



"What is Impossible with Men is Possible with God" Part 3 by Rev Samuel Mametsa, Thursday Evening, the 26th April 2012.

DAY 4: MAFIKENG CRUSADE

When King Hezekiah was told that he was going to die, he reminded God of the good things that he had done in his life. The same God, who had sent the prophet Isaiah to prophesy death unto him, again sent Prophet Isaiah to come and prophesy life (fifteen more years) to King Hezekiah. See in this respect **2 Kings 20:1-6**.

It is very dangerous to put on ropes on your body. I know that when they gave you the rope they told you it is for protection. That rope turns into a snake at night. Some of the fly-by-night pastors use them to sleep with the woman in their churches at night. The woman will see a person sleeping with her at night but she won't see the head of the man and will not connect it to the person who gave her the rope.

How can a rope protect your life? A rope made of wool? How is that possible?

1 John 5: 10 "10 He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself:..." 1 John 5:10, KJV.

Today's messages will tell you why you are cursed and why you live in poverty.

The theme of this crusade is <u>Mark 10:27</u> "27 But Jesus looked at them and said, "With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible."" <u>Mark 10:27, NKJV</u>. (own emphasis).





What is "all"? All includes everything. Can you count everything? Jesus Christ looked at them and said "With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible.""

Seat down and take your biggest book and write down all your problems. Even if you write 20,000 pages write them down. When you are done read that scripture again which says "With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible.""

Sicknesses and diseases will be included, your barren womb, your unemployment, your failure at school, unemployment, business not flourishing etc is included, but my Jesus says with God all things are possible.

In our church we tell people to behave, especially the youth. Some obey some disobey, especially the female youths because they are the victims. The girl is the one who will become pregnant. A boy cannot become pregnant. The message to the daughters in the church is that they should behave themselves in respect of their bodies. That their bodies are so special in the sense that when she is going to be married that marriage will be very special.

I am very strict with regards to marriage and I don't compromise especially if a boy wants to marry a girl in our church. The boy must prove to me why he wants to marry my daughter. He must also have money. I am taking about my spiritual daughters.

So if you are a man strong enough to marry daughters in my church we must talk money.

We married one of my daughter in 2008. The boy went to her parents and the parents said "Here we have the body but the head is in the church. We will do all that the pastor says. The pastor has instructed us that he is the one who will negotiate the lobola not us. If you want to marry our daughter better send your parents to the pastor." The parents phoned me and asked for an appointment. I gave them a date





to come with him and I told them he must come with his pay slip. They came. I said to them let's open **Genesis 29:15**.

Gen 29:15-18 "15 Then Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my relative, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what should your wages be?" 16 Now Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. 17 Leah's eyes were delicate, but Rachel was beautiful of form and appearance. 18 Now Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for Rachel your younger daughter."" NKJV.

Here the bible says not less than 7 years. The bible tell us that Jacob must work 7 years for a wife. Let's do the calculations. That is why I asked them to bring the pay slip, I wanted to know how much the boy was earning. He was earning R5,000.00 per month and I multiplied it by 12 months and 7 and that was the *lobola* I told him he had to pay.

Jacob said he would work for 7 years, so we check how much he was earning per month and then multiply by 12 months (representing one year) and then multiply by 7 for the 7 years. Without the pay slip you can't determine the *lobola*.

The parents said it is too much and I told them "Unfortunately in this church, you will not pay off the *lobola* with R2000.00 or R3000.00. They left.

After the meeting I phoned my daughter. She was working in Cape Town; she was earning about 5 or 6 times his salary. I told her "The man who wants to marry you has no money."

Time passed and the boy was worried and phoned me "Pastor why don't you give me a discount?" I said to him, "She is not a car or furniture." He said "But I love her."

I asked him "After you marry her, are you going to buy a car?" and he said "Yes", I asked him "How much will the car costs?" he said "More





than R500,000". "So, you are telling me the car will cost more than the bride price? It means that you will love the car more than her!" How can you love your wife more or better than your wife? Obviously if you have only paid R2000.00 for her you will love the car more than her. If you want to marry a woman make sure you have funds. When you marry one of my daughters she will not take the clothes that she had at home, you must take her to the shop and buy her new clothes. You must dress her from top to bottom." The boy dropped the phone.

I phoned my daughter and asked her "Do you have a problem my daughter?" and she said "No".

After three months they made another appointment and they came to me with R290, 000.00 and I said "How much do you still need to pay?" They were shot about R190, 000.00. I told them "We are not going to discuss anything until the balance is paid" and I took the money and deposited it into the trust account I had opened.

After some time, they came again with another hundred and something rands and I said to them, "Now we can talk about marriage." I started by counseling the parents first so that they must understand marriage. After this I counseled the couple. They had to write a test and the man failed. I gave him another chance, and he failed again. I gave him the last chance.

Fortunately the 3rd time he passed. He was failing one subject, I think question 11 in our test. "Why do you love this girl?" where you must fill an A4 page and explain you love the woman. Let me tell you this: he was writing; "I love her because she is beautiful." When I marked it I said "Failed". God has never created an ugly person. If I can let him go with that mentality "That my wife is beautiful!" and later she is in accident, he will want me to reverse the marriage as I have given him a green light in the test. We don't marry beauty but we marry the heart.





Girls, if now you are pregnant before marriage, don't you see that I am loosing money? Can you charge a man R400,000 for a girl carrying a baby? Maybe we can just set the *lobola* price for R20.00. I will say "Come and take her". Why? They are offloading maintenance on the parents.

That is why as a daughter you need to behave yourself so that I can boast. Even when somebody says "I want to marry you" I will say to him "Do you have money?" and he must prove himself. Then I can bless their marriage.

The girl in this story owned a very expensive flat in Cape Town and two expensive cars. The boy asked me "What about the properties?" I told him "They belong to her parents. If you can check the title for the cars and the title deed, it will state her parent's surname". "But pastor even if I have married her, she is now my wife? Pastor you are robbing me." I told him; "Don't fish the already fished fish." I told him, "The money in her account is her parents' money. Why do you want to take chances". He said "Ah, ah".

I said "You start from scratch. Maybe you wanted to marry her for her money." I said to the girl; "Bring the keys for the cars, the title deed for the flat, the money in the account, everything" and she did.

I took all these things, including the money in the trust account and gave them to the parents. They called another meeting "Pastor, this has never happened" I told them "It has now started with you, everything must start from somewhere."

The couple said "One car, pastor, it is not enough" I said "Go and buy yours, you are both working, you must start from a small pot. That is when we are talking about marriage, about a man and wife." The parents are now controlling that flat and they hire it out for thousands of rands.





Most of the daughters are really stupid in their minds because their parents struggle to take care of them at school, they grow up and they get married, leaving the parents suffering. The parents took the little money they had and sent you to school and now are left with nothing, you are a stupid daughter if you do this. When a clever girl finishes school, she builds her parents a good house and buys them a grand car.

Imagine, if they had invested that money they could have bought themselves something valuable. Instead you find the girl comes back from school with a baby. What do you think when you get pregnant at tertiary? Do you know how much it costs to send somebody to tertiary school? They even sacrifice drinking tea just for you and you give them a bonus of pregnancy instead of a graduation.

If a boy your age proposes you and you are in the same class and you agree and you become pregnant and your parents take you to the boys' parents what are they supposed to say but "This boy is still at school as you can u."

It is you who has agreed to get pregnant and the boy will continue with his education. Your parents must now look after your baby as well. The boy will complete his education and marry a clever girl. Then you will go and work for him and his wife as their gardener.

You will hear "You cannot marry her as this is your child, you gave me this child." Why? Then you will start to practice witchcraft. Then we will see the new girl fainting in her wedding gown because you bewitched her, all because you failed to control your feelings.

The surprising part is that when you preach this you will hear the girls saying "Amen!" only to find she is already two months pregnant. And you expect me to charge the lobola? I will just tell them, "Just buy me cold drink and take her", so that we can off load the maintenance frm your parents.





If a young man proposes you, tell that boy: "I cast that demon back to you!" That boy is a demon; he wants to derail your life.

When the girls in our church go to tertiary institution, I take the girl to her home and say "Do you think where you are staying is a good place for your parent to stay?" They will say "No" "Who do you want to change this? Yes, keep this in mind; you are the person, that can change this for them, so when you are at school remember this so that you can make them happy. You are their last chance. My daughter take your bags and go with one thing in your mind, you are going to complete your studies and afterwards you will work for your parents, 5 to 7 years. A man who sees you taking care of your parents is the one who will respect you."

Some of the women are being kicked and ill treated by their husbands saying to them "Go back to your home to your poor family, you know butter because you came here."

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

1 Kings 17:10-13 "10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, indeed a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Please bring me a little water in a cup, that I may drink." 11 And as she was going to get it, he called to her and said, "Please bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." 12 So she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I do not have bread, only a handful of flour in a bin, and a little oil in a jar; and see, I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." 13 And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said, but make me a small cake from it first, and bring it to me; and afterward make some for yourself and your son. 14 For thus says the Lord God of Israel: The bin of flour shall not be used up, nor shall the jar of oil run dry, until the day the Lord sends rain on the earth." 15 So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and her household ate for many days." 1 Kings 17:10-15, NKJV.





We read about a man who trusted God a lot, namely Prophet Elijah. He had strong faith and I like his faith. I remember one time he said "My body shall never be eaten by worms." and he meant it because his body was never eaten by worms as he was taken away by a chariot of fire.

I remember when he told King Ahab "I can talk to my Father, to stop the rain in the land." and he said "King Ahab, I am telling you, there shall be no rain." and he meant what he said. The bible says that there was no rain for a long time. The bible says God said to Prophet Elijah "I will command the raven to bring you food" and indeed the ravens did bring food to Elijah. They would do it twice a day.

The bible says "It is possible with God". He trusted God. When the ravens came he never said "I can never eat food brought by ravens." The bible says God gave another order, "Move from the mountain and go to a certain house". The bible says there was a woman who was picking up wood to cook the last meal of her life and when Prophet Elijah arrived the woman did not recognise him, she did not sense the annointing in the prophet.

He asked for water, and she gave him and then he said to her "Can you give me bread?" She said, "I cannot do it, it is not possible, after we eat the little food that we have in the house with my son, I am going to die." Prophet Elijah looked at the woman and said "Don't worry I serve the living God. The little food that you have, is enough." she says "Man of God are you listening to me the little food we have in the house, after we cook it tonight, we will die." Prophet Elijah says to her, "Woman listen to me, tonight after you eat, you will not die. I serve the living God."

1 Kings 17:13 "13 And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said, but make me a small cake from it first," 1 Kings 17:13 NKJV.





Emphasis on the words "first". "First cook for me", in other words "If you can cook for yourself, the meal will finish but first cook for me. First cook for me." In other words "After you cook, give me to eat, seat there with your child and look at me eating. Cook for me first and when I eat look at me."

Let me tell you this, in order to prosper in your life, you must give to the man of God first. Let him eat first. The problem why people swim in the pool of poverty is that they eat first and the man of God eat later if he does eat at all. That is your curse. The bible says "Cook for the man of God first."

If you eat first, you will swim in the pool of poverty because you are saying the bible is lying but this woman respected the word of God and gave Prophet Elijah to eat first and then Prophet Elijah said cook and eat with your child. The bible says she cooked for many years with the same flour and oil.

1 Kings 17:15-16 "15 So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and her household ate for many days. 16 The bin of flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil run dry, according to the word of the Lord which He spoke by Elijah." NKJV.

They ate for many days because they allowed the man of God to eat first. Nowadays we see the opposite. People come to church with coins and leave the larger notes at home because they want to eat first and give to the man of God later.

In Malachi, God complained, you give me what is about to die and you boast about me. Money must not control you. Mal 1:14 "14 "But cursed be the deceiver Who has in his flock a male, And takes a vow, But sacrifices to the Lord what is blemished — For I am a great King," Says the Lord of hosts," NKJV.

You came to this earth and found money here. When did you get to know about money? When you were a baby you would throw money





away if it was a given to you. Why don't you do it now that you are grown up? If you give a R200 note to a baby he or she will tear it? He or she came with nothing and knows I will not go with anything. Don't boast about money. If you have money take it to church or give it to somebody who has a need. But people want to keep on collecting money and have more and more. They just want to keep getting richer and richer.

I never heard anybody say "I don't want any more money anymore, I have enough".

I once prophesied in church "Those animals in your pocket must start to speak or to attack you." The people who were keeping money and their pockets stood up and gave hundred rand notes and two hundred notes, they were afraid of the lion and tiger in their pockets. They thought they would start to talk or bite them.

The bible says let the man of God eat first then he will prophesy. He cannot prophesy whilst he is hungry. "Hey, hey, pastor my things are not going well." He will say, "I will see you later, I am still hungry".

If you don't give, it is a curse.

In 2005 one of our daughters wanted to get married in the church and we did everything necessary to prepare for the wedding. I went there with a jean and a torn t-shirt. When it was time to preach I went to the pulpit with my jean and shirt. I did not own a suit then. I don't have time to go and hire, I have the time to go and preach at a wedding. It is your responsibility to make sure that I go and preach at the wedding. My job is to preach the word of God if spiritual children don't take care of their pastor what do they expect from him?

Her friends started to gossip about her, "They were not taking care of their pastor. They eat first, and they take care of the pastor later."





I preached a very powerful message that day but the lady was too embarrassed, looking down.

The bible is warning us; take care of the man of God. Some of them are even shy of showing people their pastor. In town, they will be ashamed to call their pastor by his title.

Take the last thing you have and give it to your pastor and remember, when you give to the pastor you are not giving to the pastor. People want to buy the faces of the pastor. When you give the pastor God knew before you went to the pastor to give Him and then God will supply all your needs according to His riches in heaven.

The bible says when you give the one hand must not see what the other is doing.

One man bought a pastor shoes, trouser, shirt, tie and jacket. When the pastor was preaching he was saying to his friend "You see those shoes, I bought them yesterday." The pastor heard the statement and took the shoes and gave them to him and preached with the socks and the jacket. People speak negative things. Why was the person saying this in the church whilst the pastor was still preaching? We have wrong Christians. "You see the car that the pastor is driving; I pay for it every month." you are cursing yourself. Give the man of God first, let him eat first.

The spirit of giving is a special gift and a lot of people have that gift but they suppress the gift. The little you sow is the little you will reap. You cannot plant a mango tree and reap oranges. Imagine you plant a mango tree today and tomorrow you find the mango tree all grown up and ready. Surely, you will run away from that yard.

The bible says you must plant the seed first, allow it to die, then spring up to become a tree and then you nurture the tree and allow it to grow and bear fruits but people expect their seeds to bring seeds immediately.





People say pastors love money too much. Don't you love money? If you need money do you think the pastor doesn't need money? Do you expect the pastor to go to the garage and tell them "Pour petrol in the name of Jesus?" Does it happen that way? What do you think your pastor must do? When you are sick the pastor must travel and come to your home or must the pastor call you on the phone, "I don't have money to come" or do you want the pastor to make a "please call me". Have you ever bought your pastor airtime?

The things that make people to suffer are the little things. Jesus said you can't say you love me when you don't love the people I send to you. It means if He can come now we will treat him that way. To show Jesus Christ that you love Him, take care of His servants.

The bible says when we come to church we must be prepared to serve not to be served. You must be prepared to serve so that you can be served from above. God cannot send somebody to serve you if you can't serve.

Things that have killed the mentality of people in terms of giving is that scripture in the bible which says "...who gave her penny and Jesus Christ said she is the blessed one." Jesus said "She gave more than all the people." People don't understand that scripture that is why when they go to church they first go to the shops to get small change. What Jesus Christ was saying is that she gave her last penny, even in her account she was left with nothing. Some gave bigger amounts but they still had too much left in their bank accounts. The bible says when you give you must feel pain. When you give with something that pains you that pain will move God in heaven.

Remember God Himself gave of His only begotten son so that that child could be killed, and he was without any sin. What about your begotten things that you have, the only something you have, God wants that only something.





Imagine when Abraham gave his only begotten son, he never argued with God because he knew he got the son from God. Why argue with God about something that belongs to God. Imagine if he had killed the child, what was he going to say to his wife? Abraham took a risk, Let me tell you this, to give is a risk. Abraham risked. God risked, why can't you risk?

When you want to give the devil says "You will die of hunger. You are making the pastor rich? In your house there is no meal mealie." Tell the devil "My pastor must eat first."

The bible says God is not pleased with a stingy person. God has never been stingy. We make Him to suffer but He doesn't complain.

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