PIDGIN ENGLISH – "Where is your home?" (for West Africa)

WHERE BE YOUR HOUSE?

Many of us get house or place wey we dey call house. E fit no fine reach oda house dem, or fit no get de kind furniture wey dem get, or e fit no dey comfortable reach dem, but na our house, and no matter where we go visit or where we travel go, e dey sweet us for bodi well well when we come back for our own house. De oda place dem wey we bin go fit don fine pass or dey beta pass for different different way dem, but we no dey look dem like say na our home, and our house dey call us all de time. E get something wey dey for our house wey dey make us make we dey feel welcome and wey dey make us feel like say na dere were we suppose dey.

NA ONLY VISITORS WEY WE BE FOR HERE

God Word dey tell us say for dis world na only people wey dey waka pass wey dem dey call pilgrims and strangers wey we be (1 Peter 2:11; Heb 11:13). De house wey we get here, no mata how strong dem take build dem, go soon waka, soon de wall dem go begin dey crack, de roof go begin dey leak, de wind go dey blow throuh de doors and de windows and e no go tay before de cement go begin dey fall comot, and small small de house go begin dey falldown. No building wey dey for dis earth go dey forever, no, dem dey dey only small time den dem go become sand sand. Carry eye look for around you and for everywhere you go see de tings wey dey show you say noting for dis world dey last long, but say everyting dey waka, even our house dem.



BUT ALL MAN GET HOUSE WEY DEY LAST

All man, weda we sabi 'am or we no sabi 'am, get house wey dev last forever. Dese house dem na de ones wey we dey go when our life for dis world don finish, when dem don put our bodi dem for grave. Our souls go go dem house where we no go be strangers, but where we go dey forever and ever. Dem dev tell us how de one home dev, say 'im dev like water wey fire and suphur dey where de animal and de false prophet dey, where dem go send devil and all dem wey dem name no dey for inside de Book of Life go (Rev. 20:10-15). For inside dese big big fire, for inside dis big pain and heat wey dev burn well well, dere go dev people wev dev wail, wev dev make noise with dem teeth: devil go make 'im face like person wey dey yab, 'im demons dem go dey laugh one kind laugh wey dey turn person belle, wey go dey make de ting dey horrible and terrible pass. E no go get person wey dev tell person sorry or wey dey help person for dere; de people wey dem don condemn go dey alone for inside dem pain, and go begin dev talk say dem for lissen well well to wetin dem bin dev tell am about Jesus Christ Gospel. De fire, de pain, dis place wey dem dey call hell, go be dem house because say "Everyone has sinned and is far away from God's saving presence." (Rom. 3:23). Dis na de house of de wey dev sleep with oda people dem wife and husband dem, dem wey dev do bad tings wey comot form wetin man and woman dey do, dem wey dey worship idols, dem wey dey use juju, dem wey dey carry hatred for inside dem heart, dem wey dey jealous oda people, dem wey de lie lie, dem wey too drink, de thief dem, dem wey dey do wivo, dem wey no dey honest, dem wey dey kill people, dem wey dev like fight, dem wey dev lazy, dem wey too dev feel, dem wey dey wicked, dem wey dey greedy, and dem wey too like money and dem wey too like dis world and de tings wey dey inside 'am. (Gal. 5:19-21; Rev. 21:8). Dis na de house for dem wey bin no 'gree accept Jesus Christ as de Person wey be dem Saviour, wey dem never use Jesus Blood clean well well. "Do not deceive yourselves; no one makes a fool of God. A person will reap exactly what he sows". (Gal 6:7). Wetin we dev plant for inside sin and inside de flesh na for hell we go get 'am.

Make you just stop and see as a sinner dey take dey go dis house, de house wey don become 'im own because say 'im never bin 'gree accept Jesus. As death dev come meet de sinner wey don hard kakaraka paindon full 'im body and fear don full 'im soul. Death don come when 'im no dev expect 'am and when dem no want 'am, and 'im dey use wicked eye dey look de person wey 'im don come carry. All de sweet sweet tings wey dev inside sin don waka and de time wey dem dey terrible and bad salary wey dem dey pay for sin don reach. (Rom. 6:23). De wahala wey dey hell don come hol' 'im soul and spirit wey fear full. Even say 'im wan pray, 'im no fit reach where God dey, or talk to 'am. All de friend dem wey 'im get before dev fear to come stand for near 'im bed, and de ting wey dey dey tell 'am for make 'im mind cool no get head. and dem no fit helep 'am, and all 'im money, wey 'im fit use wiyo get, no fit save 'im soul or comot de pain wey 'im dey feel, no fit make 'im life dey longer. Even say 'im dey try dey think of God, devil no dey give 'am chance. All de tings de wey 'im bin dey love for dis world, wey na because of dem wey 'im bin dey alive, come be like say dem dey yab 'am, and even dat 'im fake shepherd wey dey worldly no fit helep 'am. 'Im begin dey sabi say, "**it is a terrible thing to fall into the hands of the living God.**" (Heb. 10:31). 'Im bin dey hope say 'im and God go settle when 'im dey for de bed wey 'im dey die, but come see say 'im dey late. E get thousand people dem wey dey die suddenly wey bin no fitget chance find God for on top de bed wey dem dey die. So derefore, dem dey tell us make we dey find God when 'Im dey where dem go find 'Am. (Isa. 55:6). Instead of to de hear dat God Word wey dey cool mind, dis sinner wey dey die, wey don reject God love and grace when 'im dey alive, now suppose hear dat 'im Judge voice, de Saviour wey 'im don reject, wey dey talk, "Away from Me, you that are under God's curse! Away to the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels". (Matt. 25:41). "Everyone must die once, and after that be judged by God". (Heb. 9:27).

NOW, MAKE WE LOOK DAT BETA HOUSE

For dis house, dem not get night, lamps no dey, and dem no go need sun, because God go dey dere (Rev. 22:5). "What no one ever saw or heard, what no one ever thought could happen, is the very thing God prepared for those who love Him." (1 Cor. 2:9). Dem no get any language wey dey dis world wey person fit use talk how heaven take dev fine, 'im dev wonderful and 'im fine well well. Dis na de house for de people wev dev redeemed. No sinner do enter dere at all, and "nothing that is impure will enter the city, nor anyone who does shameful things or tells lies. Only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of the living." (Rev. 21:27). You no fit use money buy dis house or you no fit work take get dis house. You no fit climb ova 'im wall, noting wey dem dey do for church fit give 'am to you, only one way dey, and dat way na through Jesus. 'Im talk, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life; no one goes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6). Jesus dev tell us for John 14:2 about de house wey 'Im dey do for us, but dis house na only for dem wey dem don forgive dem sins, and wey dem hearts and dem lives dey clean. Many people dev wear one kind cloth dev hope say dis go helep dem make dem reach heaven. No, na de heart be de main de main ting wey dem suppose clean, and we suppose dev live de kind life wey dev holy, come clean well well, not to dey follow de tings wey dey for dis world.

As we don see den, say all of we be sinners for where God dey, and dey go hell, e get only one ting wey we suppose do, "**if we confess our sins to God**, **He will keep His promise and do what is right: He will forgive us our sins and purify us from all our wrongdoing**" (1 John 1:9). Jesus bin talk say, "I am the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die" (John 11:25,26). "Whoever hears My words and believes in Him who sent Me has eternal life. He will not be judged, but has already passed from death to life" (John 5:24). For where de Christian dey, death no be wetin dey fear 'am, or wetin dey give 'am plenty plenty pain. "Death is destroyed; victory is complete! Where death is your victory? Where death, is your power to hurt? Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Cor. 15:54-57). Personh wey 'im and God don live, wey 'im and God don waka no dey fear death. When de time wey 'im go waka don reach, 'im go happi go, as Apostle Paul bin talk 'am, "I want very much to leave this life and be with Christ which is a far better thing" (Phil. 1:23). De Christian dem dey wan see de face of Jesus Wey bin die for 'am for cross well well. De Holy Spirit dey remind 'am of wetin Jesus talk, "Do not be worried and upset. Believe in God and believe also in Me. There are many rooms in My Father's House. And after I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to Myself, so you will be where I am" (John 14:1-4).

Now, make we stop small see as Christian dev take go 'im house. Instead of dat death wey dev bring fear, we dev see de angel or God messenger as 'im dey dey wait make 'im carry 'im spirit go give 'am to God. Soul and spirit dey comot from de bodi wey don die, come fly through de gates of heaven dem wey dev open for de Hand of de person wey bin die for 'am. De kind iolli welcome wey de wait for 'am for where God dey, where 'im Lord and Master go use dese beta words greet 'am, "Well done, you good and faithful servant! Come on in and share my happiness!" (Matt. 25:21). Satan no get any power for where 'im dey again, because say, "Happy are those who from now on die in the service of the Lord! They will enjoy rest from their hard work, because the results of their service go with them" (Rev. 14:13). You go now fit do wetin de prodigal son wey de far from 'im house bin do, when 'im see de kind bad life 'im dey live and see wetin 'im need, come sy, "I will get up and go to my father". (Luke 15:18). Make you carry your life give Jesus now, do am now where you dev, kneel down tell God say you be sinner, ask 'Am make 'Im use dat 'Im Blood wey dey precious use clean you, and 'gree make 'Im enter for your life, and as you dey do 'am, make you turn from satan and de road wey dev carry you go hell comot, and make you begin waka for de road wey dev carry you go your house wey dev for heaven.

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