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You will not die in the wilderness!

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The wilderness evokes trials, difficulties, and lack. Yet, as a child of God, our destiny is not to remain there. God manifested Man in the Garden of Eden, a place of abundance and glory, not in a wilderness. Jesus' mission on the cross was not simply to bring us back to heaven, but to restore us to the glory lost since Adam's fall.

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"God does not lead you into the wilderness to abandon you but to initiate you into faith!"

— Dr Raoul Wafo, June 14, 2026

I — Redemption: much more than a future hope

John 1:29 declares: "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." The primary purpose of Jesus' mission on Earth is not to bring Man back to heaven, but to restore him to the lost glory. Adam was created to live eternally in this glory, not to know death.

1. Sin brought not only downfall, but also death in the broad sense **(John 10:10)**.
2. True abundance is a divine concept.
3. Following Jesus consists of a present restoration of the new Man on Earth.

> *"Happiness and grace are the consequences of the revelations you have within you."*
> DR RAOUL WAFO

Revelation 5:10 brings out the idea of reigning on Earth and not in heaven. Following Jesus means being saved from eternal death, sickness, and poverty.

II — The three prophetic meanings of the wilderness

Deuteronomy 8:15-16 reveals the nature of the wilderness as a divine school. The wilderness is a place of difficulties, adversities, humiliations, and lack, but much more: a school of spiritual formation.

1. **A place of revelation**: God reveals Himself to Man, showing him who He is. It is a place where God re-educates you to spiritual life.
2. **A place of teaching faith**: Through various trials, sometimes in the most terrible silences, God forges your dependence on Him.
3. **A place of training**: God's school where you learn to reflect and gain perspective on events.

There are wildernesses that God Himself provokes, and no prayer will make you escape them. The problem is that we do not recognize God's small hand when it begins great works. Numbers 21:8-9 illustrates how God leads you to fix your eyes on Him alone.

III — The wilderness: a place of transition, not habitation

Hosea 2:14 and Acts 3:25 remind us of this fundamental truth: the wilderness is temporary.

> *"In the wilderness we build tents and not permanent structures."*
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> DR RAOUL WAFO

The wilderness is not a place where God forgets you. It is a place of passage where the Holy Spirit, the inaugurating agent of the era of grace, comes to lead you toward the abundance promised in John 10:10. The battles you fight in life are proportional to the dimension of the crown God has reserved for you.

IV — Advice to children of God going through the wilderness

Hosea 12:14 traces the path of deliverance and reveals essential principles for victoriously crossing the wilderness:

1. Understand that God raises up a prophet to bring you out of captivity.
2. Recognize that the prophet who brings you out of captivity is not necessarily the one who leads you to the promised land.
3. Learn to listen to God now, otherwise the wilderness will force you to listen to Him.
4. Accept that the invisible exists and that knowledge revealed by the Holy Spirit is a primary value.

The Holy Spirit cuts the ribbon of the era of law and inaugurates abundance in your life.

Conclusion

Following Jesus — *Yeshua*, which means "Yahweh is salvation" — goes far beyond physically walking behind Him. It is being saved from eternal death, sickness, and poverty. You cannot follow Jesus correctly and remain in lack! The wilderness is a necessary school, but your final destiny is abundance and restored glory.

> *"Knowledge is a primary value especially when it is revealed by the Holy Spirit."*
>
> DR RAOUL WAFO

Declare with faith: "I will not die in the wilderness!" For God has destined you to reign on Earth in the fullness of His glory. See you next Sunday for the continuation: *How to get out of the wilderness*.

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