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He was at the office when he received the phone call
It was from the most unexpected source
It was from the administrator of the Headquarter of the church he was attending
He joined one of the branches of the church as a young man and had grown to become an altar minister. He had

always known he was called into ministry but he didn't know why he had been summoned to the headquarters.
He got there very early the following morning, he was barely seated when the pastor of the branch he was with also came in
They were ushered into the office of the pastor in

charge of the headquarter church
There was a few chit-chats
More like a job interview and then the pastor of the headquarter church told him his pastor was being transferred abroad on mission work and had recommended him to take over the affairs of the church
He didn't see it

coming
The Pastor in charge of the headquarters parish told him he came highly recommended and she believed he would deliver
She prayed for him and told him she would come to their parish the following Sunday to come and make the announcement official
He drove home with his head

in the clouds
He was aware the pastor would be traveling for mission work but had assumed the church will post another pastor to the parish
He was just 33 years old at the time and it was the last thing on his mind
When he got home, he told his wife the good news
He also told som

members of the parish who were particularly close to him
The following Sunday, he and his wife wore brand new suits and got to church very early
By 8am, the Pastor in charge of the Headquarter church had arrived

She preached and told the church their pastor has been transferred

then she announced that she came to introduce to the church their new pastor
She called the name of the person
It wasn't him
He didn't hear anything that was said after then
It was as if a sudden static noise engulfed him
It was as if the ground he was standing on started to sink

Somehow he was able to see the service through with a plastic smile on his face
After the service, the pastor that recommended him called him into his office and apologized
He said he was also informed about the change of plan that morning and didn't have time to prepare him and

his family for the change in plans
The pastor said he was deeply sorry
He muttered something and smiled
he told the pastor it was all for the best but he was very angry within
He felt very embarrassed
He didn't know how he would face his wife and the people he had told about his

ascendancy to the throne
The pastor told him someone must have gone to the headquarter parish to pull some strings
To him that sounded like "The new pastor was an imposter, someone God didn't choose but who used a cunning means to cheat him of his birthright"
It didn't settle

down well with him
Two days later, he called a meeting of the ministers of the church and told them everything that happened
He said he didn't believe the new pastor was God's plan
He poisoned everybody's mind
By the following Sunday when the pastor resumed, everything had been

rigged against him
As soon as the poisonous seed he planted started to spread, church members started leaving
The few ministers on the ground had become the resistance army
The pastor didn't stand a chance
Within a year, the church was comatose
The pastor in charge of the

headquarter church couldn't believe it
How can a church of two hundred vibrant worshippers be reduced to thirty or twenty-five worshippers within a year?
She sacked the pastor but instead of retracing her step and coming to him as earlier promised, she sent another minister from

the headquarter church to pastor the church
This time they made him the assistant church pastor
He was determined to frustrate the new pastor's efforts too
He was determined not to play the fool for anybody
One night, the Holy Spirit came to him in a vision
He saw a small wheel

within a big wheel
The big wheel was moving steadily but the small wheel had a clog in it preventing it from moving
The Holy Spirit said "Your actions are clogging your wheel of progress. As long as you walk with the spirit of error, you will only produce errors in your reality"

When he woke up, he realized he had approached the issue carnally and rather than be a blessing, had become a problem for the church
He asked the Holy Spirit for forgiveness
He went to the ministers of the church and explained himself to them in another clandestine meeting
Then

he went to the church members' houses one and by one and invited them back to church?
Things turned around for the church gradually
In his secret place, he prayed fervently about the wheel he saw
He prayed that the wheel will begin to turn in sync with the bigger wheel again
He

knew the bigger wheel was God's plan being set in motion
He knew he had practically shut himself out of God's plan by his actions that year
He didn't act based on the instruction of the Holy Spirit or as anyone who understood the word of God
He acted carnally and his flesh got

the better of him
Two years after working joyfully with the new pastor and putting his all into making amends and rebuilding the church, he got another phone call
This time it was from a start-up company he didn't even apply to
He was offered a very good job but the location was

in another state
He prayed about it and was convinced it was God's plan
He informed the church and he was sent forth with joy
He had been with the church for six years and everything that had been moving initially stopped when he got involved with the church politics issue
He saw

job as a sign that things had started moving for him again
He relocated his family to another state and joined a branch of the same church
When he got there, he was recognized as a minister of God and given the room to minister the gospel
His ministrations were different and they

attracted people from far and near
Nobody could explain why it felt as if there was an anointing on him that others don't have
They brought the sick, the afflicted and the defeated to him and they always went home rejoicing
His exploits grew beyond the parish
Whenever there was

an outreach or a revival, he was the go-to guy
He was at the office, one morning when he received the phone call
It was from the most unexpected source
It was from the administrator of the Headquarter of the church he was attending
The administrator told him the pastor in charge

of the headquarter church wanted to see him
He arrived at the headquarter administrative office first thing the following day
The Pastor told him they had seen the hand of God upon him and they want to make him a pastor in one of their new branches
Had it been he had never had

such a meeting before he would have said "Yes sir" but he was no longer a novice in ministry
He said "Sir, why is my parish pastor not here"
The pastor said "I told him my plan about posting you to a parish and he disagreed, so I overruled him"
The news confirmed what he felt in

in his spirit
It was a test by the Holy Spirit
The Holy Spirit wanted to know if he had learned his lessons or not
He told the pastor he was sorry
He would prefer to work the pastor of his local assembly until the pastor joyfully releases him to do anything else in the ministry

It was the right response
That night, just as he knelt down by his bed to pray, he saw a bright light
This time he saw a huge wall clock
A smaller wall clock was in it
The time was the same and the movement of the second was in perfect sync!
It wasn't about loyalty to a man, it

was about being in sync with the plan of God
Six months after turning down the position, he started his own fellowship and one year later he was running a full fledge ministry by the power of the Holy Spirit
He had learned from his past error and adjusted his course appropriately

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