

# THE CHRISTIAN TEEN/YOUTH

## 6. You are Pregnant!

*Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust (NKJV).*

*Grace and peace to you many times over as you deepen in your experience with God and Jesus, our Master. Everything that goes into a life of pleasing God has been miraculously given to us by getting to know, personally and intimately, the One who invited us to God. The best invitation we ever received! We were also given absolutely terrific promises to pass on to you—your tickets to participation in the life of God after you turned your back on a world corrupted by lust. 2 Pet. 1:2-3 MSG.*

'Pregnancy' is the term used to describe the period in which a fetus develops inside a woman's womb or *uterus* (NIH). It occurs when an egg is fertilized by a sperm, grows inside a woman's uterus (womb), and develops into a baby (*e-medicine health*). Pregnancy is a means to the end, that a new life might be brought forth into the earth.

When God created you physically he formed you with some special abilities, which follows the purpose he had in mind that made him design you to look the way you are, and he made you to be completely different from every other human being. Just as you have unique physiological differences from every other human, even though someone might resemble you somewhere, the person is not you, right! God says, **"I alone know the plans I have for you, plans to bring you prosperity and not disaster, plans to bring about the future you hope for."** (Jer. 29:11). It is because of these great plans that he called you out of the corruption of the world into the grace of salvation through Christ Jesus. Kay Arthur said, "So many times we say that we can't serve God because we aren't whatever is needed. We're not talented enough or smart enough or whatever. But if you are in covenant with

Jesus Christ, He is your strength; and he is responsible for covering your weaknesses. He will give you His abilities for your disabilities!” therefore, understand that Jesus himself has become the author of your divine abilities.

**“God has given each of us the ability to do certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, then prophesy whenever you can—as often as your faith is strong enough to receive a message from God. If your gift is that of serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, do a good job of teaching. If you are a preacher, see to it that your sermons are strong and helpful. If God has given you money, be generous in helping others with it. If God has given you administrative ability and put you in charge of the work of others, take the responsibility seriously. Those who offer comfort to the sorrowing should do so with Christian cheer.”** Romans 12:6-8 TLB. Because you now live in Christ, you have also received the right of access into God’s treasures of spiritual gifts and talents, with which you will fulfill the divine purpose behind your existence on earth, for the benefit of others in the church, first. You are born again, and you are pregnant with spiritual gifts and talents; God has put a unique strength inside of you to make you live with the sense of relevance every day as a Christian teenager, and anywhere you find yourself, if only you can continue to yield to the leading of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:14). Identify what you are pregnant with and use it to do ‘good’ like Jesus everywhere you go (READ Acts 10:38). You are created anew in Christ to fulfill those good works which you were predestined to walk in, while living here on earth. Let your light shine before men so much, such that that they see your good works and glorify God on your behalf (Matt. 5:16) “For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago” (Eph. 2:10).

When he created you anew, it was with an entirely new configuration and content. **“The Holy Spirit displays God’s power through each of us as a means of helping the entire church. To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice; someone else may be especially good at studying and teaching, and this is his gift from the same Spirit. He gives special faith to another, and to someone else the power to heal the sick. He gives power for doing miracles to some, and to others power to prophesy and preach. He gives someone else the power to know whether evil spirits are speaking through those who claim to be giving God’s messages—or whether it is really the Spirit of God who is speaking. Still another person is able to speak in languages he never learned; and others, who do not know the language either, are given power to understand what he is saying. It is the same and only Holy Spirit who gives all these gifts and powers, deciding which each one of us should have”** (1 Corinthians 12:7-11. LIVING BIBLE). As long as you remain in close fellowship with

Christ, you are expected to remain on the delivery bed, everyday. God expects you to use that which he has put inside of you to cause increase in the church that the kingdom of God might expand. Seek God daily to discover what he has loaded you with so that your relevance might become obvious before all men.

You need to know this. That a pregnant woman cannot carry out rough activities while carrying out any physical activity, they deal gently with everyone and with every activity because of the treasure in their womb. You also ought to coordinate your life in the fear of the Lord. You can no longer involve in all what your friends who have no time for God engage in. You are pregnant with spiritual virtues you cannot afford to miscarry due to sin and your carelessness. You are expected to drop aside whatsoever can cause you to miscarry the Lord's pregnancy (good plans and spiritual gifts) preserved in you for his church, and his glory. A lot of Christian teenagers have messed up and missed it already, and God really wants you to be alert, dwelling daily in his presence to learn how to deliver his baby in your womb anytime the need arises.

Beloved Christian teenager, you are pregnant with the spiritual gifts and talents needed by other Christians to grow well, therefore, stir up the gift within you daily, through constant quality personal devotion, prayers, obedience to the word of God, and practicing the gift within you through faith in God, and the leading of the Holy Spirit. Guard it with all diligence. And never forget that because of this pregnancy, you owe your generation. Lives and destinies depend on you to lead a purpose-driven life even as they, like you, journey through the earth into eternity.

You are pregnant. Make sure you deliver to the right people/person, in the right place and in the right time. You are a debtor, until you give off completely. Do not get into the graze without blessing your generation with God's great gifts inside of you for the world. 'Make sure you die empty;', not like Prophet Elisha who died with the anointing still working in his bones. Deliver your baby, and don't forget to remain pregnant with more virtues for the next recipient of your generation. The more you remain pregnant in the spirit, the more you remain relevant to your generation and the ones waiting ahead (Rom. 8:19). You are pregnant with God's child – his spiritual gifts and abilities are dwelling inside of you. They are meant for the church and the generations! Prayer well to deliver them in each season; bear your fruit of righteousness in each season. Pray well to know where to show forth the light of God by allowing the Holy Spirit to begin to use you. If you are in Christ you are not empty, you are eligible for grace upon grace.

Come by faith to Jesus day by day so he might teach you what exactly you must do to run correctly and to remain a great blessing to the end.