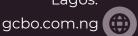


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CROSSING OVER TO TAKE OVER

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Text: Deuteronomy 9:1-3 (NKJV)

"Hear, O Israel: You are to cross over the Jordan today, and go in to dispossess nations greater and mightier than yourself, cities great and fortified up to heaven, a people great and tall, the descendants of the Anakim, whom you know, and of whom you heard it said, 'Who can stand before the descendants of Anak?' Therefore understand today that the Lord your God is He who goes over before you as a consuming fire. He will destroy them and bring them down before you; so you shall drive them out and destroy them quickly, as the Lord has said to you.

In the passage, the Israelites were about to cross the Jordan river and God needed to give them a charge to prepare them for the victories He had already secured them on the other side of river Jordan.

What Is a Takeover?

A takeover occurs when one company makes a successful bid to assume control of or acquire another. Takeovers can be done by purchasing a majority stake in the target firm. Takeovers are also commonly done through the merger and acquisition process.

In a takeover, the company making the bid is the acquirer and the company it wishes to take control of is called the target.

Friends, as you prepare to cross over to the year 2025, God - who is a speaking Spirit - has loads of things to say to you to brace you up for the year ahead. I will very much like you to pay attention to what God is saying to you this year.

God told the Israelites that He had already given them victory against an opposition of far greater might and strength. The enemies the Israelites were going to face in their sojourn were to them as Goliath was to David. They were mightier, greater and taller than the Israelites. Their cities were great and fortified up to the clouds. Their nations were greater and mightier than Israel, they were the prime opposition. Obviously, because of the opposition's might, greatness, strength and physical excellence, their reputation preceded them and the Israelites had heard about them. No doubt they would have been terrified and intimidated by what they had heard about the Anakims, but God had to encourage them to face their walking-dead enemies and to make them understand that He - The Lord - who was with them is infinitely greater, mightier, taller, bigger than the enemies they would face. He basically told them that they were crossing over to takeover because He was with them.





In the year ahead, challenges may come that will be intimidating and terrifying (as it happens all the time), but God has the following words for us:

"Fear not! I am with you always even to the end of the age, Amen. (Matt 28:20).

John 16:33

[33] These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

Greater I am that is in you than he or the challenges in 2025 and the world at large (1 John 4:4).

You are victorious already. You are more than a conqueror". This is God's charge to you. You may have heard the "prophets of doom" say that 2025 will be a terrible year.

May be you have heard that 2025 is going to be tougher, but never you doubt that you already have the victories over the difficulties or challenges that may come your way.

The scriptures say in

2 Corinthians 2:14

[14] Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place.

So consider this is a word of assurance from God.

Furthermore, God went ahead to tell the Israelites that He - their God - is He who goes over before them as a consuming fire. He assured Israel that He will destroy the great people, cities and nations they will face, and bring them down before them; so they could drive them out and destroy them quickly (Deut 9:3 NKJV).

Beloved, God has gone before you into 2025 as a consuming fire to remove the challenges from your way.

He has gone ahead of you to make the crooked places straight (Isa 45:2), to smoothen the rough paths.

He will destroy the opposing forces that come against you.

He will fight your battles (Exo 14:14). He will give you perfect peace.

Finally brethen, you have nothing to be worried about concerning 2025.

Let the certain/ever sure words of God strengthen your faith and confidence that 2025 will be glorious for you and it surely will be.

Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, knowing that God has gone ahead of you and that you have conquered 2025 even before your arrival.

Arrive 2025 with the mindset that you have come to take possession of all that God has prepared for you.

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And when you encounter challenges or mountains, face it head on like David did Goliath, saying "I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts. This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you. And this day I will give your carcasses to the birds of the air and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel (I Sam 17:45-46), and so it will be.

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