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PAVING THE WAY



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GREETING FRIENDS,

We are, by predestination, created as human agents and angels of influence to society. We are not just human beings; we are human agents to each others. We are not just human beings; we are human angels to one another. We are created as life spices to breed other destinies in our little ways.

We are change agents, we are help agents, we are hope agents, and we are life agents. We are ourselves burden bearers; we are ourselves, caretakers, we are ourselves co-tenant on earth. We are created to watch over ourselves and pave the way for progress for one another.

You are not created to block the road of success; neither are you created as a stumbling block to life progresses of anyone. We are entrusted with the responsibility as value-adding entities. You keep adding value everywhere, anytime, and every time.

Many of us are progress hindrances; that is why we are success limited. Don't block others, don't create an unbearable mountain for others to climb when you can't climb it. Friends, we must be human by taking a critical look at our actions every time. There are things you can't do and succeed; why must you allow people to do it. You know there are ways you can't pass, why you must allow people to pass it.

Folks, don't block the door of progress behind you, don't block the chances of others. 80% of people we shut the door on others often come back looking for help.

Everyman is entrusted with responsibility by God to be an angel in human flesh. Friends, I don't find satisfaction seeing other struggles, labour, strain, and pains.

I have learned that the evolving sphere of greatness is so wide that everyone can succeed without staining or tarnishing

other reputations to remain relevant. You don't need to tarnish to triumph!

When you block the road to success after you've crossed, someone close to your heart will be caught in the web soonest. Someone once paved away for you; think of that, don't dig a pothole of failure for others.

Even though we are human, I have once said we are a privileged channel of God, so don't take it for granted. When you are paving the way, you are not just saying it; you are acting it. Our genuineness is known through our attitude and actions. Most people claim they help, yet they hurt and hunt, which means they never did. Our philosophy and activities in life, regardless, should allow others to ride on positively.

Friend, do you know, you can pave away blocking wrong ways. Blocking wrongdoing such as corruption, unethical conduct, impunity is directly paving the way for progress. Why nations struggle for development is because someone is paving the way for corruption and disrupting the rule of law. So, you can pave the way by blocking bad habits.

Someone on your path will pave the road to any great place for you, don't put a barricade line for others coming after you. See helping others as a steward and service to your own greater heights. Your contribution is an excellent gain to others but a positive way to honour is coming.

More so, we often establish rules behind us after we might have crossed into the world of greatness for others not to have access to; that is unfair. Don't put restrictions to rule out people of what belongs to them. Many regrets in life come with actions of our past, the restriction we engender.

More so, in an attempt to strengthen ourselves for others not to take our

place, we put rules that we kept on changing based on sentiments and greed, unknowingly that these rules might backfire and hurt our children in the long run.

You don't need to be offensive by creating fences, hurdles, and obstacles. There are several ways your effort and action could pave the way for others, but you must first have to be willing and determine to make an effort.

There is nothing that can be more valuable than your contribution to the lives of others. Take your chances to do good and build a reputation that can open opportunities to others.

Friend, don't shut the door of success after you have succeeded. Your action could shut the door, your words could be sending wrong signal unknowingly.

The progress we make in the life of others advances our path in life surprisingly. That is, people who grow the cause of others find progress on their path. You are as successful as the success you allow others to catch through you. Stir the ship, paving the way for easy access for others to travel.

It doesn't take anything from you to let others know what you are privileged to learn because until you empty yourself, there will be no room to be refilled and be refined.

Move up from where you are by leaving part of you in the heart of others; let something go out of you, out of your abundance, to open up opportunities for others. The world is looking for mentors who will show the way, not the ones who will block and kill the mentee's dream and path.

Paving the way means doing what you need to do in your capacity for others to forge ahead without waiting for gain. You may not have money to pave the way, but your lifelong relationship might

pave the way for someone, so don't joke with it.

A few months ago, one of my junior colleagues at the office applied as a candidate for a national scholarship for international studies, and the interview came up at Kaduna, Nigeria. When the candidate entered the boardroom to meet the interview panel, he introduced himself and where he works. The chief assessor asked, "do you know professor Fayomi in your region?". The candidate replied, "he is my direct boss". The chief assessor said, "call him; I want to speak with him". I spoke with the principal assessor, who, by privilege, I was able to help in running analysis during his doctoral degree for free in South Africa. We spoke for over 10 minutes, and that was the end of the interview for the candidate.

He prepared so much for the interview, but something else paved the way for him "RELATIONSHIP". Nothing you do in life is free; it always has a ripple effect on others.

Friends, don't remove the ladder on the only way that points to the top with the opinion that those at the bottom will strive tirelessly to get there; it might not be. The operation of life is unexplainable to mortal man! Life is systemic; life is evolving; life is revolving. It is gain for gain. Whatever you do, you reap!

You can pave the way for your organization with your prowess, character, and attitude to your customers and not reap it directly or indirectly from the same organisation. Be an influence, that is, positively influence developmental change around you,

Character is not monetized nor materialized. Character is character, it opens doors and closes doors. It is what you do regardless of people watching you or not.

Most of us neglect little things that matter to life. This negligence shuts door to opportunities. Your attitude might be an obstacle to your children's chances of accessing paved ways.

My mother always advises that "Son, don't pour hot water on someone, expecting a cold response from the person in return."

Reasons for paving the way

1. You pave the way to prepare the way.

Many of us do not realize that God prepare us ahead to pave the way for our family, relatives, friends, and the world at large. He put us into this world, so we

can also push people of low esteem into high places.

For instance, no one wants their children to suffer, so they prepare a future for them by giving them the best they have to offer.

Jesus practically demonstrated this efficacy in a more logical and simplified manner. In John 14:3, he says, "**and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you into myself; that where I am, there ye may be also**".

2. You pave the way to preserve the way.

Often many people are unaware that they are predestined to preserve the destiny of others. God told me at a time, "many destinies will not rise until you rise." It looked strange to me, but that is the operation of life.

Joseph said to his brethren after the sibling thought they mistreated him. He said to them, "**And God sent me to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.**" Genesis 45:7.

3. You pave the way to protect the way.

Isaac Newton once said, "**if I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants.**" Life is in levels, and privileges are in stages. The story of a young woman Esther in the bible also buttresses this point. Esther was in the palace of King Ahaseuerus to protect the Jews. The breakthrough of Esther was for the protection of the Jews. Esther Chapter 4-8.

If you close the door of the treasure God wants to use you to open, he will use another mortal man instead of you to open it.

4. You Pave the way to provide on the way.

We are privileged entities of God's divine provision, but God sent us as a helpmate to others per time. Don't fail to share the little you have because you may need much in the next second in another dimension.

Remember the story in 1 Kings Chapter 17:7-24. The story of the prophet (Elijah) and the widow of Zarephath. The prophet asked of her to make her last bit of flour and oil to bake bread for him. The prophet then blesses the woman and her child and assures them that their supplies of flour and oil will never be diminished. Shortly the son dies, but Elijah prayed, and God returned the boy to life. The woman gave little by

giving the meal, but she gained so much by getting an abundance of food and restoring her son's life.

Many at times, our returns always return beyond the level of our sowing if we care to sow. Don't shut the door of help God wants to use you to help others.

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