Scripture Reading: 35:1-15

## True repentance will build holiness before building an altar

The Lord God said Jacob to rise up, go to Bethel and build an altar to Him. But before Jacob built the altar, he called his entire household and commanded them to get rid of all foreign Gods, sanctify themselves and to change their garments. The man who previously dwelt among idols and worshipped the Lord, now because of his genuine repentance is seeking to depart from all uncleanness, burry them and then goes on to build an altar for the Lord. The people who were pursuing them realized that God was with them and stopped chasing after them.

## Question:

Is there any linkage between my personal life and me worshipping God?

## Answer:

The God whom we worship is almighty. Anything that concerns God should not be done with uncleanness. When people are not cautious of it, they gather for themselves curses rather than the blessings of God. Though Jacob had loved God before, he had not received any blessing from Him before the Peniel visitation. The reason being, true repentance will lead to holiness and holiness will lead to the vision of God and the blessings of God. In our personal lives, when we worship God with uncleanness, our worship will not be accepted.

"But as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct". 1 Peter 1:15

## **Prayer**

Dear father, Help me to live a holy life. I have decided to be steadfast in You and to be holy. Amen