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CHAPTER ONE

**100 HORRIBLE
FACTS ABOUT
IDOLATRY**

Idolatry is one of the causes of problems in the nations of the world.

The worship of idols has led individuals, families and communities into bondage. What appeared like innocent worship of idols by our forefathers has led to terrible bondage today. There are chronic diseases, acute poverty and mysterious tragedies.

Many people are wondering why they keep grappling with stubborn problems. Others wonder why they keep making the same mistakes. In some families there are problems that no one can explain. For some, it is suicide, for others it is insanity, for some others it is chronic poverty.

A lot of people are also victims of failure at the edge of breakthroughs, businesses have collapsed, marriages have failed, business ventures have yielded no result and problems keep coming in without invitation. It is simply because when idolatry is in place, problems are invited, tragedies are magnetised and backwardness is brought to the fore. We need to understand certain facts about idolatry so that we can know what it takes to

experience it.

OUR PAST

The exposition of 100 facts is important because many nations have idolatrous pasts. These facts will enable us to know why certain problems are prevalent among the certain races.

Many of us do not understand how we arrived at where we are now. Many cannot understand why there is a very bad and cruel leadership in most African nations. Many people cannot understand why in areas where there are good resources there are bad managers.

Psalms 106:19-20 says: They made a calf in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image. Thus they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass.

This passage is a lamentation from God. As far as He is concerned what they eat as food was like grass to God. The glory of our forefathers was changed to the glory of an ox that eateth grass. Because they did not serve the living God, they

served idols.

They forgot God's word: They made a calf in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image. Thus they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass.

OUR GREATEST PROBLEM

The passage talks about the bitter lamentations about idolatry. What is the greatest problem of the Blackman? It is idolatry. Idolatry has led to divine punishment extended even to future generations. Idolatry is a system devised by the devil to control the land, the family and the people. It is an abomination. It is a form of contention and rebellion against God. It promotes false worship, deception as well as animal and human sacrifice.

Exodus 20:2-5, says: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. "You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image — 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; you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate me."

The passage makes it clear that God gave a warning: "Thou shall not make any graven image." This means that you should not make and worship graven images looking like God, Jesus Christ or even the angels. Any worship of anything outside God, through Jesus Christ, is idolatry. Anything placed before or beside God is an idol.

God hates idolatry with perfect hatred. He sees idolatry as a spiritual prostitution. Once there is idolatry there is divine wrath. People should recognize that idolatry is a kind of marriage covenant. Africa has the largest altars and the largest number of idols. Africa has ignited strange fire and raised evil smokes to the devil, insulting God to His face.

MULTIPLE CURSES

Our idolatrous foundation affects our attitude to prayers. The worship of idols has brought biblical curses and punishment on the entire continent of Africa. Once a land is in bondage, nothing works there. This explains why so many Africans are suffering today. Our forefathers served all kinds of gods and the punishment of this spreads through generations. Because God said He would visit the iniquity of the father upon the children. He also said He would show mercy to those who love him.

Ex 20:6: But showing mercy to thousands, to those who love me and keep my commandments.

THE HUNDRED HORRIBLE FACTS

Number 1 Many societies in all parts of the world are in bondage to idolatry either past or present.

Number 2 Idolatry breeds other sins. It causes the heart to be hardened and turn away from God.

Number 3 It provokes the jealousy of God.

Number 4 It kindles the anger of God more than anything else.

Jeremiah 8 :1-2 says: At that time, saith the LORD, they shall bring out the bones of the kings of Judah, and the bones of his princes, and the bones of the priests, and the bones of the prophets, and the bones of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, out of their graves: And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have walked, and whom they have sought, and whom they have worshipped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth.

God's anger on the people of Jerusalem was kindled. God said that after they were dead and buried, their bones would be brought upon the face of the earth. If your name is attached to any idol, you are in trouble. Even if you did not come from a family that worshipped idol but you marry from such a family, you should go through deliverance because it is a serious

disaster. Just sharing a name with an idol can shut the gates of heaven against you.

Number 5: When people go into idolatry, they are joined in marriage with the spirits or gods they worship.

That is why some people cannot be free from spirit husbands or wives. They have already contracted a marriage many years ago. That is why some people cannot tell who is attacking them.

Number 6: People take on the image or personality of the spirit they worship.

They look like the spirit and talk like the spirit.

Number 7: Idolatry defiles people before God.

Number 8: It pollutes the land because of sacrifices.

Number 9: There is a generational dimension to idolatry. Once an idol is in your family, you are automatically a victim of its consequences.

Number 10: The judgment, punishment and other consequences of idolatry go on for at least four

generations.

Number 11: God calls idolatry iniquity. It is a sin before the Almighty.

Number 12: It puts satan over the control of a man and the land.

Number 13: It gives the kingdom of darkness legal authority and foothold in the affairs of men and their lives. Serious intercessory prayers would have cleared the bloodshed sometimes experienced amongst tribes.

Number 14: Idolatry is a chain that ties people to the prison of the past.

Number 15: Until you break free from idolatry, you can never move forward.

Most people have given their lives to Christ, read the Bible, gone for deliverance but at the slightest temptations they fall like a pack of cards. This is because they are still under the bondage of the idols worshipped by their forefathers. A man met a beautiful woman in a bus and fell in love with her at first sight. They got talking in the bus and he told

her that he would like to marry her. The woman said, "No problem, but you have to come to my house to see my mother. "The man noticed that the woman never mentioned her father.

They arranged the visit and she took the man to her mother. When they got to the house, the man who had a master's degree in Political Science, wondered why a beautiful girl like that would live in mud house. Her mother welcomed him and asked him, "Do you want to marry my daughter?" The man said, "Yes." The mother said, "We don't want any bride price, dowry or engagement ring, all we require is for you to go and see go her father in the forest." And the man said, "I will go."

A STRANGE MARRIAGE

When he came again, they took him to the forest and told him not to look back but at the men in front. As they went far into the forest, all of a sudden, some strange birds appeared and the men said, "Congratulations, you are now married." The birds

that appeared were the fathers of the bride! As they started living together as husband and wife, the man had no peace in his home. The wife was getting fat and he was getting lean. At a point somebody brought him to the church and he looked like an HIV patient. We said some prayers for him and by the time he got home, the wife who was waiting for him at the door, asked him, "Where are you coming from?" He said, "I am coming from MFM church." She said, "That church is not a friendly church. Darling, if you go there again, you will die." The man laughed and said, "I am ready to die, dear."

The man came again to church the next day and by the time he got home the woman had disappeared. For the first time, he slept peacefully unlike before when any time he slept, invisible fists were punching him and unseen powers were beating him.

The next morning, the man went to the house of his mother-in-law to look for his wife and her mother. Surprisingly, the house had vanished: the place had become a forest. During deliverance it was discovered that the man's idolatrous background was what put

him in trouble.

Brethren, until you break through from the bondage of idols, there are no moving forward. Even in this modern world, one finds sacrifices at crossroads. Even some university lecturers place sacrifices at the doorsteps of their colleagues when they struggle for promotion.

A man with a PhD degree fainted in front of the Lagos University Teaching Hospital (LUTH). Some people came and resuscitated him and offered to take him to the hospital but he said, "No." They wondered why he refused to go to the hospital. He refused because he tied terrible charms around his waist, underneath his clothes. He knew that if the doctors of the hospital should see the charms, they would be very surprised. Even the educated are being pushed to idol worship.

As I was going for a crusade one day, I saw people coming out to fight. Some tied red scarfs on their heads and some tied terrible charms on their legs. One was even carrying a dead goat's head on his neck. This was in a country where we are supposed to be

soaked with the gospel. Many stay in the city to pray to God but in the village somebody is pouring palm oil on an idol on their behalf.

No wonder the Bible says that the fathers have eaten grapes but the children's teeth are set on edge.

Number 16: Idolatrous chains become very cruel when you are struggling to be free from bondage.

Number 17: People who would have been winners, shakers and movers have been reduced to rats because of the chains of idolatry.

Number 18: A single chain of idolatry around the neck is enough to tie the entire body for years. Prophets have sometimes seen chains tied to the wrists, necks or legs of people they were ministering to. Such chains are symbols of idolatry.

Number 19: Idolatry is so bad that the great Apostle John used to say "Children keep yourselves away from idols."

Number 20: There are various levels of idolatry. There are continental idolatry, territorial idolatry, family idolatry and national idolatry.

At a time a research was carried out to find out the major idols people worship who in Africa. It showed showed that the major idols worshipped in Africa numbers over 400. In Nigeria alone there are about 100 popular idols.

Number 21: Local idols are known to be fierce and resolute. They demand what they want and you cannot deceive them. If you don't give them what they want, they keep on harassing you until you yield to their demands, unless you surrender to Jesus.

There was a lady in our church whom the major idol in her town sent a message: that the born-again lady would be its next wife. Every time this idol in her village must have a wife. Whoever was selected by that idol must not marry but would stay in the idol's house permanently and feed with the sacrifices given to the idols.

Whenever the wife of the idol died, the people would consult an oracle which would pick another wife for the idol. When the news came to the parents of the sister, who was born again, that she had been picked as the new wife of the idol, they cried and

cried. And they and the fetish priests came to Lagos to break the news to her.

The sister, who was not married, simply said, "Ok, no problem, when it is time for me to go, you should come and pick me." When the time came, they did all their sacrifices and offerings and then came to pick her in Lagos. She followed them. They clad her in white wrapper and put white chalk all over her body in preparation to handing her over to the idol, and rolled out the drums in celebration.

When they got to the idol's shrine, they began their incantations, thanking the idol for protecting the village. The fetish priest finally said, "As we hand over your wife to you, let this village continue to grow. Let there be prosperity in this village."

The sister, who had been on dry fasting for three days, stood and looked at the strange image for some time and sister said to it, "By the power of the God of Elijah, you idol, receive the fire of God." The people came back wondering who was talking. All of a sudden, fire fell from nowhere upon the idol and it broke into tiny pieces. When the fetish priests and

the people saw this they ran away in fear. The sister kept calling on them but they said, "No, you are the new idol now." That was how God used her to break the chains of idol worship in her village. She is now married and living in Lagos. If she did not know what to do, she would have been married to that idol for life.

Number 22. Idols have memory registers. They don't forget the covenant you signed with them. Even if the covenant was 300 years old, they will not forget. They have their own memory file.

Number 23. Idols are destructive. I remember a brother who retired and the company he worked for gave him millions of naira as his gratuity. He used the money to establish a poultry. Suddenly, something strange began to happen. Whenever he had lots of chickens to sell all would die a day before collection. When about 1,500 chickens died in a day it is a great loss. The loss was so bad that the man could not pay the salaries of his workers.

The man brought intercessors and they began to march around the place and pray. God gave one of the

pastors a revelation. He saw an idol right at the centre of that poultry eating chickens. When an investigation was done, it was found that the land on which he built the poultry was an idol's shrine and a chicken was sacrificed to the idol every year. Since the land was sold they stopped giving chickens to the idol. The man made a mistake by building a poultry on that land. The anger of chicken not being given to the idol made it to start eating chickens with reckless abandon.

Brother, where you site your business is as important as your business. If by mistake you build your business on an idol shrine, the idol will see that it does not prosper.

Our forefathers had lots of demonic intelligences. Any time missionaries wanted to build a church, they gave them evil forests where they threw dead pregnant women. Churches that were built in the 1920's and 1930's did not grow because of this fact. They remained the same size. The only man of God who succeeded in spite of being given an evil forest to build a church was Joseph Babalola. He dealt with

the idols seriously and built churches on lands where an evil forest God stood.

Number 24. Idolatry will put a chain around the neck of your potentials. When you have talents and potentials but you are not able to grow, the idols of your father's house are at work.

Number 25. They choke life out of freedom and joy.

Number 26. They make the sweet taste of success to turn sour.

Number 27. They pull down potentially blessed marriages.

Number 28. They supervise inherited oaths and covenants. They cage children to ensure that they do not fulfill their destiny.

Number 30. They render it difficult for children to serve the true, living God.

Number 31. They are blood-thirsty. Any time idols see that they are starved of blood they cause accidents and disasters so they can drink plenty of blood. Some river idols often capsize boats and

canoes to source for blood, when they are thirsty.

Number 32. They strengthen witchcraft and familiar spirits.

Number 33. They possess evil remote controlling powers.

Number 34. They have no respect for geographical location.

When you depart from your country hoping to find greener pastures, the idols will move out with you. The idols went with many people who run away from their place of birth to other countries, to harass them there.

We shall give more facts in the next chapter.

You must attack the idols of your father's house. They are zombies. They are dumb gods. You must attack them. The Bible says that they that worship them are like them. If they are dumb, those who worship them too will be dumb. If they are wooden and they do not have life, the people who worship them too would not have life. You must confess to God the sins of the idolatry of your father's house,

so that He can deliver you completely.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Strongman of my family idol, die, in the name of Jesus.
2. Idol poison in my blood, die, in the name of Jesus.
3. Idol power manipulating my future, catch fire, in the name of Jesus.
4. Idol chains and manipulation break, in the name of Jesus.
5. Idol powers behind my problems, die, in the name of Jesus.

CHAPTER TWO
IDOLATRY AND
BONDAGE

"Thou shalt have no other gods before me."
Exodus 20:3-5.

In this Bible passage God says we should not have any other god. This means that you should not point to any idol and proclaim that it is yours. You should not have it. Some idols have entered into our houses as decoration, in the form of paintings, carvings, miniature carvings, strange masks on the picture of "mother of God" carrying a baby. You must not engrave, mould, carve or paint anything that is an idol. You should not do it. The Bible makes it clear that you should not have it. The Bible identifies three places where idol worship commonly takes place:

1. In Heaven above.
2. On earth beneath.
3. Under the water or under the earth.

FLAGRANT VIOLATIONS.

God says we should not worship idols. Unfortunately, men have violated God's word by making idols of the sun, the moon, the stars and

other planetary bodies. Some have made the images of angels. Some churches actually worship angels.

Men have violated the rules of not making any graven image of anything on the earth beneath. They have done this by making idols of rivers, trees, snakes, animals, their ancestors, saints, etc.

The Bible says that some have even made their belly their god. Some have made beauty their god. They always want to appear beautiful contrary to the beauty of the spirit man. The Bible talks about inner beauty, but men concentrate on outer beauty.

SATANIC ALTARS

Men have also violated the rules of not worshipping idols under the water. They have done this by worshipping fishes, crocodiles and mermaid spirits. God says in Exodus 20:5 that thou shall not bow down to them nor worship them. To bow down for a thing is to give that thing a momentary reverence but to serve the thing is to give it continual reverence.

While you are busy putting things right in the city,

a priest may be busy rehearsing your name before an idol in your place of birth. Before our forefathers went to the farm, they registered their outing with Satan. When they bring their yams and fruits, they are loaded with satanic involvements. They signed evil registers every morning. Some days they do not go to the farm because they believe that such days are meant for the idols. In some places, there are days on which women cannot come out.

CITIES AND PECULIARITIES

It is a tragedy that even in some areas, they still declare that women should not come out on certain days. When the oracle speaks people begin to tremble. The choicest land and central locations are given to satan. Everywhere is full of darkness because of idolatry.

Unfortunately, most people who say they are born again, still proudly bear the names of idols. Because of idolatry the lands have problems. The lands are cursed. That is why they do not yield what they are

supposed to yield.

There are some countries that cocoa, yam, pineapple and others cannot grow. But everything grows in Nigeria. Yet there are plenty of hungry people in the streets. Our forefathers laid very evil foundations, many houses have some evil plantations underneath it. In some buildings, human beings were buried. Major buildings are erected over dead human beings.

We go to the market, walking on top of buried human skulls and bones. Their voices cry aloud against us. To worsen the case, some leaders have entrenched these idols into our national lives. Sango's (a local idol) image is used to represent the electricity board that has gone comatose. Mermaid is used to represent our wharf and it has problems now. Dragon's image is the emblem of our armed forces and the forces are having problems now.

Number 35. Idolatry is also covetousness. The Bible says: "Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and

covetousness, which is idolatry." Colossians 3:5.

God sees a covetous person as an idol worshipper. The person may be born again, he may be spirit-filled, he may never have bowed down to any idol before, he may never have visited witch doctors before, yet because he is covetous he is an idol worshipper. God sees a covetous person as someone who walks barefooted to an idol shrine and bows down to the idol. A covetous person is a person who may have 100 trousers but covets one owned by another person. When you consider what other people wear better than what you wear, you are an idol worshipper.

Number 36. Idolatry brings people under a curse. The Bible says: "Cursed be the man that maketh any graven or molten image, an abomination unto the LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth it in a secret place. And all the people shall answer and say, Amen." Deut 27:15.

Number 37. God will shut the gates of heaven upon every nation worshipping idols. Idolatry could cause rain to cease. The Bible says: "Take heed to yourselves, that your heart be not deceived, and ye

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turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them, And then the LORD'S wrath be kindled against you, and he shut up the heaven, that there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit, and lest ye perish quickly from off the good land which the LORD giveth you' Deut. 11:16-17.

Number 38. When a person who worships idols wants guidance from God, God will allow him to be led astray through false advice.

Number 39. Idol worshippers will never enter into the Kingdom of God. Rev. 21:15. Because of the terrible consequences of having another god, He forbids His people from having any other god. He warns His people not to evoke the name of any other god. He warns His people not to worship any other god. He does not want His people to sacrifice to any other god. He warns His people not to burn incense to any other god. He does not want His people to make a covenant with any other god. He warns His people not to swear by any other gods. He does not want His people to turn to make a covenant to any other god. He warns His people not to place a carved

image in the house or to set up an image of sacred objects.

Number 40. God wants idols to be destroyed. If you don't destroy them, they will destroy your destiny. Gideon could not move forward in the call of God upon his life until he went back to his father's house and destroyed the idols of his father's house. You need to destroy the idols of your father's house spiritually and physically. This is why God instructed the Israelites to destroy, demolish, break down, smash, cut-down, and wipe out all the names of idols and images they have in their possession.

Number 41. God forbids idolatry. The Bible says: "Thou shalt have none other gods before me." Deut. 5:7.

Number 42. God forbids bowing down to images: "Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a standing image, neither shall ye set up any image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I am the LORD your God." Lev. 26:1.

Number 43. God forbids worshipping of images:

"And the residue thereof he maketh a god, even his graven image: he falleth down unto it, and worshippeth it, and prayeth unto it, and saith, Deliver me; for thou art my god." Isaiah 44:17.

Number 44. God forbids offering sacrifices to idols: "And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan: and the land was polluted with blood." Psalm 106:38.

Number 45. God forbid worshipping of other gods: "But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them." Deut 30:17.

Number 46. God forbids swearing by other gods: "But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them;" Deut 30:17.

Number 47. God forbids walking after other gods: "And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye

shall surely perish." Deut 8:19.

Number 48. God forbids speaking in the name of other gods: "But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die." Deut 18:20.

Number 49. God forbids looking unto other gods: "Then said the LORD unto me, Go yet, love a woman beloved of her friend, yet an adulteress, according to the love of the LORD toward the children of Israel, who look to other gods, and love flagons of wine." Hosea 3:1.

Number 50. God forbids serving other gods: "For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly." Deut 7:4.

Number 51. God forbids fearing other gods: "With whom the LORD had made a covenant, and charged them, saying, Ye shall not fear other gods,

nor bow yourselves to them, nor serve them, nor sacrifice to them:" II King 17:35.

Number 52. God forbids bringing sacrifices to other gods: "He that sacrificeth unto any god, save unto the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed." Exodus 22:20.

Number 53. God forbids worshipping the true God through an image: "And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, To morrow is a feast to the LORD. And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play." Exodus 32:4-6.

Number 54. God forbids worshipping of angels "Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up

by his fleshly mind." Col 2:18.

Number 55. God forbids worshipping of the hosts of heaven: "Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons." Deut 4:9.

Number 56. God forbids the worship of the devil: "And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me." Matthew 4:9.

Number 57. God forbids worshipping of the dead: "They joined themselves also unto Baalpeor, and ate the sacrifices of the dead." Psalm 106:28.

Number 58. God forbids setting up of idols in your heart "Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them? Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before

his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols." Ezek 14:3-4.

Number 59. God forbids covetousness: "For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God." Eph 5:5.

Number 60. God forbids attraction to the world "And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith." Phil 3:19.

Number 61. God forbids changing His glory into an image: "Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened." Rom 1:21.

Number 62. God forbids changing of His truth into lies: "Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than

the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen." Rom 1.25.

Number 63. Idolatry is a work of the flesh: "Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies." Gal 5:19-20.

Number 64. Idolatry is incompatible with the service of the living God: "Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean, and change your garments." Gen 35:2.

Number 65. Idolatry is an abomination to the living God "The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it is an abomination to the LORD thy God." Deut 7:25.

Number 66 God hates idolatry with perfect hatred "Neither shalt thou set thee up any image; which the LORD thy God hateth." Deut 16:22.

Number 67 Idolatry is vain and foolish: "Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men's hands. They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they see not: They have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they smell not: They have hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they walk not: neither speak they through their throat. They that make them are like unto them; so is every one that trusteth in them." Psalm 115:4-8.

Number 68. Idolatry is bloody: "For when they had slain their children to their idols, then they came the same day into my sanctuary to profane it; and, lo, thus have they done in the midst of mine house." Ezek 23:39.

CHAPTER THREE

**IDOLATRY AND
YOUR TOTAL
DELIVERANCE**

You cannot experience total deliverance without dealing with idolatry. In this chapter we shall continue examining horrible facts about idolatry. The essence of this meticulous analysis is to enable you to break free from the shackles of idolatry and experience total deliverance.

Number 67. Idolatry is abominable in heaven, on earth and underneath the earth: "For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries." I Peter 4:3.

Number 68 Idolatry is completely unprofitable: "Go and cry unto the gods which ye have chosen; let them deliver you in the time of your tribulation." Judges 10:14.

Number 69 Idolatry is irrational: "Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device." Acts 17:29.

Number 70 Idolatry has defiling power: "Then said

I unto them, Cast ye away every man the abominations of his eyes, and defile not yourselves with the idols of Egypt: I am the LORD your God." Ezek 20:7.

Number 71 Idolatry makes us to forget God: "And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish." Deut 8:19.

Number 72 Idolatry pollutes the nature of God "As for you, O house of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD; Go ye, serve ye every one his idols, and hereafter also, if ye will not hearken unto me: but pollute ye my holy name no more with your gifts, and with your idols." Ezek 20:39.

Number 73 Idolatry make people to go astray from the living God: "And the Levites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from me after their idols; they shall even bear their iniquity." Ezek 44:10.

Number 74 Idolatry defies the sanctuary of the

most high God: "Wherefore, as I live, saith the Lord GOD; Surely, because thou hast defiled my sanctuary with all thy detestable things, and with all thine abominations, therefore will I also diminish thee; neither shall mine eye spare, neither will I have any pity." Ezek 5:11.

Number 75 Idolatry provokes the living God: "For when I shall have brought them into the land which I swear unto their fathers, that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxen fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them, and provoke me, and break my covenant." Deut 31:20.

Number 76 Idolatry is having fellowship with devils: "But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils." I Cor 10:20.

Number 77 Idolatry leads to abominable things: "For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: And likewise also the

men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them." Rom. 1:26-32.

Number 78 Idols bring dreadful judgements: "And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have

walked, and whom they have sought, and whom they have worshipped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth." Jer 8:2.

Number 79 Idol worshippers make no progress: "They shall be turned back, they shall be greatly ashamed, that trust in graven images, that say to the molten images, Ye are our gods." Isaiah 42:17.

Number 80: Those who make idols are worthless "They that make a graven image are all of them vanity; and their delectable things shall not profit; and they are their own witnesses; they see not, nor know; that they may be ashamed." Isaiah 44:9.

Number 81 The sorrows of idols worshipers will be multiplied: "Their sorrows shall be multiplied that hasten after another god: their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips." Psalm 16:4.

Number 82 Idol worshippers are confused and ashamed: "Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: worship him,

all ye gods." Psalm 97:7.

Number 83 Idolatrous people shall perish: "For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee." Psalm 73:27.

Number 84 The punishment of idol worshippers passes on to four generations: "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." Exodus 20:5.

Number 85 God will not hear the voice of idol worshippers: "Their sorrows shall be multiplied that hasten after another god: their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips." Psalm 16:4.

Number 86 Idolatry brings destructive, generational curses: "And the Levites shall speak, and say unto all the men of Israel with a loud voice," Deut 27:14.

Number 87 You acquire the nature of what you worship: They made a calf in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image. Thus they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass." Psalm 106:19-20.

Number 88 Idolatry is hereditary. It brings demons to the blood: "And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better. And here men that die receive tithes; but there he receiveth them, of whom it is witnessed that he liveth. And as I may so say, Levi also, who receiveth tithes, payed tithes in Abraham. For he was yet in the loins of his father when Melchisedec met him." Heb 7:7-10.

Number 89 Idolatry brings the land of the people under bondage: "And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations." Isaiah 25:7.

Number 90 Idolatry brings evil covering over the environment: "And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations." Isaiah 25:7.

Number 91 Idol worshippers will sacrifice their children and bring death to their younger ones.

Number 92 Idolatry destroys a nation. The Festac 77(festival of arts and culture) which Nigeria hosted was a disaster because Nigeria still suffers from it.

"LORD, my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction, the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit. Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they are no gods?" Jer 16:19-20.

Number 93 God will point out idol worshippers for punishment.

Number 94 Idol worshippers will always have the blood crying against them: "There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter; or a witch, Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD: and

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because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God. For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do." Deut 18:10-14.

Number 95 Pouring libation is idolatry: "Moreover Jeremiah said unto all the people, and to all the women, Hear the word of the LORD, all Judah that are in the land of Egypt: Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying; Ye and your wives have both spoken with your mouths, and fulfilled with your hand, saying, We will surely perform our vows that we have vowed, to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her: ye will surely accomplish your vows, and surely perform your vows. Therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt; Behold, I have sworn by my great name, saith the LORD, that my name shall no more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, The

Lord GOD liveth." Jer 44:24-26.

Number 96 Most of the so-called cultural people are idol worshippers: "And it came to pass after all thy wickedness, (woe, woe unto thee! saith the Lord GOD.)" Ezek 16-23.

Number 97 Raising of sacred trees and graving of images are idolatry: "For they provoked him to anger with their high places, and moved him to jealousy with their graven images." Psalm 78:58.

Number 98 Idolatry blinds men to the truth of the gospel.

Number 99 Idolatry pursues its worshippers. A woman who travelled abroad for further studies was looking for the fruit of the womb. She was in a queue with seven women to receive injection. When it was her turn something smashed the bottle of injection in the hand of the professor and the professor was surprised. He said that for 40 years he has been practising the profession, the bottle had not for once fallen from his hand. Eventually, it was only the woman that did not get the injection.

She went home and cried herself to sleep. In her dream she saw the idol of her father's house, which told her not to waste her time that she should return home as her children had been given to the idols of her father's house. The woman did not understand the idol in spite of the fact that she was attending a Pentecostal church. Many Pentecostal Churches breed ignorant Believers.

The next day the professor took a new bottle of injection and as he was administering it on her body, he developed stroke instantly.

Number 100. Baking or cooking for evil spirits is idolatry. Jer 7:18 "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." II Cor 4:3-4.

MYSTERIOUS OCCURRENCES

I know of a family with 10 children, two of whom

were fetish priests and eight of them were born again. The eight who were born again did not believe in deliverance and did not understand the power and activities of evil spirits. One day, one of them came and said that the Spirit of God spoke to her that she should jump down from a 10-storey building. People told her that it could not be the Spirit of God that spoke to her. Before they could say "Jesus is Lord," she jumped and died with the baby in her womb. The others left were so poor that one could describe their poverty as acidic. But the two fetish priests were very rich. They had cars and houses. But those who were born again suffered terribly because they did not deal with the idols working against them.

Any incision on you body is a mark of idol worship. That decoration on your stomach or body is of idolatry. Many people go about with idols on their bodies.

Fetish priests abound today but their case is like feeding a Christmas goat to get fat and at the end of the day they call for its blood. When idolatry is in place there are non-achievement, marital distress and

chronic health problems that even doctors are amazed of. When idolatry is in place there are plenty of poverty, backwardness, backsliding and witchcraft attacks. When it is in place, it is easy to initiate children into familiar spirits. There will be multiplication of sorrow and untimely death.

HOW DO YOU ADDRESS IDOLATRY?

1. You must to repent of your personal, family, national and continental idolatry.
2. You must address the covenants made to the idols by your forefathers.
3. You must speak to idols on behalf of your people. You must set your people free from their bondage:
4. You must make atonement with the blood of Jesus.
5. You must bind the powers of darkness that idols cause to operate.
6. Engage yourself in spiritual warfare to save

and set your family free from idol bondage.

7. You must pray prophetic prayers that will release you completely and give you complete breakthroughs.

When you take these steps the problems that you think are hard to solve will melt away like morning dew.

PRAYER POINTS

1. I apply the blood of Jesus to break the power of any idol over my life. Sing this song: "There is power mighty in the blood (2ce). There is power mighty in the blood of Jesus Christ. There is power mighty in the blood."
2. I apply the blood of Jesus to break all consequences of parental sins.
3. O Lord, turn all the evils directed to me to good.
4. I command all powers of evil directed against me to return directly to the sender, in the name of Jesus.

5. God, make everything the enemy has said is impossible in my life possible, in the name of Jesus
6. I release myself from the umbrella of any collective captivity, in the name of Jesus.
7. I release myself from any inherited bondage, in Jesus' name.
8. O Lord, send your axe of fire to the foundation of my life and destroy every evil plantation.
9. Let the blood of Jesus flush out from my system every inherent satanic deposit, in the name of Jesus.
10. I release myself from the grip of any problem transferred into my life from the womb, in the name of Jesus.
11. Let the blood of Jesus and the fire of the Holy Ghost cleanse every organ in my body, in the name of Jesus.
12. I break and loose myself from every collective evil covenant, in the name of Jesus.

13. I break and loose myself from every collective curse, in the name of Jesus.
14. I vomit every evil consumption that I have been fed with as a child, in the name of Jesus.
15. I command all foundational strongmen attached to my life to be paralysed, in the name of Jesus.
16. Let any rod of the wicked rising against my family line be rendered impotent for my sake, in the name of Jesus.
17. I cancel the consequences of any evil local name attached to my person, in the name of Jesus.
18. Pray aggressively against the following roots of collective captivity. Pray as follows: Every effect of.....(pick from the underlisted one by one), upon my life, come out with all your roots, in the name of Jesus.
 - evil physical design.
 - evil dedication.

- parental curses.
- demonic marriage.
- envious rivalry.
- demonic sacrifice.
- demonic incision.
- inherited infirmity.
- dream pollution.
- evil laying on of hands.
- demonic initiation.
- wrong exposure to sex.
- demonic blood transfusion.
- exposure to evil diviners.
- demonic alteration of destiny.
- fellowship with local idols.
- fellowship with family idols.
- destruction polygamy.
- fellowship with demonic consultants.
- unscriptural manner of conception.

19. Kolanut idols, hear the word of the Lord, clear away, in the name of Jesus.
20. Cowries idols, hear the word of the Lord, clear away, in the name of Jesus.
21. Crossroad idols, hear the word of the Lord, clear away, in the name of Jesus.
22. Masquerade idols, hear the word of the Lord, clear away, in the name of Jesus.
23. Marine idols, hear the word of the Lord, clear away, in the name of Jesus.
24. Calabash idols, hear the word of the Lord, clear away, in the name of Jesus.
25. Poison of idols, in my blood, die, in the name of the Jesus.
26. Every dog of my family idol barking against my progress, die, in the name of the Jesus.
27. Idol powers assigned to waste my destiny, die, in the name of Jesus.
28. Idol powers behind my problems, die, in the name of Jesus.

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29 Strongman of my family idol, die, in the name
of Jesus.

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