

Knowledge is FirePower



Is 43:19 Behold, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs forth; do you not perceive *and* know it *and* will you not give heed to it? I will even make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.



Which of these images do you see?

GOD WILL MAKE A WAY



Pastor Joey Pino
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God will make a way
where there seems to be no way
he works in ways we cannot see
he will make a way for me
he will be my guide
hold me closely to his side
with love and strength for each new day
he will make a way
he will make a way

Isaiah
49:11

(chorus)
by a roadway in the wilderness
he'll lead me
and rivers in the desert will I see
heaven and earth will fade
but his word will still remain
he will do something new today
(repeat chorus 2 times)

Isaiah
49:10

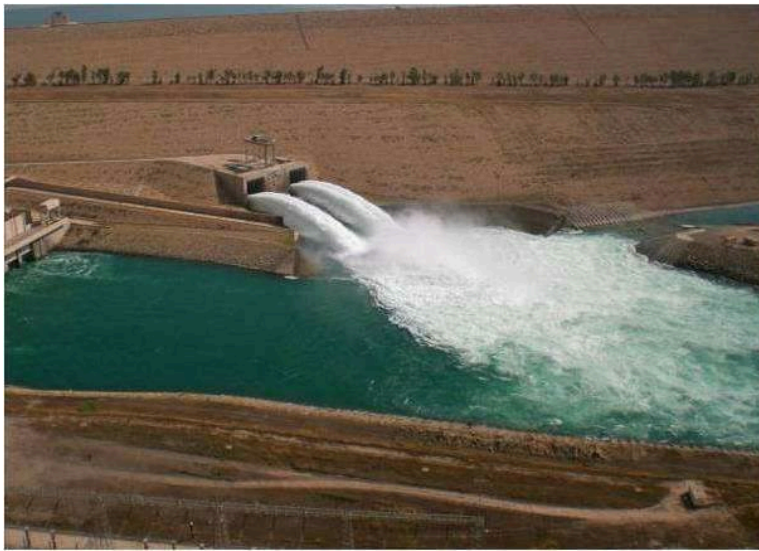
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55:10-11

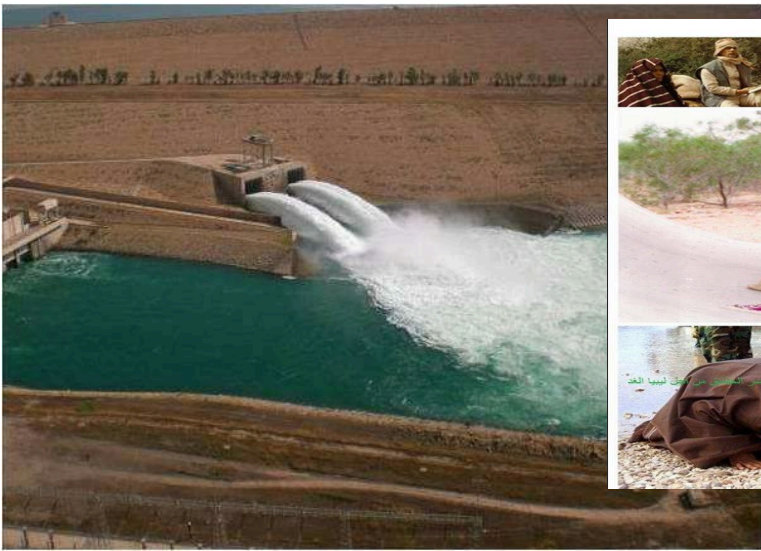
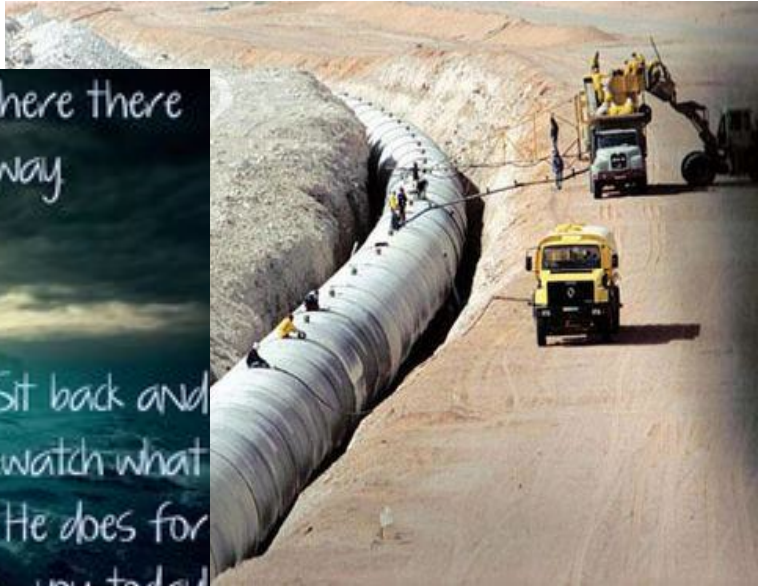
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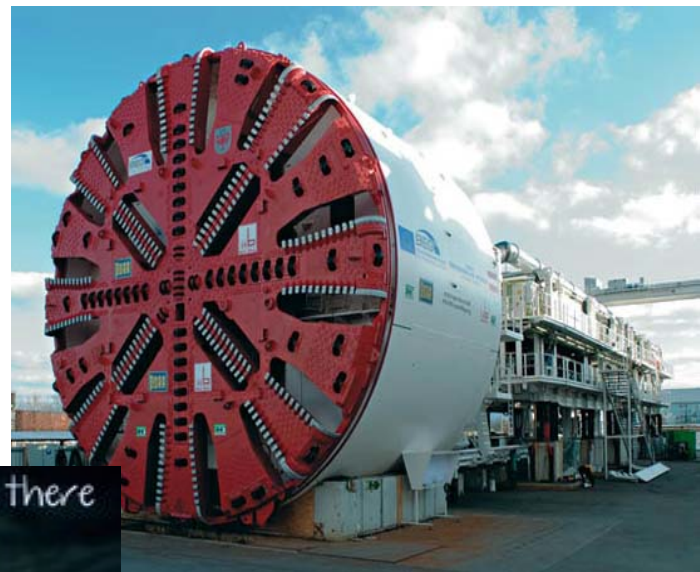
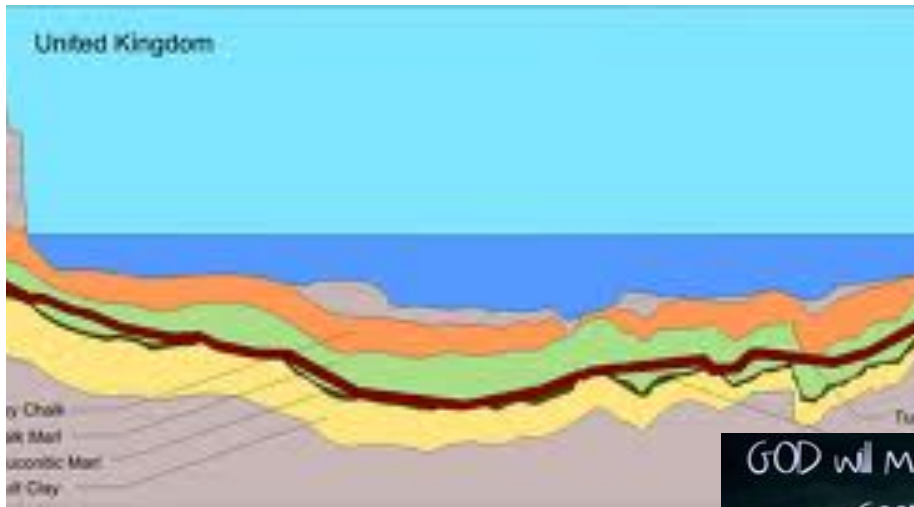


Man has the capacity to make this song literal-

Like the world's biggest man-made rivers in the desert of Libya and the Channel Tunnel between England and France







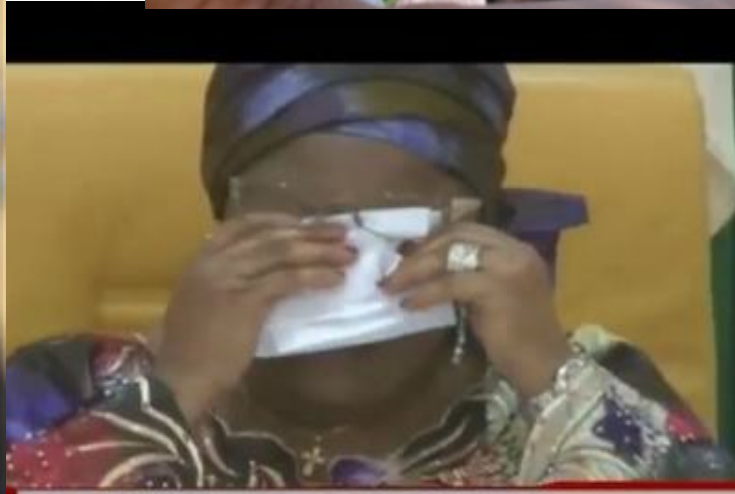


Time to end the ignorance & denial

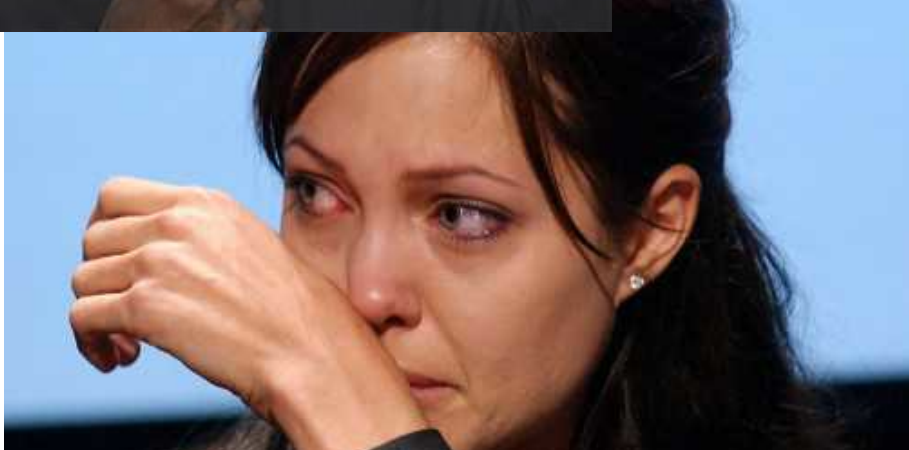


It's time to engage





SEARCH FOR MISSING SCHOOL GIRLS
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Our progression in Highlife

To subdue the earth; we have to make the “spiritual” literal.

Hence our year themes:

2013: Frame our world by the Word

2014: Released to take charge

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'litərəl, 'litrəl/

adjective

adjective: **literal**; adjective: **literal-minded**

1.

taking words in their usual or **most basic sense without metaphor** or allegory."dreadful in its literal sense, full of dread"

To gain **victory**
today,
we must see
Jesus like this!
John 1: 14



JESUS
is my Superhero
Luke 19:10

John 1:14 (amp) And the Word (Christ) became flesh (human, incarnate) and tabernacled (fixed His tent of flesh, lived awhile) among us; and we [**actually**] saw His glory (His honor, His majesty), such glory as an only begotten son receives from his father, full of grace (favor, loving-kindness) and truth.

The Metaphor: a thing regarded as representative or symbolic of something else, especially something abstract

Gen 3:14 So the Lord God said to the snake, 'Because you have done this,

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... I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and **between your offspring[a] and hers;**
he will crush[b] your head,
and you will strike his heel.'



We need ***Firepower***:
the military capability
to **direct force**
at the enemy;
because...



... we are dealing with a very sophisticated & ambitious enemy Isaiah 14:13 Amplified:

12 How have you fallen from heaven, O **[b]** light-bringer *and* daystar, son of the morning! How you have been cut down to the ground, you who weakened *and* laid low the nations [O blasphemous, satanic king of Babylon!]

13 And you said in your heart, I will ascend to heaven; I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; **I will sit upon the mount of assembly in the uttermost north.**

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.

15 Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol (Hades), to the innermost recesses of the pit (the region of the dead).

16 Those who see you will gaze at you *and* consider you, saying, Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms?—

Who is the enemy?

How does he look?

JOHN 10:10a

The thief comes to steal, kill and destroy...

By their fruit: ref: **S. T. B.**

How do they
manifest?

Sorrow
Tears
Blood



Ephesians 6:12: a literal portrait

The memoirist with a mission

By the time he was 10 years old, Binyavanga Wainaina knew he was gay. But he lived in Kenya, a country that **demonized homosexuality**.

And so for years he pretended to be what he was not. In December 2012, his friend — a fellow gay man who had also spent his life mired in pretense — **got sick**. Even as he **lay dying**, he could not tell his family that he **was sick**. His **death** broke Binyavanga's spirit.

So what's to celebrate about a death-carrying lifestyle?

The best-known Kenyan writer of his generation, he felt an obligation to chip away at the **shame** that made people like his friend **die in silence**.

By **publicly and courageously declaring that he is a gay African**, Binyavanga has demystified and **humanized homosexuality** and **begun a necessary conversation** that can no longer be about the “faceless other.”

[TIME 100 ARTISTS](#)

Binyavanga Wainaina

By Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

April 23, 2014

Adichie is a Nigerian writer and winner of the Commonwealth Writers Prize

We must be able to identify enemy action

- **Ephesians 6:12**

For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the despotisms, against the powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere.

We need to engage; with innovative ideas

This is because ideas rule the world; whether the world system or the Kingdom of God.

Innovation is not about incremental improvement but disruptive, new paradigms. altogether.

We must employ Transformational thinking!

Because the enemy inspires with evil sophisticated thought.

2 Cor 10: 3-5

3 For though we walk (live) in the flesh, we are **not** carrying on our warfare according to the flesh *and using* mere human weapons.

4 For the weapons of our warfare are not physical [weapons of flesh and blood], but they are mighty before God for the overthrow *and* destruction of strongholds,

5 [Inasmuch as we] refute **arguments and theories and reasonings** and every **proud and lofty** thing that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God; and **we lead every thought and purpose** away **captive** into the obedience of Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One),

Therefore, we must place a premium on
Knowledge:

Gnosis:

“a **deliverance** of man from the constraints of earthly existence through insight **into** an essential place of **freedom**”

Consequences of complacency

Isaiah 32:9-11

9. Rise up, you women who are at ease! Hear my [Isaiah's] voice, you confident *and* careless daughters! Listen to what I am saying!

10 In little more than a year you will be shaken with anxiety, you careless *and* complacent women; for the vintage will fail, and the ingathering will not come.

11 Tremble, you women who are at ease! Shudder with fear, you complacent ones! Strip yourselves bare and gird sackcloth upon your loins [in grief]!

The Church is the answer! Because The Holy Spirit confers us with “elevated thinking”

Hence Psalm 48: 2

*1. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised in the city of our God! His holy mountain,

2. Fair and beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth—[a]Mount Zion [the City of David], to the northern side [Mount Moriah and the temple], the [whole] city of the Great King!

Beautifully positioned:

*Isaiah 49:11I will make each of My mountains a road,
And My highways shall be elevated.

*James 1:9 Let the brother in humble circumstances glory in his elevation [as a Christian, called to the true riches and to be an heir of God],

Knowledge is IN-telligence derived from experiential engagement

We have to reframe problems in a new way; informed by insight from our study- from the (battle)field

Numbers 13: 1-2, 17-20

1. And The Lord said to Moses,

2. Send men to explore *and* scout out [for yourselves] the land of Canaan, which I give to the Israelites.

- **18** And see what the land is and whether the people who dwell there are strong or weak, few or many,
- **19** And whether the land they live in is good or bad, and whether the cities they dwell in are camps or strongholds,
- **20** And what the land is, whether it is fat or lean, whether there is timber on it or not. And be of good courage and bring some of the fruit of the land.

WANTED: “Deep smarts”

Intelligence and **in-telligence**

Reconnaissance: the military term for exploring beyond the area occupied by friendly forces to gain vital information about enemy forces or features of the environment for later analysis and/or dissemination.

Deep Smarts:

The time for passive “Jim Reeves position” is gone. **WE MUST ENGAGE, with stealth, as sheep among wolves.**

Matt 10: 16



Matt 10:16 Behold, I am sending you out like sheep in the midst of wolves; be [c]wary and wise as serpents, and be innocent (harmless, guileless, and [d]without falsity) as doves.



***stealth**: cautious and surreptitious action or movement.

*(chiefly of aircraft) designed in accordance with technology that makes detection by radar or sonar difficult. "a stealth bomber



Knowledge is **experiential**: 1 John 1

Knowledge is **expertise** 2 Tim 2: 15

Leads you to increase in faith- they that know their God.. This is what makes you strong (knowledge) through testing that you have received. aka trials, perseverance...

Hence “testimony” is a **Yoruba** word: “ test ti mo ni”. (lol)

“intelligence” & in-telligence; we need both



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Complete knowledge is in Christ

1 Cor 1: 4-5

4 I thank my God at all times for you because of the grace (the favor and spiritual blessing) of God which was bestowed on you in Christ Jesus,

5 [So] that in Him in every respect you were enriched, in full power *and* readiness of speech [to speak of your faith] and **complete knowledge** *and* illumination [to give you full insight into its meaning].

Knowledge gives influence:

We must pay attention to study Culture: **culture is the full range of learned human behavior patterns.**

"that complex whole which includes knowledge, belief, art, law, morals, custom, and any other capabilities and habits acquired by man as a member of society." Edward B Tylor

What **faith** and **innovation** have in common

Faith: **11** Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. **2** For by it the elders obtained a *good* testimony. **3** By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

Inovation: Seeing what others do not see, articulating it and making it happen.

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- *If we are to be **solution providers**; we must **INNOVATE***
- *Innovation is the process that translates knowledge into economic growth and social well-being. ([Autralian Research Council](#))*

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Innovation is unusual, not incremental change

Isaiah 43: 19

¹⁶ Thus says the Lord, Who makes a way through the sea and a path through the mighty waters,

19 Behold, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs forth; do you not perceive *and* know it *and* will you not give heed to it? I will even make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

Wisdom:

cannot come without innovation thinking. This is the link between **Jer 33:3** & James 1:5. This **why God hides solutions** to wicked problems from everyone else, except those committed to seeing HIS reign on the earth

Isaiah 45: 2-3

And I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden riches of secret places, that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, Who calls you by your name.

Why it's given to “sons” not “children”. Romans 8: 19.

A problem is an opportunity to subdue the earth; not a discomfort to run away from.

If God wants you to subdue the earth; He gives you a “problem paradigm” – a burden

So to innovate; look for a problem.

: Q: How do you manage for innovation. A : We hire people who want to make the best things in the world ([Steve Jobs](#))

Face your problem and blow it away;
with superior knowledge

