

## HAPPY NEW YEAR, PHENOMENAL WOMAN!

YES, “BONNE ANNÉE” to YOU, My Dear, EVEN IF, as you watched all the New Year CELEBRATIONS and REVELRY going on around you, You found yourself fighting Anger, battling Resentment, dealing with an overwhelming feeling of Sadness and Loneliness and were even tempted to just do what JOB’s wife recommended he do, which is, “CURSE GOD AND DIE”! For YOU, if 2015 is going to be anything close to what 2014 was, you are sooooo not looking forward to it ...

\* **BECAUSE** you spent more days in the hospital than the Guinness Book of Records could even account for, Hospitalized yourself, or looking after an ailing – or dying Spouse, Parent, Husband, Child or Friend! If they passed on, then it means you have just spent your first Christmas and New Year without them and that is just PAINFUL! This “MA” who, on New Year’s Day 34 years ago, felt like stepping out of the “cortège funèbre” leading her brother to his final resting place to administer a 5 FINGAH SLAP to all the revelers who were “mindlessly” screaming “HABBY-HABBY” knows only too well where you’re coming from! But, more importantly, **SO DOES JESUS OH!** Doesn't it say the following in John 11, verses 33 & 35?:

*“When Jesus saw her {Mary} crying, and the Jews who had come with her crying also, he was deeply disturbed and troubled. ... Jesus wept.”*

Prior to that, he too had lost His Dear EARTHLY FATHER, JOSEPH; that hardworking, loving and supportive Carpenter of a man who had stood by His Earthly Mother through the SHAME, RIDICULE and KONGOSSA she definitely went through with the whole “CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY GHOST, MY BIG TOE” issue, and cared for Him like He was his own child! Besides, didn’t this same Jesus also spend 33 years separated from His Heavenly Father as He toiled away on this earth? **TALK TO HIM ABOUT IT!**

\* **BECAUSE** you have just gone through one more year hitched to someone who is convinced he did you and the entire universe a huge favor by marrying you, or worse still, someone who, instead of celebrating your every achievement, is so INSECURE that he feels THREATENED instead oh! As such, every additional Trophy, Diploma, Promotion or even Compliment you get is one more reason for him to assault you – not just Physically, but VERBALLY & EMOTIONALLY as well, as he tries to put you down and make you feel small! Sadly, you might have heard the “See me dis one too” for so long that your battered spirit might be beginning to believe that hogwash! You just might need to Hurry Up and **TALK TO KING JESUS** about it, so HE can remind you that you are HIS DAUGHTER, which makes you ... **A PRINCESS oh!**

\* **BECAUSE**, in spite of all your efforts, your Child or Children are just NOT what or where they ought to be! Mother’s Day came, and instead of getting FLOWERS, you found WEED in his/her room. Your Birthday came, and they did not even remember it or dismissed it with a hurtful “what’s the big deal?” THANKSGIVING, CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR’S Day were all spent without them and you either have NO CLUE where on this planet they are; are not even sure they are even still alive, (just ask the mothers of those abducted Nigerian Girls), or you know EXACTLY where they are, because you visit them in JAIL.

And if you are going through all this stress ALONE because His Excellency The Father of the child be don disappiah siiiiiince, the burden is that much greater!

**TALK TO JESUS** about those children oh! After all, are **all** CHILDREN not first and foremost **HIS** Children that He just lends us for a while? And while you are at it, You might as well "REPORT" their absentee father to HIM too oh! Just try not ask HIM what HE was thinking when HE created the man yah, as E too fit ask you say "who send you for marrey de man?"

\* **BECAUSE** you were so grossly **MISUNDERSTOOD**, falsely **ACCUSED** or even **BETRAYED** by a Family Member, Friend or Colleague, probably to the point that you have become Persona Non Grata, a Pariah, who is SHUNNED at work, AVOIDED at the "NJANGI", and IGNORED by those you once called friends. You know JESUS found Himself "STANDING IN PILATE'S HALL; FRIENDLESS, FORSAKEN, BETRAYED BY ALL", right? He knows exactly how that feels, abi? TALK TO HIM ABOUT IT oh, My Dear!

And even if you were **RIGHTFULLY ACCUSED** and you brought all de SUFFAH on your own head by the **ERRORS, MISTAKES and POOR CHOICES** you yourself made, THE MAN still has your time oh!

Isn't it He who sought out MATTHEW the Tax Collector and made him His Disciple?

Isn't it still He who singled out short ZACCHAEUS from a crowd that must have had some bettah "Holy People" in it and invited Himself to the man's house.

How for Mary Magdalene the Ashawo?

The Marram caught in adultery, nkoh?

In fact, have you taken the time to look at some of the CHARACTERS listed in His Genealogy??? KAİ WALAH!!!!

This last Krismus, I forced myself to go through that entire genealogy that MATTHEW starts out his Gospel with, instead of skipping the 16 "annoying" verses like I usually do. Na so ah suffah wit all da name dem: Amminadab oh! Rehoboam oh! Shealtiel oh! Zerubbabel??? Hmm!

Well, I already knew about RAHAB, (yet another Ashawo), being part of the genealogy, and I had already, in previous years, had cause to marvel at the fact that God would "allow" His son to have for an ancestor, a person, (King Solomon), whose very existence was the result of coldly plotted, shameful, despicable Adultery **AND** Murder.

However, the INDIVIDUAL I had just never paid much attention to is this Mammie called **TAMAR!!!** At first, I thought this was that BEAUTIFUL daughter of King David, the Sister of the rebellious (and very Handsome) Absalom, who was RAPED by her Half Brother, Amnon! (And we have the "nerve" to be SHOCKED by "Jerry Springer" and today's REALITY TV Shows!! Wetin we don see?)

Problem is, this TAMAR's name features in vArse 3, whereas David, (her father), only shows up in verse 6! Aftah ah don wanda "who born who" tire, No be ah say make ah "investigate" mattah????!!

Sure 'noff, I tracked down the Nyango, **ALL THE WAY BACK TO GENESIS CHAPTER 38**, which you have to read for yourself to believe! MASSA ME! WHAT A TALE! Spilled Semen? A father-in-law getting his disguised-as-an-Ashawo and filled-to-the-eyeballs-with-devious "CUNNY" daughter-in-law pregnant? IYAKA EEEEEH!!!

But what does all this show? That it is THE SIN and not THE SINNER that Jesus has a problem with oh! Turn away from THE SIN, and you are sure to hear the same words He spoke to the Adulterous Woman (whose MALE "partner in crime" is not even mentioned, much less vilified, by the way,):

***"I do not condemn you, either. Go. From now on sin no more."***

In fact, why wouldn't HE understand even your **IMMIGRATION and "SANS PAPIER"** issues when HE, MARY & JOSEPH had to FLEE TO and RESIDE AS FOREIGNERS IN EGYPT to escape HEROD'S worse than BOKO HARAM and ISIS-style slaughter of Bethlehem's toddlers?

Surely, He who went 40 days and nights **HUNGRY** in the Wilderness understands the pain of a growling empty belly? Certainly, this "SON OF MAN" who had "nowhere to lay His Head" understands the pain of an **Eviction Notice** and **Homelessness**?

I presume The Carpenter He was does know how tough it is to eke out a living? ABI oh!

Someone disrespects your Race, Tribe or Ethnicity and you think "Jesus the **NAZARENE**" doesn't understand when He was referred to as such because He came from "PIRI"/"BUSH" NAZARETH about which Nathanael exclaimed:

**"Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" (John 1:46)**

SO, SISTAH, as you brace yourself to face:

- **A year** that might still end with you SINGLE, not having found the Mr. RIGHT you have been praying for since "TIME IMO RIVER";
- **A year** that might end with you still not having found the DECENT JOB you so badly need to take care of yourself and your MANY Dependents so you can recover the dignity you have lost from having to constantly BEG, BORROW, or (HEAVEN FORBID), STEAL or literally PROSTITUTE yourself to make ends meet;
- **A year** that might, (HEAVEN FORBID AGAIN OH!), come with a very unforeseen, unexpected, GRIM DIAGNOSIS from the Doctor; etc.

**MAY YOU ALWAYS BE REMINDED OF THAT SOMEONE WHO FOUND YOU WORTHY ENOUGH TO:**

- LEAVE HEAVEN & ALL ITS SPLENDOR, GIVE UP HIS OMNIPRESENCE and RESTRICT HIMSELF FOR 9 MONTHS to the Confines of the Womb of one of His CREATURES;

- PUT UP WITH all the discomforts and ills that life on this earth can bring: Hunger, Loneliness, Homelessness, Betrayal, Persecution, etc.

- ALLOW HIMSELF to be BEATEN to a pulp, SPAT UPON, INSULTED, STRIPPED STARK NAKED and NAILED TO A CROSS.

**IF HE HAS YOUR TIME, PICKS YOUR HEIGHT, AND CONSIDERS YOU THE (KONTRI) APPLE OF HIS EYE; WHAT DOES IT REALLY MATTER WHO DOESN'T???! AH BEG!**

FINALLY, If Your 2014 was sooooo BLESSED sotey you seff-seff start wanda, as in, chance no leff for ya parlor wall for add de last 5 Award dem wey you get; pikin dem all take first for University; Grand pikin dem start recite Times Table and alphabet from A-Z before their teet' dem wan even comm'ot; Massa acknowledges without the slightest hesitation that you are the best GIFT, (right after Salvation), that he ever received from The Almighty - and even bought you a Lexus to "prove" it ... Or If you are simply MIGHTY GLAD THAT YOU HAVE LIVED TO SEE 2015, THANK OBASE WITH EVERY ADDITIONAL BREATH YOU TAKE and STRIVE TO DRAW CLOSE(R) TO HIM. No be Oga JAMES talk say, if you do so, Papa God too go dress cam near you?(James 4:8)

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**PARTNER WITH HIM & MAKE IT YOUR BEST YET!**