Article 01 – For Siblings

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The First Family Ministry

Before you ever stepped into your church or heard your first sermon, you were placed divinely within a unique family. And within that family, your siblings were the first spiritual classmates, the first relational test, the first training ground for forgiveness, patience, and selfless love.

Our relationships with our siblings are not accidents but sacred assignments. God places us in families not merely for biological connection but for spiritual formation. Cain asked God, "Am I my brother's keeper?" And God's answer has echoed ever since: Yes. You are.

Your bond with your siblings is a sacred one. It's not just about shared parents or childhood memories but about shared destiny and divine responsibility. When you love your brother or sister with patience, humility, and grace, you are living out a gospel that is often louder than any sermon.

Spiritual blessings emerge when we:

- Choose to forgive past hurts instead of rehearsing them.
- Celebrate their wins instead of competing with them.
- Speak truth to them in love instead of gossiping about them.
- Cover their weaknesses instead of exposing them.

In a world that often devalues family and pushes us toward individualism, God invites us to rediscover the treasure in our siblings. Their presence in your life is an opportunity, a calling, to pour out Christlike love in a context that truly tests your character.

You may not feel particularly close to your siblings right now. There may be distance, conflict, or even silence. But today, The Holy Spirit invites you to take the first step. To pray. To reach out. To remember that your greatest ministry might begin in your own home.

Be your sibling's intercessor. Their encouragers. Their gentle challengers. Their defenders when life gets tough.

Because long before the crowd knew Jesus, His siblings did. May they say the same of you.

Love from the *TiEV* Team