AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST

Unveiling the Believer's Authority and Kingdom Representation

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Dedication

To my Lord Jesus Christ,
the King of kings and Lord of lords,
whose authority I represent and whose glory I live for.

And to my spiritual father,
Pastor Chris Oyakhilome, DSc, DD,
whose life and ministry have revealed to me the dignity, authority,
and reality of being an ambassador of Christ in this world.

Introduction

The Christian life is often misunderstood. Many see it as religion, others as a moral path, and some as a personal comfort system. But Paul, by the Spirit, used a striking image to describe who we really are: *"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ..."* (2 Corinthians 5:20).

An ambassador is not a religious devotee. He is not an ordinary citizen. He is a commissioned envoy, carrying the full authority of his government, stationed in foreign territory to represent his homeland. His words are not his own; his life is not his own. He stands and speaks in the place of the one who sent him.

This is the reality of every believer. You are not simply waiting to go to heaven one day—you are heaven's envoy on the earth right now. You are more than a survivor in a hostile world; you are a living extension of the Kingdom of God. You carry His authority, His message, His immunity, and His culture wherever you go.

The purpose of this book is to unveil what many have never seen about their identity. It is to show you that you are not here by accident but by assignment. You are not powerless but empowered. You are not voiceless but heaven-backed.

As you journey through these chapters, may your eyes be opened to see yourself as God sees you. May you rise in the consciousness of your office, speak with boldness, live with dignity, and fulfil your mission of reconciliation.

You are an ambassador for Christ. And the world is waiting for your representation.

CHAPTER

1

The Call to Represent

Paul's words in 2 Corinthians 5:20 carry a weight far greater than many believers have realised: *"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."* In one breath, he reveals the believer's true standing in the earth—not merely as a church member or a religious devotee, but as a divine diplomat carrying heaven's authority.

An **ambassador** is not self-appointed. He does not wake up one morning and decide to represent a nation. He is chosen, commissioned, and sent by the government of his homeland to speak and act on its behalf in foreign territory. His office is not symbolic—it is legal and binding. When he speaks, the nation speaks. When he acts, the nation stands behind him. His presence in another land is a constant reminder that his government has interests, intentions, and influence there.

This is the picture Paul uses for the believer. The Greek word he employs, *presbeuomen* (from *presbeuō*), means to act as an envoy or to discharge the duties of an ambassador. It conveys the idea of someone vested with authority, standing in the place of another to transact official matters. Paul is saying: "We occupy this world as those commissioned to represent Christ, standing in His stead."

But unlike earthly diplomats who may err or misrepresent their governments, the believer carries the very Spirit of the King within. This makes his representation both spiritual and practical. The Christian is not a volunteer, but a commissioned envoy. When you came into Christ, you were not just saved from sin—you were enlisted into the diplomatic corps of heaven.

Everywhere you go, you carry the name, the honour, and the authority of the Lord Jesus. Your words are not casual; they are decrees from the embassy of heaven. Your life is not ordinary; it is the visible expression of

the unseen Kingdom. You are not struggling to belong—you are stationed to represent.

This is why Jesus said in John 20:21, *"As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."* The same sending authority that backed Him now backs you. The same Spirit that empowered Him now empowers you. The same heaven that watched over Him now watches over you. You are not of this world, but you are in this world as a divine representative.

The call to represent is not optional—it is the essence of our identity. Christianity without representation is a misinterpretation of the faith. We are not here to survive until heaven; we are here to bring heaven to bear upon the earth.

CHAPTER

2

Who Is an Ambassador?