

ALL ROUND PERFECTION AND COMPLETENESS



Psa 138:8 KJV The LORD will perfect that which concerneth me: thy mercy, O LORD, endureth for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands.

The word "concerns" according to the dictionary means that which affects one's welfare or happiness. A matter of interest to someone.

This is the prayer and affirmation or faith statement of David. He was not saying that God should perfect but he said God will perfect it

What were the things that concerned David?

The Lord had promised to make David king over all Israel.

1Sa 16:13 KJV Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.

This is what his friend Jonathan said:

1Sa 23:17 KJV And he said unto him, Fear not: for the hand of Saul my father shall not find thee; and thou shalt be king over Israel, and I shall be next unto thee; and that also Saul my father knoweth.

God had promised him to be king over all Israel but as at this time he was only reigning over Judah in Hebron. He reigned for seven years.

2Sam 2:11 KJV And the time that David was king in Hebron over the house of Judah was seven years and six months.

Of course reigning over Hebron was not all that God promised but David was grateful and hopeful.

There are not many Christian that are like David yet what we have is far exceeding greater than what David had. Even though the greater promise of being a king over all Israel is yet to manifest, he believed and that is why he made the statement of faith.

The Lord will perfect [that which] concerneth me,... Or "will", or "may the Lord perform for me" x all things in providence; all that he had appointed for him, that would be for his good and his own glory, Ps 57:2; and particularly what concerned him as a king.

He had made him king over the house of Judah; he had begun to fulfill his promise concerning the kingdom; and he would perfect it, by setting him over all the tribes of Israel.

Whatever God has said concerning you shall come to pass. it shall find expression for you. Nothing shall stop it. It shall become a reality.



Did it come to pass? Did God perfect what concerns David?

When Saul was taken out of the way, he became king. whatever will not let you go will go down for you in Jesus name.

2Sa 5:1-3 KJV 1 Then came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh. 2 Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel. 3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they anointed David king over Israel.



God is concerned in all that concerns his servants.

Isa 63:9 KJV In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old.

When they were in the wilderness, He dwells in the tent, when they came to the promised land and built a temple, he dwelled there. When he says when they go through fire, he says he will be there with them. His name is Emmanuel. God with us. God is ever present with us.

Isa 43:2 KJV When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

He demonstrated this when they threw the three Hebrew boys into the fire in Dan 3. There was an appearance of one like the son of God.

Dan 3:25 KJV He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.

He will see to it that none of their precious things shall fail to completion; their life, their strength, their hopes, their graces, their pilgrimage, shall each and all be perfected.

Heb 4:15 KJV For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

God will fulfill all His promises.

God did not allow you to go through school and graduate to become jobless. He did not allow you to marry and start suffering, he did not allow you to learn a vocation and have no work. He did not allow us start a church and have an empty auditorium

How do we know that God will perfect that which concerns us?

1. The Lord knows the end from the beginning. He does not start a thing without finishing it first. So when you see God start a thing, it means He has already accomplished it. To us God is doing a new thing but as far as God is concerned, it is a done deal.

Isa 46:10 KJV Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

2. God does not abandon a project. He does not start a thing and leave it like our government does. This is how Paul express it:

Phi 1:6 KJV Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:

That work is the work of salvation. I know many uses for a lot of things. What Paul was saying is that your spirit is saved, your soul is being saved and your body will be saved. But He has started it. We are being renewed day to day. We are also waiting for the redemption of the purchase.

2Co 5:17 KJV Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Eph 1:14 KJV Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

3. We have been perfected forever in our spirit and have our completeness in Christ.

Heb 10:14 KJV For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

Col 2:10 KJV And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

The argument is if God has perfected us forever and we have our completeness in Christ then it is possible and He will also perfect that which concerns us in every other area. the perfection in the spirit is greater. He that can do the greater can do the lesser.

People used to think that it is the business, marriage or school that will make them perfect. You are already perfected. When you believe this, the physical will come to pass.

It is the reality of the fact that we have been perfected and had our completion that will bring the physical manifestation.

How does it happen?

1. You have to be patient: Many don't like the word but Patience is not passivity. Patience is active faith over a prolonged period of time. It is a verb. David was anointed king at 17 years or about that time but did not ascend the throne until 30 years and that was even over Judah only. It took another 7 years before he became king over all Israel. He was very patient.

Heb 6:12 KJV That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Heb 10:36 KJV For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

2. It is through fervent prayers.

Col 4:12 KJV Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.

The Greek word they used for the word "labouring fervently" is "**agonizomai**" It is pronounced: ag-o-nid'-zom-a-heel. It means:

to enter a contest: contend in the gymnastic games.

to contend with adversaries, fight

metaphorically to contend, struggle, with difficulties and dangers

to endeavour with strenuous zeal, strive: to obtain something

to struggle, literally (to compete for a prize), figuratively (to contend with an adversary), or generally (to endeavor to

What was Epaphra contending in prayer for? The word signifies to strive as in an agony. he was agonizing

That the Philippian Church

1. and complete in all the will of God; or "be filled" in it, have a perfect knowledge of the revealed will of God, both as to doctrine and practice, and be enabled to act according to it.
2. Perfect" implies the attainment of the full maturity of a Christian.

The summary or lesson from Epaphras is that it takes not ordinary prayers to bring about perfection but labourious and fervent or agonize and intense prayers.

in that contest, you are contending with and

1. **Against yourself and the stronghold:** Bringing or casting down every stronghold of doubt, thoughts and unbelief. You have listened to Nigeria news that says the economy is bad, there is no job and you have started to believe it. it has formed a strong hold in you. you have to contend with it because it is contrary to the word of God.

Gal 5:17 KJV For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

2Co 10:5 KJV Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

2. **You have to contend for your faith.** What the devil is after is not really you but your faith. The Bible says persecution arises because of the word. The devil wants to steal the word of God from you.

Mat 13:21 KJV Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

Jud 1:3 KJV Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

3. **You have to contend against the principality and powers** that want the status quo to remain as it is.

Eph 6:12 KJV For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.



Another case study is Paul

Gal 4:19 KJV My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,

The things of God do not automatically come to pass. You will have to receive it or lambano. Lambano means to seize it, take it by force or application of force.



Mic 4:10 KJV Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

Isa 66:8 KJV Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.