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TURNING THE TIDE.

Text: Ps. 126: 1-6.

Introduction:

On Sunday when we were dealing with the topic: “The Song of Mary” taken from Luke 1: 46-54, she identified some of the ways God specializes in doing things: by dethroning some and empowering others. We also referred to similar song that Hannah sang in 1 Samuel 2: 1-10. This is in keeping with the word of the Lord in Ps. 75: 6-7.

God specializes in turning the tides around. The rich becomes poor and the poor becomes rich. The barren becomes the mother of seven and in fact, the mother of the nation through an influential son. Those who used to be hungry become full while those who used to have more than enough had to go empty-handed and hungry. God will turn the tide for someone tonight in the name of Jesus.

Let us look at a few examples:

1. The tide turned for Joseph and he became the Prime Minister and I am sure Potiphar and Mrs. Potiphar must have been made to pay obeisance to the Prime Minister Joseph at some point or at least pay him their dues as their boss at some point. Furthermore, the helpless Joseph who was at the mercy of his conspirator brothers became the one they had to bow down to and dependent upon for their survival. The Lord will turn you to the bread-winner for those who had said that you would never make it in life in the name of Jesus. Those said you would never own a house would approach you later for shelter in the name of Jesus. They will even become your tenants if they can afford the rent in Jesus name.
2. God turned the tide for Moses and he stopped being a wanted criminal and he became God to Pharaoh. In Exodus, whenever Pharaoh and his chiefs heard the name Moses, I am sure they would have been in panic. God will turn you to a terror to your enemies in the name of Jesus.
3. The tide turned for David and Saul’s life was in his hands in 1 Sam. 24: 1- 22. By his own admission, Saul confirmed that David was going to be king, indeed. Your enemies will be your trumpeter in the name of Jesus. When the tide turns the

aggressor becomes the aggressed. The Lord will turn the tide for you in the name of Jesus.

4. The tide turned for Elisha and those sons of the prophets who were mocking him had to come back to him and bowed down to him in 2 King. 2: 1-22.
5. When the tide turned, a slave girl becomes a queen and a queen was dethroned – Vitshi – was deposed and Esther was crowned. The Lord will crown someone tonight in the name of Jesus. The Gateman (Modecai) became an honorable man decorated with Silver and God and the powerful (Haman) was sent to the gallows. Your tide will turn for good in name of Jesus.

Above all, the Bible says that the name of Jesus has been highly exalted above all names and at His name all knees shall bow and all tongues confess that Jesus is Lord.

Pray to the God who can turn the tide and He will turn it for you tonight in the name of Jesus.