



## ABUSE in Marriage

**Ephesians 5:1-33**

### WELCOME MESSAGE *By Folorunso Alakija (Mrs)*

I welcome you all to the first university of marriage retreat. This month's theme is titled "Abuse in Marriage"

Psalm 11:5 says,  
The Lord tests the righteous, but the wicked and the one who loves violence His soul hates.

The scripture above is an example of God condemning violence or violent behaviour. In fact, throughout the bible, all forms of violence is considered an offence against God and against humanity. Even though the word abuse is not explicitly written in the bible, we can see the term "oppression" can be seen everywhere in the bible.

According to the Oxford Dictionary, oppression is described as "prolonged cruel or unjust treatment or exercise of authority" which is abuse.

Abuse in marriage can come in different forms, it could either be physical, sexual, emotional, verbal or financial. Furthermore, it has been proven that it is not only women that suffer from spousal abuse, men suffer too.

- Why do we have rising cases of abuse in marriage?
- How did couples who started out loving

each other end up being a cause of pain and agony to each other?

- How does one miss the signs before and during marriage?
- How do we deal with it?

To answer these questions, first, we must acknowledge that the marriage institution was ordained by God and His word has sufficient solutions and remedies for all marital woes.

God's desire is that the home should be a haven. A place where both the husband and wife will love, cherish and enjoy each other's company.

I pray that every bleeding and hurting heart will receive the healing power of God and I decree and declare the peace of God in every troubled home in Jesus name.

As usual, our Newsletter is full of prayers, memory verses and testimonies to bless you. Let's distribute it with our loved ones and also use it as an evangelism tool to win souls to Christ.

Yours in His Service,  
Be refreshed in-His-presence.



Your Servant-Leader

### HYMN:

**NOT A FRIEND LIKE THE LOWLY JESUS.**

Verse 1

There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus,  
No, not one! no, not one!  
None else could heal all our soul's diseases,  
No, not one! no, not one!

Chorus

Jesus knows all about our struggles,  
He will guide till the day is done;  
There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus,  
No, not one! no, not one!

Verse 2

No friend like Him is so high and holy,  
No, not one! no, not one!  
And yet no friend is so meek and lowly,  
No, not one! no, not one!

Verse 3

There's not an hour that He is not near us,  
No, not one! No, not one!  
No night so dark but His love can cheer us,  
No, not one! No, not one!

Verse 4

Did ever saint find this Friend forsake him?  
No, not one! no, not one!  
Or sinner find that He would not take him?  
No, not one! no, not one!

### Vision

To restore the glory of the Lord's people, release those in bondage, heal the sick and the broken-hearted and uphold marriages towards effective nation building.

### Mission

Delivering and defending the afflicted in the body of Christ by applying the word of God, praising God for breakthroughs, counselling and testimonies through the power of His might.

### Values

#### Holiness:

<b>H</b> -Humility	<b>I</b> -Integrity	<b>E</b> -Empathy
<b>O</b> - Orderliness	<b>N</b> -Neighbourliness	<b>S</b> -Service
<b>L</b> -Love		<b>S</b> -Sacrifice

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## PRAYERS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

# Prayers



...The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

James 5:16

- Father, I thank You for the wonderful family and home You have given me.
- I praise You Lord for preserving and protecting every member of my family.
- Father, I thank you for giving me and my household countless reasons to celebrate this year.
- I decree and declare that my family and I are for signs and wonders in Jesus name.
- I plead the blood of Jesus Christ against every satanic operation that may provoke abuse in my home and marriage, negating them and rendering them useless in the Name of Jesus.

### MEMORY VERSES *(All scriptures quoted from the NKJV)*

- **Week 1:** Proverbs 18:22. "He who finds a wife finds a good thing, And obtains favour from the LORD"
- **Week 2:** Proverbs 5:18. "Let your fountain be blessed, And rejoice with the wife of your youth"
- **Week 3:** Malachi 2:16 "For the LORD God of Israel says That He hates divorce, For it covers one's garment with violence, Says the LORD of hosts". "Therefore, take heed to your spirit, that you do not deal treacherously."
- **Week 4:** Hebrew 13:4 "Marriage *is* honourable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge."
- **Week 5:** 1 Peter 4:8. "And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins".

### CONFESSIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

- I thank God for healing me from a strange ailment just by pleading the Blood of Jesus Christ.  
- **Roli Okome**
- I thank God for averting a fatal accident which would have claimed my life and the lives of my family members.  
- **Mr Kehinde Philips**
- I thank God for my son's birthday. I also thank the Lord for ordaining me as a Pastor in Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministry.  
- **Pastor Mrs Yemisi Olurinde**
- I thank God for the life of my granddaughter who celebrated her eighteenth (18) birthday this year.  
- **Reverend S.B. Sorinwa**

- In the mighty name of Jesus, I decree and declare that my home will experience divine peace and joy like never before. No evil comes near us and no plague comes near our dwelling.
- I prophesy that my household and I enjoy unlimited provision, unhindered promotion and undeterred protection throughout 2020 in the mighty Name of Jesus Christ, Amen.
- I proclaim that in this month of March, we are marching out from sorrow to Joy, from ashes to beauty, from pains to praise, from unrest to peace, from failure to success, from barrenness to fruitfulness, from lack to abundance and from defeat to victory in Jesus mighty Name, Amen.
- I decree and declare that in this month of March and beyond, there shall always be shouts of celebration and victory in my life and home in the mighty Name of Jesus Christ, Amen.
- I testify like Joshua, that my family and I shall serve the Lord forever and give no room for satanic manipulations in our home/marriage in Jesus Name.

## SALVATION PRAYER

Dear God, I come to You in the name of Jesus. I acknowledge to You that I am a sinner and I am sorry for my sins and the life that I have lived; I need Your forgiveness.

I believe that Your only begotten Son Jesus Christ shed His precious blood on the cross at Calvary and died for my sins, and I am now willing to turn from my sins.

You said in Your Holy Word, Romans 10:9 that if we confess the Lord our God and believe in our hearts that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead, we shall be saved.

Right now, I confess Jesus as the Lord of my soul. With my heart, I believe that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead and I accept Him as my Lord and personal Saviour, so according to His Word, I am saved.

Thank You Jesus for Your unlimited grace which has saved me from my sins. I thank You that Your grace never leads to license, but to repentance. Therefore Lord Jesus, transform my life so that I may bring glory and honour to You alone and not to myself. Thank You Jesus for dying for me and giving me eternal life. Amen



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Tuesday Fellowship:

Lunch Hour  
12:30pm - 1:30pm

Evening Fellowship  
6:00pm - 7:30pm

Easter Prayer Retreat

11th April, 2020

Time: 1:00pm – 4:00pm

VENUE

**Rose of Sharon Glorious Ministry Int'l**  
14 Ogunlana Drive, Surulere, Lagos.

Annual Single's Conference holds  
on the 2nd of May 2020

Annual Marriage Conference holds on the  
12<sup>th</sup> of September 2020

VENUE: Rosetree Event Centre  
ADDRESS: Plot 10b/11b Senrolo Street,  
Dideolu Estate precisely behind RCCG City of David,  
Oniru, Victoria Island, Lagos.

National Crusade 2020  
Date: Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2020

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Theme Song  
*Yes Lord!*

*I'm trading my sickness / sorrow  
I'm trading my pain  
I'm laying them down  
For the joy of the Lord...*

**Chorus:**

*Yes Lord! Yes Lord!  
Yes Yes Lord! 3x Amen!*



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