

Paying The Price- Fellowship

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- [0 : 00] Welcome. You are about to hear an inspirational message by David Entry. May your faith increase and your heart be stirred towards God as you listen to this life-transforming message.
- Press subscribe so you're the first to know when the messages are released. Blessed are your ears for the things they hear. You don't have to live your life like everybody.
- If you live your life like everybody, you become one of the statistics. Because conditions are not tuned to make you win. The conditions are designed to make you fail.
- A female is created by God to be a recipient. If you give a woman love, women have capacity to receive love.
- It doesn't matter how much you love them, they have more capacity. And if you give a woman hatred, I don't think you'll be happy in life.
- [1 : 05] They have the capacity to multiply it for you. So women are like sowing grounds when you put something in. But with the women, they are made to receive.
- Never underestimate yourself and what God can do with you. So where we are generally exposed to or within the framework where we live our lives, things are not most of the time favorable for you.
- Some of you, many of your classmates, you know, they don't go anywhere. None that I said you can remember a few of them. It depends on what school you attend.
- If you attend a school where many people don't go anywhere from that school, it means that you've been overexposed to some elements that can disadvantage you in life.
- Number two, if you attend a 13th school, that's why everyone must strive if you are in college. You must stop playing around and steady hard to go into a better school.
- [2 : 28] Because a better school means you will meet people whose success rates might be higher. And that can have an influence on your future.
- And even the environment also tunes you. These things are important. So you might be a very good person from a good home, but the school you attended, the primary school, full of armed robbers, drug dealers, prostitutes.
- So, some of you know you have, can you imagine you have a classmate who is in prison? Some of you have classmates who have been shot.
- Why am I saying that? Because most of these things, the root is from the home. Some of you, your environment has made you a professional liar. That's why you need that.
- You need the church more than the church needs you. You. You need church more than the church needs you. So, we have to be intentional in building the future you want.
- [3 : 45] It's never success, it's never a gift. And there's a habit behind every success. Yeah. So, you have to look for the habits that undergird the kind of success you want.
- And then give yourself to those habits. Because success is never a gift. And how many of you have been to the shop maybe saw a coat, shoe, dress, jumper, something that's, wow, this is so nice.

Then you go and take it. Take it. Especially shoes. When you take it, what do you do? You don't first and foremost look at how nice the shoe is.

No, that's not what you do. As soon as you take it, you look under it. And then that will advise you. You look at it and you put it down. And automatically you lose appetite for it.

Why? Because of the price tag. And in the shop you see everything has a price tag. Everything. Everything. But you took it and you put it down.

[5 : 07] And went and waited for Christmas sales. You took it and put it down. You take something and put it down. But someone comes.

It doesn't even look at the price. Add it. Add it. And some of you, that's your dream. Your dream is to do shopping like that.

You should never have that kind of desire. Your desire for money is for spending. Oh, money will run away from you. Your desire for money should be for an accomplishment.

There are things you want to do in life. You cannot live like the way everybody is living. Because you have a mission. You have to live like somebody with a mission.

Or on a mission. You have to live like the way everybody lives. You have to live like the way everybody lives. You suffer the way everybody is meant to suffer. Yes. And you have to every now and then take census. And just look around you. The kind of people around you.

[6 : 07] Your neighborhood. Where you grew up. The schools you attended. Everything. It should tell you where you are potentially likely to end. But if you want a different outcome of your life. Then you have to start doing different things. You can be doing what everybody is doing. And you have to live like the way everybody is meant to suffer. And you have to every now and then take census. And just look around you.

The kind of people around you. Your neighborhood. Where you grew up. The schools you attended. Everything. It should tell you where you are potentially likely to end. But if you want a different outcome of your life. Then you have to start doing different things. You can be doing what everybody is doing. And expect to get different results.

That's magic. Everybody is doing it, you are also doing that. You are expecting to get different... Look at the results that others are getting. Look at those ahead of you. The kind of results.

Look at all the different results. What did the do you want to develop the save, the difference? That was the power? I ran by two weeks. This is how many days you ate it from the family. They were going to ■■■■■... That's not really a difference. Hey, we got to beanna. Our whole family has changed. I ran by.

The kids are going to be their productive. of you, their kind of results. The deception of young youthfulness is that you will be different. You will do what everybody does the way you like it and yet be different. Most people I'm telling you by the time they hit 42, they realize wow. Because they believed by 31 they bought two houses.

[7 : 17] 42 they are still believing God willing to get a rent, a place to rent because they are not checking their credits just to get a place. Life is a very interesting thing.

Usually when you are young you think you can make it. It's when you get to a place then you realize that people who were making it are actually younger behind you. You've passed the age.

But I believe you will not pass your age of flowering. So it's important to understand that to have a different outcome you must have a different input.

You just have to do some things differently. Most people whose businesses are big and booming they don't have holidays like you think of. And most people who have money they don't spend money like the way your mind is ready to spend.

Soon as thousand pounds gets your hand you are thinking what next to buy. I'm going to buy Balenciaga. There are things to do. It's not everybody who can fail. Sadly it's not everybody who can succeed.

[8 : 39] The way you like sleeping are you turning them you are stretching. How?

You are living in a fool's paradise. Wake up. Wake up. Because you are failing right before your eyes. But you have believed a lie.

You have received strong delusion that you can sleep and still make it. you can play video games every time and still make it. And still have A-stars.

You are joking. No, no, no. People who have A-stars don't always play and play video games. When others are going north they go south. People who tend to have A-stars are usually not always with the crowd.

You like what everybody is doing. 24-7 you sleep with phone. Not even under your pillow. On your pillow. So notification.

[9 : 43] Run. Run. Run. Run. Run. Run. You are in touch and still expecting notification on your phone. It tells me you are not a serious person in life.

You. You are not a serious person in life. Because phone has you. You don't have the phone. The phone has you. The phone has you. You don't know.

So. But you know usually we tend to think we will be okay when we are flouting all the principles for greatness and success. It's like you eat your cake and expecting that you still have it.

Because there are principles and the earlier you start them the better. Yeah. That's why if you want a child to go to grammar school it's better you start them teaching very early.

Start them. If you start them late they might not make it. Start the tuition very early. When you have an early start it gives you an upper hand. Early start will give you an upper hand.

[10 : 48] Sorry. Not early start in everything. Early start in. Because some of you start the wrong things early. when you look at your life look at what your mother has suffered in the hands of a man you will not learn you are already going for boys.

Please look at your mother. So you should know that the spirit of disappointment from boys is likely to be your lineage.

So that should make you alert and you never fall in love. You tiptoe into it. You take one step and then hey my ankle make sure it's important.

You have to be wise as a serpent. A snake can survive in icy regions in deserts in the forest in river snakes are the only animals practically that can be found anywhere in the world.

They can climb trees. They can swim. Yeah. Snakes and Jesus says that be wise as serpents.

[12 : 22] You must be wise. you are in the school. You are with your friends. But you think differently. You think differently. When students don't come, you don't go and use it for shopping.

You don't use it for shopping. You don't invest your money in wigs and bonnets. because the truth is you are already pretty.

You don't need to do that. Now rather beautify your brains and beautify your opportunities in life. Somebody's blessed.

you will not fail. And louder your amen the quicker I wait for you.

I said you will not fail. You will not fail. You will not fail. Please sit down. If nobody succeeds in your family, your family line, people are always failing, the good news is a different champion has arrived.

[13 : 48] You are an emerging champion. The world is here to see your kind of champion. Hey, the world is here to see your kind of champion.

The reason why your kind of champion is not common is when you look at the things you have been through, the odds that have been against you.

Already at your age, you have been through things that people who are twice your age have never been through. Already at your age, you've seen all kinds of setbacks, downs and abs, and some of you have even gone to prison and camp.

And yet, you're kind of champion with the same background, by the help of God. You are about to reposition yourself and adjust your approach to life and you are going to rise.

You are going to rise. You are going to rise. You are going to rise. Say yes. Yes. Tell somebody I am unstoppable.

[14 : 54] I am unstoppable. I cannot be stopped. Not even the devil can stop you. The only thing that can stop you is you.

Listen down. So, everything in life is for sale. You look at the shoe, and I put it down. Then someone comes, he doesn't even look at the price.

But why can't I do it? Because I can't pay the price. Oh. So, I can also have it. Yeah. The shop attendant, they won't tell, assistant will not tell you, I won't give it to you.

If you can't pay it, you can have it. Oh. So, the good things in life, beautiful things in life, the best things in life are for sale, so you can have it. So, what will make you have it?

Price. Ah. So, all it takes is a price. Then I have to find a way of paying the price. Most of us are working hard to pay price for fashion. But not for greatness.

[16 : 02] Greatness is attainable by people like you. Amen. If you can pay the price, you can be the top, top, top students in the top university for this country.

Oh, yeah. The brains, you remove anybody's brains compared to any other, but it's the same components, the same shape, the same, the same.

The eyes, when you study everybody, the eyes, just that maybe their color might slightly differ, but apart from everything, the constituent components of the eyes are the same for every human being.

Animals might be different. Every human being, the brain, every human being. So, in other words, our brains can practically perform the same functions. But as a dimension you have, which most of you are not aware, is called the grace dimension.

God, he says that in 1 Corinthians 3, he said, I planted Ipolos watered.

[17 : 07] God, ah, God did what? Gave the increase. So, God gives increase. God gives increase. Ah, so if it's God who gives increase, then I don't have a problem.

Because me and God are quite close. I'm talking about you. You can't be in church and be coming to church and trying to love God and do his word and God is not close to you.

In fact, the Bible says that he is close to all those that call upon his name. In Psalm 145 verse 18, I is there, the Lord is near to all who call.

So, so he's near. So, if God is near and he is the one who gives increase, then you are likely to have an unfair advantage over others. You are.

It is holy discrimination, but so be it. You have an unfair advantage. Why? Why? Holy discrimination. Why do you have an unfair advantage?

[18 : 09] Holy discrimination. Yes. Grace is not fair. Nothing is fair in life. Yeah. Don't bring fairness at all. If we want to talk about fairness, there's so much advantage you have which is unfair.

Someone doesn't have it. Yeah. Somebody doesn't have it. They abandon him. Abandon him. And somebody too doesn't have the kind of adopted or parents who adopted you.

Because for a parent, people to adopt you, they actually chose you. That is stronger than just giving him that to you. They say, no, this one is the one I want to choose.

So everybody, however you look at it, there's always some unfair advantage you have in life. Because some of you, when you look at your skin, your skin texture is like honey.

Even though you are a boy. Some of us have long hair. Others have short hair. Look at me. I don't have hair. I cannot be going around complaining that God, I want my hair to be like coffee.

[19 : 25] My days of that kind of hair are gone. So if I want to do dreadlocks, it's too late. There's no hope for me. I might as well wear dreadlock wigs.

So I've just told you something you didn't think about. There's a time coming where things you can do now, you can do. It's called life. And when you are young, you have so much you can do, and what you can do will determine what rewards you get in life.

So you can channel your energies towards some things because you can do quite a few things. But it's not everything you should do. It's not everything you should be doing now. It's not everything you should be doing.

The fact that you can do everything doesn't mean you should be doing everything. No, don't. Jack of all trades never usually get rewarded. Just focus. Focus is the strength of life.

Like laser beam. You can cut metal with laser beams. Even water. Water can cut metal. Pressure. If you focus the pressure. So if your energies are concentrated in one thing, your success can be clearly defined.

[20 : 36] You can do a lot of things but you must learn how to channel your focus in one direction. Jesus puts it this way. If your eye is single, your whole body is full of light.

If your eye is single, your whole body is full of light. the light of the body is the eye.

If therefore thine eye be single, the whole body shall be full of light. Single focus. I'm not saying do only one thing.

But there must be a main thing you are doing. So if you're a student, your main thing is not earning money. Don't be spending your time trying to make more money. And so doing dodgy deals.

Now you want money. You are a student. You want to drive BMW. What is wrong with you? Where are you in a hurry to? What is it?

[21 : 36] Don't. See, at certain stage in your life, you should never target money. You should rather target having money later. So invest your life into things that will give you an advantage over a lot of others.

So as a student, your main thing should be studies. Yeah. And as a Christian, your main thing should be fellowship. A Christian who doesn't do fellowship is fake.

He's not a proper Christian. Doesn't understand Christianity. Watch this. Everything in life has a price tag. So, in Philippians chapter 3 verse 14, it said, I press on towards the mark of the price of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

I press, I press. say, I press. Your pressing must be defined. Targeted pressing. Don't do it if God is doing it.

He said, I press towards the mark because that mark has got a price. It comes with a reward. The mark comes with a reward. And so, if I want that reward, I must target the mark.

[22 : 47] Do you understand that? I have to, if they said the pass mark, if you get 85, it's A star, then I target 85. I don't target A star because it's not realistic to target A star.

Most people who are targeting money end up in fraud. Target the mark. He said, I press towards the mark of the price of a high calling of God.

I press towards the mark. Press. Say press. So, everything comes with the price tag. So, to run it up, I just want you to know because of the price tag, you must choose what price tag you want or what price you want to price, not price, price, the cost.

You are willing to pay for the reward price. Every price comes at a price. Okay. So, you must be willing to pay the price to obtain the price.

Now, as we are entering 2022, you are going to be a year older. Don't think you are that young. You are growing at a very worrying rate.

[24 : 04] Yeah. Look at the amount of hair your body is beginning to produce. You are growing at a very rapid worrying and alarming rates, but just that your brain haven't realized that.

Times are changing. Change very fast. So, there is a price you have to pay. Now, if you want to secure the blessings of God, you must do things God's way.

One of the key things to do, to stay in the good books or stay within the territory, within the area, the territory, the jurisdiction, you know, the realm, the realm, the realm of God's blessing.

God's blessing easily gets to you because you are within the realm. If you move out of this room, you might not hear us properly, unless we shout. But if you are here, you'll be hearing what everybody is hearing.

So, stay within the realm where God's blessing, when people are sharing testimony, you know that well, you are also in the realm and yours is the next. Yours is the next. Because God is actually doing good things for people.

[25 : 26] But maybe the way you are not staying within coverage area is making your testimony delay, even though you'll also be marked for a testimony by God.

Some of the price you must be willing to pay, pay the price to stay in fellowship. There is nothing like a strong Christian without fellowship. 1 John 1, verse 3.

He said, these things, what our eyes have seen, our hands have handled, that which we have seen, and heard, excuse me, we declare unto you that he may, why are we declaring these things to you?

That you may actually have fellowship. fellowship. That's why we declare that you may have fellowship. Why? Because our fellowship is actually with the Father. There is an ongoing fellowship we are trying to get you involved.

And how do we get you involved? By telling you what we have seen, telling you what we have heard, and declaring it to you so that you can also be part of this glorious heavenly fellowship.

[26 : 26] So you can stay within the territory and the realm of blessing. 2022 will work for you. But look at verse 7. Look at verse 7 as I ran up. It says that, but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light.

Let's already out. Let's go. But. Really? Those who say me, I'm just by myself, it's between me and God, they don't understand Christianity.

Christianity is never between you and God. it's between you, others, and God. So it's between us and God.

It's always us and God. You must be part of the us. So it says that if we walk in the light, us is in the light, we have fellowship.

That means that, watch this, pay the price to stay in fellowship. It will cost you your ego. It will cost you convenience. It will cost you, I don't like this person, I don't like it.

[27 : 34] Get over it. The essence of Christianity is you get over your sorry self. And your self-centered self, everything about me, me, me, me, for once, live outside of this you thing.

That is the way to stay within the realm of God. God. And that will give you an unfair advantage over anybody within your background or your sphere of oppression.

Fellowship. Make sure you are never found without fellowship. Somebody say, well, I can't be going to church there again. Before you leave, make sure you have where you are going.

Don't be a fellowshipless Christian. What kind of Christianity is that? It's so phony, fake, unreliable. Some people say, as for me, it's just God shows me.

Time would have shown you chapter 2. Talks about we know, we know. As for me, God speaks to me, it's just me.

[28 : 37] God shows me. When you see someone talking like that, they are not serious Christians. Check their fruits. how many people they are raising, how many people they have impacted for Christ, how many people have become strong in Christ through them.

That's what tells the quality of your Christian heart. Amen. Well, did you receive something? God bless you for listening to this message.

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