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#### DEDICATION

I dedicate this book to the second person of the Triune God, JESUS Christ, Who is my Shepherd, My Brother, My Friend, My Prophet, My Priest, My King, My Lord, My Life, My Way and My End

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### PREFACE

We evangelicals of contemporary times have an ostensibly fine saying. With this saying, we somewhat assault the personality and the Deity of God and abuse the so-called weaker brethrens who have learnt to count on none other than God. Though this saying sounds very religious, it is in reality a secular jargon of which I implore the sons and daughters of the new creation to throw down with every fleeting breath of theirs as though they had seen the very altars of Baal or the image of Dagon.

That so-called wise saying goes this way, "The days of MANNA are over." Men and women standing on lofty intellectual peaks have it in different version by which they do not only contribute their voice to this popular brouhaha but also exhibit their proficiency in the English language with which they settle men in the class of illiteracy.

It gets more disappointing when Christian leaders in the circles of impeccable orthodoxy betray the trust of the Lord God of Abraham in making that so called saying a part of systematic theology.

I well know the number of smooth arguments they can marshal in support of this great misleading. Do not we seek to salvage men from slothfulness and fooleries? Have you not heard the new catchphrase, "No pain, no gain"? And who today will have bread on his table without first suffering or sweating for it? These are the arguments along many other frivolous still which are brought forward to give an appearance of rationality and reality to what they say.

It sounds sweet and convincing in the ears but very bitter in the heart of the regenerated human spirit of which faith alone can diagnose and remedy.

That saying can't be true and I fear it has no scriptural accreditation. The days of manna are never over. MANNA still falls from heaven.

What do I mean by that, Prophet? I mean it is God that gives you those timely visions and bestows upon you that marvelous wisdom to encrypt and decrypt spiritual messages (both the plaintext and cipher text) though you are not a number theorist or an RSA cryptosystem. They never sprung from you. For what hast thou that thou didst not receive? And if thou didst receive it, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received it, Prophet? I mean tell the congregation that the visions you see and the prophecies you give are just your portion of God's daily bread and that your own body (senses) never manufactured them. Tell them you are nothing and very little without the grace of God. That is what I mean Prophet. What do I mean, Evangelist? I mean the souls you claim to have won into the kingdom are not from you; neither did their conversion happen through your eloquent and fair speeches of which you boast. They are all MANNA from heaven and God gave them. So enough of the intimidation and the insult you have been drizzling on your poor pastor and how that you psychologically threaten to get those converts out of the church when he refuses to succumb to your antics in a board meeting. The reason why he has every moral right to resist you is because you didn't manufacture nor give them (the converts) to the church. It is the Chief Shepherd that gave them all. That is what I mean Evangelist. Please do well to appreciate it and admit for once that you are wrong.

What do I mean, Bishop? I mean stop making salvation so expensive to the sinner by preaching sanctification before justification. I mean tell the sinner that a redeemer has died and the portion of bread (or should we say MANNA) that falls unto him is eternal salvation if only he believes and surrenders everything to He who died and rose triumphantly on the third day. Tell them to only believe and their faith in Him would be counted for righteousness. Tell them that faith is and is the only necessary condition for justification and that they need not depend on works to obtain that justification. I mean tell them to only "look unto Jesus" as the "whole propitiation for their sins" and they would be found in him and also receive the righteousness which is of God by faith. That is what I mean Bishop.

Brothers, what do I mean? I mean God still rains down conveniences upon people. I mean there can be many gains without the slightest pain. I mean you don't have to frame up figures on the balance sheets and lie to an oath before the Judgment debt committee just in your quest for bread. I mean you don't have to busy yourself as the tables of sines and tangent attempting to outsmart the intelligence of the private auditor. I mean you are of more value than many sparrows. And if sparrows neither sow nor reap but are still fed by God, shall not He then give you your daily MANNA, O you of little faith. That is what I mean brothers.

All I mean is MANNA still falls from heaven. Even Our LORD and Saviour Jesus fell as MANNA to us. "I am the living bread which came down from heaven . . .", said He with all articulacy. John Newton in his wonderful hymn even sang of His name this way:

How sweet the name of Jesus Sounds in a believer's ear! It soothes his sorrows heal his Wounds and drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole And calms the troubled breast;

#### Tis MANNA to the hungry soul And to the weary rest.

God is still in the business of raining down blessings upon people. He did it before and He still does it. He is the Substance of all things, and is in Himself unchangeable and immoveable. For Himself has said, "I AM THE LORD, I CHANGE NOT . . ." As he was in the days of Adam, so is He now in our days. He never changes. It is rather His nature, supremacy, attributes and sufficiency that changes things. He is the GREAT I AM and the One Unchangeable.

Therefore to ridicule the providing power of God with such a saying is to denounce the validity and authenticity of God's miraculous power in nobler times.

And to this point it is clear, that the MANNA of which I speak is not that bread God rained on our forefathers with all the semblance of a coriander seed, tasting very much like wafers made with honey. When I speak of MANNA, I only speak of the effortless gifts we receive from God by reason of his manifold mercies towards us.

God can virtually embarrass us with any of such gifts or necessities so to speak. Some even pray that these very gifts be taken away from them. An example is that furious man who went on his knees and prayed to God to gently take away his life from him. He felt God was embarrassing him with breath (one of life's greatest gifts) of which he implored the Giver of Life Himself to take it gently away from Him not wanting to commit suicide. He felt his life was a great mistake.

To feel embarrassed by a gift of God is weak-willed nature and to such weaker souls, God pardons every time. But if there is ever one gift God will never embarrass us with, then it is children or the fruit of the womb. He can drop money from the skies to men, but he doesn't drop children from the skies to us.

He always allows us to ask for them first before releasing them: a kind of asking where one is ineligible to ask save two under a mutual contract on bed. When no one asks for them through sex (the procreative prayer), he makes no release of them. So the fact that children are with us today, means that in one way or the other, they were requested for. We asked for them, God did not force them on us.

But rather unfortunately, these precious heavenly gifts have suffered a great deal of violence since the days of Adam. We kill them, We abuse them, We torture them and also fasten upon them many reproachful terms. The reason for these great and abnormal defects, I guess, is because there are not enough portraits in current evangelical circles painted by Apostles and Prophets, to speak the mind of God on their behalf.

Another reason for this defect is simply a libel on their moral character. Many nourish their minds with illthoughts of them and conceive them in the heart to be something other than what they really are.

These wrong notions about them have always being the fountain from which the polluted waters of abortion (and other evils done against them) flow.

But you would well agree with me that they will all dissipate into thin-air with disgraceful smoke if they are brought anywhere near the Fire of Him who consumes the meat and the unleavened cakes upon rocks and altars.

Perhaps, they will even be burnt into ashes if some Bible teachers amongst us would stand and instruct as watchmen both in written and spoken words. But hardly would anyone stand let alone instruct. It is of this predominant deficiency that I am motivated to mount this design.

The whole configuration of this book is to unravel the mystery behind these heavenly gifts (from the perspective of the scriptures) and to encourage the brethrens in prizing them properly.

I believe nothing in this book will be found contrary to sound doctrine and all who wade through its pages would find nothing other than sublime devotion and chivalrous attraction to the infants God sends down to us.

Nothing here is new except in the sense that it sprung from an inward inspiration of the Holy Ghost.

I can also say that many who lived before me have presented much insightful and deeper exposés than I have here. Though it might not be powerful enough to kindle light in any mortal soul nor rend the garment of any troubled man, I trust that there may be some who would see the Light of Christ at its gentle warmth.

> Jeffery Opoku Accra. April, 2014

#### FOREWORD FROM THE PUBLISHER

This book is adapted from one of Jeffery's first titles; *the crying blood of an aborted child*. It happens to be one of the first titles he wrote in his teen years and he consistently preached it with much passion. He is one person of great love for children. He personally believes that a country, an institution or a church which has no children or lacks godly children has no future at all.

The reason for this adaptation is simply to quicken the engines to productive work that lay asleep for centuries in failing to manufacture godly and unfeigned love for children.

It is also intended to turn the turbines of the heart to generate light for the human soul in order to well appreciate the substance of children and to accept them which ever way they come.

It is my hope that this small book will instruct many unstable hearts and bring many minds and souls into divine confinements which are at this moment contemplating abortion.

Should also a few persons reading it be motivated to receive and accept children (or better still

pregnancies) as a gift that God gives and as a faithful reward, it will more than repay the efforts required to produce it.

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