

Sunday Service via Facebook Live January 24, 2021 Bishop C. Anthony Muse

Church Theme 2021: "Our Year to Conquer Through Christ!" Bible Reference: Romans 8:37

Subject: "Down to My Last, But Still a Conqueror!"

Scripture References:

- 1. I Kings 17:8-16
- 2. St. Matthew 9:26
- 3. St. Mark 9:23
- 4. Proverbs 23:7
- 5. I Kings 18
- 6. II Chronicles 7:13-14
- 7. Lamentations 1:1
- 8. Deuteronomy 15:11

Notes:

- The Word of God is my more than enough!
 - Focus on the bread, oil, and water...a natural manifestation of something going on in the supernatural. o Today's lesson will focus on the widow.
- At the end of each day, you should be able to reflect on your actions that occurred throughout the day and say, "Today, I conquered this through Christ!"

<u>Premise</u>: Becoming a conqueror through Christ is never solely dependent upon our own resources. Our human inadequacy never limits God's supply. Possessing the mind of a conqueror together with practicing our faith will always equal "God's more than enough."

<u>Takeaways</u>:

- 1. Spiritually speaking, at times, we all face the effects of being widowed. These are times when we must trust God even though we don't understand what He's doing.
- 2. Becoming a conqueror through Christ means accepting from God challenges that appear to be impossible. These are the times when He wants us to step out on faith and experience what it means to conquer through Christ.
- 3. Neither our emptiness or lack means God is limited. The conqueror through Christ always experiences God's power and overflow.
- Don't you know...God is able?

- When you become a new creation in Christ, a new mind cannot be absent.
- Have you seen or experienced your new creation lately?
- If you are going to be a new creation, you will receive a new "Mind of Christ."
- The Mind of Christ is the total opposite of almost everything you put into your old mind before you received salvation. Before you got saved, you operated off the mind of the flesh...worldly knowledge and worldly intelligence.
- This new mind is to challenge your old thinking, behavior, lifestyle, and mindset.
- The challenge is practicing your faith...Your faith must compare God's new to your old; what you used to be or like.
- Through Christ, you are transformed by the renewing of your mind.
 - o Transformed means changed. You must change your heart, behavior and thinking.
- Converted means to turn around from everything that used to please your flesh and figure out how Jesus will be the center of your life. How you will serve Him and Him alone?
- You are more than conquerors. If you are more than conquerors, the transformation starts somewhere. The transformation begins in your mind.
- No New Year's Resolutions, but we want Biblical Solutions to everything. You have to search the Word. If the Word is not in your mind, then you will never be able to experience the life that God has for you nor will you experience Godly transformation. There is something that happened to this widow. She experienced a mind transformation!!!
- Have you experienced God's transformation in your mind, behavior, and thinking? Have you leaned totally on God or just to your own understanding? Many Christians lean to their own understanding. Have you been transformed? Have you emptied your mind of the fleshly thinking that was generally designed to take more from God and give more to your flesh? When you have a mind transformation, you think about...How can I give more to God and defeat the old me and give more to God?
- Where do you get the power and positive thinking? What is positive to you may not be positive to God.
- The Power of Biblical Thinking is when God's word in your mind is manifested.
- You can have nothing for God, unless it first comes into and settles in your mind. What you put into your mind is fed into your spirit. So, you have to look into your mindset. Belief starts in your mind. Through Christ, I can think and believe...I can do it!
- If you believe, the Power of Biblical Thinking cancels failure. When you put these two scriptures together...St. Matthew 9:26 and St. Mark 9:23 as well as believe, you can be like God right here on Earth.
- When you have the mind to walk, you refuse to be defeated! So, don't let the devil put fleshly things into your mind to the point where you don't have any authority over your mind and you cannot control your thinking. You must put the things of God into your mind and believe that through Christ, you can do all things and that you are more than a conqueror! No matter what the battle is, you are more than a conqueror!
- We all face times when we are widowed. These are the times that you have to trust God, even when you don't understand!

Point 1: I am NEVER helpless! I have spiritual options!

- I have supernatural options!
- Put on the mind of Christ. The scripture says, as a man thinks in his heart, so shall he be. (Proverbs 23:7)
- Satan says failure, I say success.
- Satan says loss, I say victory.
- Satan says sick, I say well.
- Transform your mind and you will see a manifestation of God in your situation!
- Sometimes all you need to get through your situation is a little bit of bread, oil, and water from on High.
- Jesus is the "Bread of Life!!!"
- Elijah told the widow, change your mind! Elijah told her to make the bread/cake, but bring him some first.
- During your meditation/reading time, read I Kings 18.
- Those who are unbelievers are already in a famine. When there is a famine in the land of believers, that means we said that we believe God, but believe or do the opposite.
- II Chronicles 7:14
 - God is not saying when the church gets right, the world will get right.
 - The best that the church can do is be better Christians and witnesses. Be a better light to the world.
 - The world is reaping what it has sown. It is reaping years of greed, racism, and neglect coming to a head.
 - o Blame the church for what's happening in the church, not what's happening in the world.

- Widow is one in need of protection and provision. A widower is one who loss her spouse.
- The world can do as it pleases, but the people of God are under God's law.
- The law of God's people is for those who are under God's covenant.
- Under the law of Moses, in the nation of Israel, the widow was always to be taken care of. If the widow had no children, she was to marry the nearest relative of her late husband to provide and protect her. However, this widow didn't live in Israel, she lived in Zarephath, which was a land not guided by the laws of God. It was a gentile land. She lived in a pagan land; they worshipped other gods.
- Sometimes you will experience times in your life when your brook will dry up. Your back will be up against the wall. However, you must learn to reject the spirit of defeat!!!
- When you have a mind to follow Christ, there will be some things that God will tell you to do that you wouldn't normally do because God is trying to give you some things that you would not normally have!!!

Point 2: Our God is NEVER out of options!

- The Power of Biblical Thinking is in my mind. I can NEVER think that God has left me!
- God moves in mysterious ways...His wonders to perform.
- The widow had to conquer her mind!
- I may be down to my last, but I'm still a conqueror.
- Sometimes God will ask you to do something, not because He needs it, but He want to test you. He wants you to know what you are capable of doing. He wants you to know if you really believe what you say you believe or are you a perpetrator...afraid to step out on faith.
- God wants you to prove to Him that He is first in your life!
- Everything that God wants from you, He already gave it to you in the first place. God gave you time, money, etc. So, give God what is already His!!! Give him your time, your tithe, and offering. Stop acting like God is trying to rob you.
- Sometimes God needs something in the natural, so that He can operate in the supernatural.
- With God, you're never out of options. This may be your last, but thank God it is not His last!
- It's okay to step out on faith.
- Sow into God!!! Sow God into your mind...my God shall supply all of your need!
- In the midst of this pandemic, I want to see God's overflow. I want to see the power of God at work!

Point 3: Let go and let God!

- Sometimes you have to let go and let God fill in the blank. You and God can fill in the blank...let God do a I Kings 17:14!!!
- In the name of Jesus, I'm getting ready for more rain. I've been through my dry spell long enough. The windows of Heaven are open and the clouds are about to burst. The water is about to fall. It's about to rain on my dry land.
- The Power of Biblical Thinking leads you to say something and do something. Then let go and let God work a miracle.
- In the name of Jesus if you believe in your heart, spirit and in your mind that you have some bread, oil, and water, then you will have success! The bread represents the Bread of Heaven. You may not have what you need right now, but in due season God will send you what you need. The oil to mix with the bread represents the unction; the anointing of the Holy Ghost. When the Holy Ghost mixes with your situation, you are more than a conqueror.
- Do you have some water in your house? Water represents the baptism; the experience between death and life.
- If you give the little that you have, God will provide for you! God will give you more than enough that will last you throughout the famine! God will give us enough until the famine is over!!! Praise God!!!
- Rejoice and praise god because a miracle is on the way! Praise God because you are happy and free!
- You can be down to your last, but you are more than a conqueror.
- God will send breakthrough to your house, finances, health, and every situation!!!

• If you're going to be a conqueror, you must have the mind and the Power of Biblical Thinking!

Prayer of Salvation:

Salvation is not to make you perfect, but it is to make you better and to know that your sins have been paid for! If
you are not saved today or need to rededicate to Christ, please stop and say this prayer unto God...Father, I have
sinned. I thank you for Jesus who died on the cross for my sins. Come into my heart and save me. I receive you
and because I ask and I believe, I am saved forever!!! Amen!!! Hallelujah!!!

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