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SINGLEHOOD: Aremotobi

I will be sharing something important briefly with us. What I will be sharing will not directly concern some of us, but I am certain you will have friends who need this, so listen for their sake.

While for some, this will be all you. You are the subject of this discourse.

I'll be talking about one of the greatest topics I love to engage in (you can probably take a guess) but I'll be looking at it from a whole different angle this evening.

I'll be touching on an important aspect of relationship that we have not touched in a long time - *Singlehood*, and for a lack of title, I'll just name it *Singlehood; No cause for alarm*

At some point here, we had a large percentage of single people, then gradually people started getting into relationships, some codedly , and some openly.

Some went on to get married. Some have had their hearts broken multiple times within the past years, and well, a few are married.

Hence we have a demography of different (not necessarily contrasting) views about relationships and this of course comes off in different ways.

Today, we're going to focus quickly on singlehood.

I would have titled it *'singlehood; a curse or a blessing*', but then I figured it's actually neither.

It's neither a curse nor a blessing.

What comes into play is the personality involved, not the singlehood experience.

I am definitely not going to undermine the beauty of relationships, but I want to express *that a (WO)man's life is divided into phases and for each phase of life, there is a purpose.*

Also, to help us see that God is the one working in our lives to become all that we can.

Four basic things I hope we can cover tonight

- The single life begins the process of self-discovery and self awareness.

-Don't compare your timing with another.

- While waiting, cultivate the habits that will make you a *better human, not a better spouse first.*

- _" I want you to be free from anxieties. .."_ 1Cor 7:32

Stop getting involved in unnecessary relationship drama.

4. Singleness should free you from (relationship) anxieties!

" I want you to be free from anxieties. .." 1Cor 7:32

Stop getting involved in relationship drama and you are single. The point of being single is to be away from this drama.† ♂

All the drama from other girls wanting a guy and it's you they are fighting that has stolen their guy, guy asking you why you did not call him 30minutes ago? And all those drama should be done away with!

Live life free of all these palava.

Avoid middle zones.

3. *While waiting, cultivate the habits that will make you better human, not a better spouse first.*

Most times single people are particular about how to be _wife material_ rather than how to be a better person.

So, they are busy focusing on the other person (who may not know they exist) than on growing themselves.

When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me.

1 Corinthians 13:11 NIV

Free whether guys are watching and all those things, *grow yourself and let God order your steps.*

Grow yourself for God and yourself first.

It is who you are self that you carry into the relationship and the relationship is only as good as the strength of both parties.

God is priority. He is the goal and standard.

Yourself is next. Its your life. Live it.

2. *Don't compare your timing with another.*

Even for people with same date of birth and time of birth, their life paths and timing differ.

A friend you grow up with can have boo before you and even marry before you, it doesn't matter.

Understand your own life season and walk in it.

The reason we can get anxious is because we do not know what fruits we should be producing in particular seasons of life.

Galatians 6:4-5

Each of you must examine your own actions. *Then you can be proud of your own accomplishments without comparing yourself to others*. Assume your own responsibility.

Even if a break up happens, pick yourself, learn from the process and *move on with head held up!*

1. *The single life begins the process of self-discovery and self awareness.*

Life continuously unravels us to ourselves.

We keep growing in the knowledge of ourselves as we grow in our walk with God.

The single life is the start up of this journey. Enjoy it.

Enjoy unraveling this lovely package that God has put together.

Spend time with yourself.

Spend time with God.

The more of Him you know, the more of yourself you know

Don't let anyone make you think you are losing out, missing out or being left out..nah!

The path of the righteous can only get brighter!

It can only get better for you, girl!!!

God is working all things together for you .

Perfect timing.

Perfect person.

Perfect love story.

Perfect Union.

Perfect Life!!!

So, to all the single ladies in the house,

Cheers!!!

Any question?

† Q: How do I cope with people comparing me,my timing to others?

Especially if a whole lot of it is coming from my own pple.E.g *Parent*

Aremotobi: First, understand that though they might be doing it wrong, they probably have your interest at heart.

2. You really can't do much about them. Pray and trust God to work out the details for you. Proverbs 3:5-6