

DEARLY BELOVED

Philippians 4:1 Therefore, my brethren *dearly beloved* and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord *dearly beloved*.

**DECEMBER
2024**

Praise God! Time spent alone with God changes us; it changes our surroundings; and every Christian who would live a life that counts, and who would have power for service must take time to pray. David prayed, "Create in me a clean heart O God; renew a right spirit within me." "... Then will I teach transgressors Thy way, and sinners shall be converted unto Thee." Paul prayed for the church, "Wherefore always we pray for you that our God would count you worthy of this calling and fulfil all the good pleasure of His goodness and the work of Faith with power: That the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ might be glorified in you and ye in Him, according to the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ." 2nd Thessalonians:11-12.

Ed says a life that counts is a life unto Jesus and His will and plan. We find this direction and power of life, through prayer, reading and living God's Word by the power of the Holy Spirit! I want Jesus to change me that I might touch others with a life worth living in JESUS! Remember love others as Jesus does!

by Bishop Ed Robinson

*"We have to pray
with our eyes on
God, not on the
difficulties."*

~ Oswald Chambers

**Anacortes Pentecostals Church
Services:
December**

Sundays

11:00^{am} Christian Education
Noon Church Service

Wednesdays

7:00^{pm} Church Service

Saturdays

Full Church Prayer Sat. 9:00^{am}

**East Sound Pentecostals, Orcas
Island**

Fridays 13th & 27th

6:00^{pm} Meet at Senior Community
Center

**December 15th, 2024
Guest Speaker**

**December 25th, 2024
11:00^{am}
Church service and
Refreshments**

**Send Out Your Light
and Your Truth**

**Psa 43:1 Judge me,
O God, and plead
my cause against
an ungodly nation:
O deliver me from
the deceitful and
unjust man.**

**Psa 43:2 For thou
art the God of my
strength: why dost
thou cast me off?
why go I mourning
because of the
oppression of the
enemy?**

**Psa 43:3 O send
out thy light and
thy truth: let them
lead me; let them
bring me unto thy
holy hill, and to thy
tabernacles.**

**Psa 43:4 Then will
I go unto the altar
of God, unto God
my exceeding joy:
yea, upon the harp
will I praise thee, O
God my God.**

**Psa 43:5 Why art
thou cast down, O
my soul? and why
art thou disquieted
within me? hope in
God: for I shall yet
praise him, *who is*
the health of my
countenance, and
my God.**

Pastors' CORNER

Presents or Presence?

There's been times I've arrived late to church, and as I walked into the sanctuary, I could hear the praises of the people. Songs that would fill my heart with joy and remind me of the peace that God has placed within me. What a glorious time I would have, when I joined in by worshiping and praising our mighty God. As the spirit of God would move throughout the congregation, what a feeling of rest, and contentment. What a blessing is the term we use to describe the fulfillment of those moments.

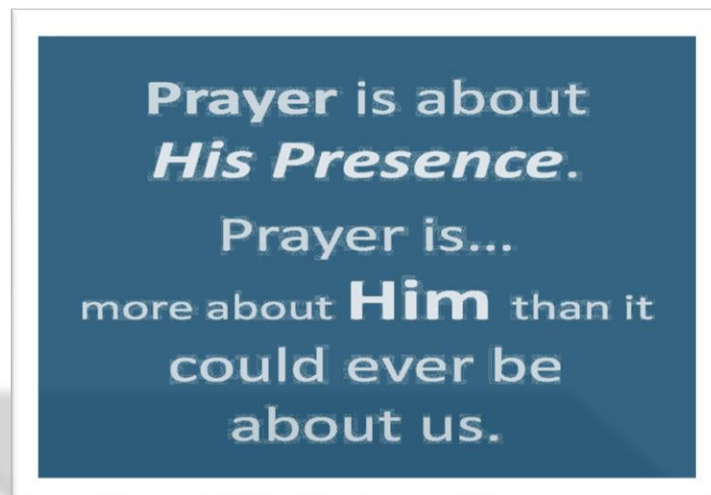
Ana Menschel writes an illustration, that surprisingly describes at times our approach to a good church service. She writes, A dear elderly lady was teaching the four- and five-year-old Sunday school class at our church. During one of the lessons, they were learning about the building of the temple. She explained to the students that when the temple was finished, the presence of the Lord filled the temple. Instantly the eyes of each child got wide and full of excitement. She soon discovered, however, the source of their excitement was not joy that God had come to dwell in the temple, but rather, delight at imagining that huge building filled with presents from God! Aren't we often much like those children? We are easily more excited about our presents from God than being in the presence of God.

How true at times, more interested in our blessing, instead of acknowledging that we are in His presence to bless Him.

In 1 Chronicles 16:29 it says Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name; bring an offering and come before Him; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

Seek His presence and presents will follow.

Pastor Jake Ruiz



THE BIBLE TEACHES

That we are to love God and each other, living a holy life, dedicated unto God

EPHESIANS 4:17-32

17 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, 18 Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: 19 Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. 20 But ye have not so learned Christ; 21 If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: 22 That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; 23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; 24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. 25 Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. 26 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: 27 Neither give place to the devil. 28 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with *his* hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. 29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. 30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: 32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

COLOSSIANS 3:1-17

1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, *who is* our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. 5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: 6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: 7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them. 8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. 9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; 10 And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him: 11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond *nor* free: but Christ *is* all, and in all. 12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; 13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do* ye. 14 And above all these things *put on* charity, which is the bond of perfectness. 15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. 17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

ROMANS 12:1-2

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service. Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

MATTHEW 22:37-40

36 Master, which *is* the great commandment in the law? 37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. 38 This is the first and great commandment. 39 And the second *is* like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. 40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

MARK 12:29-31

29 And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments *is*, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: 30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment. 31 And the second *is* like, *namely* this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

2 CORINTHIANS 7:1

1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Let's Talk about Prayer

If you are anything like me, you have experienced several different types of prayer or prayer gatherings. I have watched many people trying to learn how to pray, me included! I have seen wonderful, beautiful prayers that warms my soul. I have also heard some that are showy, the long prayer using flowery language and dramatics. Prayer is not for entertainment. It's the time to spend with our God.

It should be about quality, the right heart attitude, concentrating on what we are doing or saying and most of all focusing on our wonderful and beautiful God.

There are many ways to communicate with God, and many of you have found what works best for you. But those that are new to the Lord, or those that just need a refresh on praying here is one way that you may want to try.

The **3 D's** is easy to remember and stand for **Desire, Discipline and Delight!**

So, it is absolutely necessary, that we start with the **first (D) Desire**. This is not an option as you cannot side-step this starting point. There must be desire. Desire to be a person of prayer. Without that desire, nothing will ever change. You can't force the desire, but you can ask God to plant that in you by His Spirit.

Second, it requires Discipline. You *can double the D's* and make it *daily discipline*. From my own experience I can attest to the fact that discipline is hard. It is vital to (DD) Daily discipline as skipping it really makes it more difficult to start it back again. But be assured that as you face the discipline, it gets a lot easier.

The **third is Delight**. Truly, prayer will become a delight for us. Spending time with our Father, opening up our life with its ups and downs, and hearing what He has to say to us. Plus, I can declare that when God and I are connecting, the result is wonderful happiness in my soul. It naturally means that I can look forward to praying; making my way towards the place where I meet God. What a change, wonderfully delightful.

Submitted by Sister Deirdre

"To pray, 'thy will be done,'
I must be willing, if the
answer requires it, that
my will be undone."

-Elisabeth Elliot

We Need Worship in Our Prayers

Revelation 5:12 KJV

[12] Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

A woman was once trapped in an apartment building. A fireman saw her at the window screaming for help, so he climbed a ladder to rescue her, taking her in his arms and bringing her down that ladder. He saved her life. Later, she went to the fire department to thank that fireman. They got acquainted, began to date, got married.

When she was in that window saying, "Help me! Save me!" that's like praying, "God, I've got a need. I need you." When we call on God for help when we're in trouble, that is petition. We need to do that, to call on God for what we need. When the woman went to the fire Department to say thank you, that's like praise and thanksgiving. We need to do that too. We ought to come to God, thank Him, glorify Him, and praise Him for what He has done and is doing for us. But we also need to worship Him. When the woman and the fireman fell in love and got married, she didn't just love him because he had rescued her but for who he was. Out of that love, she gave all of her to all of him. That is like worship.

This is where many of us fall short. Sometimes our prayers are for help and salvation, which is wonderful. Sometimes we say, "Thank you, Lord, for what you've done," and that's great too. But how many times have we simply come to God and said, "O God, I just pour out my heart in love to you." That is true worship. And we need to do it more.

Glory to God in the highest, Hallelujah!

Submitted by Sister Sheri



Psalm 57:1-11 Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until *these* calamities be overpast. 2 I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth *all things* for me. 3 He shall send from heaven, and save me *from* the reproach of him that would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth his mercy and his truth. 4 My soul *is* among lions: *and* I lie *even among* them that are set on fire, *even* the sons of men, whose teeth *are* spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword. 5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; *let* thy glory *be* above all the earth. 6 They have prepared a net for my steps; my soul is bowed down: they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen *themselves*. Selah. 7 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise. 8 Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I *myself* will awake early. 9 I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto thee among the nations. 10 For thy mercy *is* great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds. 11 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: *let* thy glory *be* above all the earth.

MY IDENTITY IN CHRIST

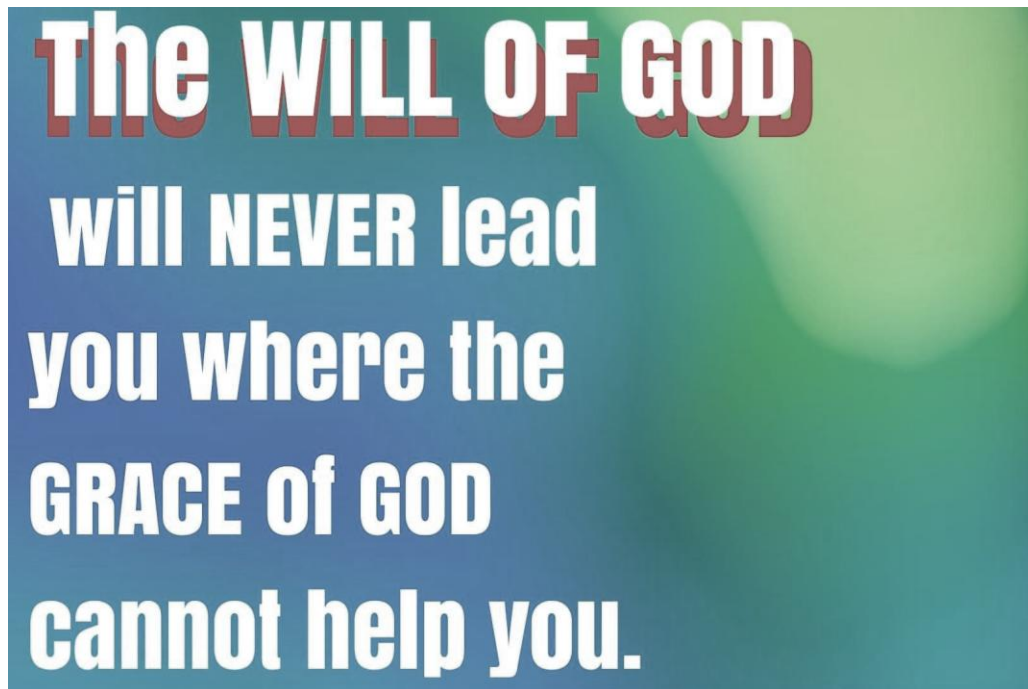
Because of Christ's redemption
I am a new creation of great worth.

I am deeply loved,
Completely forgiven,
Fully pleasing,
Totally accepted by God,
And absolutely complete in Christ.

There has never been another person like me
In the history of mankind,
Nor will there ever be.
God has made me an original,
One of a kind, really somebody!

Anonymous

Colossians 2:10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all
principality and power. . .



The Born-Again Believer can KNOW

1 John

1. That Jesus came in the flesh!
 - a. Vs. 4:2 – Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:
2. Has love.
 - a. Vs. 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.
3. Confesses that Jesus is the Son of God.
 - a. Vs. 4:15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.
4. Believes that Jesus is the Christ.
 - a. Vs. 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.
5. Overcomes the world.
 - a. Vs. 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith.
6. Does not continue to commit sin.
 - a. Vs. 3:9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.
 - b. Vs. 5:18 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.
7. Keeps God's commandments.
 - a. Vs. 3:24 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.
8. Has the Holy Spirit.
 - a. Vs. 3:24 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.
 - b. Vs. 4:13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.
1. Has the witness of Spirit, water and blood.
 - a. Vs. 5:8-10 or there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. **8** And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. **9** If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son. **10** He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.

Thus, the believer has been baptized in water and Spirit and applied Christ's blood. He has assurance of salvation, as long as he continues to confess, love, believe, overcome sin and the world and submit to God.

ACTS CHAPTER 11 & 12

There is an old saying, Bad news will go round the world while good news is still pulling its boots on," now, I don't think this way, but I'm sure some of the Jews of the day did!

The headlines on the Pharisee Gazette was most certainly something along the lines of, "Peter goes into a Gentile's home!" The news had certainly traveled fast that Peter had preached the Gospel to the Gentiles, and they had received the word of God.

The Jews in Jerusalem were itching to confront Peter with what he did. How dare he go to a man's home that was uncircumcised, in other words, not a Jew and he ate with them! This was against the law, it's almost unimaginable that he would do such a thing.

Peter began to tell them of his rooftop experience with the sheet and all of the unclean animals and such. He went step by step describing everything that had happened. Once they got the whole story from Peter, they quieted down and accepted that God had granted repentance unto life for the Gentiles too! They gave the glory to God, realizing it was the will of God to save the Gentiles.

I'm so thankful that God chose to allow the Gentiles the same salvation that had been offered, up until then, only to the Jews. Without this event, we would not have had a chance to have the experience that is open for us today! We would be dead in our trespasses without hope of salvation.

Everyone who had scattered from the persecution after Stephen was killed, were only preaching to the Jews. They were doing what Jesus told them to do, go out to the world and preach the gospel, but they thought it was only a select group that could get that good news! But when the men of Cyprus and Cyrene got to Antioch, they also spoke to the Greeks of which many of them believe and turned to God.

When the news of this got to Jerusalem, they sent Barnabas to Antioch to see what was going on there. When he saw what was happening, he was glad and told them that they should remain in the Lord with determination in their hearts.

The narrative stops and gives a list of Barnabas's qualifications. It gave credence to what Barnabas was saying. He could exhort these people because he was "a good man and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith".

Barnabas then headed to Tarsus to find Saul. When he found Saul, they then took off to go back to Antioch. They spent an entire year there, what a revival! Can you imagine? I can just see that this year had to be one that stayed in their minds and hearts for a very long time. Better than any camp meeting or conference today for sure! But I believe we can have this today! This is where the disciples were called Christians for the first time. I'm sure the streets echoed with all that was going on in that church.

Then, prophets from Jerusalem went to Antioch and foretold of a dearth or famine over the area. The disciples rallied together and as they were able, sent help to them that lived in Judaea.

Herod the king then began to persecute the church. The church has been without much persecution for a little while and now, here it comes again. Herod killed James the brother of John with a sword. One thing to note, James' death was probably not instigated by the Sanhedrin, or his death would have been by stoning. But, instead, it was by sword, probably beheading. Herod was emboldened by the Jew's reaction and he took Peter and put him in prison. Herod delivered Peter to four squads of soldiers. One man with so many soldiers, I suppose it's because strange things happen with Christians that were put in prison!

As Peter sat in prison, bound in chains, between two soldiers and a doorkeeper, *the church prayed*. When Herod would have had Peter brought to him later that night, an angel of the Lord came in to Peter. Peter must have been sleeping rather soundly because the light in the room didn't wake him, the angel had to strike him on the side! The angel told Peter to get up and as he did, the chains fell off. The angel told him to get his clothes and shoes on and follow me. Peter was still groggy and half asleep because he thought he was seeing a vision and it wasn't until they were outside the prison gate, that had opened all on its own, and were out in the streets did Peter realize it wasn't just a vision, it was really happening! He realized that God did send an angel to deliver him from what Herod had planned for him. Which obviously disappointed the Jews.

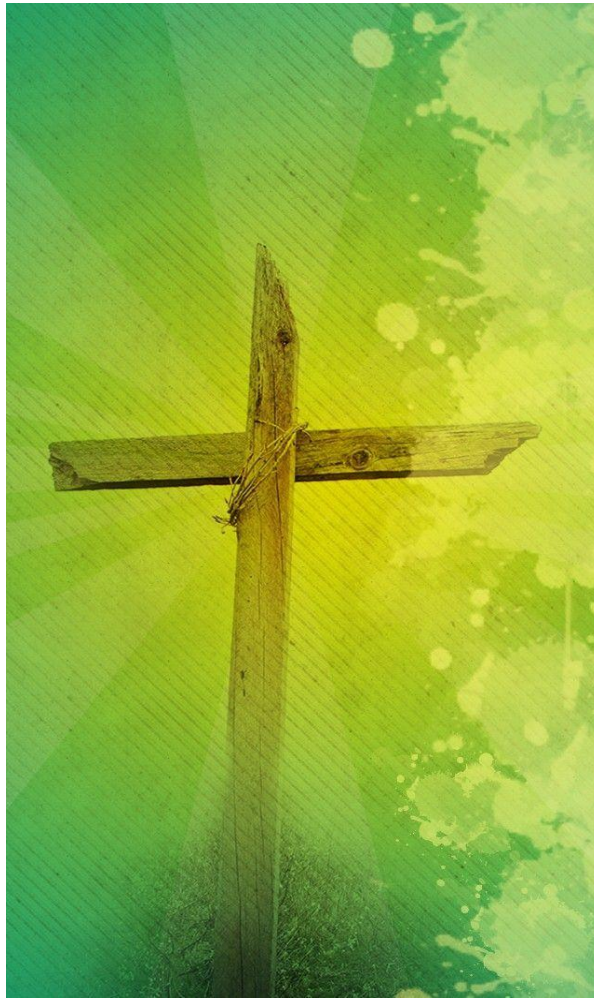
This part always makes me smile. Peter then goes to Mary's house, John Mark's mom, where they were all around praying for Peter's release. He knocked on the door and a servant girl named Rhoda answered the door. She didn't open the door, but she recognized Peter's voice and got all excited and ran in to tell everyone Peter was there! They were praying for this to happen and when it does, they don't believe it! Things just don't change! We pray for God to move, answer a prayer and when He does, we have trouble believing! Where was their faith? They said she was crazy! They said it was his angel! Do our angels look and sound like us?

But Peter continued to knock, and they went to open the door and saw him and were surprised. Maybe they were surprised because of how fast God had moved to get Peter out of prison? Peter then told them all about how God had sent an angel, and he was delivered out of Herod's prison. He told them to let James, and the brethren know he was out and he left. I'm sure he didn't stay there as it would have put them in danger. They would have been harboring a fugitive!

The soldiers were very afraid when they found that Peter was gone. The penalty of allowing a prisoner to escape was death and these guards met this fate.

Herod then went down to Caesarea. He wasn't happy with the Tyrians and Sidonians. They wanted peace with Herod because they depended on Herod for food for their country. Herod went out, sat upon the throne all dressed up and he began to speak to the people. Whatever he said to them, it dazzled them so much that they proclaimed that it wasn't a man speaking to them but a god! Because Herod was so full of himself and didn't give God the glory, an angel of the Lord struck him, and he got worms and died! Flattery can get to a person, if we look today at all the movie stars and such, we see just how bad it can get. They begin to believe that they are all what people say about them. Herod died, but the Word of God grew! The flesh of Herod became worm eaten, but the church grew. One day, everything that this world finds to be of value, if it's not rooted in God, will crumble, but God's church will survive and thrive! Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem to Antioch, they took with them John Mark.

Submitted by Tatti Cheek



THIS IS WHO I AM:

I'm a soldier in Christ's Army.
I'm a born again, Spirit filled child of
the living God.

The devil cannot stop me.
Hell cannot defeat me.

The grave cannot contain me.
And the enemy will not silence me.

My life was paid for with the blood
of Jesus which makes me valuable.

I'm Royal, I'm eternal, I'm redeemed.

I may fall down but I won't quit.

I may be weak, but He is strong.

The weapons may form but they
won't prosper, I am a warrior, I am a
victor,

I am a child of God!

**You'll be proof that God
can do it.**

NATURAL HEALTH MINUTE

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Food: God's Original vs. Man's "New & Improved"

If it's food that will grow in your garden or orchard or field, or out in nature, or if you can fish it out of the sea, God made it! If it is grown the way God made it to grow naturally; if animals forage what they choose in nature without consequential intervention by man, it's the way God intended it to be.

Other ways are man's ways. If man removes edible parts from God's whole food, it's not way God made it for us to eat, and oh, oh; those parts were there for a purpose, and now our health is at risk because we are missing those nutrients that God provided for our health. This is man-altered food. And if that wasn't enough, man adulterated food with ingredients of his own making. For example: If in our car, when the dipstick indicates we need to add oil, wouldn't we be putting our engine's health at risk? How long the engine would last would depend on how long the engine could withstand the abuse before breaking down. It doesn't meet the manufacturer's requirement.

Shouldn't we be careful, what we feed our bodies, if we treasure physical health?
Submitted by Brother Wayne



What Our God Did!

Hebrews 7:25 Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

1. Able to save rough fishermen, *Peter, Andrew, James and John*:
 - a. John 1:35-42, Luke 5:3-11
 - b. By just saying "Come follow me."
2. Able to save despised tax collectors: *Levi and Zacchaeus*:
 - a. Luke 5:27-29; Luke 19:1-10
3. Able to save a master in Israel, a religious leader and highly moral man. *Nicodemus*:
 - a. John 3
4. Able to save much married and religiously heretical *Samaritan woman*:
 - a. John 4:7-39
5. Able to save a *woman accused of adultery*:
 - a. John 8:1-11
6. Able to save a *dying thief*:
 - a. Luke 23:39-43
7. Able to save a *sorcerer*:
 - a. Acts 8:9-24
8. Able to save the chief of sinners, the leading opponent and persecutor of Christianity, *Saul of Tarsus*:
 - a. Acts 9:1-31, 1 Timothy 1:15
9. Able to save a Roman military officer, *Cornelius*:
 - a. Acts 10
10. Able to save a businesswoman, *Lydia*:
 - a. Acts 16:14-15
11. Able to save a *brutal jailer*:
 - a. Acts 16:30-34
12. Able to save *innumerable multitude out of all tribes and tongues and nations whom John saw already safe in heaven*:
 - a. Revelation 7:9-17

REMEMBER: *He can save me; He can save anyone!*

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Shout for Joy!

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness neither shadow of turning." James 1:17.

God gives multiple perfect gifts: Grace, victory over sin and the enemies of our soul, eternal life, salvation, Holy Spirit, His Love, fruit of the Spirit, gifts of the Spirit, Power, and Authority and so on! Paul in a moment of overwhelming gratitude and realization of our God's most precious gift to us, indescribable, inexpressible, beyond the ability in oneself to explain the joy that comes from this Gift. Paul in an outburst of thanksgiving shouted, "Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift." (Priceless, no monetary earthly value can be attached to this Gift). THE GIFT OF JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD! Bishop Ed says, do you want to give a gift that is perfect, never wearing out, always giving multiple facets of blessings, so precious it can't be compared with anything else and the receiver will be eternally grateful. GIVE THEM THE LOVE AND GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST!

Faith and fear
both demand that
you believe in
something you
can't see. The
choice is yours.

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS NAME

Someone stated, "When Jesus comes, the shadows depart." The Bible states, in ISAIAH, ABOUT THE COMING CHRIST, "The people that walk in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined."

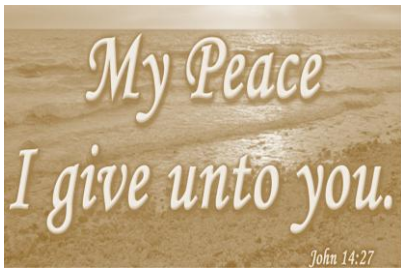
Matthew 4:13-17. Uses this scripture to confirm Jesus is the Christ! When Simeon saw the child Jesus Christ, He exclaimed, "For mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel."

Luke 2 That revelation of Light salvation for all mankind was brought into the world by One born in a manger! What are you celebrating this Christmas? The Light Giver Jesus? Are you tired of living in darkness?

John 8:12 Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

Turn to the Light of the World! JESUS... IN HIM YOU WILL FIND LIGHT, JOY, LOVE, AND PEACE IN YOUR SOUL. The Light has Risen! The Son is Up! GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST! PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL TOWARDS MEN! THE LIGHT BROUGHT GRACE TO ALL THE WORLD!

Lord Bless you all, Bishop Ed



PEACE, PEACE, WONDERFUL PEACE

Peace on earth and Oh, how we need it!

Peace among the nations. How shall we have it?

With a giant's sword, and a spear and shield?

With guns and bombs and battlefields?

Never neglected, it's been ours through the ages.

For He said, 'Not as the world giveth, give I unto you.'

His peace is not in conference halls, nor in political chambers.

His peace came first to the shepherds, to wise men, among sheep and cattle.

From a babe lying in a manger. – *F. W. Mason*

Peace from Him which is, which was, and which is to come...!

He was given a name that was greater and grander than any other name in the world.

He was given a name that is deeper than depth, higher than height, and wider than width.

He was given a name that put activity to the legs of a lame man at the Beautiful Gate.

He was given a name that brought sight to a blind man at Jericho.

He was given a name that gave forgiveness to a woman taken in adultery.

He was given a name that brought hope to a thirsty woman at a well.

He was given a name that could heal the lepers' spots and make him clean.

He was given a name that could take heat out of a fever, that could break up a funeral procession; that could tame a mad man and send him back to his family.

When this child became a man, behold what manner of man He became.

He was never farther than 100 miles away from His home and yet His teaching has reached around the world.

He never went to a seminary, He never wrote a book, and yet there are so many other things that He did which, if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written of Him.

He was so poor, that He said of Himself, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head."

His only pocketbook was the mouth of a fish that had a coin in it to pay His taxes.

He laid in another man's manger, He rode on another man's donkey, He preached from another man's boat. He died on the cross in another man's place, and He was buried in another man's tomb... but He got up from the grave to give you and me Redemption!

For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder. And His Name shall be called: Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

O COME LET US ADORE HIM! FOR HE ALONE IS WORTHY!

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