



# I WANT TO SCREAM!! BECAUSE SO MANY DO NOT SEEM TO GET IT!



Moreover, even if I scream the message loud and clear, many will still NOT GET IT or choose to ignore it, because of many factors. One such factor is our five senses dictating our lives!

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## **OBJECTIVE**

*A short article aimed at reminding us to stop acting like children and ants...!*

Part of the **FREE** series aimed at **positively** impacting children and the future





## 1. STORY NUMBER 1:

When I buy a packet of large chips and a 2-Liter fizzy drink and give it to my 3 children, chaos erupts, not because of the fizz, but because they start fighting over how to divide what they just received free from me. This “fighting” includes complaining, comparing and crying.



Perhaps when you were young, you had the same kind of fights/arguments with your siblings?! A child has no income and thus rely fully on their parents, so fight over the “limited” resources handed to them.

No matter how much I tell my children that fighting over one little extra chip will not make a real difference, because next time the other might get one more, but they still remain upset and keep on moaning and groaning. They just do not seem to GET IT? Are they unconsciously incompetent? Two of them are 8-year-old twins, but they act like terrible two’s over stuff that are not theirs in the first place!

Are you at least getting the point?

This problem relates to non-edible stuff as well. One of my children will be playing with a tool of mine, place it down to play with something else, but dare anyone else start playing with the tool no longer “in use”!? If any of my other children touches that tool (that belongs to ME), the child who originally played with it goes “bananas”, wanting it back immediately, as they actually “still playing with it”.

Adults act in a similar way!

**Excuse the Pun**, but why the Hell do so many Adults also not get it?

Furthermore (or worst still), most of these adults are extremely intelligent? (E.g. they are in professional executive positions such as Managing Directors, owners of large organizations, Partners of businesses, Doctors, Lawyers and other professionals).

**Excuse the Pun**, but if they are so intelligent, why are they so dumb?

Is the above all still confusing?

In case you still do not yet get the message, below is another similar story to help...





## 2. STORY NUMBER 2:

An Ant colony was living a normal life in a garden with enough food for a comfortable life. Lots of space, so each could go out walking and finding food at a leisurely pace. It was a peaceful and calm environment and everybody seemed content, but one day a scout-ant found a “Goldmine”! He rushed back home to inform the others and soon everybody was packing up and moving to the “land of milk and honey”. As they moved in, they noticed that there was not much living space, but at least there were lots of food all over and within “walking distance”! The ants were in a frenzy, running up and down carrying as much food as they could.



Slowly tempers began to rise, as ants were bumping into each other, fighting over who got to the food first, whose storage space it was, etc..? The fighting increased and ants were never at home with the family, as they were scared others would be able to collect more food! All they did all day was walk short distances, grab as much food they could carry, fight over some, store the food, but fight over storage space, eat some, run back to collect more and repeat the same routine each day. Some ants realised what was happening and decided to move back to the garden and get back to their “normal”, but most of the ants remained, running, grabbing and fighting. The remaining ants each tried to claim the food for themselves, but little did they know that the food was actually not theirs in the first place!

The real owner of the food was getting more and more irritated and frustrated and eventually decided to intervene. He picked up the Doom and sprayed all the ants, for they were making a mess of his kitchen. All of a sudden, all the ants could not breathe, fell over and died, while the other ants in the garden lived happily ever after.

Just like my children above, these ants also fought over stuff (food) that was never theirs in the first place!

By the way, compared to God, we are like the Ants vs a Human, but even this is not a good comparison, because God is way more (the difference is much more), but at least it highlights the fact that we are insignificant (we are however still important to God).





### 3. INTRODUCTION

A gentleman at my company told the story below:

He said that life on earth is like playing Monopoly. While the game is on the go and some players are collecting houses, hotels and lots of rental/penalty income, others “suffer” as there are limited places on the board and limited money available (resources on earth are also limited). Those “winning” want more and more and enjoy the game, but guess what? The game cannot go on forever! At some point, they need to stop playing (just like on earth, we cannot live in this world forever). So when the monopoly game stops, the winners and losers are all back on the same level again and all the houses, money and hotels need to be put back in the box. Just like life on earth! When life on earth is over, what that person collected, cannot go with him/her, as the stuff needs to stay behind, probably for the family, but this often results in fights amongst the remaining family members...

### 4. THE LESSONS

**F**irstly, everything on earth was created by God and belongs to him, we are just like children (or ants) on earth fighting over resources (stuff) that are not ours in the first place. Sorry, but you MUST get this message loud and clear and therefore I include a number of Bible verses on this:

*"Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the highest heavens, the earth and all that is in it" [Deuteronomy 10:14](#)*

*"The heavens are Yours, the earth also is Yours; The world and all it contains, You have founded them" [Psalm 89:11](#)*

*Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have sworn to the LORD God Most High, possessor of heaven and earth" [Genesis 14:22](#)*

*Moses said to him, "As soon as I go out of the city, I will spread out my hands to the LORD; the thunder will cease and there will be hail no longer, that you may know that the earth is the LORD'S" [Exodus 9:29](#)*

*'Now then, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be My own possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine" [Exodus 19:5](#)*





*“The earth is the LORD'S, and all it contains, The world, and those who dwell in it”*

**Psalm 24:1**

*“Who has given to Me that I should repay him? Whatever is under the whole heaven is Mine”* **Job 41:11**

*“The sea is His, for it was He who made it, And His hands formed the dry land”*

**Psalm 95:5**

*“Thus all the tithe of the land, of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD'S; it is holy to the LORD”* **Leviticus 27:30**

**S**econdly, people try to collect as many resources (money/stuff) on earth as possible, but it is temporally, they cannot take it with them and their family left behind may end up fighting over it! Not to mention all the sacrifices to collect the “stuff”!

*“Yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes”. **James 4:14***

Many people fight, wheel and deal, cheat and steal and negatively impact others, to collect stuff that are not theirs in the first place, yes, just like children (or ants). Perhaps that is why we are referred to as “Children of God...”?

*“5 You have made my days a mere handbreadth; the span of my years is as nothing before you. Everyone is but a breath, even those who seem secure. 6 “Surely everyone goes around like a mere phantom; in vain they rush about, heaping up wealth without knowing whose it will finally be”. **Psalm 39 verse 5 to 6***

**T**hirdly, people with good talents start boasting, but our abilities and talents were also given (supplied) to us by God. Nothing is ours, although so many fight (like children and ants) over the resources (and talents) made available to them.

*In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. **Romans 12:6-8***

*A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. **Corinthians 12:7-11***





When people with certain talents are good, they become arrogant and guess what, God despises arrogance:

*“Who says you are better than others? What do you have that was not given to you? And if it was given to you, why do you brag as if you did not receive it as a gift?”* **1 Corinthians 4:7**

*“But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.”* - **James 4:6**

*“Scoffer is the name of the arrogant, haughty man who acts with arrogant pride”* - **Proverbs 21:24**:

And many more...

**F**ourthly, most people are thus spending their (little) time and (lots of) effort on the things that are not that important in the end! (just like each **previous** generation). The Board rooms are full of executives seriously looking at balance and income statements, business owners are monitoring budgets, rich people are insuring their valuables or having them secured, money is being counted, bank statements reconciled and all this to enrich themselves (just like the **next** generation to come). Most people will carry on with the stress and efforts throughout generations, all to collect stuff and money. Note there are some good from this, because some people would create more jobs and with innovation and progress, allow people to enjoy new, cheaper, better and easier to use, goods/service. The problem is when people do it with the intention to enrich themselves only and to the expense and detriment of others and when they only think of their (short) life on earth and treat wealth as their actual god they want to worship.

**F**ifthly, our 5 senses are huge culprits! We are almost “tricked” in believing that what we can see, hear, smell, taste and feel, is what life is all about! This is exacerbated by the fact that businesses exploits this via the Media with their adverts to entice people to want more, O, and then there are the Joneses as well ... We should actually focus on our 6<sup>th</sup> sense.





## 5. THE BOTTOM LINE

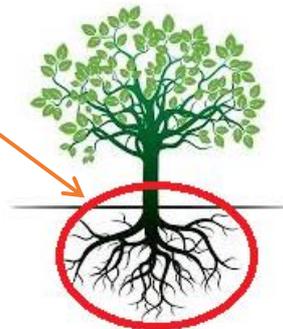
No matter how much the above information is repeated or “screamed” at people, most cannot get out of the rat race and focus on what really matters or will still NOT “HEAR” AND GET IT, or choose to ignore it?!

Ok, maybe the above sounds too harsh, because if everybody stops focussing on business and start focussing on serving, the economy might (will) grind to a halt. Business owners actually do “serve” or make a difference, because they create/provide jobs to others, BUT how are they doing this, is what matters (are they treating their workers right, are they giving some back?).

Jesus came to earth not to make as much money as possible, in fact, I heard that he and his disciples mostly had no money on them. He came to earth to focus on the normal and poor people and spent most of His time with them and very little time with the rich...

This article is not aimed at discussing your purpose, gifts and passions (there is another article aimed specifically at that), but it is aimed to get people to stop fighting or doing unethical things for resources that are not theirs in the first place, just like children or ants.

The **Root message** is, “nothing belongs to You, it is all temporally given to you by God”. When you die, it goes to others, when they die, it goes to others and so on.



So who are the type of people who “GOT THE MESSAGE”?

It was the poorer or those who did not choose wealth and those thus much much **wiser** like Mother Theresa and Ghandi who “GOT IT”! They saw the bigger picture, no, maybe they “felt” the bigger picture. They knew time on earth is, excuse the pun, “Short Lived”, and that financial achievements on earth means nothing in the end! They did not care about money and success, because they knew its, excuse the pun, “low value” and short term (less than 100 years) investment value. They rather invested in the long run (Gazillions of years and more in Heaven).





The below are in CAPITAL Letters, as I am screaming them to you:

- IT IS NOT YOURS!
  - NOTHING ON EARTH IS YOURS!
  - EVERYTHING IS A GIFT FROM GOD!
  - EVEN YOUR TALENTS CAME FROM GOD!
  - STOP ACTING LIKE CHILDREN OR ANTS OVER RESOURCES THAT ARE NOT YOURS IN THE FIRST PLACE
- DO NOT GET ARROGANT IF YOU RECEIVED CERTAIN TALENTS, THEY NOT DUE TO **YOU**, THEY ALSO GIFTS FROM GOD!
  - NOTE THAT GOD HATES ARROGANCE!
- COLLECTING MONEY, FAME AND FORTUNE ON EARTH (FOR A FEW YEARS THAT FLY PAST SO QUICKLY) IS SO MYOPIC



- STAND BACK, NO, MUCH FURTHER BACK, EVEN FURTHER AND SEE THE BIGGER PICTURE ABOUT LIFE
- DO NOT INVEST IN THE WRONG THINGS (IN THE SHORT TERM, YES 100 YEARS = "SHORT TERM")
  - INVEST IN THE LONG TERM  $10^{\infty}$  AND WHAT REALLY MATTERS
- IDENTIFY YOUR PURPOSE ON EARTH, NO, NOT THE ONE ADVERTISED BY THE MEDIA OR THE ONE RELATED TO THE "JONESES" OR WHAT YOUR "STUPID" 5 SENSES "TELLS" YOU, I MEAN YOUR "**REAL PURPOSE**", THE





REASON WHY YOU HERE ON EARTH FOR A WHILE!  
(EACH ONE OF US HAS A PURPOSE BASED ON OUR  
TALENTS GIVEN TO US)

*Each of you has received a gift to use to serve others. Be good servants of God's various gifts of grace. **1 Peter 4:10-11:***

Sorry for SCREAMING, but I hope it helped a little bit to at least get some people moving from being **Unconsciously Incompetent** to at least **Consciously Incompetent** by grasping the above message and realizing how we failing on the above.

Finally, what if the cleverest man on earth had to tell you something? Would you believe him or believe the news media or the Jones's? Well, take some time and read **Ecclesiastes 1 verse 3 to 11 and Ecclesiastes 2 verse 18 and 19** just as a start and note that these are the words of the cleverest man ever alive!





## 6. RECAP QUESTIONS:

NO	QUESTION	YOUR ANSWER
1	What else that Adults do, makes you believe that they acting like children?	
2	If you good at something, do not Boast about it, as it was a _____ from God	
3	Building up assets and money on earth is actually a Short or Long term investment	
4	How long is $10^\infty$ (ten to the power of infinity)? Try and explain this one!	
5	Find the correct sentence and Bible verse for the following: “What does it help man to gain the whole world (that is not theirs), but loose their.....	

## 7. RELATED ARTICLES:

NO	RELATED ARTICLES	COMMENTS
	To be updated later	

