

Receiving the Word of God

Scripture reading: Revelation 7:15-17

Let us look at the verses above. If we put the things they mention in the converse, we will see exactly what was happening to these people. They were hungering, not just for natural food, but for spiritual food. They were thirsting. They were in darkness and He said that the sun would not light on them anymore. They were under great pressure from sun and heat and the sufferings of this life. He said He “shall lead them unto living fountains of waters” and He “shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.”

Many, many people are Christians who are not receiving the Word of God as they ought to. They are not receiving the deliverance that is in the Word, in the truth of the Word. They are hungering and they are thirsting and they are dying in this state without having had the privilege of hearing the unadulterated Word of God. But there is something here that is beautiful and peculiar. He said that He would feed them. Does that mean that people get fed after they leave this life and go into the heavenlies? Is it possible that the heavenlies have food? Is it possible that Christians do feed on the energy from God? Yes, they do. The angels feed on God’s energy while praising the Lord and so do the people.

However, the truth is that we can begin to feed on God now. You can feed on Him not only by praising Him but also by associating everything you see and hear with the Word of God. Years ago I worked in an office with many men. Some of them would tell dirty jokes in my hearing and watch my reaction. One time one of them told a joke about a man who streaked (ran naked) across a stage. I immediately seized the opportunity to interject Isaiah 20:2 where God told the prophet Isaiah to go naked in the streets of Israel in order to get their attention and reveal to them their spiritual nakedness. The man who told the joke was hit so hard by my opportunistic preaching that he said, “You probably know every scripture in the Bible!” From that time on they kept all their jokes out of my hearing, which was a great blessing to me.

Thought for today: Begin to associate everything you see and hear with scriptural references for most of what is happening now has already happened in your Bible. And as you do, you will receive the Word of God and you will hunger no more.