Let me share this word with you, I pray that it will encourage and help you to be fruitful in His Kingdom.

I want to share with you a dream I had this week. In my dream, I was in an open ground, which was full of Christians, and as I went closer to the people, I saw that most of them had chains around them and they were trying to get out of the chains. All of a sudden I heard a voice saying "these are my children, they are in bondage", and I asked "what are these chains from that have captivated them?", and the voice said "my children have not learned to walk in forgiveness, or learned to forgive". And I woke up from my dream.

I have been pondering on my dream for a few days, and I believe that this word that came to me that I am now writing to you. If you find that you are there, it will help you to set yourself free.

See in our daily walk with the Lord, and in our ministries, we will face things in our lives, like disagreements, criticisms, accusations (True or False) against us. We cannot avoid these happenings. When you look at the words of the Lord, found in Luke 17:1 "And (Jesus) said to His disciples. Temptations (snares, traps set to entice to sin) are sure to come, but woe to him by or through when they come" Another translation says "impossible but that offences would come"

My dear friends offences are "Stumbling blocks" which come against us - things said or done to us to put us down, or to try and subject us to someone else's will.

No matter how well we handle relationships, we all face negative things being thrown at us, some will attack us if for no reason but that they are jealous of us. We must except that these things will happen in our lives, if we are to walk a closer walk with the Lord.

But you see the Lord does not want us to stay bound up, as I saw in my dream of the chains around many Christians. He wants us free from those chains.

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Let's look at how to live a freed up life, as you are walking daily with the Lord or in your ministry.

An offence has taken place, you cannot change that, but what you can change is your response to the offence. You can choose to not let it affect you. How? Just take it to the Lord in prayer/ conversation and leave it there, and start practicing forgiveness towards those that offended you. The sooner you do it, you will see your lives becoming fruitful for His service.

Keep those criticisms from getting into your emotions and causing you to react negatively. Never allow offences to lodge in your spirit, which will cause you to be hurt, angry, resentful, and will cause you to operate through a wounded spirit.

I remember long time ago I was with a Pastor friend of mine, having lunch. He asked me a question, because I was going through a trying times in my life, and said "how are the waters in your well?"

I asked him what did he mean, and he replied, "Don't ever let the waters in your well get bitter. If you do, you will minster out of your bitter waters"

That really stuck with me, and I have tried my best, to protect those waters.

Yes offences will come, but I have learned to take them to the Lord and leave them there. Yet in my travels I have seen many wounded Christians that needed to be set free.

I am saddened that many today have a Prophetic calling of GOD, but they have been put down or prevented from functioning, and this has caused many to "Shut down" be hurt and have gone inwards - which has caused them from fulfilling their destiny.

Remember regardless of who ever has caused you offence, learn to practice forgiveness. Carying unforgiveness in your heart is not worth it.

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Please let me encourage you, if you have any unforgiveness in your heart, please take it to the Lord, let Him help you to get rid of it - give it to Him.

We are called to please Him and no one else, unforgiveness does not please Him. Read Matt 6:14, 15 "For if you forgive people their trespasses (reckless and willful sins, leaving them, letting them go, and giving up resentment) your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their trespasses (both reckless and willful sins, leaving them, letting them go and giving up resentment) neither will your Father forgive you your trespasses."

Unforgiveness will stop HIM from forgiving us of our many offences against Him - so please as you finish reading this word, ask that the spirit of the Lord lead you into great repentance, and that courage will rise up within you to be freed from bondages and become fruitful in Him and in HIS kingdom, and be re-clothed in His love.

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