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**THEME: OUR MONTH OF ALL-AROUND SUPERNATURAL LIFTING**

**TEXT: *He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the beggar from the ash heap to set them among princes and make them inherit thrones of glory for the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S and He has set the world upon them 1 Samuel 2:8***

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

***Defining Our Terms:***

**“All-round”** means comprehensive; on every side; something not narrow but broad.

**“Supernatural”** pertains to being above or beyond what is natural. This is unexplainable by natural law.

**“Lifting”** is to move or bring something upward. To raise or direct upward. It is an act of raising up.

All-round Supernatural lifting is an act of being raised up in a manner that is above natural, on every side.

**I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt that you should not be their slaves; I have broken the bands of your yoke and made you walk upright. Leviticus 26:13.**

Supernatural lifting means moving from one position of certain level to another position of higher level. This is not an ordinary lifting, it is one that comes as a result of the supernatural intervention of God. When God intervenes in a person's matter, bands of the yoke would be broken and there shall be a lifting.

There are so many examples in the Bible that demonstrates supernatural lifting. God intervened in the life of Joseph, he was lifted from the confinement of the prison to become prime minister in the palace. The king had to remove Vashti for Esther to be lifted from being a housemaid to become a queen.

Lifting is of God and He desires the lifting of His children.

## 1. COMPONENTS OF LIFTING

- **Spiritual Lifting**

*For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly place. Ephesians 6:12.*

Many people in the world are not aware of the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. They are not physical but they are real and effective. Everything that manifest in the physical begins from the spiritual. If one's spiritual gate is closed, it is impossible to experience an open gate in the physical. Until your spiritual battery is charged, life is low. Paul recognized a great and effective door opened to him and there are many adversaries. No wonder he decided to tarry in Ephesus until Pentecost (1 Cor. 16:8-9). Why tarry until Pentecost? For Spiritual lifting.

- **Family Lifting**

*For you shall expand to the right and to the left, and your descendants will inherit the nations, and make the desolate cities inhabited. Isaiah 54:3.*

The family was designed by God to accomplish His overall purpose on earth. Family is the place to gain a good view of God's love, law, goodness and kindness.

A family that teaches and act according to the truth of God's word would experience a lifting.

- **Emotional Lifting**

*To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes; The oil of joy for mourning. The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. Isaiah 61:3*

In this life we often times go through some clouds of heaviness. This overwhelming feeling can come because of life pressures, challenges or living a life outside of God.

When our eyes get off Jesus, anxiety and depression comes but when we retrace our steps and our all to Jesus, the spirit of heaviness will be vacated and there shall be emotional lifting.

- **Economic Lifting**

*Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers. 3 John vs 2.*

God is not insensitive to the economic condition of His children. The truth is God is interested in your financial wellbeing. Many people are financially down because they have mentally programmed that poverty makes them a better Christian.

If you are economically down, God is able to lift you up. Just as there is a place of God in your prosperity, you also have your contribution to make.

Isaac sowed and he reaped in the same year a hundredfold (Genesis 26:12). What are you doing to change your economic value? It is what you sow that God touches and translate into your harvest. You can be rich without doing something illegal. God wants to bless the work of your hand and grant you economic lifting.

- **CONSTRAINTS TO LIFTING**
- **Sinful Lifestyle**

*In as much as I lifted you out of the dust and made you ruler over my people Israel, and you have walked in the way of Jeroboam, and have made my people Israel sin, to provoke me to anger with their sins, surely, I will take away the posterity of Baasha..... 1 Kings 16:2-3*

Nothing provokes God to anger like sin. Sinful lifestyle is a serious hindrance to God's lifting. Sin is a sinker of man's destiny. There is no height a man has reached in life that God cannot bring down if he embraces sinful lifestyle. Don't allow sin to stop the wonders of God in your life because it attracts demonic agents that hinders lifting.

- **Pride**

*A man's pride will bring him low, But the humble in spirit will retain honour.  
Proverbs 29:23*

Where there is pride, there is a connection to the way down. Instead of lifting, God resists the proud. Do away with pride. It hinders lifting.

- **Laziness**

*The lazy man will not plow because of winter; he will beg during harvest and have nothing. Proverbs 20:4*

God's words make it very clear that laziness has no place in God.

Laziness leads to poverty and not lifting.

## 1. CONNECTION TO LIFTING

- **Godliness**

*For boldly exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things. Having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come. 1 Timothy 4:8*

Godliness is a life that is given or devoted to God. This is manifest in the fear of God, the love of God and desire for God. God created all things and in His hand is the destiny of man hence the secret of supernatural lifting is in pleasing God.

- **Obedience**

*Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully all his commandments which I command you today, that the Lord your God will set you high above all nations of the earth.  
Deuteronomy 28:1*

God demands obedience to His word, the voice of the Holy spirit and Godly counsel.

God is looking for a willing and obedient heart to be lifted. (Isaiah 1:19)  
Obedience opens the door for lifting.

- **Diligence**

***The hand of the diligent will rule, but the lazy man will be put to forced labour. Proverbs 12:24***

To be diligent is to put in a constant and earnest effort to accomplish what is undertaken.

Diligence in the pathway to the top of life's ladder.

## **CONCLUSION**

Other ways leads to frustration but it is only in God that one can be lifted from the lowest point to the highest level in all areas of life. Your action will determine what you get either supernatural lifting or demotion.