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THEME FOR THE MONTH: THE PRINCIPLE OF INTEGRITY

TOPIC: THE FOUNDATION OF INTEGRITY; WHO GOD IS AND WHO WE ARE

TEXT: PSALM 15: 1 – 5; Proverbs 11:1, 3

INTRODUCTION:

Last month, we had a series on Divine Increase. We looked at when God promotes, how divine promotion can be sustained and concluded that promotion comes only from God. This month, our theme is **THE PRINCIPLE OF INTEGRITY**.

Proverbs 11:1 says a false balance is abomination to the Lord, but a just weight is his delight, while verse 3 says the integrity of the upright shall guide them, but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.

The word, integrity is from the Hebrew and Greek words *tom* and *Aletheia*, meaning wholeness, completeness, soundness, truthfulness. It comprises a whole lot of values. It is being the same person in public and private, when seen and unseen. Integrity is doing the right thing and staying true to your ethical values even when no one is watching you. A person of integrity is always consistent with his public words and private actions. When you are unbroken in the face of tests, sound, honest, complete, you have integrity. One is said to have integrity when he is honest and does what is right, even when no one is watching. You have personal integrity when you are capable and willing to admit a mistake instead of hiding it.

Our God is the foundation of integrity and remains Believers' standard. Today, we will see the biblical example of Job, a man of integrity and see how we can emulate him, as well as see the dangers of lacking integrity.

OUTLINE 1: GOD – THE STANDARD OF INTEGRITY

The standard of something is the established norm or a point of reference used to measure, compare or judge other things. Talking of integrity, our God is the ultimate standard of integrity because his character remains the same. He is totally truthful and his character aligns with his word.

- **God is a God of Truth:** Titus 1:2; Numbers 23:19; Acts 5:1-11; Deuteronomy 32:4; Hebrews 6:18. God cannot lie. Integrity starts with Him.
- **God Demands Truth in the Inward Parts.** Psalm 51: 6; 1 Chronicles 29:17; Proverbs 16:2; 1 Chronicles 28:9b; Proverbs 5:21; Jeremiah 17:10; Hebrews 4:13. God sees beyond our action to motives and demands truth in the inward parts.
- **God is immutable:** Hebrews 13: 8; 1 Samuel 10:8; 1 Samuel 15:3; 1 Samuel 15: 24. God never changes in His nature, character, purposes or promises.

LESSON: Integrity Is not moral performance: it is reflecting God's character. As children of God, we must fear him and strive to be like him

OUTLINE 2: THE MAN OF INTEGRITY – JOB AS A MODEL

Proverbs 10:9 says the man of integrity walks securely, but he who takes crooked paths will be found out. Clearly, a man of integrity has no falsehood in him, he doesn't embellish things or by exaggerating. He doesn't make false promises. What he says is the truth and he does not lie. One of the key characters in the bible with integrity is the man, Job.

- **Integrity is maintained in trials:** Job 2:3; Job 27: 5-6. Job held fast when it cost him. He held on to his integrity.
- **Integrity is a Lifestyle, Not an Event:** Job 1:1; Job 31:5-8 ,13-23 ,24-28. Job's daily walk proved it. He was described as perfect and upright with loads of scripture attesting to all his qualities.

APPLICATION: Can God vouch for you like He vouched for Job to Satan?

OUTLINE 3: THE DANGER OF LACK OF INTEGRITY

- **Loss of credibility and influence:** 1 Samuel 13:13-14; 15: 22-23.
- **Double-mindedness:** James 1:8; Matthew 23:27-28; Luke 16:10-12. This is when one has a face in church and another in business.
- **Lack of integrity has several consequences:** 2 Kings 5:5; Matthew 27: 3-10; 1 Samuel 31: 4-6; Proverbs 11:3; Proverbs 20:7; 28:18; Acts 5:1-11. Without integrity, trust, family and destiny are destroyed.

CONCLUSION

God is Believers standard of integrity. He cannot lie, He changeth not. He is the truth John 14:6. God is perfect, infinite and complete and so He is reliable. His promises are yea and Amen. By contrast, human beings are not consistent in character and are subject to change in nature, purposes. As children of God, we must endeavour to learn of Him so we can reflect His character.