committed myself. You have committed yourself. All of us have committed ourselves by saying that God has given us the state. Here is God giving us His first commandment to love Him with all our hearts, and with all our souls and with all our minds. Now our Lord Jesus Christ has spoken of a new commandment which is to love one another. By this shall all men know that we are the children of God. Our weapon of war here is no other thing beside love. You can now see that if all Africans were to possess love, or if the whole world were to possess love, there would have been no problems.

It is not a man-made law. It is not the instruction of a village or clan head, or that of a government. It is the commandment of God. A new commandment I give unto you that you love one another even as I love you. By this shall all men know that we are the children of God. Is it an apparition that has given you this state? Or is it mermaid, or the Ekpe or Obon cults that has given you this state? Is it man or money that has given you this State? The State is given to you by Jehovah God and His Christ. Therefore, you have to obey Him. That is God's injunction to us all. It was for this reason that we were called. Our Lord Jesus Christ reemphasizes love at this creation of the new state, that you love one another. That is the required instrument of governance in this state, and in the whole country of Nigeria, as well as the whole world. This is the way of life that God wants from us.

It is for this reason that our Lord Jesus Christ says, "*And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.*" (John 10:16) The person who has given us this state, is our Lord Jesus Christ. His blood has amalgamated the inhabitants of the world. It is neither angels nor man, neither white nor black. Our Lord Jesus Christ has liberated the whole world so that we may live in love. It is love alone that is our instrument of governance.

If independence were to be gained by money, Africa would have remained in perpetual slavery. If it were based on wisdom, Africa would have perished in slavery. If considerations were placed on power, or any other conditions, we would have had it tough. But since all conditions are based on the love of our Lord Jesus Christ, His blood has redeemed us so that no one may have an excuse, and that we may love one another, and walk according to His commandments. That is why He has called on us and indeed all the inhabitants of the world. Whichever place is left unliberated, whether it is South Africa or elsewhere, our Lord Jesus Christ will liberate them all. Our Lord Jesus Christ enjoins us: "*If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.*" (John 15:10) Right now, it is expedient for all Cross River or Akwa Ibom indigenes to love each other. All Nigerians, Africans and the whites should love each other. Everybody is Brotherhood, and therefore, it is justified and right for us all to love one another.

When our Lord Jesus Christ told the Jews about the doctrine of love, they said He was demented. If they had practiced this lesson, they would have ruled the whole world. Since you are the children of Israel, the Father had given an instruction since 1983, and this instruction was contained in a circular which stipulated that from a certain time, people should refrain from all manners of sin; every person should reconcile with their adversaries. Also, every person was enjoined to live in peace. Later, all those from the then mainland part of Cross River State were directed to celebrate a unity feast as the children of Israel were directed to do.

Here comes a requirement from our Lord Jesus Christ. A new commandment I give unto you that you love one another even as I had loved you. If we love all men, going into nooks and corners, into waters and everywhere that man is found, not only in Cross River State, or Akwa Ibom State, or Rivers or Anambra State, but throughout the white and black world; by this shall all men know that you are the children of God. There are many things we should receive from the hands of God but for our disobedience and stubbornness. There is nothing that love cannot accomplish because love does no wrong to his neighbor. Love is the fulfillment of the law. A new commandment is given to Akwa Ibom, Cross River State and indeed the whole world that we love one another even as our Lord Jesus Christ loves us.

Even if you call yourself a Pope or a Bishop or Jesus Christ, or Jehovah, if you do not love all men, you deceive yourself, not God, with your hypocrisy. It is a veritable truth that only the children of God hear the word of God. It does seem as if God wants to use the indigenous people of Akwa Ibom to set an example for all the inhabitants of the world. This is evident because our

Lord Jesus Christ had said that as the lightening passes from the east to the west, so shall the coming of the Son of man. *“Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.”* (Matt 24:26)

Time was not when our Lord Jesus Christ ceased to exist. There was no time that God did not exist. There was no time that there were not prophets. But if God does not reveal Himself to man, no one will know Him. If God reveals Himself to you; is this not greater than your possessing cars, ocean going steamers, being a chief, or governor? The worldly achievements are but naught. The greatest thing is for God to reveal Himself to you. Throughout the whole world, the place where God reveals Himself more lavishly, where God is conscientiously believed, is Akwa Ibom. You are a true witness of the love of God to this group of people. It is not an easy thing for a millionaire to know God. It is not an easy thing for members of secret societies to turn to God. It is not an easy thing for a Chief, or Royal Highness, or Professor or any prominent young man or woman to turn to God if it were not that God revealed Himself to such a person.

As our Lord Jesus Christ says: *“All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.”* (Matt 11:27) This also explains why our Lord Jesus Christ asked His disciples; whom do men say I am? They told Him; some say you are John the Baptist, some say you are Elijah and others say you are Jeremiah. He turned and asked them; whom do you say I am? Peter rose up and told Him, you are the Christ, the Son of the High God. *“And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.”* (Matt 16:17)

Can you not see the implications clearly? While others are saying till our Lord Jesus Christ comes back, or complain that Lord Jehovah has departed from us, here we are with our Lord Jesus Christ, with the Almighty God, with all the angels; God is supreme. Our Lord Jesus Christ has revealed Himself to all from Akwa Ibom State. There is no person to whom He is not revealed. Even those who claim to be enemies, or those who claim they are from other states, He has revealed Himself to them as well. Can you not see that we are a lucky set of human beings? We are indeed the luckiest. Imagine the number of people anywhere you go that there is Brotherhood; you will find people from Akwa Ibom forming the majority.

If there is a lucky place, Akwa Ibom is the luckiest. If you are guided with this exhortation in all your dealings, Akwa Ibom State will become a world wonder. I know you have doubts in you. In spite of your doubts, go and practice this gospel. Right from today, go and love one another, and you will then realize the proven power of God. If Nigerians practice this one gospel, and love one another, you will witness the progress in the country. Love is the only thing to rule the world. This is the reign of Jehovah God and His Christ. No other thing reigns. Neither hatred, nor malice, nor man, nor death, nor sickness reigns. It is only our Lord Jesus Christ who rules forever.

Let the golden text be read. It is your take home package.

Golden Text: 1 John 3:23

"And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment."

Have you heard what is read to you? That is all. These are the three most important injunctions. Firstly, love your God with all your heart, and with your soul, and with all your mind. Secondly, love one another even as He loves us. If you love all men, irrespective of state, country or race, all men shall know that you are a child of God. Finally, the golden text tells us, *"And this is His commandment, that we should believe on the name of His son, Jesus Christ, and love one another, as He gave us commandment."*

It is for this reason that whatever we want to say or do, we begin with, *"In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."* We do not just say Jesus because others answer the name, Jesus as well. When you say Jesus, are you referring to Bar Jesus or which? But this is our Lord Jesus Christ; the more reason we say: In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Salvation comes from Him. If you want to pray, or give testimony, or make any request, it is through His name. In addition, you should show the expression of love. Love one another as God commands you.

People contend that God has ten commandments. He does not have ten commandments. The commandments hang on this, that you love one another, and believe in the name of His Son; that is all. Ask all things in His name and you shall receive. *"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it."* (John 14:13-14) If you believe in the Name of His Son Jesus Christ, you will love one another as He commands us. Conversely, if you love one another as He commands us, you will not fail to believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ. It is said that faith goes with works. Faith without works is dead. *"For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also."* (James 2:26) You claim you believe in Jesus, and cry out everywhere; "O! Jesus." But you are stealing, committing murder, telling lies, indulging in the preparation of concoction, drinking, and hating others. Which Jesus do you profess? Your stand is not clear. You claim that you have love, that you commit neither fornication nor any act of sin, yet you do not believe in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. What you profess is in vain.

This love now preached to you is the instrument through which Akwa Ibom State, other states of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, and all the countries of this world will be governed. It will be used in this world and in the world to come. Let all call on the name of the Lord and He shall save them. The reason why I have cited these portions is to provide you ample opportunity to read at home. Many allege that Brotherhood is not a Christian organization, or does not know our Lord Jesus Christ, or that it is a vampire. The taste of the pudding is in the eating. Tell me any church denomination that practices this gospel.

In Brotherhood, all of us love the Lord our God with all our hearts, and with all our souls, and with all our minds. We love no other thing apart from Him. Here we love one another. Birds of the air, and animals in the bush; we love them all. We eat neither fish nor meat; talk less of killing them. All the inhabitants of this world are Brotherhood. Here we do nothing with any other name apart from the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We abide only in His love. We do not submit to the ordinances of men. We do not imitate any person. Our attention is focused on this word of God. I therefore call on all and sundry, whites and blacks, Cross Riverians and Nigerians, angels and men, and the created and uncreated things, to look at Him and to trust in Him alone.

A stroke of the cane is sufficient unto the wise. I do not intend to be tedious unto you. He who has ears, let him hear. May God Bless His Holy Words, A-men.

Thank You Father!