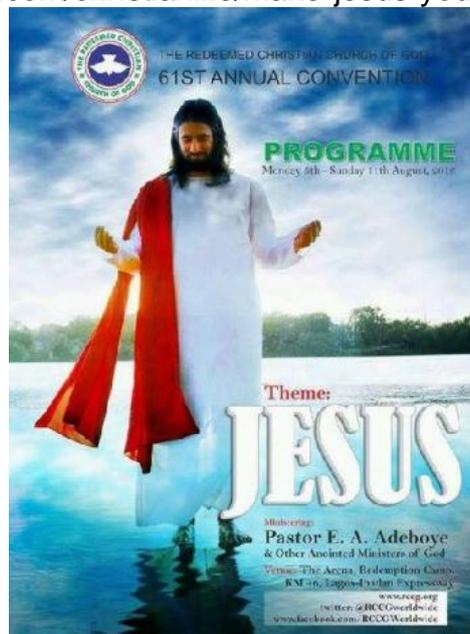


Make Jesus your Business Partner

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What is the point of gathering against the will and purpose of Him who will control it all - eventually. Many serve mammon as though mammon can challenge the reign of God. The worship of money is vain as Christ controls all the substance of the earth and the kingdoms bow to His purpose now and forever until He chooses to come and judge and burn up vanity

Genesis 47:14 And Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corn which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house.

Even Pharaoh serves ultimately the purpose of God. These are times when all that has been gathered bows to God, honours God either in service, judgment or in worship. God will ultimately do as He pleases - He proves that He reigns over everything ...even money.

Rev_11:15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in Heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

It is confusing that Joseph gathers money to Pharaoh ...but Pharaoh serves God ... in a sense that all of creation serves God - even Satan, has a purpose that he cannot deviate from. There is a purpose to the gathering and that purpose is known to God. It is a delusion that any plan to make money will hurt God ... the one who is able to gather everything to His glory - when He so desires. Many seek to make money outside God's ways - through evil and wickedness ... only to see God gather those

funds out of their hands into a process that will honor God - using whoever He wills, including Pharaoh. Another vanity is to think you can retain riches when God commands an outflow. God can cause the entire universe to release all it has gathered to Him - whether gathered righteously or not. But only the righteous will reign with Him. Pharaoh may be a gathering point - but it is Joseph that truly rules.

In summary, make Jesus your business partner. Let Him be the manager and inspiration of all your financial deals... get to know Him even on money matters. Begin to see Him reign and rule over your money ...walk with Him in your finances. Enjoy the benefits - similar to what the brothers of Joseph enjoyed as God rules over all the resources. Did He not say ...The silver is mine, the gold is mine.

Song

*I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold; I'd rather be His than have riches untold;
I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands; I'd rather be led by His nail-pierced
hand*

*Refrain: Than to be the king of a vast domain - And be held in sin's dread sway;
I'd rather have Jesus than anything - This world affords today.*

*I'd rather have Jesus than men's applause; I'd rather be faithful to His dear cause;
I'd rather have Jesus than worldwide fame; I'd rather be true to His holy name*

Prayer: Lord, Do not permit money take the place that belongs to you in my heart.
Amen

(Culled from "Songs of Joseph" ...A devotional written by the author)

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