\*AS THE LORD PLEASES.\*

The bible says:

 \*"Whatever the Lord pleases; He does in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all the deeps"\*

Psalm 135:6.

Without doubt \*God is on the throne. \* He controls and decides the affairs of everyone the way He pleases.

The topic of today's message emanated from \*our noble profession of Law ;\* as it relates to the saying in the courts of Law in Nigeria.

From the lawyer's or the litigant’s perspective; whenever a judge gives a practice direction on proceedings or delivers a ruling and judgement on any case in major courts in Nigeria, it's usually followed by a loud saying; \*As the Court (Lord) Pleases".\*

It is a sentence of acceptance of the judgement or ruling of the judge as the case may be.

It does not totally suggests that a lawyer, especially the one whose client will be adversely affected with the judgement is comfortable; but that he is bound to accept it because the Judge is in charge of the affairs in the court of law.

\*These Judges are human, hence there are tendencies for mistakes, errors or omissions:all of which could amount to miscarriage of judgement.\*

Whether the judgement was delivered in error or correctly: \*It is As the Lord Pleases".\*

\*However, unlike the Almighty God who is an all knowing God, that sees what is hidden to all; earthly Judges are only bound to decide based on evidence placed before them.\*

Judges are mini gods by all respect: they can set free and kill: for offences that carry death penalty.

More instructive, is the fact that many earthly judges have compromised in the course of discharging their duties.

Nevertheless; we all respect the Judge's decisions so far they emanate from the court of law.

The purpose of this message is not to look into the impropriety of earthly judges;

I am particularly interested in \*the Lord of Lords; who is the Only Honourable Chief Justice of the heavens and the earth, that also rules over the earthly judges.\*

If we so much respect the decisions of the susceptible earthly Judges, what value do we place on actions and words of the \*Most High God\*?

About sixteen years ago, I was invited for a ceremony in Ijebu ode:Ogun state, Nigeria;

While we were at the open space reception ground; all of a sudden the clouds gathered; with rain beckoning and I was concerned for them, then my close friend said: don't worry, one occultic member of their family had consulted his gods to stop the rain;

Unfortunately, the rain poured out heavely and I later made jest of my friend that their \*rain stopper\* failed them.

Dont let anybody fool you, God said:

\*"I kept the rain from falling when your crops needed it the most,I sent rain on one town but withheld it from another, rain fell on one field, while another field withered away".\*

Amos 4:7

God decides when to pour down rain and where HE allows earthquakes.

 \*"God shakes the earth from its place and its foundation trembles".\*

Job 9:6.

 \*As the Lord pleases!\*.

We often hear people say stuff like: \*life has not been fair to them;\* Implying God did not blessed commensurately to their deeds or commitment.

Lately, the Holy Spirit reminded me of the parable of hired workers as recorded in

 \*Matthew 20.\*

Jesus Christ likened the kingdom of heaven to a landowner, who hired workers for his vineyard.

He hired some early in the morning and agreed to pay them normal daily wage, while he also hired some workers later in the day and evening.

However, when it was time to give them wages, he decided to give the ones he hired in the evening the same daily pay which he also gave to those that started work very early in the morning.

When the first set of workers saw that the landowner gave them same daily pay with the evening workers they began to murmur; saying:

\*"Those who were hired last worked only one hour and you have paid them just as much as you paid us who worked all day in the scouching heat"\*.

Matthew 20:13.

The Landowner replied them:

 \*"Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money"?\*

Matthew 20:15

\*Apparently, Many people don’t deserve what they get and many do not get what they deserve.\*

However, \*our God is a just and fair God.\*

2 Thess 1:6.

 \*"He changes times and seasons; He removes kings and sets up kings, He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding".\* Daniel 2:21

The Almighty God is indeed the king maker;

He chose David, the most unlikely person, as successor for King Saul.

 \*1 Samuel 16\*

 \*Nobody could have querried David's choice for they knew Samuel was God’s representative: Hence, As the Lord pleases.\*

GOD does not take counsels from anybody before He decides.

 \*Isaiah 40:14.\*

\*There is nothing like the "Jury" with God except; same God in trinity.\*

The bible says:

\*"God raises up the poor out of the dust and lifts up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes and to make them inherit the throne of glory".\*

1 Samuel 2:8.

 \*"As the Lord Pleases".\*

Our God is sovereign and unquestionable in all ways. He rules over the inhabitants of the heavens and the earth.

 \*Daniel 4:35\*.

God is the potter and we are clay in His hands, but can the clay make complaint about the potter? NO,

 \*Jeremiah 18:1-6\* .

When Joseph told Jacob his dreams, the bible says Jacob rebuked him, for the dreams annoyed Jacob;

 \*"What is this dream you had? will your mother and I and your brothers actually come and bow down to the ground before you?\*

Gen 37:10.

Eventually they all bowed down; \*As the Lord Pleases.\*

 \*Hear this:\* I don't know who else will experience such \*a major lifting,\* but I believe as the Lord lives: I will👈🏽 .

 \*PRAYER:\* My God and my Father, the kind of \*lifting\* that no man can ever imagined or comprehend; let it come to me and my family as you have ordained it in Jesus name.🙏🏼

 \*Obedience\* is crucial:

 \*"I know your deeds, see I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut, I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name".\* 🙏🏼

Rev 3:8.

Finally, Our Lord Jesus Christ confirmed the \*Lordship of the Almighty God\* when he was about to be crucified;

 \*"My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me; yet not as I will, but as You will".\*

Matthew 26:39.

Jesus said:

\*"So the last shall be the first and the first last: for many are called, but few are chosen";\*

Matthew 20:16

\*AS THE LORD PLEASES.\*

Win a soul for Jesus today.

\*JESUS Reigns\*

Signed, Bro Cole