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Topic: Stop blaming God – Part 1

Bible Reading: Jeremiah 5:20-25

Introduction

Today, predicaments and sufferings are rampant throughout the world due to sins and temptations. It is rare to find any person without one predicament or the other. Problems are like a second nature to humans, and people are groaning; because of their pains and the pressure of their situations. However, God is not to be blamed, whether your difficulties are due to your iniquities or temptations; since it has been written that humans are born to trouble, and problems are part of our lives. Troubles come to everyone as soon as they are born, even though the trouble differs from one person to another.

So, do not blame fate when things go wrong because trouble does not come from nowhere, but from humans. Mortals are born and bred for trouble; according to the Bible passage which says, “Yet man is born to trouble, as the sparks fly upward.” **Job 5:7**. Therefore, you cannot escape predicament whether due to your sins or temptation in order to prove your faith.

Predicaments due to temptation

The purpose of temptation is to prove your loyalty to God. It is to ascertain that you are faithful to Your Creator. If Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior is tempted; no human will escape temptation. One good thing about predicaments due to temptation is that it will not last. Though the Bible confirmed that many hardships and perplexing circumstances confront the righteous; but God will rescue them from all their problems.

If you are suffering due to trials; God will bring you safely through it. God will deliver you from your precarious situation, and solve all your problems if you are righteous. The Bible testified to this fact by saying, “Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all.” **Psalms 34:19**. If your predicaments are due to the test of your faith; God will be there to strengthen and see you through; then the difficulties will not have lasting impact in your life.

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One thing we need to realize is that your temptation is proportional to your faith. God will fortify you to endure your temptations, and show you how to escape the temptations; if you are obedient. Remember, God will not let you down; He will never let you be pushed past your limit, and He will always be there to help you come through it. As it is written, “No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.” **1 Corinthians 10:13**. Your life will be transformed tremendously at the end of your ordeal; if your problems are due to the test of your faith, and you will have every cause to glorify God. However, if it is due to your iniquities, you may not have peace of mind until you repent.

Predicament due to sin

Iniquities and wrongdoing are the most common causes of predicaments; while the test of our faith contributes a little quota. Difficult, confusing and unpleasant situations are widespread throughout the globe. It must be noted that no human is immune from predicaments, and hardships cut across all the age brackets. Inasmuch as the situation of the world is dicey, and humanity is passing through a perilous period, the majority of people on earth are going through various forms of predicaments that are derailing their faith.

However, God is not to be blamed for the dilemma of mankind; because it is our conduct that put us in a precarious situation. The Bible stated that God is good to everyone, and He takes care of all His creation. God is kind to everything He made, and His compassion extends to all His handiwork. God shows deep concern for everything He has made, and His compassion is intertwined with everything He does. The scripture corroborated this fact by saying, “The Lord is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works.” **Psalms 145:9**. If everything that God does is soaked through with grace, how then can God be blamed for your predicaments?

Do not hold God responsible for perplexing or dangerous situations; instead, blame your ways and actions that brought these predicaments into your life. It is your conduct and deeds that put you in your dissatisfied condition. You have brought difficulties on yourself by the way you have lived, and by the things you

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have done. It is your sin that has caused you great suffering. The ways of numerous people have brought disasters down upon them; it is a bitter dose of their own medicine that is striking deep within their hearts. The Bible attested to this fact by saying, "Your ways and your doings have procured these things for you. This is your wickedness, because it is bitter, because it reaches to your heart." **Jeremiah 4:18**. Remember, the bitterness that you are experiencing is from your evil and lustful lifestyle. Therefore, do not hold God accountable for your challenges.

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Sins are the architect of your condition

Nowadays the majority of the people in the world are the architects of their conditions, but they continue to blame God for their situations. Iniquities have turned the blessings of God away from countless people, and their sins have withheld good things from them. Many people are having a series of problems; because their guilty acts have diverted prosperity from them, and they are left with difficulties. Sin has robbed numerous Christians of goodness, and they are holding God liable for their situation instead of their wrongdoings.

People need to realize that it is their misconduct that is diverting the goodness of God from them; so, they should stop holding God accountable. Time has come for mankind to acknowledge that it is their wickedness that is overturning the design of God for them. Are you among those blaming God for their situations? Do you know that your guilty acts may hinder goodness in your life? Are you aware that your sins will keep good things from you? Do you agree that it is your crimes that overturned the blessings of God in your life?

Iniquities are to be blamed: Numerous people are destitute of prosperity due to their sins, and good things are withheld from them. It is your iniquities that are withholding the bounty of God from you, and robbing you of His goodness. The transgressions of many people have hindered the design of God for them, and they are kept from enjoying good things. Your life is not supposed to be stagnant; however, the wondrous blessings have been taken away from you, because of your iniquities.

You need to refrain from sins that keep the blessings of God at a distance from you. Make sure that your bad behavior does not blind you to the fact that if you depart from wickedness, your life will be improved; according to the scripture which says, “Your iniquities have turned these things away, and your sins have withheld good from you.” **Jeremiah 5:25.**

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What is depriving you of the mercy and favor of God is your nefarious activities. Abstain from a lustful lifestyle if you do not want to be deprived of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. You must not fall into sin, if you want your situation to improve. You must flee from anything that can keep the blessings of God at a distance from you.

Are you ready to stop blaming God; because it is your misdeeds that stopped the wonderful blessings of God from you? Do you realize that you are the architect of your predicaments? Do you agree that lustful lifestyle has deprived you of the blessings of God? Is it clear that the promises of God will be fulfilled in your life, if you abstain from sin? Do you understand that disobedience will mess your future?

The inexcusable defense of humans: God knew that humans would like to justify themselves by asking questions that ‘Why is the Lord threatening us? What have we done wrong against God? What sin have we committed against God? Why has the Lord pronounced severe things against us? Why did the Lord decide to put us in discontented conditions? What have we done to merit our dissatisfied situations?’ As it is written, “And it shall be, when you show this people all these words, and they say to you, ‘Why has the Lord pronounced all this great disaster against us? Or what is our iniquity? Or what is our sin that we have committed against the Lord our God?’” **Jeremiah 16:10.**

You cannot justify yourself in order to blame God; because you are conceived in sin and brought forth in iniquity. Inasmuch as you have inherited sins from your parents, you have sinned and done wrong since the day you are born. How can you claim to be blameless, or justify yourself, if you are a sinner from conception? The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, “Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me.” **Psalms 51:5.** For this reason, blame your sins for your situation, and stop holding God responsible.

Iniquities gave enemies upper hand: The darkness is having upper hand against the Believers; because they have fallen into sin. Today, many Christians who are in spiritual bondages due to their wrongdoings; are blaming God for their conditions. The adversaries felt no guilt as they gobbled up spiritually those who have abandoned God. Foes are wreaking havoc spiritually in the journeys of countless Beloved; because of their iniquities and failure to repent. The only thing that is giving Satan leverage over you is the rift between you and your Maker. You

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must depart from your sinful lifestyle, if you do not want to be hurt by your enemies.

You must return to God and be faithful to Him; for you to have victory over the spiritual attack of the darkness. Do not forget that if you walk out on God; Lucifer will be permitted to spiritually attack you freely; according to the scripture which says, "All who found them have devoured them; and their adversaries said, 'We have not offended, because they have sinned against the Lord, the habitation of justice, the Lord the hope of their fathers.'" **Jeremiah 50:7**. You must start living a godly life, and abstain from vices; if you do not want the darkness to dominate your life, and put you in a dissatisfied condition.

Hence, examine your ways, and turn back fully to God. It is time to think about the way you are living; make amendments and seek God wholeheartedly for your situation to improve positively. Inasmuch as you are the architect of your condition; why not check yourself, rectify where you are lacking, and turn back to God? Investigate what you have done, and reorder your life under God to please Him. The Bible confirmed this fact by saying, "Let us search out and examine our ways, and turn back to the Lord." **Lamentation 3:40**. Stop blaming God; instead, look closely at your ways, and flee from the misdeeds that are causing chaos in your journey; so that your condition will be revamped.

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You are not innocent of your situation

Today, countless people around the globe are not blameless concerning their discontented condition; even though they are claiming to be innocent. The majority of the people in the world are insisting that they are innocent; in order for God will turn His anger away from them and take them away from their dissatisfied situation. Do not be deceived, unless you repent and turn fully back to God, your condition cannot improve. Anyone who says I am guiltless concerning my situation is a liar, and God will pass sentence on such a person; unless he/she changes.

Inasmuch as there is no human without sin; nobody should claim to be innocent of his/her condition; because you cannot continue to sin and expect the grace of God to multiply in your life. If you want the favor of God to multiply in your journey, quit your sinful lifestyle. The only way for God to be merciful to you and give you relief from your condition is for you to abstain from iniquity. God will turn your life around; if and only if you repent, and return to Him. The Bible attested to this fact by saying, “What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?” **Romans 6:1.**

Remember, if you continue to live in sin, the grace of God will wane in your life, and your situation will deteriorate. Do not make a false claim that you are not guilty; if you don't want your condition to persist. Be mindful not to say ‘I have done nothing wrong’ in the presence of God; instead confess your sins, and make resolution not to return to your nauseous way; if you do not want your condition to worsen.

Claiming innocence makes God a liar: Anytime you insist that you are innocent, you are making God a liar, and His judgment will come swiftly upon you. How can humans claim to be innocent when all our best deeds are like a filthy rag in the presence of God? Every good work of humans is not pure, and all the right things we have done are like filthy pieces of cloth. It must be noted that our finest actions and best efforts are like greased-stained rags; according to the Bible passage

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which says, “But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.” **Isaiah 64:6**. For this reason, it is your misdeeds that put you in your precarious situation; so, stop blaming God.

If the heavenly beings are not innocent in view of God, do you think humans can proclaim innocence? If the angels are not clean in the eyes of God, do you think humans are pure? Do you think it is possible for any mere mortal to be sinless in God’s sight? If God sees flaws in the heavens, don’t you think He will see worse flaws in humans who are repulsive and corrupt? Do you think mankind who are terribly evil and thirst for sin are pure in God’s presence?

What chances do you think humanity who drinks injustice like water have before the Lord? If people are swallowing evil spiritually like water, do you think they can claim innocence? The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, “If God puts no trust in His saints, and the heavens are not pure in His sight, how much less man, who is abominable and filthy, who drinks iniquity like water!” **Job 15:15-16**. Hence, do not blame God for your situation; instead take steps as instructed by the Lord to improve your condition.

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Improve your relationship with God

People need to realize that it is inevitable for anyone who intends to inherit the kingdom of heaven to improve his/her relationship with God; then, humans must stop complaining, and enhance their connection with their Maker. Those who are complaining and blaming God must know that they are in a precarious situation because they have abandoned God. When the people who are in a discontented situation ask the question, 'Why did the Lord God do terrible things to us?' Then you will answer them that it is because they have forsaken God the fountain of life. Today, many have turned away from God and they are serving idols.

Are you among those who left God to serve deities? Do you reject God and surrender your soul for Satan? The Bible attested to this fact by saying, "And it will be when you say, 'Why does the LORD our God do all these things to us?' then you shall answer them, 'Just as you have forsaken Me and served foreign gods in your land, so you shall serve aliens in a land that is not yours.'" **Jeremiah 5:19.** Though some people may claim that they are not idol worshippers, which is true; but their nefarious activities are abominations in the presence of God. It is the vices of such people that put them in their dissatisfied conditions; because they are transgressors. Therefore, whether you are an idolater, or not; once you violate any of the commands of the Lord; you are liable for your discontented situation.

Nowadays, the majority of the people across the globe are committing atrocities on a daily basis, and they are dealing falsely with one another; which makes them the architect of their situations. Since everyone is greedy and dishonest, whether poor or rich, to the extent that even the prophets and priests cannot be trusted; because they all practice fraud; then people should blame themselves and not God for their situations. Instead of improving their relationship with God, people are making profit dishonestly, and they are greedy for unjust gains; still, they continue to complain about their situation, and hold God responsible.

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Everyone on earth from the least important to the most important are corrupt, though the level of their corruption may differ; even the so-called men of God, or saints are cheating people. Are you among those twisting the words of God to defraud people? Are you telling alternative truths to take advantage of others? Is your life ruled by greed? The Bible confirmed this fact by saying, "Because from the least of them even to the greatest of them, everyone is given to covetousness; And from the prophet even to the priest, everyone deals falsely." **Jeremiah 6:13**. Do not forget that people who act falsely, and those who are deceptive should blame themselves not God; if they are not ready to improve their bond with their Creator.

God will establish you

The Bible stated that God is good, and people who boost their bond with God will be fortunate and happy. You need to discover that the Lord is kind; so, come to Him for protection, and you will be glad. It is time to see for yourself the way God showers down mercies on all who trust in Him. If you want to be favored by God, and prosper throughout your lifetime; you must trust and find safety in Him. Inasmuch as our God is good; why not rely on Him to take you away from your dissatisfied condition? Are you ready to give God a chance to show you how good He is? Do you know that great blessings will be your portion, if you depend on God, and improve your relationship with Him? The time has come for you to find out for yourself how good the Lord is; according to the scripture which says, "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!" **Psalm 34:8**. If the Lord our God is good, do you think He is the One who put you in your discontented condition? The answer is NO! So, stop blaming Him for your condition.

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Time to change and turn to God

Today, countless people across the globe refuse to change, and return to God. Many people in the world continue to blame the Lord for their situations, forgetting that God knew the thoughts in their faithless minds. Most people make efforts to please God outwardly, by putting on a façade of submission and humility; however, God cannot be deceived, because He watches their hearts. Despite the plights of mankind, people refused to change, and they rejected the opportunity to turn from their sins. Instead of departing from iniquities, humans carry on with their lustful lifestyles; yet they continue to hold God responsible for their dissatisfied conditions.

Most people in the world are adamant, and they refuse to repent and turn fully to God. Whenever God permits Satan to punish humans because of their atrocities; they always become more stubborn, and refuse to rectify their ways in spite of their painful conditions. Nowadays, people are refusing to take correction or instruction from the Lord, and they are ignoring the discipline of God at an alarming rate; in a way that makes their situations worsen.

It is time to change, repent and return to God; according to the Bible passage which says, “O LORD, are not Your eyes on the truth? You have stricken them, but they have not grieved; You have consumed them, but they have refused to receive correction. They have made their faces harder than rock; They have refused to return.” **Jeremiah 5:3**. Are you paying attention to the instructions of the Lord, so that your difficulties will be resolved? Are you one of the stubborn people who refused correction? Inasmuch as God is looking for integrity and faithfulness in humans; stop blaming God, and make amendments for your situation to be transformed drastically.

Are your deeds denying God: The majority of people in the world claim to know God, but their actions prove them do not. Even the leaders of Christianity who ought to know better are worse. Most of the people who are professing to

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recognize God are disowning Him by their deeds. Those who confess to be acquainted with God are renouncing Him by what they do. The acts of many Christians prove that they do not accept God fully; not only because they are blaming the Lord for their conditions, but because of their nefarious activities; and they are disqualified for doing anything good.

Are you among those people whose conduct contradicts their claim? Do you think that your behavior denies your confession that you know God? Are you a palpable fraud, when it comes to doing good? The Bible attested to this fact by saying, "They profess to know God, but in works they deny Him, being abominable, disobedient, and disqualified for every good work." **Titus 1:16**. Are you claiming to know God, but deny Him by the way you live? Repent for your situation to change positively. You must live in a manner that is in conformity with the teachings of the Bible, before you can overcome your troubles.

Many are not recognized by God: Almighty God knows only the people who love Him with awe-filled reverence, obedience, and gratitude; and not those who are holding Him liable for their precarious conditions. The only people that God recognizes as worthy of His intimacy are those who are grateful of His blessing upon them; not those who are complaining and blaming Him for their situations. God cannot be deceived, so He knows and has no doubts concerning those who love Him.

It must be noted that anyone who truly loves God is the one who is open to God's knowledge, and the problems of such a person will turn to history; according to the scripture which says, "But if anyone loves God, this one is known by Him." **1 Corinthians 8:3**. If you want to be recognized by the heavens, stop blaming God, and start loving Him. If you want to overcome your challenges, and open your life to the Spirit of God; love and obey the instructions of your Maker.

For this reason, live and conduct yourself in a manner worthy of the Lord, in order to grow in the knowledge of God. If you do not want to be fruitless spiritually during your existence; you must walk in a way that displays admirable character, moral courage, and personal integrity. For you to know your Creator better; live a life that honors the Lord, and do good deeds that pleases Him.

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The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, “That you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;” **Colossians 1:10**. The only way to be productive during your lifetime is to make God proud as you work in His vineyard. If you want to escape your discontented condition; stop blaming God and start pleasing Him.

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Unfaithfulness is leading many astray

Most people in the world are impatient, and they want things done at the time they want them, and not at God's time; forgetting that God's time is the best time. This category of people always abandoned God, and their acts always prove that they do not fear the Lord; so, their wrongdoing is what is making them be in a dissatisfied condition. It is the sins of numerous people that are causing restlessness in their lives; because they made a bitter mistake to reject their Creator without fear of penalty. Make sure that your frustration does not make you backslide; else you will be convicted spiritually.

It should be noted that many people across the globe are guilty; because they have turned against the Lord, and they no longer respect Him; thereby bringing terrible trouble upon themselves. Whether you believe, or not; your evil will bring punishment to you, and the wrong you have done will teach you a lesson, or lessons. Today, many nations that are not faithful to God are learning how awful and wrong it is to forsake the Almighty God. Inasmuch as it is your evil ways that are getting you a sound spiritual thrashing, why not quit your lustful lifestyle? Do you know that you will be punished for rebelling against the Lord? Do you think it worth it to walk out on God?

You must not turn away from God if you do not want to be put to shame, and your situation will remain unchanged. The Bible attested to this fact by saying, "Your own wickedness will correct you, and your backslidings will rebuke you. Know therefore and see that it is an evil and bitter thing that you have forsaken the LORD your God, and the fear of Me is not in you," says the Lord GOD of hosts." **Jeremiah 2:19.** You need to realize that you will pay dearly for your disloyal ways, unless you change. So, hold tightly to your Maker for your condition to improve. For this reason, you must not forget, or disown the Lord your God who has the power to get you out of your undesirable situation, and allow you to avoid punishment.

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God do not like to punish humans

Our Lord God is merciful, kind and patient; unlike humans who are impatient. God is gracious and compassionate; He is slow to anger and full of love. God does not become angry quickly, and His love never fails. It is important to note that God is sheer mercy and grace; not easily angered, but rich in love. God will never endlessly nag and scold; nor hold grudges forever; according to the scripture which says, "The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in mercy." **Psalm 103:8**. Since God is filled with unfailing love; then He is not predisposed to afflict, or to grieve people.

Almighty God does not enjoy afflicting humans and causing sorrow for them; however, when their cups are filled up; the Lord will allow Satan to punish and put them in discontented conditions. God takes no pleasure in making life hard for people, by throwing roadblocks in their ways; but their iniquities are the culprits. You are informed through this publication that your Maker does not like to bring pain, or suffering to anyone; so, stop your misconduct, and your life will change positively. Since God does not like to cause trouble for humans, or make them sad; stop blaming your Maker for your life to be transformed.

Your situation will improve if you depart from your nauseous way; because God does not enjoy hurting people, or causing them sorrow. If God does not like causing grief or pain for humans; why not mend your relationship with the Lord? Do you know that if you repent, and depart from your lustful lifestyle; you will be taken away from your dicey situation? The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, "For He does not afflict willingly, nor grieve the children of men." **Lamentations 3:33**. It is not too late to return to your Maker, who will change your life positively.

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God will be your fortress in difficult times

God will be your refuge in times of distress; if you stop blaming Him, and return to Him fully. Your Creator will be a stronghold for you in times of trouble and desperation. Inasmuch as our Lord God is good; He will defend those who are suffering, and be a fortress for those crushed by the weight of their troubles. It must be noted that God is a safe-house for the battered people, and a sanctuary during bad times; according to the Bible passages which says, “The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble.” **Psalm 9:9**. If you have been treated badly by people, or circumstances; turn to God and He will give you succor. God will provide safety for you during your difficult times, and He will be your spiritual shelter; if you seek Him.

Hence, you must submit, and trust your works to God; if you want your plans to succeed. If you share your plans with the Lord, you will be successful. It is only those who commit their activities to the Lord that their plans will be established. It is those who depend on the Lord in whatever they do that will have breakthroughs. For this reason, stop blaming God for your situation; instead commit your actions to the Lord, and you will be successful; according to the Book of Proverbs which says, “Commit your works to the Lord, and your thoughts will be established.” **Proverbs 16:3**. The only way for you to have a breakthrough is to respond to the will of God and His guidance.

You will not lack beneficial things: People who refrain from blaming God for their situations, and do what is right will never miss out on anything good. If you rely solely on the Lord, and do things that pleases Him; then every good thing will abound in your life. One of the ways not to lack beneficial things is to seek the Lord wholeheartedly, and cease holding Him liable for your discontented condition. If you wish to receive every good thing that you need; trust the Lord and obey Him. The Bible confirmed this fact by saying, “The young lions lack and suffer hunger; But those who seek the Lord shall not lack any good thing.” **Psalm**

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34:10. We pray that you will never be without any good thing, in Jesus' name.
Amen.

No good thing will be withheld from you: The Lord our God is generous in gifts and glory; so, He will bestow grace and heavenly bliss on the people who did not blame Him, but pleases Him. The Lord will give favor, honor and splendor to those who live with integrity. God will treat those who walk uprightly with kindness and honor, and such people will not be denied any good thing. Inasmuch as the Lord freely gives every good thing to those who do what is right, why not change today? If you do not want God to hold back any blessing from you; starting living right. For God not to refuse to give you good things; you must do things that are acceptable to Him. If you walk blamelessly; no good thing will be withheld from you; according to the scripture which says, "For the Lord God *is* a sun and shield; the Lord will give grace and glory; No good *thing* will He withhold from those who walk uprightly". **Psalm 84:11.** God will protect you by granting you grace, honor and glory; if you do what is right and live innocently without holding Him responsible for your dicey situation.

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Your iniquities have turned these things away, and your sins have withheld good from you.