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Your Survivability Is Not A Probability!

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For everything you need to succeed with your life, God has inspired someone to write about it; and if you're not reading it, you're not getting it.

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DEDICATION

This book is dedicated
to Senator Barack Obama,
President-elect of the United States of America.

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Introduction



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***This book will be the Lord's answer to your
prayer of questions***

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It was the 7th of August 2006. I woke up that morning feeling the profound presence of the Lord around me and within me. *I could virtually touch it!* My heart was saturated with the joy of His presence as I irresistibly began to worship and fellowship with Him. I was doubly sure the day was going to be a wonderful one, a blessed one. Why not, with such a powerful influence and sanctified presence starting off my day? I had my expectations – I was looking forward to going back to business and getting ready to leave home with music in my soul and an uncontrollable hurriedness in my every step after many months of business paralysis.

As I sat at breakfast that morning in utter quietness, I could sense my mind taking a tour of the mind of the Spirit, or rather my mind was being taken on a tour of the mind of the Spirit; a tour that wasn't unfamiliar to me, for I have embarked on such tours several times and I knew within me that soon, very soon, a word from the Lord was going to drop into my mind. And just then, out of the blues, the Spirit of the Lord whispered in my heart:

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When I heard those words I thought in my heart, "Is that all?" I seem to have expected more, you know, one of those mind-blowing inspirations that would send my head nodding back and forth in the usual manner. But that was all. So as I meditated on those words I said to myself, "This can make a fine book title." I knew this was not just a message the Lord wanted me to share with you; it was a message He wanted to share with me first (for He had made me understand that every word He shares with me is expected to first minister to my life before I administer it to the lives of others). But in my excitement and expectant ecstasy I pushed it to the back of my mind.

Several hours later I found myself sliding downhill towards the valley of frustration and depression. My business had suffered another setback that frustrated all the efforts and resources put into it to bring it back to life. *My comeback suffered a setback!* As I stood confused, speechless and motionless, the word the Lord had shared with me earlier came back to mind. Well, if you expected those words to be of help to me at the moment you're wrong because it wasn't. I was furious. I screamed in my mind, *"So Lord You knew about it? You knew this was going to happen, which was why You sent that word. You knew this was going to happen and you did nothing to prevent it!"*

Yes, that is the point. The Lord is in the know of everything concerning your life. He knows what is about to happen next and He chooses how to respond to it. He knew the setbacks I was about to suffer and He sent a word ahead of them. He can never be caught unawares and I believe He doesn't want us to be caught unawares by the 'unforeseen' circumstances, setbacks and challenges that we will have to face.

I know life is full of questions and seem to be lacking in answers, and I also know that every problem, difficulty and challenge you face in life is neither new to humanity, nor to the Lord. He has handled many such cases as yours right from the time of Adam and Eve. *"Whatever exists today and what will exist in the future has already existed in the past"* (Ecclesiastes 3:15, NLT). There are no new problems or challenges in life, only recycled ones. There is no new enemy, but the same old devil that the saints throughout the ages have overcome; the same old devil that presents himself in different packaging.

I know this book will be the Lord's answer to your prayer of questions. I trust God that as you go ahead and read this book, you will move ahead, surviving everything.

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Prologue

God Saw Everything!

God does not only love and appreciate a cheerful giver; He also loves and appreciates a cheerful heart in difficult times.

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In the beginning, God saw the end from the beginning. He knew what will be. He knew what will not be. With the power of divine foresight He saw through the ages. *He saw you!* He saw the difficulties and challenges you'll have to face in life. He saw what the world would look like in your time. He saw the problems you would be born into; the problems the world of your time will create into your life; the problems that people – friends, fiends, relatives and even you, will create into your life.

He saw the darkness and gloom that will overshadow your life at a point in time. He saw the anguish of your soul, the fears that will stream from your heart, the pains, the wailings, the humiliation, frustration, stagnation and depression that you will suffer. He saw the opposition from the visible and invisible realms that will seek to strangle your life and destiny. He saw the battles you'll have to fight; the enemies you'll have to conquer both without and within. He saw the hypocritical wolves that will betray you without mercy. He saw the fierceness of existence in your generation, the ravages and tumult of war; the heartlessness of men who can be rightly described as beasts; the subtlety and Machiavellian tendencies of friends without a friendly heart.

Yes, He saw everything! He saw you tossing on your bed of sleepless nights. He saw the heart-breaking and soul-piercing experiences; the abuse by parents and the degradation of your person; the drug addiction and the torment of demons. He saw the poverty, the financial humiliation and frustration; the hunger pangs, the cold at night as a result of homelessness.

He saw the helplessness, hopelessness and uselessness that will becloud your life at a certain time; the emptiness and meaninglessness in your soul. He saw your unworthiness, the sufferings, tragedies and the disorder that would be created in your mind by the doctrines and philosophies of demons streaming from

the lips of highly regarded citizens and from the fabrication of different religions.

He saw the web of lies that would be woven around you and the erroneous philosophies that will be imparted in you to distort, limit and desecrate the sanctity of your mind. He saw the rape, the murder, arson, injustice, racial humiliation and discrimination, and the rejection that you will suffer. Of course He saw everything, *but He still went ahead to create you!*

"Ah! But God why? How could you do a thing like that in spite of all you foresaw? Do you really love me and want the best for me?" Hmm...that would be my response as flesh and blood. That has probably been humanity's greatest question for divinity. Job, the man who suffered the greatest tragedy as recorded in the Bible, probably felt this way when he lamented: *"Why didn't I die as soon as I was born and breathe my last breath when I came out of the womb? Why did knees welcome me? Why did breasts let me nurse? Instead of being alive, I would now be quietly lying down. I would now be sleeping peacefully. I would be buried like a stillborn baby. I would not exist. I would be like infants who never saw the light"* (Job 11-13, 16, GOD'S WORD).

We are always full of questions but God is full of answers. We question the unthinkable and the unreasonable. But whenever we doubt the Lord, whenever we question His actions and inactions we are indirectly questioning His integrity. The things that are unreasonable to us are often reasonable to God because He is all-knowing. We try to figure out what the Lord is up to by the things He allows to, or make, happen when it seem not to make any sense at all. But we are often lost because we do not understand or acquire the mentality of the Lord. We find it difficult to believe in His omniscience. We debate the truthfulness of His wisdom and foreknowledge and end up concluding that it is not logically conclusive (yet we fail to realize that God's will does not necessarily

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have to be logically conclusive to the human mind, but to the mind that has faith). We doubt His love, for we think, 'If He loves us so much as He claims and want us to believe, and if He can see into the future as He also claims, then why has He placed us in such an unloving world as this?'

We may not understand what the Lord is up to with the experiences He allows us to go through, and we don't need to in order to accept His will for our lives and trust Him with our lives. I have come to know that we often gain understanding of what God intends to achieve in our lives through the things we suffer as we continue to trust in Him and hold on to Him even as we go through those experiences. We have to let his love and joy to permeate our whole being in trying times, instead of allowing our hearts to be overwhelmed by the unpleasant circumstances surrounding our lives. *God does not only love and appreciate a cheerful giver; He also loves and appreciates a cheerful heart in difficult times.*

We also have to realize that the current state of the world is the making of humanity. The questions we often direct at the Lord concerning human suffering is nothing but a subtle way of blaming Him for the woes of mankind. But humanity is responsible for the inhumanity in the world. *Proverbs 19:3 says "We are ruined by our own stupidity though we blame the LORD" (CEV).* There is no denying the fact that most of the problems we face in the world today were created by the 'wisdom' of mankind which time and again has proved to be inadequate for the happiness and welfare of humanity.

Yes, God has placed us in such an evil and perverse world as this, but He has not left us at the mercy of the world (Isaiah 43:2). God still went ahead to create you and place you in this world in spite of all He knew will befall you because He knows and is confident that you can survive anything. All the afflictions and troubles He foresaw about your life on earth could not intimidate Him to

change His mind concerning you and stop Him from making you, thereby giving you the opportunity to manifest His marvels in you and fulfill His purpose for your life. The problems and challenges of life on earth may be intimidating to you but they are not intimidating to Him. This is not just because He is God and you are human. Remember He has shared our humanity in the Person of Jesus (Hebrews 2:14, 18).

God choose not to be cowed into changing His plans for you by the tumults of the world; He refused to be deceived or tricked by the game plan of the enemy, which was why He still sent you here in spite of. If the Lord dared to send you here in spite of, then He knows you can go ahead and fulfill your destiny in spite of. He knows it's not going to be by the power of your intellect or by the might of your muscles, but by the manifestation and functioning of the power of His Spirit in your life; and He wants you to know that beyond every doubt. The muscle of man can never be a replacement for the muscle of the Spirit, and neither can human intelligence be a replacement for spiritual intelligence (the wisdom of God).

God knows you can survive anything because He planned it all before sending you here. He has a plan for your survival of the problems and challenges the world will present you. Jesus was also sent to this world by the Father and by the power of the Spirit He survived all the adversities of life that existed in the world of His time. *If Jesus could survive anything by the wisdom and power of the Holy Spirit that functioned in His life, so can you!*

"He was despised and rejected {and} forsaken by men, a Man of sorrows {and} pains, and acquainted with grief {and} sickness; and like One from Whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we did not appreciate His worth {or} have any esteem for Him. Surely He has borne our griefs (sicknesses, weaknesses, and distresses) and carried our sorrows {and}

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pains [of punishment], yet we [ignorantly] considered Him stricken, smitten, and afflicted by God [as if with leprosy]. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our guilt {and} iniquities; the chastisement [needful to obtain] peace {and} well-being for us was upon Him, and with the stripes [that wounded] Him we are healed {and} made whole (Isaiah 53:3-5).

What our Lord Jesus experienced during His life on earth is not far from what a lot of people are experiencing today. Just before His journey to the cross, our Lord Jesus foresaw the pains and sorrows that awaited Him on his course to fulfilling the Father's purpose for His life and He prayed saying, "*Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but [always] Yours be done. And being in an agony [of mind], He prayed [all the] more earnestly {and} intently, and His sweat became like great clots of blood dropping down upon the ground. And when He got up from prayer, He came to the disciples and found them sleeping from grief*" (Luke 22:42, 44, 45).

But the Father did not take away the cup of suffering and affliction from Him because He knew He could survive anything, and He did. Do not succumb to the intimidations of the troubles and challenges of life because you are capable of surviving anything. Jesus emerged from His prayer closet to meet His disciples – the future pillars of the Church – sleeping in the place of prayer as a result of grief. What a graphic illustration of what is happening in the lives of many people today!

The destiny of so many people is in a sleeping state because they are grieving over the unpleasant circumstances and seemingly insurmountable challenges they face in life. They are grieving over the injustices done to them, the abuse and rejection of people, the racial and gender discrimination in the society and their inability to live up to the society's expectation of them; yet they forget that the prevalent system in the society has failed to make the opportunities

necessary for the achievement of her expectations of us equally accessible to everyone.

In the light of this, there are two truths you have to be aware of:

1. Your grief over the unpleasant circumstances and challenges you face in life can frustrate your life more than those unpleasant circumstances and challenges can. The adversities of life are out to intimidate you and make you deny yourself this once-in-eternity opportunity to fulfill your destiny.

2. You can survive anything you think you can't. When the apostle Paul discovered this truth he screamed: *"I know how to be abased {and} live humbly in straitened circumstances, and I know also how to enjoy plenty {and} live in abundance. I have learned in any and all circumstances the secret of facing every situation, whether well-fed or going hungry, having a sufficiency {and} enough to spare or going without {and} being in want. I have strength for all things in Christ Who empowers me [I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him Who infuses inner strength into me; I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency]" (Philippians 4:12-13, AMP).*

The apostle Paul learnt *"the secret of facing every situation"* and those are the secrets you will learn as you read this book, and in addition you will receive insights into the different situations of life. If you want to learn all of the secrets, I encourage you to read all of this book. When you come to the knowledge of these secrets you will begin to frustrate the unpleasant circumstances, sorrows, pains, grief, weaknesses, and challenges that seek to frustrate your life. This book will equip you with the wisdom and courage you need to become a *frustrator* of frustration.

In Christ Jesus, we have been empowered to be equal to anything; we have been *"recreated in Christ Jesus, [born anew] that we may do those good works which God predestined (planned beforehand) for us*

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[taking paths which He prepared ahead of time], that we should walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us to live]" (Ephesians 2:10) in spite of the troubles difficulties and challenges that life has packaged for us. For God did not give us "a spirit of timidity (of cowardice, of craven and cringing and fawning fear), but [He has given us a spirit] of power and of love and of calm {and} well-balanced mind {and} discipline {and} self-control" (2nd Timothy 1:7, AMP).

The Lord wants you to *"Arise [from the depression and prostration in which circumstances have kept you--rise to a new life]! Shine (be radiant with the glory of the Lord), for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!" (Isaiah 60:1, AMP).* He wants you to come out of your grief and confront every setback in your life. Do not sit back because of your setbacks. That's exactly what setbacks seek to achieve in our lives – to make us sit back, stand back and fall back. But the Lord is challenging you to sit up, stand up and fight back because your destiny is at stake.

Do not fuel the game plan of the enemy against your life and destiny with your indifference towards yourself, towards the Lord and towards His assignment for your life just because of the intimidations of life. This is no time for pity parties; it's the time to take back your life, your joy and happiness, for God knew it all. He saw it all but still went ahead with His plan of placing you on earth, and so should you. He never gave up on you and so you shouldn't give up on yourself for He is looking up to you.

Though He foresaw the threats against the life and destiny of His only begotten Son, He was not intimidated into changing His plans for the salvation of mankind; He did not postpone the coming of Messiah. Therefore be like your Father. He created you to think like Him and act like Him. Don't be intimidated into postponing your

destiny by the unpleasant circumstances, setbacks and human opposition against your life and destiny.

The Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary says to survive means, to outlive; to continue to function or prosper despite; withstand. You can outlive every opposition against God's plans and purpose for your life. You can withstand anything. You can go ahead and be all that God wants you to be despite anything. You can continue to function and prosper with your life and be fruitful in God's assignment for your life in spite of anything. In Christ Jesus, your survivability is not a probability, for God does not drive our lives and destinies with theories, principles and philosophies of probability like the world does.

Your assurance of victory is not a probability!

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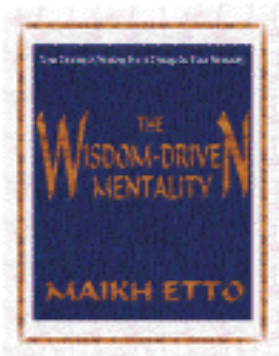
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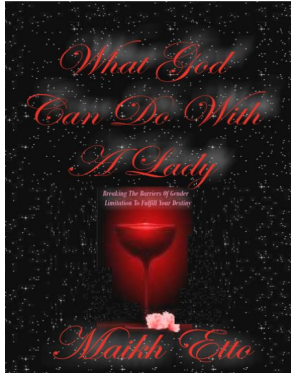
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