



*A
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Daily Devotional



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Greetings in the Wonderful Name of Jesus!

Happy Anniversary Greenville Community Christian Church!

Join us in celebrating 37 years of ministry at Greenville Community Christian Church on Sunday, September 1st during our 8:15AM and 10:00AM services. God has done so many great things in and through this ministry over the last 37 years. **"This is the Lord's doing;** it is marvellous in our eyes." Ps 118:23

While we are rejoicing about what God has done, we must look ahead with great expectation. We must work the work of Him that sent us. I am excited about being a part of the end time harvest. "Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision." Joel 3:14 Let's keep running with the vision.

The *A Word in Season* (AWIS) family is growing rapidly. Each month we see an increase of the number of people requesting subscriptions. I ask your continued prayers and support for *AWIS*. My desire is to make a difference in the lives of the readers. I trust that you are blessed and inspired daily. Please write, call or email and let me hear from you. Your prayer, support and financial gifts make a difference.

Please note the upcoming events listed inside the back cover. Save the dates for future reference. I invite you to participate in the various events. I look forward to seeing you.

Remember, Lady Sarah and I love and appreciate you. Expect God to do a new thing in your life.

Yours in Christ,

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Changed!

2 Cor 5:17 And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

When Christ comes into our lives, He changes us completely. We are changed in our inward man before it shows up outwardly. God changes us from what we are, into what we ought to be. The change on the inside is immediate; the change that becomes outwardly visible is a process. We go from glory to glory.

We must walk in the change that the Lord has brought into our lives. That old nature wants to hold on and cause us to revert to our old way of living. The old bondages, fears and hurts want to continue on into our future. The sins of the past will try to remain attached to our lives. We must resist the things of the past realizing that we have been changed by the power of God.

We are no longer what we used to be, we are not yet what we are going to be, but we are what we are by the grace of God. God radically changed your life, now be bold enough to walk in the change that God has brought into your life. Don't try to be what you used to be; be what God has made you to be.

Prayer Focus: Thank you, Lord, for changing me and making me a brand new person.

Verse of the Day: 1John 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

Living the Word Today: Walk in the change that God has brought into your life. Live as the new creature that you are.

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The Word of God is Life!

John 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

The Word of God has life. It is not only life giving, it is life! The Word of God causes life to flow in our bodies and brings about healing. He sent His Word and healed them. Healing power comes from the Word of God because of the life that is in the Word. Not only did He send His Word to heal us, but he sent His Word and delivered us from our destructions. It is the Word of God that flows in and brings deliverance from our destructions.

We thank God for our worship time, our spiritual consecration, living clean before God, etc. And we need to do all these things because they bring added blessings upon our lives. But they are all predicated upon God's Word, because it is the Word that brings us deliverance. It is the Word that brings us life. That is why we need to be attentive to the Word.

Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God; without faith it is impossible to please God. We receive the blessings and promises of God by faith; that faith comes from the Word of God. *Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God* (Matt 4:4).

We get our life support from the Word of God. It is the fuel for our lives. We have energy because we have the Word of God flowing in. The Word brings deliverance to you and I. Thank God for His Word. Thank God for the Word that works in us.

Prayer Focus: Lord, thank You for your Word being alive and at work in us.

Verse of the Day: John 8:32-33 ...If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Living the Word Today: Let God's Word work in you and bring deliverance to your life.



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O, That Men Had Obeyed God

Isa 48:18 O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea:

Obedience opens the door to God's greater blessings. Many times God's people miss out on great blessings because of disobedience. Isa 1:19 says, "*If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land*".

God's blessings are conditional. We first must continue in an established relationship with Him to receive His greater blessings. We must walk by faith to walk in God's greater blessings. We also must live a life of obedience to see the full manifestation of God's blessings in our lives.

Obedience is the test of our love for God. The Lord said if we love Him, we will keep His commandments. We can all look back on our lives and see missed blessings as a result of disobedience. Today, I encourage you to look forward and see blessings coming your way as a result of obedience!

Prayer Focus: Heavenly Father, I repent of disobedience.

Verse of the Day: Deut 5:29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!

Living the Word Today: Settle in your heart that "I will obey God, no matter what!"



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Obedience is the Evidence of Our Love for God

John 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

When we love God, we seek to please Him. Our obedience comes from our love for God. We want to keep His commandments just because we love Him and are grateful for what He has done in our lives.

The Lord says that before we can even love Him, whom we have not seen, we must first love our brothers and sisters whom we have seen. We cannot truthfully say that we love God, if we do not walk in love one toward another. God loved us before we even knew how to love Him. God loved us when we still had the stain of sin on our lives. Surely, we can obey His commandments of love toward those who sometimes act unlovable.

Our faithfulness and work in the Kingdom flows out of our heart of love for God. Because we love Him, we want to carry out His Will here on earth. In many of the miracles of Jesus' ministry, we find the words, "...and he was moved with compassion". Let the love of God flow through you toward others just because you love Him.

Prayer Focus: Thank you, Lord, for loving me. I love you, Lord.

Verse of the Day: 1John 5:2-3 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

Living the Word Today: Keep God as the first love of your life.



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Chosen and Sanctified

2Chron 7:16 For now have I chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may be there for ever: and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

Often we think that we have chosen God. The reality is, God has chosen us. God says we are His people and the “sheep of His pasture”. God loves us so much that He has chosen us to be His. God calls His people the “Apple of His eye”!

Jesus said, in John 15:16 *“Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.”* The Lord has chosen and sanctified us! He has also anointed us that we might be fruitful in our service unto Him. Jesus also said, *“No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.”* (John 6:44)

Prayer Focus: Thank you, Father, for making me a part of the fellowship of the chosen.

Verse of the Day: 1Kings 8:48-49 And so return unto thee with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the land of their enemies, which led them away captive, and pray unto thee toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, the city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name: Then hear thou their prayer and their supplication in heaven thy dwelling place, and maintain their cause.

Living the Word Today: Remember, you are special to God. He has chosen and sanctified you!

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Keep your Joy Full

John 15:11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

Keeping your joy full is vital to your Christian walk. God's Word says that the joy of the Lord is your strength. When we lose our joy, we lose our focus, we lose our drive and our enthusiasm in serving.

Isaiah 12:3 says that with joy, we shall draw waters out of the wells of salvation. In other words, we should enjoy our walk with Christ. We are more likely to continue in the things of God when we enjoy our Salvation.

Christians should relax and quit being stressed out as we serve the Lord. Consider Ps 32:11 where it says, "*Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.*" Don't let anything come and steal your joy. Rejoice in the Lord, always.

The Lord says in John 16:24 "*Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.*" He answers our prayer that our joy might be full. Now that is something to rejoice about!

Prayer Focus: Lord, I ask you for fullness of joy today.

Verse of the Day: Ps 16:11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Living the Word Today: Ps 5:11 But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.



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Jesus Came to Save Us

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave His only Begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Jesus came to save us. When John the Baptist saw Jesus, he said, "...Behold the lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world" (*John 1:29*). Jesus came to take away our sin. Jesus came to fulfill the law on our behalf. Jesus came to be the fulfillment of the law that we could not fulfill; that we might have life and that we might have it more abundantly; that we might be free from the curse of the law and the curse of disobedience.

Jesus came as a second Adam to give restoration to a dying and hurting world. 1Cor 15:45-46 says, "*And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.*" Jesus came to undo what Adam had done through the fall. Jesus overcame the temptations of the enemy; He lived a righteous life, and at the end, gave His life on our behalf that we might be restored to a right relationship with God, the Father.

Jesus came to bring us into a covenant relationship with God the Father. Heb 8:6 "*But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.*" Jesus came to destroy him that had the power over death; that is the devil. Thank God, we have a better covenant because of Jesus! We have every reason to give Him thanks and give Him praise!

Prayer Focus Thank you, Lord for coming to save us! Thank you for your grace; thank you for your Mercy towards us!

Verse of the Day: Romans 10:4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone that believeth.

Living the Word Today: Thank you for forgiving me of my sins and for making me whole. Keep me in all my ways.

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Give the Word of God First Place in Your Life

Ps 119:15-16 I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways. I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.

We must give God's Word first place in our hearts and in our mind. All of our decisions should be filtered through the Word of God. We should ask ourselves, "what does God's Word say about this", before acting.

Joshua 1:8 says, *"This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."*

As believers, we must continue in God's Word. Our victory in life depends upon us continuing in God's Word. God's Word gives us victory over all the works of the devil! *Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. (John 8:31-32)*

Prayer Focus: Father, let your Word be alive in me.

Verse of the Day: Prov 3:1-2 My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments: For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.

Living the Word Today: Give God's Word first place in your life.



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How to Walk as Children of the Light

Eph 5:8 For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:

Jesus said that we are the light of the world. We have been translated out the kingdom of darkness into the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. We no longer live in the darkness of sin, but we live in the light of Christ.

The Word says that men loved darkness because their deeds were evil. But, we as believers, love light. God is Light. Light represents the righteousness of God. So we must walk in righteousness in order to walk in the light.

Walking in the light also means having a clean heart before God. The Word says, "*Blessed are the pure at heart for they shall see God*". Our heart produces the springs of life. The Message Bible says, "*Keep diligent and watch over your heart for that's where life starts*" (Prov 4:23).

Walking in the light also means walking pleasing to God. It is our hearts' desire as believers to live a life that is reflective of Christ and is pleasing to God. We walk in truth and we walk in righteousness.

Prayer Focus: Heavenly Father, let your Light shine through me.

Verse of the Day: 1Pet 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

Living the Word Today: Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

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God the Lord is our Deliverer

Ps 107:5-6 Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them. Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distresses.

God delivers us out of our distresses. The children of Israel cried unto God in their time of distress. God delivered them from the bondage of Egypt. He delivers His people from distress today when we pray unto Him. God said, in Ps 91:15 *"He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him."*

When our soul is longing, He is the one who can satisfy us. When we are hungry, He is the one who can fill us. When we have that longing on the inside and nothing is quite satisfying, God is the answer. He is the one who will satisfy us.

"Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!" (Ps 127:21) Praise God even when you feel that empty void on the inside. God will fill you. So, when you feel like you are in distress, go ahead and praise God. When you are on top of the mountain, you ought to praise God. When you are down in the valley, you ought to praise God. No matter what our situation is, let us go ahead and put our trust and our confidence in the Living God. Praise God for His goodness. Count "it" all joy!

Prayer Focus: Father, I thank you for being my deliverer. Thank for setting me free, Lord.

Verse of the Day: Ps 55:18 He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me: for there were many with me.

Living the Word Today: Walk in the freedom the Lord gives. Rejoice in the God of your salvation (deliverance).



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We are the Body of Christ

1Cor 12:27 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

Being a part of Christ's body, here on this earth, is a very important role for us as believers. We are the body of Christ and members in particular. God uses His body, the church, to carry out His work on earth. Sometimes we pray about the Lord's work here on earth saying, "*Lord do this and do that.*" Why are we sending God on a mission that He sent us on?

Sometimes we can pray something like, "*Lord go by the hospital and visit the sick, stop by the prison cell, Lord and minister to those that are there.*" I know their hearts' intent was good when they were praying. However, the real truth of the matter is, God told us, His body, to go. The head doesn't go without the body; we are the ones whom God uses. We are part of what God is doing on this earth today. We are the body of Christ.

Man is responsible for preaching the Gospel on the earth today. God is looking for willing vessels and instruments that He can use to carry out that work here on earth today. We should have this heart attitude, "*Here am I Lord, send me! Use me as an instrument of your Will and as an instrument of your Glory.*" That should be the heart attitude of every believer. We are the body of Christ.

Prayer Focus: I thank you, Lord, for using me as an instrument of your Will. I say yes to your Will: Here am I, Lord, send me!

Verse of the Day: Rom 12:5 So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

Living the Word Today: You are the body of Christ and members in particular.

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Jesus was Anointed to Heal the Sick

Act 10:38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

Jesus operated on this earth as a man under the anointing of God and He went and did miracles because of the anointing of God. Jesus is the Anointed One. Jesus was anointed to heal the sick and cast out devils, to set the captives free and bring deliverance to hurt and broken lives.

The Bible says God anointed Jesus of Nazareth - that is Jesus the man. He did not walk on this earth in his Christ priestly role; thank God, that is where He is today, but He came to earth in the form and likeness of simple man and lived a sinless life. He defeated the devil on our behalf. Notice what He did; He went about healing all that were oppressed of the devil. Sickness and disease is an oppression of the devil.

Jesus Christ defeated the devil, took authority over sickness and disease, set us free and gave us the victory. Thank God for the Anointed One, Jesus Christ, living big within us, bringing deliverance to hurt and broken lives. And if He did it yesterday, guess what, He is still doing it today! Thank God, He is still going about doing good and healing all that are oppressed of the devil.

Prayer Focus: Lord, I know that You are the same yesterday, today and forever; what you did yesterday, you are still doing today.

Verse of the Day: Ps 103:3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

Living the Word Today: Receive your healing today. Allow God to use you as an instrument of healing for others.



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Making a Difference

Jude 1:21-23 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. And of some have compassion, making a difference: And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.

We are people that make a difference. Our prayers, our witness, our service in the kingdom, and even our godly lifestyle make a difference. Our service in the kingdom makes a difference. When we go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, we make a difference in the lives of others.

Be confident that what you are doing is not “labor in vain”. Your work in the Kingdom is really making a difference. God has made a difference in our lives to enable us to make a difference in the lives of others. Your labor is not in vain.

Jesus came to make a difference. Jesus is sending us to make a difference. Jesus was moved with compassion. The love of God compels us to minister to others. Jesus touched lives through fellowship. People need a human touch by someone walking in the *truth* of God’s Word. Allowing sinners to see the Christian life lived out, makes a difference. When we touch people’s lives with the love of God, we make a difference.

Prayer Focus: Father, thank you that I have been called, assigned and ordained to make a difference. Lord, help me to be a person that makes a difference in the lives of people around me.

Verse of the Day: Luke 14:23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.

Living the Word Today: Make your life count. “Make a difference.”

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The Hand of the Lord was Upon Them

Acts 11:21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.

When the disciples went about in various places preaching the gospel, the Lord confirmed the Word with signs following. As we go about proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ, God's hand will be upon us. The Lord says in Mark 16:20, *"And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following."*

The hand of the Lord moved mightily upon the disciples with signs and wonders following. Miracles were performed in the name of Jesus Christ. Peter and James met a lame man on the way to prayer. Peter gave a command of faith and said, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!" The man was immediately healed. Peter's explanation was: *"And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all."* (Acts 3:16)

God is no respecter of persons. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever (Heb 13:8). What He did yesterday, He will still do today. If His hand was upon the disciples then, His hand is upon us today! Let God use you to carry out His Will here on earth.

Prayer Focus: Here am I, Lord, send me!

Verse of the Day: John 14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

Living the Word Today: Expect God to use you as an instrument of His Will.



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If Ye be Willing and Obedient

Isa 1:18-21 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land: But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

The Lord is inviting us to come and sit down and talk to Him and let our case be known. We should expect the “good of the land” because we should purpose to be willing and obedient to God. It is not enough to say, “I will”, but then we have to do. It is not enough just to do, but we have to be willing when we do. But when we are willing and obedient, we shall eat the good of the land!

Let us expect God to give us the good of the land. When we are walking in obedience to Him and enjoying His blessings and His Goodness.

Prayer Focus: Lord, I purpose today to be willing and obedient in my lifestyle, in my work for you, in my commitment and in my attitude.

Verse of the Day: Ps 23:6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Living the Word Today: Lord, I make the adjustment, today. I want to be willing and obedient to You because I want to eat the good of the land. Thank you, Lord, for your goodness and mercy towards me.

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Rest for your Soul

Jer 6:16 Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.

The Bible says, *“There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God” (Heb 4:9)*. Rest is a place of tranquility and mental or spiritual calm. Rest indicates that you are not doing things in your own strength any longer, but rather you are trusting in the Lord.

Jesus says, *“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” (Matt 11:28-30)*. Putting our trust and confidence in God is the key to true rest. This is a rest in our work rather than a rest from our work.

Faith in God takes the struggle out of living a Christian life. As we trust God, we live and depend upon Him. The good news is, we can safely trust Him because He will not let us down. Rest in the Lord!

Prayer Focus: Lord, I thank you for being my strength, for being my source of joy and comfort. Today, I rest in you.

Verse of the Day: Heb 4:11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.

Living the Word Today: Cast your care on the Lord. Trust God to sustain you. Rest in the Lord!



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Jesus, the Lamb of God Pt 1

John 1:29 The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

Jesus Was Born to Die for Our Sins

John 12:27 Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour.

Rom 5:6-7 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Jesus Came to Redeem Us From Sin through His Death

Jesus Christ was born to be the sacrificial lamb to redeem the World from sin. *"Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you." (1Pet 1:18-20)*

Prayer Focus: Thank you, Father, for sending your Son, Jesus, as a Sacrificial Lamb to die for my sins. Thank you, Jesus for giving your life for my redemption.

Verse of the Day: Eph 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

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Jesus, the Lamb of God Pt 2

Heb 2:14-15 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

Jesus Christ was born without the nature of sin to be the second Adam. He was born to die and to pay the penalty for our sins. A just God who cannot lie said that the soul that sinneth, must die. Jesus came to take our place in dying so we could live. *"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Rom 6:23)*. Jesus was born to pay that price with his life. *"Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God" (Heb 10:5-7)*. Because He lives, we live. In him, we live and move and have our being.

Prayer Focus: Lord, let us share with the world the depth of your love and His saving grace. May there be a great harvest of souls coming to know Jesus as Lord.

Verse of the Day: 1Cor 15:45-47 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.

Living the Word Today: Share Christ with those who do not know Jesus, as their Lord and Savior.

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Jesus Died For Our Sins

Matt 27:45-50 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias. And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him. Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

By the Beating of Stripes Upon His Back We are Healed

1Pet 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed

Jesus' Blood was Shed for Our Redemption

1Pet 1:18-19 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

Jesus Endured Death on the Cross for Our Deliverance

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Prayer Focus – Lord, I thank you for redemption.

Verse of the Day: Rom 5:6 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

Living the Word Today: Jesus died for your sins. You are redeemed!



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Death Could Not Hold Him!

Acts 2:24 Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

Christ Died to Pay the Price for Our Sins

1 Cor 15:3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

1 Cor 15: 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. 55 O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? 56 The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Today, reflect on Christ's suffering, His death on the cross, His burial and sentence in the grave. Take a long look, He died for you. While this reflection may sadden our hearts when we remember that sinners like us sent Him to the cross, we can rejoice when we remember, He is Risen. Jesus is alive! Death could not hold Him. Death cannot hold you, the believer!

Prayer Focus - Thank you, Lord, for victory over sin and death!

Verse of the Day Rom 6:4-5 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection.

Living the Word Today: Worship the resurrected Savior. Attend church and worship with fellow believers in the house of the Lord.

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Through Death, Jesus Paid our Debt of Sin

Rom 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of God says, *“For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;” (Rom 3:23)* Ezekiel tells us that the soul that sins shall die. We had a debt of sin with a sentence of death, but Jesus Christ came to pay our debt.

Jesus willingly gave His life to pay the penalty for our sin. He died on behalf of sinful mankind because of His great love. Jesus said, *“Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father” (John 10:17-18).*

Jesus took our sin and gave us His righteousness. Now we are no longer considered sinners; we are the righteousness of God. The debt has been paid and now we can go free. Never get entangled again in that yoke of bondage that you have been delivered from.

Prayer Focus: Thank you, Lord, for sending Jesus to pay the price for my sin. I accept His sacrifice for my deliverance. I acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus in my life.

Verse of the Day: Rom 6:22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

Living the Word Today: Rejoice in the truth that your sin debt has been paid. Give God the glory and the praise.



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Christ is Risen From the Dead

Acts 2:32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

We Have Victory Through His Resurrection

1Cor 15:54-57 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are Risen With Christ

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We Have Life Through Christ's Resurrection

Rom 8:11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Prayer Focus – Father, I thank you for life, deliverance and victory through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Verse of the Day: 1Cor 15:3-4 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

Living the Word Today: Walk in the newness of life; knowing you are forgiven and cleansed of all sin through the blood of Jesus.

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Why We Believe in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ

1Cor 15:12-20 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen: And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not. For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised: And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept

- 1. Jesus predicted His death and resurrection - Matt 16:21**
- 2. The Psalmist prophesied the resurrection - Psalm 16:10**
- 3. The tomb is empty - John 20:3-9**
- 4. Witnesses saw the resurrected Christ - 1Cor. 15:3-8**
- 5. Changed lives testify of the resurrected Savior; because He lives, we live - Acts 4:33**

Prayer Focus – Father, let the glorious light of the gospel shine into the hearts of those that don't know Christ as Savior. Use me as an instrument of your will.

Verse of the Day: Rom 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

Living the Word Today: Continue to praise God for the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Because He lives, we live.



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God Loves the Sinner

John 3:16-17 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

God Loves the Sinner

Rom 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

When the sermon was over, a preacher made his way to the door to shake hands with the people as they left. However, one disheveled man, who was under the influence of alcohol, didn't leave. He sat in his seat, weeping. The preacher asked, "Is there something more that I can do for you? Was it my sermon that touched your heart?" No the man replied, "It's those words up there over your pulpit—'God Is Love'." The preacher sat down and shared God's love with the man, who in turn gave his heart to Christ. God's love can soften the hardest of hearts.

Jesus Came to Save Sinners

1Tim 1:15 This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

Prayer Focus - Father, let the lost see and know the depth of your love. Help me to love like Christ.

Verse of the Day: Tim 2:3-4 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

Living the Word Today: Let the love of God flow through your thoughts, words and deeds today. Use every opportunity to share Jesus with the lost.

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Being Ready for Jesus' Soon Return

Matt 24:32-37 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away. But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only. But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Of course, we know that the end is getting closer, but we also ought to rest in the Lord. We know that no man knows the day nor the hour, but the Father only. Not even the angels know, and Jesus is waiting for the command of the Father to come back to redeem the church from this world.

We have to live everyday as if it is "that" day, live every hour as if it is "that" hour, and continue to live for God and walk with Him. We don't know the day nor the hour, but we do know He is coming back for a redeemed people, for a church without spot or blemish, for a people that are living for Him and walking with Him and have made Jesus the Lord and Savior of their lives.

The Lord is soon to return, but I am not concerned about it being next week, or the week after or next year. Whenever it is, all we need to do is be ready and prepared! So, let us make that decision to live for God and put Jesus first and foremost in our lives, so that whenever He comes, we are ready to go back with Him.

Prayer Focus Father, I want to live in a state of readiness and be prepared for the coming of the Lord.

Verse of the Day: Matt 25:13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

Living the Word Today: Lord, let me be ready and prepared for your return.

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Seeing Yourself as the Righteous

Numbers 13:31-33 But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we. And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great stature. And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.

If you see yourself as a grasshopper and see others as giants, then you are hopping around acting like a grasshopper and will miss out on opportunities that God gives you because you don't feel like you are worthy to receive. But when you see yourself in light of what God says you are, in light of His Word, you will not see yourself as a grasshopper, but you will see yourself as the righteousness of God.

Do you see yourself as a child of the Living God, one who belongs in the house, one who belongs in the family? Do you see yourself as above only and not beneath? It is so important that we see ourselves in light of what God's Word says, and not in light of a negative report. Believe the positive report about yourself!

See yourself as a child of the Living God, as the righteousness of God, as blessed and cannot be cursed, as the head and not the tail, above only and not beneath. See yourself as a giant slayer; you are more than a conqueror, God causes all things to work for your good!

Prayer Focus: Father, thank you for that Word that works within me and through me. Thank you for making me the righteousness of God.

Verse of the Day: 2Cor 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

Living the Word Today: Purpose to see yourself in light of God's Word.

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Fear Not!

Ps 27:1-3 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

The Lord is our source, our strength and our keeper. He is the one who keeps us from the evils of this world. The Bible says in Isa 54:15 "*Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me: whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.* There is none greater than the Lord, he is the greater one that lives on the inside of us.

The Lord is the one who will subdue our enemies. He will make your enemies your footstool. The Bible tells us that the angels of the Lord encamp round about us, therefore in the midst of all that is going on around us, we can trust in the Lord. We know that He is the one who will keep us from the hand of the enemy.

Sometimes we think that we have to fight the devil, but the fight that we must fight, is the good fight of faith, not the devil! The Lord is the one who fights for us when we put our trust in Him. He counts it a righteous thing to avenge those who trouble us. Therefore, let us put our trust and confidence in the Lord.

Prayer Focus: Father, I shall not fear but trust in you, knowing that you will see me through. Thank you for keeping me from all the evils of this world.

Verse of the Day: Isa 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.

Living the Word Today: Whom shall I fear? It is in Him, I live, I move and have my being. He is my source and my strength, He is my keeper!



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The Lord is Our Strong Habitation

Psalms 71:3 Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou art my rock and my fortress.

Habitation is a place of abode, or a residence, or a dwelling place. Jesus said, *“If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.”* (John 15:7). We need to do more than just being with God occasionally, we need to make Him, our habitation.

I once saw a sign that said, “God wants more than weekend visits, He wants full custody”. We should abide and dwell in the Lord and He will be a rock solid foundation, a fortress of safety. Like David cried out to the Lord, *“Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily: be thou my strong rock, for an house of defence to save me. For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.”* (Ps 31:2,3) Therefore, we need to make God our dwelling place.

Remember the scripture in Ps 91:1-2 that says, *“He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.”* Amen! The Lord is our strong habitation, He is our place of protection, He is the one who will keep us.

Prayer Focus: Father, I come to you in the precious name of Jesus, Lord, I thank you for being my dwelling place, my strong habitation, the one who keeps me from all evil.

Verse of the Day: Prov 18:10 The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.

Living the Word Today: Continue in Christ. Abide in Him and allow Christ to abide in you.

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Delivered From Oppression, Fear and Terror

Isa 54:14, 15 In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee. Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me: whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.

Oppression, fear and terror are combative enemies of the soul. These are things that come as an attack to the peace and joy in our lives. The Lord said, "they shall surely gather together", but they won't get past Him! The Lord will strengthen and keep us from those enemies of the soul.

God has assigned angels to watch over us and protect us from evil. The Word of God says, "*The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.*" (Ps 34:7) Thank God for His angels protecting us at all times.

We must put our trust and confidence in God knowing that He will keep us from the hand of the enemy. He says in Isa 54:17, "*No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper;*"

Prayer Focus: Heavenly Father, I thank you for your protection of me. Thank you for keeping me from oppression, fear and terror.

Verse of the Day: Ps 91:11-12 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

Living the Word Today: Walk in your deliverance from oppression, fear and terror.



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Looking Unto Jesus, the Author and Finisher of Our Faith

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

We should look unto Jesus who is the author and finisher of our faith. Our faith originated in Christ and is completed in Him. Every earthly thing or person is subject to let us down, but Jesus will never let us down! He is the one who will never leave nor forsake us.

Jesus endured the suffering of the cross, so that we could be saved. The vision of our Salvation gave Him strength to endure the cross. The joy of our deliverance and our salvation allowed Jesus to endure the cross.

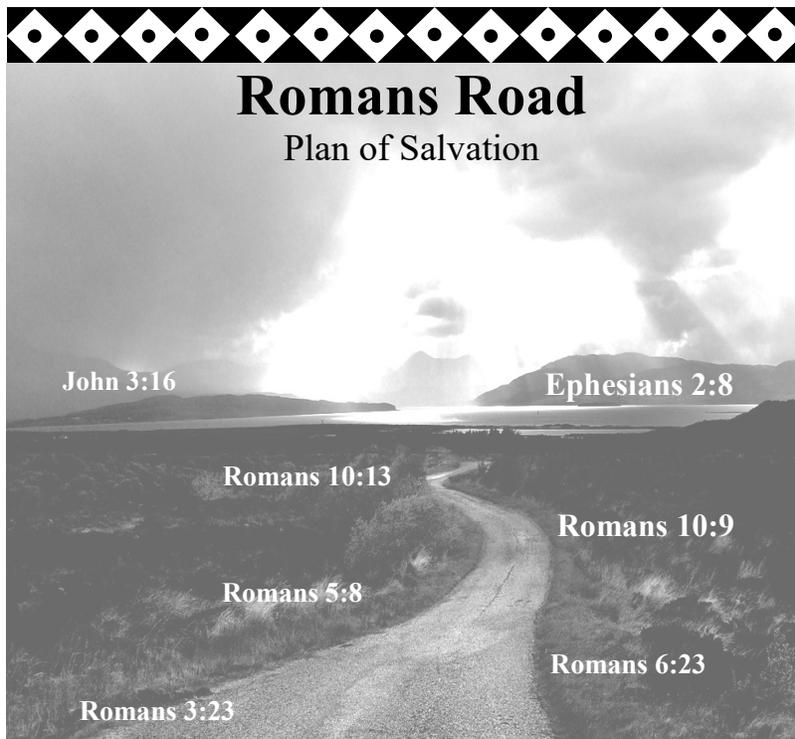
We should look to Jesus for our salvation, for our healing and for our deliverance. Because of our relationship with Jesus, we have victory. *"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth" (Ps 121:1-2).*

Prayer Focus: Father, I thank you for sending your Son Jesus that I might have life and that I might have life in the fullest measure.

Verse of the Day: Acts 17:28 For in him we live, and move, and have our being;

Living the Word Today: Let your faith rest in what Jesus did on the cross; His death, His burial and resurrection.

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Pray the Prayer of Salvation...

Dear God, I come in the name of Jesus asking forgiveness for my sin. I invite Jesus to come into my heart to be my Lord and Savior. Save me Lord. I yield my life unto you this day. Thank you Lord for saving me. Amen

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GCCC 37th Church Anniversary— Sept 1

8:15 & 10 am services

Yard Give-Away and Blood Drive—Sept 28

Yard Giveaway—8 am-11 am

Blood Drive—9 am-2 pm

Health Fair with free blood pressure checks & blood sugar checks

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Clergy Appreciation Month

Happy Birthday Pastor Corbett!—Oct 29

We will celebrate on Sunday, October 27

Hallelujah Night (ages 4-12) - Oct 31

Fall Event (ages 13-18) - Oct 31

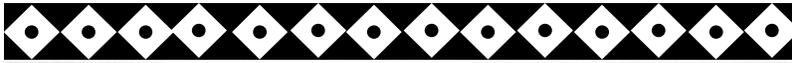
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