RADIO MINISTRY

DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAM 92.1 FM OPM Radio Jinja-Uganda &

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Date: 25th July 2015

Time: 6:00 to 7:00 am Saturday

INTERRACTION SATURDAY

INTRODUCTION: After every four Saturdays, the fifth is an "interaction" one which allows listeners to call directly to the Radio station and:

- (i) Ask questions on the previous teachings,
- (ii) Make suggestions and give direction on topics to be tackled next.
- (iii) Give comments on the quality of message, interpretation, studio output, etc.,
- (iv) Or any other things that they deem necessary.

I very much need this feed back from my listeners and sponsors to help me evaluate the cost-effectiveness of this program in terms of resources, my effort and time. I always want serve people to the best of my ability, and that can only be possible when time is given for interactions.

The Interaction Saturday is divided into two main parts. The first 10 to 15 minutes will be a short teaching sermon on any topic, just to open the discussions, and thereafter open to the callers to call directly to the studio. I will then make responses appropriately.

PART 1. BRIEF SHARING ABOUT DISCIPLESHIP

TEXT: Mathew 28:18-20. And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

THEME: Discipleship

Jesus, just before He ascended, gave instructions to His disciples to make disciples of all nations. He did not send them to win converts of all nations. There is a big difference between "a convert" and "a disciple":

Evangelists are doing a commendable job; many souls are coming to the saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ daily, and churches are bursting out in numbers, especially Pentecostal churches in the Sub-Saharan region. Many people are desperate and are hungry for God. They have been given raw deals by the so-called cultural gods. People need genuine love from the true God.

Unfortunately, when these people come to church they do not find the opportunity to grow through a systematic discipleship program. These people are left to gamble their salvation on their own. As years pass by, it is unfortunately assumed they are mature enough to ascend to positions of responsibility and leadership in the churches. A majority of believers mistake paper qualification (degrees, diplomas and PhDs) to be a sign of attaining discipleship.

There are very few theological, and Bible-teaching institutions out there that give comprehensive "*Discipleship*" programs. *Theology* is an excellent foundation ob Biblical knowledge but appeals only to the *mind, and cannot transform anyone,* while *Discipleship* appeals to the *heart,* and with the power of Holy Spirit-energized words, makes changes and causes growth

The Word for, "disciple" comes from the Greek word, "Mathetes" which implied, learning something and applying what you have learned. It has all the three; the hearing, seeing and doing. This was the Principle in Ezra, the great priest who transformed worship in the

Temple in his time in Israel *Ezra 7:10* For *Ezra had set his heart to study the law of the LORD and to practice it, and to teach His statutes and ordinances in Israel.*

We have two important sources or tools for Discipleship; and these are the word (Logos) and the Holy Spirit (Rhema). A newborn Christian needs to be instructed in the Word that transforms his life (character, conduct, mind and attitude). The indwelling Holy Spirit effects the inward changes in a person through the Word.

To overcome the world, flesh and the devil, one needs the Word.

Psalm 119:9-12,105. How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to your word With all my heart I have sought You; Do not let me wander from Your commandments. Your word I have treasured in my heart, That I may not sin against You. Blessed are You, O LORD; Teach me Your statutes. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

When Jesus Christ clashed with the devil, the word of God was the weapon He used. **Matthew 4:5-11**. Then the devil took Him into the holy city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'HE WILL COMMAND HIS ANGELS CONCERNING YOU, AND THEY WILL LIFT YOU UP IN THEIR HANDS, SO THAT YOU WILL NOT STRIKE YOUR FOOT AGAINST A STONE.'

Jesus said to him, "On the other hand, it is written, 'You shall not put the LORD YOUR GOD TO THE TEST.'"

Again, the devil took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; and he said to Him, "All these things I will give you, if you fall down and worship me." Then Jesus said to him, "Go, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord Your God, and serve HIM ONLY, Then the devil left Him; and behold, angels came and began to minister to Him.

The Word of God is the only sword against the devil and the flesh.

The devil does not fear how much one sings, performs miracles, but he certainly fears how much of the Word does he have and ready to apply with the help of the Holy Spirit.

This Radio program is meant to mentor Christian believers across the board though Bible-centered teaching.

PART TWO: CALLS FROM THE LISTENERS

We enjoyed several calls coming in. A majority of the callers were using the interaction time to send in their gratitude to God, and to me for the "Discipleship" program. I was very much encouraged to know that I am touching lives of people.

More than seven callers had personal problems that needed one-toone session with a counselor. I have invited them to come for a free counseling session with me, and this afternoon, I have invited one person for a counseling session with me in my office in Jinja.

However, there were questions on how to tell a false servant of God from the correct one. My answer was to watch their fruits. I gave them thee most common bad fruits which they must take care about:

- (i) Their Ministry is not Christ centered, but an individual centered. The ministry exists to promote an individual dynasty rather than the kingdom of God
- (ii) Their ministry or services are commercialized. There is always a fee attached to every service or help rendered including prayers and
- (iii) The lifestyle and the walk of the man or woman purported to be the servant of God does not reflect scriptural holiness or biblical purity.

Such so-called servants of God live haphazard lives, fully indulge in sensual weakness and often in broken marital relationships and in sexual sin.

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Pray request: Pray that I do not drop off the radio program as the other time due to lack of sponsorship. Pray that I raise partners to give regularly (once a month) to sustain this program on the air every Saturday morning. It is a bit costly; nevertheless, I took a step of faith.



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