**CHARISMA DAILY DEVOTIONAL**

**SUNDAY 26 JULY 2020**

**SIGNS OF THE**

**END PART 2: FALSE PROPHETS**

***Scriptural Reading: Mat. 24: 4-5***

***Y***ou don't need to go far in search of false prophets. In fact people seem to be more careful when you introduce yourself as a man of God because of their previous experiences with many so called men of God. Four years ago, the German police accosted me and other Nigerians at an airport in Frankfurt. They asked me if I do take drugs and I quickly told them that I am a child of God. But the policeman responded; “I hope so”, and went ahead with his investigations. His response showed he had encounters with people who claimed to be ministers of God but caught with hard drugs.

If you turn on your television, you will see and hear false prophets giving false prophecies; those who prophesy for material gains and fame just to win disciples. These are signs of the end of age. Many people, desperate for miracles and wonders, have fallen victims to false prophets. I was amazed to see a young lady taking her bath under a bridge with so-called spiritual sponge and soap. A young man entered the bridge to do some secret things for the young lady while an old woman watched around. On confronting them, the old woman told me they were simply carrying out prayer functions. By their fruits you shall know them.

**MEDITATION:**

**Am I a False prophet? If not do I patronize them?**

**STRATEGIC PRAYER POINTS:**

1. Pray earnestly now that the second coming of Christ may not take you unaware

2. Pray against any factor that the devil wants to use to rob you of the kingdom of God

3. Begin to pray for the salvation of souls swimming in the ocean of sin

4. Pray for the leaders of the Church for the grace of humility in service

5. Pay now against the spread of coronavirus pandemic

6. Say the prayers to St. Michael and St. Jude in pages 101 and 103

7. Present your private intentions to God

8. Say your daily prophetic prayers.

**DAILY PROPHETIC PRAYERS**

Oh Lord God of power and might we praise and thank you for your goodness and mercy in my life. I acknowledge that you are the only one true God and the Almighty who can do all things, who knows all things and who is everywhere at the same time.

I beseech you, Lord, to show me your mercy and forgiveness, I have sinned against you through my thoughts, words, and actions. Through your sacrificial death on the cross, I receive mercy and boldness to approach your throne of grace.

Let the precious blood of Jesus wash me and make me whiter than snow. Heal me oh Lord by your wounds that I may be restored.

I receive your Grace to rise above every limitation.

I receive your Grace to move from Glory to Glory. I proclaim my total freedom in the mighty name of Jesus.

I shall testify the goodness of God in the land of the living in the most powerful name of Jesus.

I shall not die but live to declare the goodness of God, I shall not be put to shame for the Lord is by my side. I shall glorify the Lord all the days of my life.

**PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL AGAINST THE FORCES BEHIND COVID - 19.**

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebukes him, we humbly pray, and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**WE PRAY WITH ST JUDE THE PATRON OF DIFFICULT CASES AGAINST THE SPREAD OF CORONA VIRUS**

O most holy apostle, Saint Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honoureth and invoketh thee universally, as the patron of hopeless cases and things almost despaired of.

Pray for me, who am so miserable. Make use, I implore thee, of that particular privilege accorded to thee, to bring visible and speedy help where help was almost despaired of.

Come to mine assistance in this great need, that I may receive the consolation and succour of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly...

(insert your prayer request here, especially the menace of COVID - 19 Pandemic)

...and that I may praise God with thee and all the elect throughout eternity.

I promise thee, O blessed Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favour, to always honour thee as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to thee. Amen.