

GLORY TO THE TRINITY MINISTRY
“SPIRITUAL FOOD FOR THOUGHT”

THE BIRTH OF MY SON ISAAC

“MY GOLIATH”

In the previous story of “My bears & Lions” (volume 2) I have shared with you of how the Lord delivered me from my financial difficulties etc. In this story, I shall continue to share with you my spiritual battle of facing “My Goliath”. Once Again, may the name of our Lord be uplifted as I recount this story to you.

The journey of my spiritual warfare continued in my marriage. What I had face in my younger days as “My Bears & Lions” had now turned into facing “My Goliath.” As king David spiritually grew from his training of the physical battle against his lions & his bears, he was now made ready spiritually to battle against Goliath. Indeed, the word of God tells us:

“MANY ARE THE AFFLICTIONS OF THE RIGHTEOUS: BUT THE LORD DELIVERETH HIM OUT OF THEM ALL.”

(PSALM 34:19)

MY PROBLEM OF CONCEPTION

Just as Abraham could not have any children, likewise I face a problem of conception. When I first lost our first child in miscarriage, I was overwhelmed with grief, as many others would have experienced when they went through their miscarriages. However, this problem became a real problem when I continued to miscarry 2 more times.

As I grew older past my mid-thirties, having children became apparently more difficult than ever. What aggravated this problem was the fact that My O.B.G.Y.N doctor had just told me the factual truth about my condition of having a child. According to the doctor, since I had a record of continue miscarriages 3 times in a row, my chance of having a child had now drop down to only 1%. This grievous news and the thought of childlessness led to the battle of facing “My Goliath” on my knees.

THE CHALLENGE OF GOLIATH FROM MY MOTHER'S LIPS

It was well past ten years in our marriage, yet we could not have any children. My mother was still deep into “her Buddhist religion” and continued to challenge my faith as a Christian. To begin with, she did not approve of my faith in Christ Jesus and even persecuted me in my belief of Christ in my younger days. One day, she turned around and asked me the question of “my childlessness”. I recalled vividly her question and put it in this manner:

“In our home, we have no record of miscarriages” which implied that both my mother and my sister did not have any problem of having children, neither do they have a record of miscarriages whatsoever. Her next question had now culminated to the challenge of “my Goliath”, she continued to say:

“If your God is true and real, why is it that you cannot have any children?”

This question entered into my mind like a dart that hit sore into my heart. The challenge was not just having a child, but rather her belief against my faith, her gods against my God. To this I reply confidently and yet unconsciously to my mom by saying:

“Mom, don't worry, God will give me a son”.

To be real honest, I was not aware of how difficult if not impossible for me to conceive and gave birth to a child. It was later on, that I discovered what the doctor had said as I continued to miscarry for the third time.

HANNAH PRAYERS ON THE THRONE OF GRACE

The challenge from my mother's words on my faith in Christ Jesus against “my childlessness”, plus my third miscarriage and the doctor's comments, all in all led me to Hannah's prayer before the throne of Grace.

The first book of Samuel chapter 1 recorded Hannah as Samuel the prophet's mother. She was barren and felt very sorrowful as her husband second wife constantly provoked her of her barrenness since she could not have any children. Even though Elkanah, her husband loved her more than others, she was deeply grief and “wept sore” and prayed earnestly before the Lord for a child. She vowed to give back the child that God had given her to serve the Lord as his servant. Hence, Prophet Samuel was born.

Just like Hannah, I came before “the throne of Grace” with a sore grievous heart crying before the Lord in my earnest desperate prayers to request for a child, as I vowed to return my child as his servant. My reasons before “the throne of Grace” were simple. First and foremost, I asked the Lord to give me a child, just like Abraham, in order to have my descendants. Secondly and more important reason: I have got to have a child to prove to my mother that the Lord our God is the only true and living God. It is a challenge against my faith. If I did not have a child, how could I contest to her previous question and testify to her and brought her to come to the knowledge of Jesus? The “Goliath” question that my mother posed must be overturned with this prayer of faith. “With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible” (Matthew 19:26).

THE ANSWER TO MY PRAYERS

As I petitioned before the throne of grace earnestly, crying in tears for approximately four hours from past midnight into the wee hours; all of a sudden, the words of God came to me in the book of Isaiah.

“SHALL I BRING TO THE BIRTH, AND NOT CAUSE TO BRING FORTH, SAITH THE LORD: SHALL I CAUSE TO BRING FORTH AND SHUT THE WOMB? SAITH THY GOD.

“BEFORE SHE TRAVAILED, SHE BROUGHT FORTH: BEFORE HER PAIN CAME, SHE WAS DELIVERED OF A MAN CHILD.”

(ISAIAH 66:7,9)

These two verses became alive to me, that God will according to His promise honors my prayers. I shall have a son as written in the word of God as “a man child”.

As I came down from my prayer’s room, I told both my husband and uncle Dong, a servant of the Lord, these verses of God’s promise of giving me a son.

PROPHECY FULFILLED ACCORDING TO GOD’S WORDS

Few months later, I conceived and Dr. Kamras my O.B.G.Y.N. took super cautious action and extra ultrasound screening in order to make sure that my conception was normal. What was amazing was the fulfillment of the prophecy according to God’s words. The word of God says:

“BEFORE SHE TRAVAILED SHE BROUGHT FORTH; BEFORE HER PAIN CAME, SHE WAS DELIVERED OF A MAN CHILD”

Dr. Kamras needed to attend a wedding and decided to induce the birth of my baby. His reasons were as follows: he did not feel comfortable to put me into the hand of another doctor, and was not available on the due date, in case I went into labor.

Hence, 3 days before the due date of the baby's birth, I was induced into labor. Since, it was not the due date of the natural birth, the baby could not be born naturally and c-section had to be performed instead. Hence, my son Isaac was born according to God's words and promise. How amazing and accurate are the words of God that would even prophecy that my son would be born prior to my labor pain.

Indeed, God was gracious to honor my prayers that overturned "my Goliath". May this testimony continues to encourage those seeking to have children from the Lord and others who are facing their other "Goliath". For our God is a living God and He is a God of love, grace and compassion. He is a rewarder to those who diligently seek Him!! (Hebrew 11:6)

"BUT WITHOUT FAITH IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PLEASE HIM; FOR HE THAT COMETH TO GOD MUST BELIEVE THAT HE IS, AND THAT HE IS A REWARDER OF THEM THAT DILIGENTLY SEEK HIM."
(HEBREW 11:6)

Prayerfully yours, His servant
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