\*THE GOD OF VENGEANCE\*

The bible says:

 \*"Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.”\*

Romans 12:19.

Vengeance can be defined as an act of punishment or retaliation on someone for causing harm or injury to another person.

From the biblical point of view:

 \*Vengeance belongs to God; it is God's way of giving verdict for injustice. It is an act of payback or to avenge for the wrong that has been done to the righteous. \*

The world we live in is full of wickedness and battles: both physical and mostly spiritual.

To this end, every nation of the world has put in place Courts of justice to adjudicate on matters affecting people and more importantly to protect the rights of people.

The Rule of Law frowns at taking matters into your own hands by trying to take revenge or retaliate against anyone that has caused harm to you.

 \*Two wrongs don't make a right.\*

Basically, whoever feels aggrieved for any wrong or injury inflicted by another, has the right to seek redress in a court of law.

In the same vein, the word of God instructs believers never to take justice into their own hands, but take every matter to the \*Court of God\* in prayer; for those who hurt you will face the consequences of their actions.

Many are times, people around us experience misfortunes and one tend to sympathise with them,with the tendency of attributing such occurrences to the devil; forgetting that there is a day of reckoning for the wicked.

The bible says:

" \*Be assured that the wicked will not go unpunished".\*

Prov 11:21.

God; the father of our Lord Jesus Christ made Himself known as the \*God of vengeance\*, as recorded in the bible;

 \*"Vengeance is Mine; I will repay. In due time their foot will slip; for their day of disaster is near, and their doom is coming quickly".\*

Deu 32:35.

Although, Vengeance only comes to relevance when there has been wickedness or injustice that resulted in hurt, pain or injury to an innocent fellow.

Some people are of the opinion that vengeance is an act of revenge which God kicks against.

Afterall, our Lord Jesus Christ said:

\*"If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also".\*

Luke 6:29.

Apparently, God does not want us to retaliate:

 \*"Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone".\*

Romans 12:17

Without doubt our God is not an author of confusion; the same God of old testament is the one that reigns in the new testament.

\*Hebrews 13:8\*.

However, there is absolutely nothing wrong in calling forth or praying to God that He avenges for us.

The Psalmist said:

 \*"O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself".\*

Psalm 94:1:

When it dawned on David that king Saul was determined to kill him; he cried out to God;

 \*"May the Lord judge between me and you, may the Lord avenge me against you, but my hand shall not be against you".\*

1 Samuel 24:12.

It is important to note that God only avenges for the righteous;

 \*"And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?\* Luke 18:7.

God decides on methods and the quantum of punishment; for He is just.

 \*"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds".\*

2 Cor 10:4.

The weapons for fighting the enemy are activated \*through God\* in prayers and supplications;

 \*"Plead my cause, O LORD, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me".\*

Psalm 35:1

 \*Invariably, God is the avenger. \*

PRAYER:

 \*"The Lord shall fight for you and avenge you over your enemies then you shall hold your peace in Jesus name"\* 🙏🏼Exodus 14:14

However, God may not fight for a sinner who indulges in wickedness against the righteous.

 \*"If one-person sins against another, God may mediate for the offender; but if anyone sins against the LORD, who will intercede for them?"\*

1 Sam 2:25.

 \*Repent of your sins\* today and God will avenge for you.

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