THE ONLY UPRIGHT POLITICIAN

A PEEP INTO A MORALLY DEGENERATING SOCIETY

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CHAPTER 1

Chief Akudo was a well-known Nigerian politician. He was widely respected or even feared because of his ability to win elections by all means possible. He was in a special meeting with all his thugs where he reminded them of their responsibilities towards him as their mentor and employer. He reminded them of the blood oath they took before they were employed. He said "You must always keep our secrets secret. Any violation of our secret oaths would be met with instant death. Your job is to dupe and eliminate. I give all the instructions here." He boasted that he had the most powerful connections to the high and mighty people in the land. Hence, nobody will save them if they disobey him. "Anyone who disobeys me will surely die with three members of his family." He said, raising his shoulders high to demonstrate his invincibility.

As he was speaking, two armed police officers came in with a white man known as Mr. Cock. The police officers introduced themselves. One of them approached him and said, "Chief Akudo, you are under arrest for defrauding Mr. cock of the sum of \$10 million on the pretext of selling one million barrels of crude oil to him. You are advised to remain silent for anything you say could be used against you in a court of Law." The police officers quickly arrested him and took him away.

They took him to the police station and detained him for a while. Chief Akudo contacted His lawyer, Barrister Martins to come and secure his release.

Barrister Martins was a legal practitioner, well known for his ability to handle difficult cases involving fraud and drug trafficking. Over the years he had carved a niche for himself as a shrewd lawyer who can handle complex cases of fraud and drug trafficking to the advantage of fraudsters and drug traffickers without minding

who gets victimized in the process. He had successfully built a strong clientele of questionable characters in the society whose humongous wealth always seemed to outweigh their known sources of income. He had also become very rich by using every possible means to prevent his dubious clients from facing the wrath of the law whenever they ran into trouble with the law. However, in a society where everyone respected or even worshipped you when you suddenly become a money bag without asking how you acquired the money, he was widely respected by his peers for being rich and highly connected to any government in power at any point in time. His philosophy about life is that whatever money and connection to people in power cannot do, nothing else can do it. One of his prominent clients was Chief Akudo. He had made a fortune from preventing Chief Akudo from facing the full weight of the law. This he did by invoking the instrument of money and his powerful connections to the people that matter in government circles to bail Chief Akudo out of many fraud charges. Barrister Martins came to see the chief Police officer in the station, who recognized him immediately and told him how much money he had to pay to secure his client's release. Barrister Martins went to His office and returned to the police station with a huge sum of money with which he secured the release of Chief Akudo.

Mr Cock Came to the police station the next day only to find out to his utmost amazement that the man who defrauded him of \$10million, was discharged without any rigorous investigation. He went back to Chief Akudo's office. The security around the building had been massively built up within 24 hours. The security men in Chief Akudo's office prevented him from gaining access to the office.

After several futile attempts, he got frustrated and decided to return to his country.

Chapter 2

Chief Ike was a seasoned Nigerian politician. A shrewd Businessman who believed that you cannot mix morality with business and politics and succeed. He also believed in winning elections by all manner of crooked means. "The end justifies the means," He would always tell his political associates.

Chief Ike was also an arms and ammunitions dealer. He went to a military facility to negotiate for the supply of arms and ammunitions. As a military contractor, he went from one office to the other giving out monies to military staff any time he came to the military base. That was his own strategy for retaining the monopoly of arms and ammunition of supply contracts in that military location.

He was popularly nicknamed "Chief military contractor"; by his admirers, who saw him as a generous giver and philanthropist. After going round several offices to greet "Ogas boys" which in Nigeria Lexicon meant those who run illicit errands for the Boss or Master, he finally walked into the office of General Adasu, the head of the military location. He quickly looked around his office environment to ensure nobody was peeping or eavesdropping. He noticed that General Adasu was not smiling as usual. He was visibly angry. "Who told you to supply those ammunitions? I hope it will not affect my cut in our deal?" He queried. Chief Ike tried to defend himself. "I only supplied ten percent of the contract. Just to make sure something is supplied in case of future inquiry. We can still share 60:40 if you don't mind." General Adasu replied, "Not acceptable. I stand on our deal of 50per cent cut. Since we have been doing this business there has never been any enquiry and there can never be one. Military contracts are not subject to probes."

Chief Akudo said. "I am sorry, General. It will not happen again. I will perform as we agreed. But what I have with me now is 40percent of the contract value. I will make up the difference later."

General Adasu's mood immediately changed from anger to happiness. Chief Ike dropped a huge box containing bundles of cash in Dollars on his table. General Adasu thanked him for being faithful to their deal and he walked away

Chapter 3

Dr Eze was a Nigerian Medical practitioner with over 30 years experience. Over the years he had built a thriving medical practice with branches in different parts of the country. Those who were close to him respected him for being an honest and strict born again Christian who feared God and eschewed evil.

He was seated in his moderately furnished office with a stethoscope on his neck as Princess walked in and Sat down, dressed provocatively with part of her breast left open and staring directly at Dr Eze's face. She was looking disappointed and desperate as she dropped her laboratory result sheets on Dr Eze's desk. Dr Eze tried to prop up her mood after reading through the results. "Congratulations, young lady you are three months pregnant."

Princess replied: "Yes, that is exactly the problem. I don't want the baby."

Dr Eze responded without wasting time. "So what do you want me to do.? I am sorry, I don't do abortions, " raising his hands as a sign of finality.

"Please don't call it abortion, call it pregnancy termination. Please help me. I am ready to give you anything you want " Princess pleaded.

Dr Eze replied again. "Sorry, I am a born-again Christian. I don't do abortions at all. Not even one week of pregnancy. It is a sin before the Lord. Even if you give me Fifty Million Naira, I will not do it". But Princess refused to give up. She stood up and whispered into his ears. "I believe you truly don't understand my language. I am ready to give you my body". Dr Eze became really angry. "So you want to corrupt me with your body. Please leave my office now before I call in the security

guards".

Princess stood up angrily and began to walk out. She hesitated, feeling hurt and embarrassed like any other snubbed woman, and looked at Dr Eze. "I don't blame you. I thought you were a real man." She left Dr Eze's office, disgruntled and frustrated.

Chapter 4

Chief Ike was in his private guest house when his mistress, Tina walked in, looking tired and weary. Tina was Chief Ike's mistress and personal assistant at the same time. Chief Ike had promised to make her His number two wife for over 5 years but no positive action had been taken to fulfill the promise. She was getting tired of waiting indefinitely for Chief Ike to make her his second wife as promised. She had become apprehensive that Chief Ike would never fulfill his promise of making her a second wife which was her innermost heart desire. She had profited financially over the years from having a double relationship with Chief Ike as mistress and Personal Assistant. But as a woman, age was no longer on her side and she had become desirous of advancing from being a mistress to a real wife. It didn't matter to her how many other women were competing for the position of a second wife in chief Ike's life. Chief Ike was a very wealthy man and could afford to take care of as many women as he wanted. Moreover, Chief Ike had told her times without numbers that as a titled traditional high chief, he had the right to marry as many wives as he chose to marry. Tina had been suspecting that the stumbling block against her marriage to chief lke is the first wife of chief lke who doesn't want another woman to come into Chief Ike's house. She had deployed several strategies to overcome this challenge but no one seemed to produce the desired results.

Chief Ike looked at her demeanor and quickly concluded that she was not happy. He said, "My sweetheart, you are not looking cheerful today. Who is troubling you."

Tina forced out a smile. "I am very fine, Chief. I had a hectic day in the office today".she lied.

"Okay, come and sit down on my lap. Let me give you a deep kiss that will wipe a way your stressful mood". She sat down on Chief Ike's lap, and he gave her a kiss. "Don't worry, very soon you will become my second wife"

"That's what you have been saying for ages. Chief, when will you fulfill this your promise of making me your second wife."? She asked curiously.

"Don't worry, as soon as I become the President of this country every other thing will follow suit. For now, you can see that I am very busy with the Presidential primary elections." Chief ike replied, happy with himself that he always had an answer to Tina's probing questions with respect to the promised marriage which may never take place.

Tina spoke again. "Okay, my dearest chief, I love you so much. That's why I am doing everything possible to support your ambition of becoming the president of this country. But I am surprised that your wife is not even doing anything to support your political ambition. "

Don't mind that old woman, "I will surprise her with a brand new wife after the elections." Chief Ike replied.

"Who is that brand new wife.?" She asked with a broad smile on her face. Chief lke replied. "Her name is Tina, Tina.! Tina!

They held each other tightly and giggled together like kids. Chief lke took Tina into the inner room and bolted the door firmly.