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Pastor Chris says

"When you speak in tongues, you're not talking to men but to God. You're speaking mysteries – secret truths, hidden things that are not obvious to the understanding. When you speak in other tongues, secret truths and realities are being revealed... You may need an idea or a plan for your own life. You may not even know what steps to take, but when you speak in other tongues, the truths will be revealed to your spirit and you would know what to do. Jesus said, *"He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water"* (John 7:38 KJV). So, when those thoughts or words well up in you, you receive secret truths from God."

- Culled from *"The Power Of Tongues."*





WORDS ARE SEEDS

(Your Life Goes In The Direction Of Your Words)

Thursday

01

TO THE BIBLE Galatians 6:7

"Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap."

LET'S TALK

Will had formed a habit of always standing in front of his mirror and declaring, "I know who I am; I am a success; I am top class; the world is mine; I'm victorious, healthy, and strong every day of my life." This intrigued Ralph, his bunkmate, who confronted him with this question: "What in the world are you doing?"

Will simply replied to Ralph: "Words are seeds; my life is the fruit of those seeds, and I'm speaking what I want in my life."

In explaining the parable of the sower (Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23, Luke 8:4-8, 11-15, and Mark 4:3-8, 13-20), the Lord Jesus lets us know that words are seeds and what you sow is what you reap. If you sow the right words into your life and future, they'll produce the right harvest. So, always steer your life in God's direction for you with the right words.

You can't keep speaking negatively and expect to have an excellent life. Proverbs 15:4 says, *"A wholesome tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit."* Here, Solomon connects words with seeds, trees, and fruits. A wholesome tongue is one that speaks life, health, healing, righteousness, and abundance. That wholesome tongue is a tree of life.

Many unknowingly bruise their spirits by speaking words that are inconsistent with the provisions of the Gospel. This is why you must train yourself to talk right. Speak blessed words. Your life goes in the direction of your words. Colossians 4:6 TPT says, *“Let every word you speak be drenched with grace and tempered with truth and clarity. For then you will be prepared to give a respectful answer to anyone who asks about your faith.”*

In other words, don't speak idle, inoperative, and uninspiring words because you'd give account of your words: *“But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment”* (Matthew 12:36). Your life today is the harvest of all the words you've been speaking. Therefore, always speak righteousness, peace, health, wealth, and joy.



Go Deeper

Proverbs 18:21; James 3:2; 1 Peter 3:10



Speak

My life is excellent. I'm the expression of God's glory, grace, wisdom and righteousness! I'm a testimony of His love, the proof of His goodness. I walk in victory always to the glory of His Name. Glory to God!



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 6:1-14, Psalms 56-59

TWO YEAR

Luke 12:22-34, Judges 7



Act

Meditate pensively on Proverbs 15:4, and speak wholesome words about yourself throughout today.



My Notes



WE'RE MORE THAN CONQUERORS

(We Live In The Victory Of Christ Jesus)

Friday

02

TO THE BIBLE *Romans 8:35-37 ESV*

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, 'For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.' No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us."

LET'S TALK

Our opening scripture tells us very evidently and unequivocally that no tribulation (trouble), distress, persecution, famine, nakedness, peril, nor sword shall be able to separate us from God's love. It then concludes by saying that we are more than conquerors through Him who loves us, Christ Jesus. Being more than a conqueror means you conquered in Christ before the earth itself was founded! This should give you immediate comfort, peace, and joy. You're right now living in the victory of Christ.

Remember, the Lord assured us of victory over crises and challenges when He said, *"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."* (John 16:33). The Bible says in 1 John 4:4 AMPC, *"Little children, you are of God [you belong to Him] and have [already] defeated and overcome them [the agents of the antichrist], because He Who lives in you is greater (mightier) than he who is in the world."* You've been lifted over and above the corrupting influences of this world. Hallelujah!

There's nothing to struggle with or try to overcome anymore. When He arose from the grave a victor and a champion, you were in Him. Don't allow the circumstances of life make you a victim. You were born into the victorious life in Christ: *"But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us reveals the fragrance of the knowledge of Him in every place"* (2 Corinthians 2:14 NASB). Glory!



Go Deeper

James 1:2-3; 1 John 4:4; 1 Corinthians 15:57



Speak

Thanks be to God who always causes me to triumph in Christ and spread the sweet-smelling fragrance of His knowledge in every place! Thank you, Father, for my victorious life in Christ! I live in triumph over circumstances, in total fulfillment, joy, glory and dominion, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 6:15-7:1-6, Psalms 60-63

TWO YEAR

Luke 12:35-48, Judges 8



Act

Meditate on 2 Corinthians 2:14 and 1 John 4:4.



My Notes



BE ON YOUR GUARD!

(An Exhortation From
God's Word)

Saturday

03

TO THE BIBLE 2 Peter 3:17 GNB

"But you, my friends, already know this. Be on your guard, then, so that you will not be led away by the errors of lawless people and fall from your safe position."

LET'S TALK

Let's look at an exhortation and warning the Holy Spirit gives through the Apostle Peter in today's opening verse. The New International Version (NIV) of the verse says, *"Therefore, dear friends, since you already know this, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position."* Basically, Apostle Peter is saying to watch out so you don't get misled by *"the error of lawless men..."*

The Living Bible puts it like this: *"I am warning you ahead of time, dear brothers, so that you can watch out and not be carried away by the mistakes of these wicked men, lest you yourselves become mixed up too."* Here, it's called the mistakes of the wicked: their miscalculations because of their ignorance.

Hebrews 3:12 also warns, *"Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God."* The original Greek word for unbelief, "Apistia," means disbelief, or arising from disobedience. Verse 13 adds, *"...Exhort one another daily, while it is called 'Today,' lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin."*

How do we exhort one another daily? It's with the Word. The Word is the only material to help us grow and be

shielded from the error of the lawless and the miscalculations of the wicked. With the Word, you can diligently guard your heart against unbelief and anything that tries to change or destroy the excellence that God already programmed in you.

Study and meditate on the Scriptures until your whole spirit, soul and body are programmed to only think God's thoughts and influenced only by His ideas and opinions. Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

2 Timothy 3:16-17; Colossians 3:16; 2 Peter 3:18



Pray

Dear Father, I delight in your Word and yield to it for exhortation, doctrine and counsel. In your Word, I've found life, peace, righteousness and everlasting joy. As I live in your Word, your glory is revealed in my life; I'm constantly transfigured from glory to glory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 7:7-25, Psalms 64-67

TWO YEAR

Luke 12:49-59, Judges 9



Act

Share this exhortation from today's message with others around you.



My Notes



YOU'RE IN OFFICE!

(Function In Your Priestly Office Now)

Sunday

04

TO THE BIBLE 1 Peter 2:9 AMPC

"...You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [God's] own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light."

LET'S TALK

Our opening verse shows that you and I are royal priests; isn't this just amazing? What do priests do, you ask? Well, the scriptures show us three important roles of the priest: he's to offer gifts, intercede in prayer, and teach the knowledge of God. These are the responsibilities the Lord Jesus would have us carry out on earth, and by studying the writings of the prophets concerning the millennial reign of Christ and by looking at what Israel will be doing at that time, you'll easily understand our roles as priests today.

The millennial reign of Christ—the one-thousand-year reign of Christ on earth—is the period of Israel's restoration and their exercise of the Christ-life, which we already had throughout the Church age. Thus, the millennial reign isn't towards the Church; the Church already reigned on earth for two thousand years THROUGH Jesus Christ (Romans 5:17) and will reign WITH Him in the millennial period.

So, when do we function as priests? When do we teach the knowledge of God, intercede for everyone, and offer gifts? NOW! Our priesthood is now! Revelation 1:6 says, *"...Jesus Christ...made us kings and priests to His God*

and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen." Revelation 5:10 also says He has "...made us kings and priests to our God; and we shall reign on the earth." We're in office as king-priests of God on earth.

He's given us the responsibility to alter the course of events and happenings in our world today through intercession, sacrifices of praise to the Name of the Lord, and the propagation of His truth in all the earth. Glory to God!



Go Deeper

Revelation 1:5-6 AMPC; Ecclesiastes 8:4 TLB;
1 Peter 2:9-10 AMPC



Pray

Dear Father, by your Spirit, I fulfil my ministry of intercession as a king-priest, unveiling the mysteries of the Kingdom to my world, and offering spiritual sacrifices to the praise of your Name. I declare that today, your Word prevails in and through me as I proclaim your righteousness and salvation to the world, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 8:1-17, Psalms 68-69

TWO YEAR

Luke 13:1-9, Judges 10



Act

Thank the Lord Jesus for making you a king-priest, and from today on, start functioning in your priestly roles of intercessory prayers, sacrifices of praise to His Name, and the spread of the Gospel throughout your world.



My Notes



HE FULFILLED THE LAW FOR US

(We Were Ushered Into The Life
Of Righteousness Through Christ)

Monday

05

TO THE BIBLE Romans 10:4 ESV

"...Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes."

LET'S TALK



"Lisa, I heard you preaching a minute ago; did you say Jesus Christ fulfilled the law for righteousness and now, being born again, we don't have to keep the law of Moses to be righteous?" Sean asked.

"Yeah, and I meant it! Romans 10:4 says that the Lord Jesus fulfilled all of God's requirements for our righteousness, and now, by reason of our being in Christ, we've been ushered into the life of righteousness, fulfilled promises, and blessings now," Lisa explained.

You know, God spoke to Moses and instructed him to tell the Israelites that if they'd obey his voice, then they'd be His treasured possession—a priestly kingdom and a holy nation: *"Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine. And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation..."* (Exodus 19:5-6).

But, thank God, that promise which was preconditioned on Israel's obedience to the Law has been fulfilled in us through the Lord Jesus Christ. We have been ushered into this fulfilled promise by the new birth in Christ, and we're now His special treasure above all people. Hallelujah!

That's the reason Apostle Peter declared in his letter, "... You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [God's] own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9 AMPC).

Additionally, the Spirit says through Apostle Paul in 2 Corinthians 1:20, "For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us." All the blessings have been fulfilled in Christ Jesus. You're not waiting on God to fulfil any promise; you can live in the reality of these promises and blessings even now. Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

Ephesians 1:3; Romans 6:17; Romans 5:18-19



Pray

Dear Father, I thank you for granting me all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. I'm delighted to know that I'm your treasured possession, ordained to show forth your wonderful deeds and display your virtues and perfections. Thank you for making me your righteousness and the effulgence of your glory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 8:18-39, Psalms 70-73

TWO YEAR

Luke 13:10-21, Judges 11



Act

Make bold declarations of the blessings of Christ in your life now.



My Notes



GOD WOKE YOU UP!

(You're Now Alive To
All Spiritual Realities
Of God's Kingdom)

Tuesday

06

TO THE BIBLE Romans 6:10-11 ESV

"For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus."

LET'S TALK



What we just read is absolutely life-transforming and superb: we're alive to God and awake to all the spiritual realities of the Kingdom. Hallelujah! The Apostle Paul made a similar statement in Ephesians 2:1; it says, *"And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins."* When Jesus died, you were in Him and died in Him. When God raised Him from the dead, you were raised together with Him. You were awakened in God; you came alive in the spirit. This is the reason you can understand the realities of God's Kingdom. The one who isn't born again isn't alive to God; he's dead spiritually and gropes in the darkness.

1 Corinthians 2:14 says, *"...The natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."* In Luke 8:10, the Lord Jesus said it is given to you to know the mysteries of the Kingdom of God. Every so often, declare that you're filled with the knowledge of God's will, in all wisdom and spiritual understanding. Affirm that you have an understanding heart. This is all part of your heritage in Christ.

The Lord Jesus said in John 8:12, "...I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." 1 Corinthians 2:12 NIV says, "We have not received the spirit of the world but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us." You have insight into the mysteries and realities of the Kingdom, into your inheritance, rights, benefits, privileges and blessings in Christ. Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

1 Corinthians 2:7-12; Matthew 13:10-11



Pray

I thank you, blessed Father, for granting me insight into the mysteries and secrets of the Kingdom. I'm filled with the knowledge of your will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding. I know the hope of your calling and the riches of the glory of your inheritance for me in Christ, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 9:1-29, Psalms 74-77

TWO YEAR

Luke 13:22-30, Judges 12



Act

Declare that you're filled with the knowledge of God's will, in all wisdom and spiritual understanding.



My Notes



DON'T THROW IN THE TOWEL!

(With God, Nothing Is Ever
Too Late Or Impossible)

Wednesday

07

TO THE BIBLE **Matthew 19:26 ESV**

"...Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.""

LET'S TALK



Some young people have unnecessary regrets that they nurture in their hearts: "If only I had studied harder, I would have been top of my class by now," "If only I had eaten healthier, I would have been in great shape by now," and the like. But you see, it makes no difference where you are in life and the circumstances in which you find yourself today; you can still win; you can be a success if you don't give up. With God, nothing is ever too late or impossible. Therefore, don't despair. Renew your mind with the Word. Change your thinking.

As you grow spiritually, there could be times of difficulties and tough challenges. But those challenges are your opportunities to demonstrate your faith in the Lord and prove His Word. God gave us His Word to live by and to use in creating our glorious and triumphant lives. So, it's your responsibility to use the Word, to work the Word. Philippians 2:12 (NIV) says, "...continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling."

That was what Abraham did. God said to him, "(As it is written, "I have made you a father of many nations") in the presence of Him whom he believed—God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they

did" (Romans 4:17). At this time, Abraham was nearly a hundred years old and didn't have a child, but he believed and acted on the Word. Romans 4:20 says He didn't stagger at the promise of God through unbelief, but he was strong in faith, giving glory to God!

The change you desire in your ministry, academics, finances, health, and family is possible and dependent on you. Act on the Word. Insist that nothing but what the Word of God says will prevail in your life, and it shall be so. Be ever joyful, declaring your glorious life, righteousness and victory in Christ Jesus.



Go Deeper

Psalm 1:1-3; Mark 9:23; Romans 12:2



Speak

My mind is constantly renewed by the Word to think and produce excellence. The Word of God is prevailing in my life, producing what it talks about. I spread the fragrance of God's knowledge in every place, as I reign with Christ and bring Him glory today, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 9:30-10:1-21, Psalms 78

TWO YEAR

Luke 13:31-35, Judges 13-14

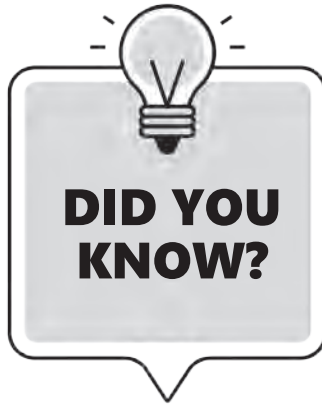


Act

Declare words of faith concerning your health, academics, finances, family, and ministry.



My Notes



THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

is primarily a time of judgment for the world? When you read 2 Thessalonians 2:1-2, you discover that the Day of Christ refers to the second coming of Christ. It's the day of His wrath, the day of His judgment (2 Thessalonians 1:7-8), and this judgment happens before He establishes His Millennial reign—His one-thousand years of peace—on earth. There's so much to be said about this, but, for now, here are some interesting facts about the Second Coming of Christ.

1. The Second Coming Is Not Meant For Christians

The Second Coming of Christ is NOT intended for Christians, while the Rapture of the Church is meant for Christians (Remember, we treated the Rapture in last month's edition).

2. The Saints Are Returning To The Earth At His Second Coming

He's not coming alone; we will be coming together with Him to execute judgment on sinners. Remember we went with Him at the Rapture of the Church. So, we are not waiting for the second coming of Christ; we will be returning, after the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, with Him to the earth (Jude 1:14-16).

3. The Duration Of The Second Coming Is Not Like The Rapture!

Unlike the Rapture of the Church, in His Second Coming, the Lord Jesus Christ will be in the air for a whole day—24 hours—for all the nations to see Him (Matthew 24:30).

4. His Return Happens 7 Years After the Rapture Of The Church.

Seven years before the second coming of Christ, the Rapture will take place (1 Thessalonians 4:17), and we'll go to heaven for the Investiture of Christ and the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.

5. Jesus Is Returning To Earth Wearing A Robe Dipped In Blood.

After the Marriage Supper, that wonderful party in Heaven, is done, the Lord Jesus on a white horse, wearing a robe dipped in blood, returns in His Second Coming to the earth. Revelation 19:13 says, "*He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.*" The significance of this? His robe dipped in blood is His proof and receipt of purchase of the whole world (Matthew 13:44, 1 Corinthians 6:20, 1 Peter 1:18-19).

6. He Will "Smite" The Antichrist At His Coming!

At the second coming of Jesus, the Bible says He'll smite the Antichrist "*...with the spirit of his mouth...*" (2 Thessalonians 2:8), which refers to the sword of the Spirit—the "Rhema" of God—words coming out of His mouth (Revelation 19:15, Ephesians 6:17). Glorious news!

7. It Happens Immediately After The Great Tribulation.

In Matthew 24:29, where Jesus Himself speaks about this, He said, "*Immediately after the tribulation of those days...*" This indicates that the Second Coming of Christ will occur after the Great Tribulation.

Guess what? You don't have to wait till the Second Coming of Christ to be with Jesus. At the Rapture, everyone who received Him as Lord will get to be with Him forevermore. Just turn to page 76 and pray the **Prayer of Salvation**, and when the last trumpet sounds, you will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air (1 Thessalonians 4:17)!



THIS “NEW” YOU

(The Lord Jesus Didn't Die
For The Christian)

Thursday

08

TO THE BIBLE 2 Corinthians 5:17 AMPC

“Therefore if any person is [ingrafted] in Christ (the Messiah) he is a new creation (a new creature altogether); the old [previous moral and spiritual condition] has passed away. Behold, the fresh and new has come!”

LET'S TALK

“Jesus died for the whole world, including Christians, right?”

“Well, the Lord Jesus died for everyone, but the moment I believed in His resurrection and confessed His Lordship, I literally became someone new, a new creation. I'm not the same person He died for. I've become a new species of being without a past,” Stephanie responded to Jessica's question while they studied the Bible together.

Generically, we say, Jesus died for all of us—the whole world; He was judged for us. But when you believed that He died for you and was raised back to life for your justification, it became possible for eternal life to be imparted to your spirit. Once that happened, you were born again; you became a Christian—a new creation. The new creation is a brand-new person, a brand-new species of being; he or she has no past.

You aren't the same person that was born of your father and mother; that's the “old you” with the sin nature who died with Christ: *“Knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin”* (Romans 6:6). The new you—the new creation—came from the resurrection: *“Therefore we*

were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). This "new you" is created in righteousness and holiness (Ephesians 4:24). Hallelujah!

If it's true that the new creation has no past (and it's true), then he isn't the one that Jesus died for. Understanding this will help you a great deal in your Christian walk. It'll make it easier for you to understand why you're justified. The Bible says Jesus Christ was raised back to life for our justification (Romans 4:25). You've been justified in Him. In other words, in the mind of justice, you never sinned. You're the righteousness of God in Christ.



Go Deeper

John 3:16; Galatians 6:15; Ephesians 2:15



Pray

I worship you Father, Lord God of heaven and earth, for blessing me with your Word. I declare that I'm a new creation in Christ Jesus and the lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places. I refuse to struggle for anything, for you've blessed me richly with all things to enjoy. I walk in favour, divine health and prosperity all the days of my life, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 11:1-24, Psalms 79-81

TWO YEAR

Luke 14:1-14, Judges 15-16



Act

Share this amazing truth about the new creation in Christ with others today.



My Notes



HE'S MORE THAN LOVING

(He's The Very
Personification Of Love)

Friday

09

TO THE BIBLE 1 John 4:8 TPT

"The one who doesn't love has yet to know God, for God is love."

LET'S TALK



Oftentimes, we say that God is loving; yes, He is. But it's important to understand that love isn't just a quality He possesses; it's who He is. GOD IS LOVE. Love is His nature. Everything He does is love-inspired. Ephesians 2:4-5 talks about His great and amazing love. It says, *"But God still loved us with such great love. He is so rich in compassion and mercy. Even when we were dead and doomed in our many sins, he united us into the very life of Christ and saved us by his wonderful grace!"* (TPT). When Jesus restored sight to the blind, healed the deaf, made the lame to walk, restored maimed limbs and raised the dead, they were all acts of love. He was love made flesh; He's love personified.

There's an account in the Bible about a woman who had suffered from hemorrhaging for twelve years. Despite the risk to her life, she pushed through the crowd to touch the hem of Jesus' garment, seeking healing. It's important to understand the context here: according to the Law, anyone with a blood issue was forbidden from physical contact with others; discovery of her condition could have led to her being stoned to death. However, the Bible says she thought to herself, "If I can just put a finger on His robe, I'll get well." She did and was healed instantly (Matthew 9:20-22, Mark 5:25-

34, and Luke 8:43-48).

Everything the Lord Jesus is and represents is love. His communication and actions pointed everyone to the Father's love. He was the revelation of God's love. He said in John 15:9 (MSG), *"I've loved you the way my Father has loved me. Make yourselves at home in my love."* He loves you unconditionally and unequivocally. Let this inspire you today and always, and provoke in you great audacity of faith.



Go Deeper

1 John 4:7-8; 2 Corinthians 13:14; Jeremiah 31:3



Pray

Dear Father, I'm conscious and grateful for your love for me. I know that above all things, you desire that I fulfil my destiny in Christ, prosper, walk in health and live triumphantly today, and always, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 11:25-36, Psalms 82-84

TWO YEAR

Luke 14:15-24, Judges 17



Act

Thank the Lord Jesus profusely for loving you unconditionally.



My Notes



THE FAITH OF JESUS

(His Dream Was To Make
You Just Like Him)

Saturday

10

TO THE BIBLE Galatians 2:20

"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."

LET'S TALK



In our opening verse of Scripture, Paul hints at the faith of the Son of God—the faith of Jesus Christ! Did you know that He had faith in you? The Bible tells us that for the joy, the glory, that was set before Him, He endured the Cross, despising the shame (Hebrews 12:2). You're that joy and glory He saw for which He gave His life, not minding to be crucified like a criminal. He saw what you'd become by virtue of His vicarious death.

The Bible says God's dream was to live inside man. He desired to have man as His living, walking temple! Think about that! In Proverbs 8:31, the Bible says the Spirit rejoiced in the habitable part of His earth; but His delights were with the sons of men. Jesus gave His life to realise God's dream: His dream of us becoming the glory of God; His dream of us becoming the righteousness of God; His dream of us becoming associates of the God-kind. He gave His life so God's plan for us to have and enjoy life to the full would be realised.

Now we live in righteousness, prosperity, health, dominion, victory and excellence forever because of the faith of Jesus Christ! He had faith in what He did. He had

faith in you and trusted you with His life. He knew if you'd believe His Gospel, you'd become like Him, and now you're like Him: "...As He is, so are we in this world" (1 John 4:17). Believe in what He did, who He is, and what He's made you.

Believe in yourself. Live by His faith. Decide that you're going to be everything He died and came back to life for you to become, achieve, and enjoy. Make up your mind your life will be for His glory and for His praise as you fulfil your destiny in Him.



Go Deeper

2 Corinthians 5:15; Colossians 3:3



Speak

I'm what God says I am. I'm an heir of God and a joint-heir with Christ; I'm living God's dream and enjoying the fullness of life. I walk in prosperity, health, strength and victory now and evermore, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 12:1-16, Psalms 85-88

TWO YEAR

Luke 14:25-35, Judges 18



Act

Meditate on today's opening verse: Galatians 2:20.



My Notes



ARE YOU IN THE SPIRIT?

(What It Means To Live In The Spirit)

Sunday

11

TO THE BIBLE Galatians 5:25

"If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit."

LET'S TALK



"Hey Mark, what does it mean to live in the Spirit? It sounds a bit mysterious to me," Anna inquired. Anna was a new member whom Mark had won to his cell.

"Well, there are two ways of living in the Spirit, but the most important way is by being born into the Spirit," Mark replied.

"Born into the Spirit? That sounds deep!" Anna exclaimed.

"No, not really; the Lord talked about this to Nicodemus in John 3:1-6. When you're born again, you're born of God's Spirit and therefore live in Him; it's quite simple really," Mark explained.

As Christians, we don't go in and out of the Spirit; we live in the Spirit. Our opening verse makes it clear: it says, *"If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit."* There're two common expressions that you find in the Bible for being in the Spirit. One is to be in a vision or trance where your physical senses are more or less suspended. However, that's a temporal experience.

The other and more important expression of being in the Spirit is being born into the Spirit, where you become aware and alive to the spirit-realm through the Word and the Holy Ghost. You live in that consciousness even though

you're in this world and your physical senses are conscious of your natural environment.

In the latter, you're living with the mindset of the heavenly being that you are. You see the same things with other people, but you have a different interpretation and a different understanding. You're Spirit-ruled; you see things the Kingdom way; the Word of God dictates your actions and responses to life and everything around you. You dominate your environment with the atmosphere of the Spirit. Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

Acts 1:8; Romans 8:9



Speak

Thank you, precious Holy Spirit, for being my peculiar atmosphere and advantage in life. You've made my life so different and beautiful. I rule and dominate my world with the atmosphere of joy, peace, success and victory in Jesus' name. Amen



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 12:17-13:1-14, Psalm 89

TWO YEAR

Luke 15:1-10, Judges 19



Act

Take ample time today to declare that you live and walk in the Spirit, till it sinks deep into your consciousness.



My Notes



FRAMED BY THE WORD

(Mend Your World With The
Rhema-Word Of God)

Monday

12

TO THE BIBLE Hebrews 11:3

"By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible."

LET'S TALK

The Greek word "aion" is what is translated as "worlds" in the verse above. It refers to the course of life, an era, or the structure and administration of things as they are in the world. Every now and then, the devil tries to turn the course of this world in his direction; he likes to impose his own system on the world and force us to live in his system. Thank God, he's subject to us, so we can't allow him to have his way.

Take, for example, a city or a nation that gets new leaders: Satan often attempts to make such leaders follow his agenda. Those leaders may never know when they're being influenced and caused to lie and deceive their people and nation. Even when the people find out that they're being deceived, they can't reverse the damage; they can't free themselves. The Bible says, *"For the eagerly awaiting creation waits for the revealing of the sons and daughters of God... that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now"* (Romans 8:19-22 NASB).

We're the ones to deliver the world—all of creation—from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the sons of God. How? It's with the Word of God (the "rhema" of God) on our lips. With the Word of God, you can repair, construct and reconstruct the course of your life and your world. That's what the men and women of faith did in Bible days. Through faith, they framed or repaired their world with the Word of God. It's what God expects of us today: we must frame our era with the Word of God through faith.



Go Deeper

Joshua 1:8 AMPC; Hebrews 11:1-3 AMPC



Pray

Dear heavenly Father, thank you for giving me dominion over all things. I've received the dynamic ability to cause changes, repair, frame, perfect, mend, and restore everything in my world in line with your perfect will. The course of my life stays consistent with your plans and purposes, and I live victoriously over the adversary and the adversities of life, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 14-15:1-4, Psalms 90-93

TWO YEAR

Luke 15:11-19, Judges 20



Act

Declare the Word of God concerning every area of your world right now.



My Notes



WHEN THE SPIRIT TAKES OVER!

(Make Giant Strides As
You Groan in The Spirit)

Tuesday

13

TO THE BIBLE **Romans 8:26 NASB**

"Now in the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words."

LET'S TALK



If, as a young Christian, you've come to a point in your life where it seems everything is now a drag and you don't seem to be making the kind of progress you desire or that's expected, there's a way out! Maybe you've even tried everything you know to do, but there's still no commensurate progress; don't be frustrated. You can have a complete turnaround today.

First, understand that life is spiritual and except you operate from the realm of the Spirit, you can't achieve meaningful success. We can take charge of our lives and situations from the realm of the Spirit by praying in the Spirit. When we pray in tongues, the Spirit Himself gives us utterance in spiritual vocabulary.

Beyond this utterance in tongues, we have deep sighs or groanings as in the opening verse: *"Now in the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words"* (Romans 8:26 NASB). This is a better and higher way to pray.

When you're faced with serious crises in your life, it may get to the point where you don't know or have words

with which to express yourself or deal with the situation. At that point, you might just want to get on the floor before the Lord, in absolute dependence on the Holy Spirit, speaking in other tongues, till He takes over for you in deep sighs and groanings of the Spirit. Hallelujah!

With these groanings, the Holy Spirit makes intercession for you and God's people. You can learn and train yourself in this by giving more time and attention to praying in tongues, yielding yourself to God. These are Kingdom secrets given to us from the Word for us to live victoriously in life. Glory to God!



Go Deeper

John 14:16-17 AMPC; Zechariah 4:6;
Romans 8:26 AMPC



Speak

The circumstances don't matter. I win by the power of the Holy Spirit. As I speak in tongues even now, the Holy Spirit takes over my vocal cords and gets me in sync with the will of the Father; His visions, promptings, ideas and thoughts are clear to me as He leads me in victory and glory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 15:5-13, Psalms 94-98

TWO YEAR

Luke 15:20-32, Judges 21



Act

Are there areas of your life that have remained stagnant? Cause remarkable changes today as you pray in the Spirit as taught in today's message.



My Notes



FAITH IS YOUR VICTORY

(Live The World-Overcoming Life
By Your Faith)

Wednesday

14

TO THE BIBLE 1 John 5:4 AMPC

"For whatever is born of God is victorious over the world; and this is the victory that conquers the world, even our faith."

LET'S TALK



In Romans 12:3 KJV, the Bible says, "...*God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.*" We all have faith, and according to our opening verse, the faith that was given to us from God's eternal Word conquers the world! It's the faith of the Kingdom. Our hearts easily take in God's Word and we can always trust His Word to produce faith in our hearts, and with our faith, we have victory over the world, its system, and its fears. Hallelujah!

We're not victims in this life. In Mark 9:23, Jesus didn't say, "Some things (or most) things are possible"; neither did He say, "All things are possible to God." Rather, He declared, "...*If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.*" That means anything is possible to anyone who believes; that includes you. So, how are you going to make all things possible unto you? It's with your faith! That's your instrument. You can use your faith for anything.

When you face challenges, put your faith to work. If you ever think that your faith isn't strong enough, all you have to do is listen to, or study the Word of God. The Word of God will produce faith; that's the miracle power of God's Word: it stirs faith. That's the source of faith in the heart of any man.

That's why this devotional, Rhapsody of Realities TeeVo, is very important. The more you study it, the more faith comes to you. His glory is in His Word; His power is in His Word; His character is in His Word. Therefore, it's impossible for the Word not to produce faith in you and put you over all adversities. Don't cry or complain when you face challenges; use your faith and win!



Go Deeper

Ephesians 6:16; 1 John 5:4; Romans 10:17



Speak

My faith conquers the world! Irrespective of the circumstances around me and the happenings in the world today, I have the faith to rule my world. I open my mind to the Word, the source of faith, and with that faith, I have dominion over circumstances and victory over the world and its systems and fears. Nothing is impossible unto me! Hallelujah!



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 15:14-33, Psalms 99-101

TWO YEAR

Luke 16:1-12, Ruth 1-2



Act

Speak in tongues and then declare words of faith concerning your present situations and circumstances.



My Notes

Crossword PUZZLE

CLUES

Across

2 The king who had Daniel thrown into the lion's den [Hint: Daniel 6] (6)

4 David fatally wounded Goliath here (8)

5 The Old Testament feast that celebrates God's saving of the firstborn while Israel was in Egypt [Hint: Exodus 12] (8)

9 Joseph's brothers sold him to the _____ [Hint: Genesis 37] (11)

12 Samson's love interest who betrayed him (7)

13 Jonah's father [Hint: Jonah 1:1] (7)

14 The Lord sent Jonah to preach against _____ (7)

17 Place of a skull [Hint: Mark 15:22] (8)

19 Joseph was sold for _____ pieces of silver. (6)

21 Emmanuel means _____ (3,4,2)

22 Words which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the _____ [Matthew 15:18] (5)

23 Jesus compared Himself to this plant in John 15 (4)

Down

1 Esau's other name (4)

2 When sin is fully matured, it brings forth _____ (5)

3 Moses took his bones on the flight from Egypt [Hint: Exodus 13] (6)

6 This helps you to "stand against the wiles of the devil" [Hint: 1st Timothy 6] (6,2,5)

7 The effective, fervent prayer of a _____ man avails much (9)

8 Book of the New Testament that lists the fruit of the Spirit (9)

10 Shedrach, Meshach and _____ were the names given to Daniel's friends (8)

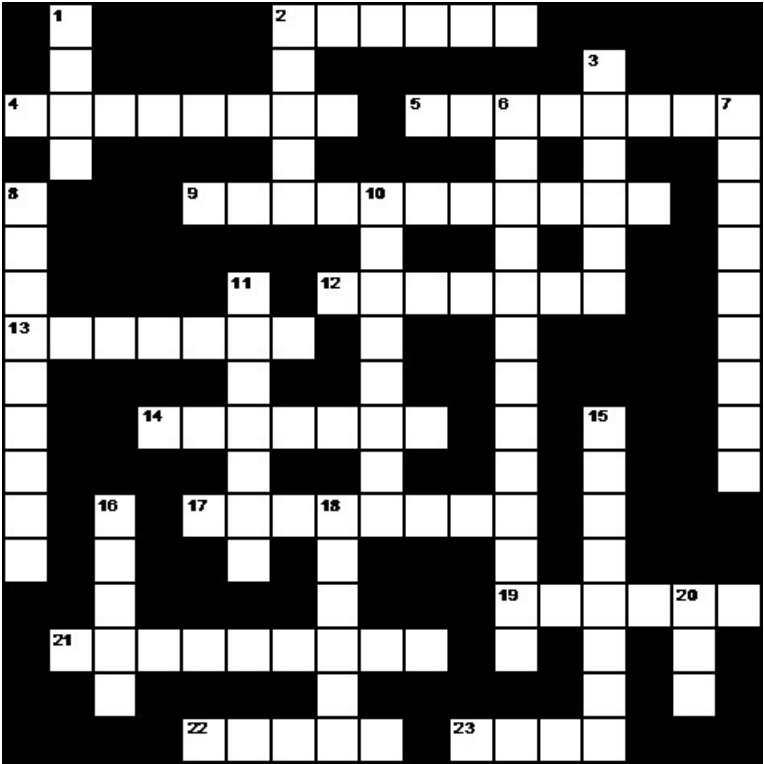
11 Sign of the covenant that God made with Noah and his descendants, after the flood (7)

15 The testing of your faith produces _____ [Hint: James 1:3] (8)

16 Israel's former name (5)

18 Kind of wood Noah used to build the ark (6)

20 Number of plagues God sent on Egypt (3)





THINK GOD'S THOUGHTS

(Cultivate God's Kind
Of Thinking Only)

Thursday

15

TO THE BIBLE *Philippians 4:8 NIV*

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things."

LET'S TALK

In a quiet corner of the café, Sarah and Emma sat across from each other, sipping their drinks. Sarah, her eyes clouded with worry and tears, confided, "I've been feeling so overwhelmed and hopeless lately. Everything seems to be going wrong since my..."

"Hey, Sarah, it's okay. I understand how you feel," Emma said softly, gently placing her hand on Sarah's. "It's high time we focused on God's Word. Get rid of the thoughts saddening you; set your mind on His thoughts, not on what's happening to or around you."

One of the ways to live happily every day is to focus your mind on the Word and think good thoughts about other people. Never allow anyone bring some negativities into your life to defile the purity of your heart and the joy of seeing others with the eyes with which God sees them. Stay with the good thoughts about everyone. God's love believes only the best about others every time.

Some people get in awkward situations for believing all the wrong and negative things they heard about others and end up losing good relationships. For example, you probably

know a lot of things about certain people in your congregation, family or neighbourhood but never dwell on the negatives. The Bible shows us clearly what we should give our minds to, how to think and what to think about.

That's what we read in our opening verse. Don't dwell on allegations against people. When you set your thinking on thoughts that are contrary to those listed in the opening verse, you become the reflection of such thoughts. But imagine if your life is the reflection of things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, and of good report. How beautiful your life would be! Your character is the reflection of your thoughts. The more positive your thoughts are, the more peaceful and excellent your life would be.



Go Deeper

1 Corinthians 13:7 AMPC; Philippians 4:8 TPT



Pray

Dear Father, as I meditate on your Word, my mind is inundated with thoughts of glory, excellence, success, victory and prosperity. I make my way prosperous and walk in absolute victory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

Romans 16:1-27, Psalms 102-103

TWO YEAR

Luke 16:13-18, Ruth 3-4



Act

Meditate on our opening scripture, Philippians 4:8.



My Notes



WHAT “AIR” IS AROUND YOU?

(Paralyze Satan’s Influence In Your World)

Friday

16

TO THE BIBLE *Ephesians 2:1-2 ESV*

“And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience.”

LET’S TALK



The expression “*the power of the air*” in the scripture above refers to an atmosphere or behaviour indicative of some quality or trait, like you’d say, “An air of unbelief.” It could be the atmosphere in a region indicative of something foul, evil, or dark about that place; it’s the work of the prince of the power of the air, but you’re to paralyze his influence.

Churches, people, families, and individuals could be influenced by “the air” of their city without their knowledge. The church that was in Corinth, for example, was influenced by the city of Corinth; likewise, the church at Ephesus. However, through the teaching of God’s Word, the apostles made the people understand that only through the Holy Spirit could they rise above the spirit of their environment and break the power of darkness over their cities.

The prince of the power of the air brings an air of poverty into a place and a feeling of inadequacy; he causes the destruction, hatred, killings, murders, wickedness, and violence in the world today. He can run families, cities, kingdoms, and nations, determining a lot of things that

happen in them. But the Bible says, "For through the voice of the LORD shall the Assyrian be beaten down, which smote with a rod" (Isaiah 30:31 KJV).

The Assyrian is prophetic of the Antichrist spirit. The "voice of the LORD" is contextualised for us here as the Word of God spoken by the power of the Holy Spirit. That's the "rhema" of God, which is the sword of the Spirit! It discomfits Satan and the princes of darkness. With the Word on your lips, you destroy their activities; you paralyse his influence over your nation, your city, your family, your personal life, and your environment. Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

Matthew 28:18-20; Philippians 2:9-11; Psalm 149:5-9



Speak

I break the power of the spirit of darkness that lures men into destruction; I paralyse his influence over my nation. Christ reigns and rules in my life, family, schoolwork, city, and environment. I declare peace in the nations, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 1, Psalms 104-106

TWO YEAR

Luke 16:19-31, 1 Samuel 1



Act

Right now, with words of the Spirit, cut off the influence of darkness over nations. Declare that righteousness, salvation, peace, and prosperity fill these nations.



My Notes



HE'S YOUR GREATEST ASSET

(The Holy Spirit Is Your
Greatest Blessing And Advantage)

Saturday

17

TO THE BIBLE 1 Corinthians 2:12

"Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God."

LET'S TALK



Isn't it amazing what we just read in our opening verse? I would to God that every young Christian would grasp the profundity of the message; it'll make champions out of them. God the Father blessed us with the Holy Spirit, the One who knows everything and owns everything. Having Him in you means you're made for life. He's all you need to be everything He has destined you to be and fulfil your destiny in life and in the Gospel.

The Holy Spirit in you is your assurance of an extraordinary life of victory, dominion, abundance, and infinite possibilities. He's the power and glory of your life. His joy is to make your life excellent and full of glory and to perfect everything that concerns you. There're blessings and benefits from God for you every day (Psalm 68:19; Matthew 6:11). The Holy Spirit guides you into these blessings and sees to it that you enjoy them.

Live every day with the consciousness that you're indeed the temple of the Holy Spirit. Become more conscious of Him and of His presence in you. What a blessing! What glory it is to have the Holy Spirit in our lives today! He's the

greatest blessing of all, your greatest advantage. Praise God!



Go Deeper

Ephesians 1:3 AMPC; 1 Corinthians 3:21-23; 2 Peter 1:3



Speak

In me dwells all the graces, blessings, wisdom and goodness of heaven, because the Holy Spirit lives in me. I'm His living tabernacle. Everything I require for life and godliness is in me by the Holy Spirit. He's the power and glory of my life. Hallelujah!



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 2, Psalms 107-108

TWO YEAR

Luke 17:1-10, 1 Samuel 2



Act

Speak in tongues profusely today, and thank the Holy Spirit for coming to live inside you in His fullness.



My Notes



IGNORANCE IS THE PROBLEM

(Become Acquainted With The Truth Of God)

Sunday

18

TO THE BIBLE Hebrews 4:10

"For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His."

LET'S TALK

"I've been praying for five months now just to get healed of this ailment, but it keeps getting worse. I'm feeling really depressed," Valerie lamented.

"You don't need to be depressed or stressed about it," Carl replied gently. "What you need is to understand what the Word says about your health and stand firm on those promises."

Sadly, I've heard many who gripe in the same way, "I've prayed for five years, with intense fasting, and even sown seeds just to get healed of this ailment!" Life, to them, has become a spiritual warfare or, as it were, an endless struggle in prayer just to live in health, pay a meagre house rent, or even pass their exams.

This problem usually stems from their ignorance of what rightfully belongs to them in Christ. Psalm 82:6-7 says, *'I said, "You are gods, and all of you are children of the Most High. But you shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes."'* Why would they die like men? Why would they fall like one of the princes? It's because "they know not"; that is, their ignorance!

First, you belong to a great and winning Kingdom, so square up, chest out and chin up because Jesus already paid the full price for you to walk in victory and enjoy all His blessings. How would you talk, walk, or act if you knew

you were superior to sickness, disease, and infirmity? That understanding would put an end to unnecessary health struggles, wouldn't it?

If you found out that you're the seed of Abraham, an heir of blessings untold, and have been imbued with a life that's incapable of poverty or failure—a life that can't be defeated or destroyed—wouldn't that immediately change the contents of your prayer? Get to know the Word for yourself; be acquainted with these truths. Remember, the life of blessings is your heritage in Christ Jesus. God already blessed you beyond measure (Ephesians 1:3). Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

1 Corinthians 3:21-22 AMPC; Hebrews 4:3 AMPC



Speak

I walk in the truths of God's Word, getting acquainted with my inheritance in Christ and enjoying all of these numerous, multifaceted blessings. I live in the fulfillment and reality of God's blessings. I've been brought into God's rest. All things are mine. I take full advantage of all that's available to me in Christ, and by my faith, I triumph gloriously always and in every place. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 3, Psalms 109-112

TWO YEAR

Luke 17:11-19, 1 Samuel 3



Act

Take some time to find scriptures that talk about your inheritance in Christ and declare them about yourself today.



My Notes



HIS NAME IS SUPREME

(Use The Name of Jesus)

Monday

19

TO THE BIBLE Mark 16:17-18

"And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

LET'S TALK



There're two things I'll like you to observe in the opening verse. The first is the fact that the Lord Jesus gave us authority over demons. What is authority? Authority is delegated power; it's the right to command and be obeyed or the ability to command and enforce obedience. It's the right to command something, someone, or anything and be obeyed! For example, when we use the Name of Jesus to effect a change or make a command, that's authority!

Secondly, He also gave us the power of attorney, that is, the legal right to act on His behalf or in His place as His agent: the legal right to act in His Name. So, having been given the power of attorney, how much power do you wield? How much force can you exercise? And how much authority do you really have? It depends on how much power is behind the one that gave it to you.

It doesn't matter how much power you've got; if someone with a higher authority than the one who authorised you comes, you have to submit. Matthew 28:18-19 lets us in on the Master's authority. It says, *"And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven*

and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Notice He doesn't say some power but ALL power; also observe that He didn't say that all power is given unto Him to exercise in only some places; no! He said in heaven and in earth.

The Lord Jesus has supreme and unrivalled authority. Hallelujah! When you issue commands to Satan, his demons, and the elements of this world in His Name, they'll hear and obey you because you function in Christ's supreme authority and dominion.



Go Deeper

Mark 16:17-18; Acts 3:16; John 16:24



Pray

Dear Father, thank you for giving me the ability to command and enforce obedience and the power of attorney to use the Name of Jesus to effect changes and control circumstances. That Name wields all power in heaven and in earth. Therefore, I declare, in the Name of Jesus, that the Gospel shall have free course in the nations of the world. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 4, Psalms 113-116

TWO YEAR

Luke 17:20-30, 1 Samuel 4



Act

Use the Name of Jesus to effect changes in your sphere of contact now.



My Notes



AN ENDLESS VICTORY PARADE

(God Causes You To Triumph
And Have Victory Always)

Tuesday

20

TO THE BIBLE 2 Corinthians 2:14 RSV

"...Thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumph, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere."

LET'S TALK



"You seem pretty relaxed for someone about to face the school board for preaching in the classroom. Shouldn't you be at least a little nervous?" Patrick inquired from Julius, who has a joyful look on his face.

"Nope, I'm never frantic because I'm confident of only one outcome: victory," Julius replied.

In Christ, we don't pray for victory; victory is our heritage, our very life! We were born to be triumphant always and everywhere. This is what the Word declares, and it is unchangeable. Let your spirit embrace this truth, and live by it.

This doesn't mean you won't face challenges, but it does mean you'll always emerge victorious, regardless of the obstacles. No matter what happens, where you find yourself, or who opposes you, you are more than a conqueror. You can never be disadvantaged. God has equipped you with everything needed to live victoriously every day: the Holy Spirit, His Word, and the Name of Jesus.

Additionally, He gave you the power to speak, to use words. By your words, you can chart your course of endless

victory and success, making your life a perpetual triumphant victory parade! Whatever you declare will surely come to pass. Therefore, in the face of adversity, declare God's Word. Frequently affirm that good things are coming your way and happening around you, for the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord. Use your words to stay on the victory path, transform circumstances, and align situations with God's perfect will for you.



Go Deeper

1 John 4:4; 1 Corinthians 15:57



Pray

Dear Father, I thank you for your Word by which I live triumphantly today and always. It doesn't matter what happens around me; I win always! I enjoy my days in success, progress, peace, joy, health and unending prosperity. With my faith-filled words, I transform circumstances and change situations to conform to your perfect will for me, in Jesus' name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 5, Psalms 117-118

TWO YEAR

Luke 17:31-37, 1 Samuel 5-6



Act

Declare throughout today that your life is an endless victory parade, filled with the fragrance of God's presence and glory.



My Notes



LIFE'S IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

(The "What," "How,"
And "Why" Of Life)

Wednesday

21

TO THE BIBLE Ecclesiastes 3:1 AMPC

"To everything there is a season, and a time for every matter or purpose under heaven."

LET'S TALK



There are three important questions in life: "What?" "How?" and "Why?" To know "what" is to begin to live; to know "how" is to begin to succeed; and to know "why" is to begin to reign because that's when you're fulfilling your purpose. Whether you're asking these questions about your personal life, growth, academics, finances, family, or ministry, these three questions will guide you. However, the most important of them is "Why?" It's the age-old question that humanity has grappled with through generations.

Why were you born? Why are you here on this earth at this time? Why do you do what you do? Your "Why" is your purpose, your reason for being. Purpose is the reason for which something is done or created or for which something exists. It refers to intent, design, and the reason for a cause or action; it also alludes to the relevance or usefulness of a thing.

So, have you discovered your purpose? Do you know why you're in this world? What are the intents, designs, or reasons for your actions and the things you do? Why were you recreated in Christ? The Word of God gives clear answers and insights into your purpose on earth.

For example, 1 Peter 2:9 AMPC says, *“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [God’s] own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.”* You were created to bring God glory—to show forth His praise, to set forth His wonderful deeds, and to display His virtues and perfections on earth. Thus, your life should be about living for Him, pleasing Him, and fulfilling the purpose for which you were born again. Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

2 Timothy 1:8-9; Acts 26:16-18; Ephesians 2:10 AMPC



Pray

Dear Father, I’m filled with the knowledge of your will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding, and your purpose for my life is established in my heart. My purpose is to please you in all things, doing the good works which you’ve prearranged ahead of time. I live to fulfil my destiny in Christ and bring you glory, in Jesus’ Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 6, Psalms 119:1-112

TWO YEAR

Luke 18:1-8, 1 Samuel 7-8



Act

Meditate on 1 Peter 2:9 AMPC today.



My Notes



WORD SCOPE

"AUTHORITY"

"I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you" (Luke 10:19 NIV).

Authority from the Greek word "Exousia" is the power or right to give orders or make decisions. It's the influence, weight, or endorsement to command thought, opinion, or behaviour. It's official permission or approval to do something or cause someone else to do something.

Authority is often used interchangeably with "power." However, their meanings differ. While power, for instance, could be described as the ability to influence somebody to do something against personal wish, authority refers to a claim of legitimacy, the justification and right to exercise that power; it's delegated power. Authority can either be a personality or an institution, but it's meant to be obeyed either way.

Essentially, authority is imposed by superior hierarchy either by force of arms or by force of argument. Bringing this to bear on our study on 19 August titled: "His Name Is Supreme," the Christian has the right or power, warrant, grounds and convincing force to command and cast out Satan and his demons, and they've got no option but to comply. This is one of the major revelations of the new creation; he's an authority and at the same time has authority—influence and power—to execute judgment on Satan and the cohorts of hell.



i-testify!

"Rhapsody of Realities TeeVo has been very instrumental in helping me understand my identity in Christ Jesus and recognise the presence of God in my life. Years of studying TeeVo have profoundly influenced my choices, decisions, and overall walk of life.

It has significantly enriched my spiritual life, and I'm so grateful to my dear man of God, Pastor Chris, for this awesome training material. Thank you so much, Pastor, for this inspirational book that has forever changed my life."

*Richard B.,
London, United Kingdom.*



RAISED BY THE WORD

(Follow The Example
Laid Out For You)

Thursday

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TO THE BIBLE 1 John 2:6 CEV

"If we say we are his, we must follow the example of Christ."

LET'S TALK



There is the education of the human mind, but there's also the education of the human spirit. In these last days, through the ministry of the Word and the Spirit, we are raising God's people to become effective witnesses for Jesus Christ. The Body of Christ is growing, and we thank God for making it possible for more people to hear the Word and be nurtured.

It's like watching newborn babies grow up; parents feel excited as they see their children go through various stages of development. At a certain stage, parents need to provide instructions, guidance, supervision, and direction. They ensure their babies are well-fed, receiving proper care, and living in a healthy environment. Eventually, through observation, the babies start to talk and act like their parents. This way, they're being raised; the things you do influence them, and they become more like you.

The same principle applies spiritually. The Apostle Paul told the Corinthian Church in his letter, *"Pattern yourselves after me [follow my example], as I imitate and follow Christ (the Messiah)"* (1 Corinthians 11:1 AMPC). As the Lord fellowships with us, teaching and feeding us, we become more like Him, acting, talking, and relating to others as He would. The Bible

says, "...From childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus" (2 Timothy 3:15).

Open your heart to be raised by the Word. Receive with meekness the love, hope, faith, power, prosperity, truth, strength, and soundness of mind and body that the Word brings to you. Embrace the Word, which is able to make you wise unto salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

2 Corinthians 3:18; Acts 20:32; 2 Timothy 3:16-17



Pray

Dear Father, my life is the expression of all that Christ is. I unveil Him to my world today through my thoughts, words and actions. The world sees Jesus in my eyes; I show them love they can't deny. His divine life is manifested through me. I live in the consciousness of my divine life and origin in Christ, knowing that His wisdom, ability and power are working in and through me, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 7, Psalm 119:113-176

TWO YEAR

Luke 18:9-17, 1 Samuel 9



Act

Today, spend time praying for those the Lord has put as leaders and shepherds over you in the things of God, that they continue to be worthy examples to follow.



My Notes



WHO ARE CHRISTIANS?

(Get To Know Who The Christian Is)

Friday

23

TO THE BIBLE Acts 11:26 ESV

"...And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians."

LET'S TALK



Reading the four gospels might not give you the full picture of what it means to live as a Christian or who a Christian really is. This is because the gospels don't cover much about Jesus' life after His resurrection. That's why Jesus told His disciples about the Holy Spirit—the Spirit of truth—who would show them what's to come and guide them into all truth (John 16:12-13). So, to really understand the Christian life, the best place to look in the New Testament is the epistles.

"What about the Book of Acts?" you might ask. While it's valuable, it mainly documents the acts of the early, baby Church. It's a good starting point but not the best guide for understanding the mature Christian life. For deeper insights into the life of God's new creation in Christ, you should study the Epistles. For example, Paul's letter to the Romans is an extraordinary explanation of Christ's supremacy and faith in Him as the source of salvation. His letter to the Ephesians details how new converts can grow in their spiritual knowledge of God and the realities of the Kingdom.

Consider Peter's writings. In 2 Peter 1:4 ESV, he says, *"By which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of*

the divine nature..." This describes who Christians are: partakers of God's divine nature, associates of the God-kind, carriers of the God-life. What a glorious reality!

Moreover, the prophetic words about the millennial reign of Christ reveal that everything the Lord promised to the Jews for that future time, He has already given the Church to enjoy today. To truly understand the Christian life and identity, you need the insights from the Book of Acts, the revelations and teachings in the epistles, and the promises given to the Jews for the Millennium. Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

Colossians 1:26-27; 2 Corinthians 5: 17; 1 Peter 2:9



Pray

Dear Father, I'm thoroughly nourished, nurtured, sustained and fortified to attain spiritual maturity through the study of the realities of the new life in Christ. I make progress by the Spirit, and my profiting by the Word is unstoppable, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 8, Psalms 120-127

TWO YEAR

Luke 18:18-27, 1 Samuel 10



Act

Write down the names of the Epistles of the New Testament below.



My Notes



GOD IN A HUMAN BODY

(Jesus Christ Is Both Lord And God)

Saturday

24

TO THE BIBLE 1 Timothy 3:16 AMPC

"...He [God] was made visible in human flesh, justified and vindicated in the [Holy] Spirit, was seen by angels, preached among the nations, believed on in the world, [and] taken up in glory."

LET'S TALK



Our opening verse leaves no doubt about who Jesus is: He is God made visible in human flesh, justified and vindicated in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the nations, believed on in the world, and taken up in glory! Hallelujah!

It reminds me of the hurried trial of Jesus in Mark 14:60-63. The high priests conspired with the Jewish Council to find evidence against Jesus to sentence Him to death, but they couldn't find any. Then they asked Jesus, "Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?" His response was clear and bold: "I am. And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven." For this, they condemned Him to death because He declared Himself to be God in human flesh, but that's who He is! To say "Jesus is the Son of God" means He's God in human flesh!

God came to us in a human body. That's why He was crucified. No wonder Paul said the fullness of the Godhead—that is, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, the totality of Deity—is tabernacled in Jesus (Colossians 1:19).

When you stand before the throne of God, you won't see a blinding light as the Father and Jesus standing beside Him nor will you see the Holy Spirit like a bird on top of the throne. No! Jesus is on the throne, and the Father is in Him. He is the complete embodiment of Deity. Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

John 10:30-33; Philippians 2:5-6;
Colossians 1:19 AMPC; John 1:1-3



Speak

Blessed Lord Jesus, you're God who appeared in human form, believed on in the world, and taken up to heaven. How excellent is your Name in all the earth, oh Lord! You're the complete embodiment of God. I worship you for who you are, and I thank you for revealing yourself to your Church. Your glory is everlasting. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 9, Psalms 128-134

TWO YEAR

Luke 18:28-34, 1 Samuel 11-12



Act

Worship the Lord Jesus with the song "Son of God," rendered by the LoveWorld singers.



My Notes



NO WAY, DEVIL!

(Don't Give Satan
Any Room In Your Life)

Sunday

25

TO THE BIBLE *Ephesians 4:27* AMPC

"Leave no [such] room or foothold for the devil [give no opportunity to him]."

LET'S TALK



Some time ago, the report went viral of a 32-year-old nurse who was accused of murdering seven newborn babies, including two brothers from a set of triplets. She carried out this despicable act over the course of a year in the neonatal unit of a certain hospital.

The Police had recovered apparent confession notes from her home after her arrest in which she had penned some of her heinous thoughts. On one of the notes, she had written in capital letters: "I AM EVIL. I DID THIS." What would make a lady carry out such a diabolic act and confess herself as evil? Those suggestions were given to her by demons.

There're so many evil things that demons make people do, which the people in their natural minds would never do. But demons practise on people for some time by suggesting things to them. Those bad thoughts come to their minds again and again until they start enjoying them. They may be thoughts of suicide, thoughts of hatred, or depression.

Such thoughts can come to someone for no reason, and when he or she dwells on them, the demons go to the next level of making them act their thoughts. In the world today, a lot of young people would say, "I am depressed," because it's seen as a normal thing when it's not!

This is why Ephesians 4:27 says, “Neither give place to the devil.” You give place to him by giving place to his thoughts and words. Don’t entertain his thoughts. When He comes with those negative, depressing thoughts—thoughts that are contrary to God’s Word—tell him off immediately. Respond with the Word, and he’ll flee.

If he tries to run rampage around you, remember what Jesus said would be a sign for those who believe in Him; He said, “...In my name shall they cast out devils...” (Mark 16:17). So, cast him out; cast out his thoughts. So many things that happen in our world are influenced by demons. That’s because the world’s system was created by Satan. And only men and women of faith in the Word of God can use the Word of God to change things.



Go Deeper

Ephesians 4:27 AMPC; Proverbs 4:23; Philippians 4:8 AMPC



Speak

Satan has nothing in me! I refuse to harbour fear, anger, grudges, bitterness, or unforgiveness, for love rules in my heart. The Word of God continually purifies my heart, purging it of all unrighteousness. And with the Word in my heart and on my lips, I’ll forever be indomitable. Praise God!



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

TWO YEAR

1 Corinthians 10:1-13, Psalms 135-138

Luke 18:35-43, 1 Samuel 13



Act

Fill your mind with the Word of God as you meditate on the scriptures in today’s “Go Deeper” study.



My Notes



SUBMIT TO HIS WILL

(Trust God's Blueprint For
Your Life)

Monday

26

TO THE BIBLE *Jeremiah 29:11*

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope."

LET'S TALK



God loves you more than you love yourself. He knows what's best for you and always wants the best for you. Therefore, you can trust Him with your life. In Isaiah 1:19, He says, *"If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land."* The Living Bible puts it even more compellingly: *"If you will only let me help you, if you will only obey, then I will make you rich!"*

Thank God we're His obedient children! You can trust Him to make you rich and make your life glorious. Your responsibility is to submit to His will by living according to His Word. Those who are ignorant of God's Word and His love struggle and try to control their own lives. They haven't fully yielded to His Word, His will, and His purpose.

When you know Him, you're at rest. You discover that He's more passionate about your success than you could ever be. This discovery changed my life years ago. It made me submit to His choices and follow His Word wholeheartedly.

Accept His love. Colossians 1:13 (AMPC) says He's transferred us into the Kingdom of the Son of His love. Have confidence in His love. Dare to believe Him, and submit to the unique path He's chosen for you. In His Word, He has

laid out the blueprint for your life: how you should live. Follow His Word, for that's how you submit to His will. His Word is His will expressed.



Go Deeper

Luke 22:41-42; Philippians 2:13 AMPC; Hebrews 10:7



Pray

Dear Father, thank you for strengthening me by your Spirit to do your will always. I live for you alone, fully submitted to your plans and purpose for my life. My life is a daily expression of your will, and I fulfil your purpose and destiny for me with glory and joy, in Jesus' Name. Amen



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 10:14-11:1, Psalms 139-141

TWO YEAR

Luke 19:1-10, 1 Samuel 14



Act

Thank the Lord profusely for loving you and make a commitment to embrace His love and will for you.



My Notes



YOU'RE IN CONTROL!

(Transform Your World
With The Power Inside You)

Tuesday

27

TO THE BIBLE *Matthew 28:18 TLB*

"He told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and earth."

LET'S TALK



"Pastor, we've been praying non-stop for the nations of the world; when does it end?" Chloe asked her youth church pastor, who had once again called for intercessory prayers for the nations.

"Chloe, remember we've been given the responsibility of enforcing God's will on earth, and we're the only ones to do so," he replied. "That's why we pray for the nations relentlessly; we have the power to make a difference. So, let's pray!"

Immediately after the Lord Jesus made the extraordinary statement in our opening verse, He charged us to go into every man's world on account of ALL power that's been given unto Him and preach the Gospel to every creature. We're not just here; we're the extension of His Kingdom, bringing His rule and reign to the earth. That's why He nudges us to pray. In Luke 18:1 KJV, He puts it straight: *"Men ought always to pray and not give up."* He wants us to be relentless, persistent prayer warriors, shaping our world and impacting lives everywhere.

Guess what? He's handed us the responsibility and the authority to transform our world. He knew we'd face challenges, so He gave us dominion over evil forces. Armed with the mighty Name of Jesus and the Word of God, we've

got the power to tackle any demonic force. When you observe, for example, that things are going awry in your nation or city, get to praying fervently in the Spirit.

Rebuke Satan and his cohorts of darkness responsible for deception, hardships, and wickedness, and reassign angels to take charge where they had held sway. Pray often like this to hinder the works of darkness in your nation and around the world.



Go Deeper

Luke 18:1; Romans 8:26-27



Pray

Dear Father, thank you for the authority in the Name of Jesus to enforce your will in the earth and in the lives of men. Your Name is glorified in all the earth, and your Kingdom is exalted. Thank you for pouring down righteousness and salvation upon the nations; the whole earth is filled with your glory. Hallelujah!



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 11:2-34, Psalms 142-145

TWO YEAR

Luke 19:11-19, 1 Samuel 15



Act

Right now, intercede for the nations of the world, declaring righteousness and salvation in the nations.



My Notes



A BRAND-NEW LIFE

(It's A Different Life
And Nature In Christ Jesus)

Wednesday

28

TO THE BIBLE *Colossians 3:9-10*

"Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him."

LET'S TALK

"Hey, Lorraine, what does the phrase 'being born again' in 1 Peter 1:23 mean?" Elsa asked her Care Group leader. "Does it mean he or she just repented?"

"Not at all, Elsa," Lorraine replied. "Being born again isn't just about repentance or saying 'sorry' to God and having Him forgive you. It's much more than that. It's about receiving a new life and nature from the Lord Jesus Christ."

Being born again goes beyond repentance; when you were born into this world, you came with the human life from your parents. This was the life you lived until you were born again and received another life: the life and nature of God. Does this, therefore, imply that you have two lives in you: a human life as well as the divine one? Absolutely not!

As a Christian, you only have one life, and it's the God-life. The human life ceased to be because it was replaced by this life and nature of God. You didn't receive an additional life; it was a supplanting of the old with the new. Hallelujah! The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 5:17, *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."* The use of the word "creation" lets us know that what's being described is something new and

strange to the world because it has never seen it before. It's like what the Bible says in 1 John 3:1, *"Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him."* Now that we're the sons of God, the world doesn't recognise us because we're changed.

We're no longer subject to sickness, disease, failure, or death. We're new creations, born with the life and nature of God that transcends the ordinary human life. This is the message of Christ. This is why He came: *"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name"* (John 1:12). Hallelujah!



Go Deeper

1 John 5:11-13; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Ephesians 1:4-6 AMPC



Speak

I declare that Jesus Christ is the Lord of my life, and His life and nature that transcends the ordinary human life has been imparted to my spirit. My old life has been completely supplanted by the divine life, which is superior to sickness, disease, defeat and the depravities of the natural man. Praise God forevermore!



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 12, Psalms 146-150

TWO YEAR

Luke 19:20-27, 1 Samuel 16



Act

Take time out today to meditate on the scriptures in today's message.



My Notes

QUIZ

1. What's the way to speak when you realise that words are seeds?

- A. Speaking words of righteousness, peace, health, wealth, and joy.
- B. Speaking idle words without consequence.
- C. Speaking negatively to reflect reality.
- D. Speaking words that align with selfish desires.

(Hint: Read the message on August 1, 2024).

2. What is the primary focus of the Millennial reign of Christ?

- A. The restoration and reign of the Church on earth.
- B. Israel's restoration and their exercise of the Christ-life.
- C. The Church's reign on earth for two thousand years.
- D. The exclusive reign of Christ without any involvement from the Church.

(Hint: Read the message on August 4, 2024).

3. The reason Christians understand the realities of God's kingdom is that _____

- A. They are naturally wise and intelligent.
- B. They were made alive by God and filled with His Spirit.
- C. They have studied religious books extensively.
- D. They attend church regularly and follow religious rituals.

(Hint: Read the message on August 6, 2024).

4. The new creation in Christ has no past. True or false?

- A. True.
- B. False.

(Hint: Read the message on August 8, 2024).

5. What does it mean for Christians to "live in the Spirit?"

- A. To have frequent hallucinations.
- B. To live with the consciousness of the spirit realm, being aware of and alive to it through the Word and the Holy Ghost.
- C. To physically separate from the natural world.
- D. To achieve a state of moral and spiritual perfection.

(Hint: Read the message on August 11, 2024).

6. What should young Christians do when they feel like they aren't making progress in their lives?

- A. Seek advice from friends and family.
- B. Operate from the realm of the Spirit by praying in tongues and allowing the Holy Spirit to intercede with groanings too deep for words.
- C. Focus on self-help books and motivational seminars.
- D. Take a break and distance themselves from spiritual activities.

(Hint: Read the message on August 13, 2024).

7. What should one do to live happily every day?

- A. Avoid interactions with negative people.
- B. Stay positive with the Word and think good thoughts about others.
- C. Focus on personal achievements and success.
- D. Constantly correct others' negative behaviour.

(Hint: Read the message on August 15, 2024).

8. What is one key assurance of having the Holy Spirit inside you?

- A. You will have fewer challenges in life.
- B. You will achieve success through personal efforts alone.
- C. You are assured of an extraordinary life of victory, dominion, abundance, and infinite possibilities.
- D. You will be exempt from any form of suffering or hardship.

(Hint: Read the message on August 17, 2024).

9. We have the right to command something or someone and be obeyed. True or false?

- A. True.
- B. False

(Hint: Read the message on August 19, 2024).

10. For deeper insights into the life of God's new creation in Christ, you should study the Old Testament only. True or false?

- A. True.
- B. False.

(Hint: Read the message on August 23, 2024).



IT'S OUR DAY!

(Let's Do All We Can
Before The Lord Returns)

Thursday

29

TO THE BIBLE *Philippians 1:9-10*

"And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ."

LET'S TALK

When Jesus came to this earth, it wasn't His day. In Luke 22:53, on the verge of His crucifixion, He said to the soldiers, "...*This is your hour, and the power of darkness.*" So, He allowed Himself to be arrested. When He ministered, He didn't go beyond the city of Jerusalem (Luke 24:49). That wasn't His day.

The Day of Christ is when He returns to judge the nations and begin His one-thousand-year reign upon the earth. (Read Philippians 2:16 and 2 Thessalonians 2:2). The Bible says, "*In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell safely; now this is His name by which He will be called: THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS*" (Jeremiah 23:6). All those things will happen in His days for one thousand years! That's at the Millennium.

However, this is the day of the Church! Glory to God! Realise this and take advantage of it. This is the day in which we must use all that He's given us for His glory. You've got to have the manifestation of power in your life! The Kingdom of God isn't in words only, but in power also (1 Corinthians 4:20).

The tremendous miracles, signs, and wonders performed by Jesus and the apostles were chronicled in the Bible to inspire us and to let us know we can do the same in our day through the power of the same Spirit. Use what you've got. Praise God!



Go Deeper

Isaiah 53:10; Romans 8:19-21



Speak

This is the day of the Church, and I spread the fragrance of His knowledge in every place! Thank you, Lord, for this dispensation which you've given for your glory and for the manifestation of your power in my life. The supernatural has become an everyday experience for me, hallelujah!



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 13, Proverbs 1-2

TWO YEAR

Luke 19:28-40, 1 Samuel 17



Act

Get yourself engaged in serving the Lord and winning souls before the Rapture of the Church happens.



My Notes



SET LIKE A FLINT

(Stay Purposeful And
Focused On Your Assignment)

Friday

30

TO THE BIBLE *Isaiah 50:7 AMPC*

"...The Lord God helps Me; therefore have I not been ashamed or confounded. Therefore have I set My face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame."

LET'S TALK



Our Lord Jesus had a crystal-clear purpose for coming into the world, and He expressed it with unwavering clarity. He declared in John 10:10, "...I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." In 1 John 3:8, it says, "...For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil." Furthermore, in Luke 19:10, Jesus declared, "...The Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost." His purpose was unmistakable: to fulfill the will of His Father. He emphasised, "...My nourishment comes from doing the will of God who sent me, and from finishing his work" (John 4:34 TLB).

We see from His words a very powerful principle of life revealed: the pursuit and fulfilment of your divine purpose is the true "food and drink" of life; it's the fuel that keeps your engine running while you're on the face of this earth. Your purpose defines your life, giving you focus and direction. A synonym for purpose is "intent" or "design." Intent or design is never general; it must be clear, definite, and specific for it to be realistic and effective.

We also see purpose expressed in Paul's narrative of his encounter with Jesus on the road to Damascus (Acts 26:13–

16). He appeared to Paul to make him a minister and a witness (Acts 26:16). He further reveals to Paul that he was *"to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me"* (Acts 26:18).

This was Paul's reason for being; this was his life's mission, and he said in verse 19, *"...I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision."* Then in 1 Corinthians 9:26 AMPC, he said, *"Therefore I do not run uncertainly (without definite aim). I do not box like one beating the air and striking without an adversary."* In other words, I'm focused on my mission; I'm definitive about carrying out God's plan for my life. That's how it ought to be. Be focused on your assignment and on your God-given purpose. Glory to God!



Go Deeper

John 10:10; Acts 26:16-18; Acts 23:11



Pray

Dear Father, I'm unwavering, steadfast, resolute, firm and focused on my mission and the purpose for which I was created. I serve you wholeheartedly as a witness of the Gospel of Christ, definitive about fulfilling your purpose for my life, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

1 Corinthians 14, Proverbs 3-4

TWO YEAR

Luke 19:41-48, 1 Samuel 18



Act

Write what you've purposed to do for the Lord somewhere that you can see it, and repeat it to yourself throughout today.



My Notes



FALL ON YOUR KNEES

(Learn To Bow
Your Knees In Prayer)

Saturday

31

TO THE BIBLE Luke 22:41-42 TPT

'Then he withdrew from them a short distance to be alone. Kneeling down, he prayed, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup of agony away from me. But no matter what, your will must be mine."

LET'S TALK

"**W**hat do I do? I'm in so much trouble, and no one wants to help me," Sylvester wailed.

Sensing his friend's distress, Brian intervened, 'Hey Bro, what's troubling you?' He inquired gently with concern in his voice. "Do you want to pray about it?"

Grateful for the offer, Sylvester nodded eagerly. 'Yes, Brian, please,' he implored, his voice tinged with desperation. 'I'll take any help I can get.' So, falling on their knees before God, they prayed a simple prayer of agreement, and in a few hours, the matter which bothered Sylvester was turned around for his good. That's the power of prayer!

This is like what Apostle Paul said in Ephesians 3:14-15: *"For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named."* Learn to bow your knees in prayer. Sometimes people go through tough times and severe persecution. The way to deal with such situations is to be on your knees in prayer. In Luke 18:1-8, the Lord Jesus emphasised the importance of persistence in prayer. This is because, being the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus, you can change anything through prayer.

When Satan stirs persecution against us, take it to the Lord in prayer. Never allow any crisis or situation to take your attention so that you begin to mull it over, feeling helpless. One minute with the Holy Ghost will make a far greater impact than five hours of melancholy and sad cogitations. So, pray in, and with, the spirit. *"Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray..."* (James 5:13). Ephesians 6:18 says, *"Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit..."*

It doesn't matter the persecution or how unsavoury the economy of your nation is; keep praying. Keep watering the clouds with prayer, and soon enough, the condensation will take place with a flood of answers pouring down (Ecclesiastes 11:3).



Go Deeper

Luke 18:1; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; James 5:16 AMPC



Speak

The Lord reigns and rules in the affairs of men. The Lord is strong and mighty, the God of all flesh, and there's nothing too difficult for Him. He's the God of possibilities, and He's given me the power of attorney to use the Name of Jesus to effect the changes I desire. Therefore, I live an ever-winning life, with dominion over Satan and his cohorts, spreading the Gospel of Christ in my world and beyond, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Daily Bible Reading

ONE YEAR

TWO YEAR

1 Corinthians 15:1-34, Proverbs 5-7

Luke 20:1-8, 1 Samuel 19



Act

Go on your knees in prayer and turn things around for your good.



My Notes

Prayer of Salvation

We trust you've been blessed by this devotional. We invite you to make Jesus Christ the Lord of your life by praying thus:

"O Lord God, I believe with all my heart in Jesus Christ, Son of the living God. I believe He died for me and God raised Him from the dead. I believe He's alive today. I confess with my mouth that Jesus Christ is the Lord of my life from this day. Through Him and in His Name, I have eternal life; I'm born again. Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul! I'm now a child of God. Hallelujah!"

Congratulations! You're now a child of God. To receive more information on how you can grow as a Christian, please get in touch with us through any of the contacts below:

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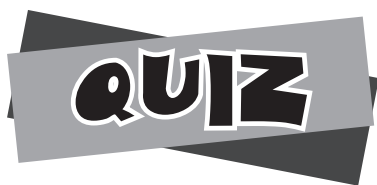
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Crossword

PUZZLE

ACROSS: 2 Darius, 4 Forehead,
5 Passover, 9 Ishmaelites, 12 Delilah,
13 Amittai, 14 Nineveh, 17 Golgotha,
19 Twenty, 21 God with us,
22 Heart, 23 Vine.

DOWN: 1 Edom, 2 Death, 3 Joseph,
6 Shield of faith, 7 Righteous, 8 Galatians,
10 Abednego, 11 Rainbow, 15 Patience,
16 Jacob, 18 Gopher,
20 Ten.



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6. B 7. B 8. C 9. A 10. B

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