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Through the tender mercy of our God,
with which the Dayspring from on high has visited us
...To guide our feet into the way of peace.

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DAYS **SPRING**

MAY, 2024

For the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me, and have believed that I came forth from God. *JOHN 16:27*

WEDNESDAY MAY 1

GOD THE FATHER LOVES YOU

God the creator of the universe, and your creator sent His Son to die in your place, to take the punishment for your wrong doings, also to take upon Himself your shame and all the

accusations that would have bring you pains
and sorrow.

It does not matter whether the sins was
generational or it was cast as a spell, Jesus
bore them all on the cross for your sake.

Isaiah said,

*“Surely He has borne our griefs and carried
our sorrows --- But He was wounded for our
transgressions, He was bruised for our
iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was
upon Him and by His stripes we are healed.*

*All we like sheep have gone astray; we have
turned, everyone to his own way; and the*

LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.”

(Isaiah 53:4-6).

Now, God had demonstrated His love for you, He wants you to accept, believe in Jesus, the sacrificial Lamb of God and also to trust in that divine exchange that brought you salvation.

The free salvation that God gave you, cost Jesus His life, so God wants you to repent of your sins, confess them to Jesus and ask for forgiveness. He is faithful to forgive.

(1John 1:9). Henceforth live for Jesus, live in the love of the Father who loves you so dearly.

THINK IT OUT

How do you treat the love that God showed towards you? Have you accepted it with gratitude, or have you rejected it?

PRAYER:

Thank You LORD for the divine exchange that brought salvation, I am sorry for my sins please forgive me. Jesus You are my Lord and savior, give me the grace to live in Your love.

Know Your Bible: READ ROM. 12 & 13

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





**While, through the proof of this Ministry,
they glorify God for the obedience of your
confession to the gospel of Christ, and for
your liberal sharing with them and all men.**

2CORINTHIANS 9:13

THURSDAY MAY 2

CONFESS JESUS OPENLY

Nicodemus came to Jesus by night; WHY? He was a Pharisee and one of the rulers of the Jews.

He did not want the Jews or his fellow ruling colleagues to see him associating with Jesus.

He love his position and he values the opinion

of the people around him, more than the truth of God.

Paul is telling the Corinthians that their obedience, confession and liberal sharing of the gospel of Christ had brought Glory and praise to God. Obeying, sharing and openly confessing Christ, will only bring glory and praise to God.

Men might not like it, you may be despised by people, friends or families for doing this;. Jesus Himself said, 'I came to bring division on earth' (Luke 12:51).

Regardless of who is not pleased, let us in obedience of the gospel of Christ openly confess our love for

Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

Like the people in Corinth, let us share liberally our belief and make Christ known to the whole world that He alone, is the Savior of the world, in Him alone is salvation, freedom from sin and condemnation, also in Him alone is eternal life. This is the obligations of all who believe.

THINK IT OUT

Do you know the gospel of Jesus, is the wisdom God displayed for man's benefit? Are you ashamed of this gospel?

PRAYER:

**Oh Lord, please give me the courage to
openly declare You as my Lord and Savior,
and also to share with others my
convictions. Amen**

Know Your Bible: READ ROM. 14 & 15

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**Who through Him believe in God
who raised Him from the dead and
gave Him glory, so that your faith
and hope are in God. *1PETER 1:21***

FRIDAY MAY 3

BELIEVING GOD THROUGH JESUS

Jesus came to declare the will of our heavenly Father; He came to show us the way to God. We were lost, separated from the one true God. Our forefathers were worshiping caved woods, caved stones and all manner of false gods. They

had no clue of the God that created them in His image and likeness; they all went astray as it is written in Isaiah 53:6a,

“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own ways”.

But in the fullness of time, God in His infinite mercy and love sent forth His Son to redeem us from our vain ways and to reconciled us to our creator who is also our Father and the source of life.

Jesus became the sacrificial lamb and all the punishment of our waywardness and evil conducts was placed on Him. He took them all to the cross and died, the third day He resurrected for our justification (Rom. 4:25).

Now everyone who believe is justified and brought near through the finished work of Jesus on the cross, to worship the one true God, our creator and Father.

It is only through Jesus (who took our place on the cross as a sinner and gave us His place as sons and daughters of God) that we can go to the Father. There is no other middle man, woman, angel or spirit that we can pass through to see God.

Jesus Himself said, “I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me” (John 14:6).

May your faith and hope in God be through Jesus Christ who died for you and made you acceptable through His blood.

THINK IT OUT

Will you allow man's wisdom to lead you to think you can go to God through any other name, other than the name of Jesus? And do you know no matter what role any other played, it does not qualify him or her to stand the gap between you and God?

PRAYER:

Thank You dear God for sending Your Son to redeem me from false gods and show me the true way. I believe, repent and receive the forgiveness of my sins through Christ.

Amen

Know Your Bible: READ ROM. 16

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





And not only that, but who was also chosen by the churches to travel with us with this gift, which is administered by us to the glory of the Lord Himself and to show your ready mind. *2CORINTHIANS 8:19*

SATURDAY MAY 4

**DO ALL TO THE GLORY
OF GOD**

God gave us His best, He loved us first and He also demonstrated the love by giving us salvation free through the death of His only begotten Son Jesus.

Our service to God, should be with a ready mind, knowing that He deserves it and that He is worthy of our best.

How do we serve God?

We serve God by following Jesus' example of service to God, by His show of compassion to the need of man. When Jesus, healed the sick, raised the dead, cleansed the lepers, cast out demons and fed thousands of people.

He demonstrated the heart of God for people to see and know the love of God for them.

Then He led them to God; He did not only give them food for the stomach, he also gave them food for their souls which is the word of God.

After showing us examples of service to God, He said, *“When the Son of man comes in His glory, - - then He will sit on the throne of His glory --- and He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left –*

Then the king will say to those on His right hand, 'come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation, -- for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was

naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me. —

Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.” (Matt. 25: 31,33 -40). This is the service that God requires and this will bring Him glory.

THINK IT OUT

Do you know Jesus want us to emulate His service the glory of God by feeding both the stomach and soul?

PRAYER:

Lord help me to serve You, by pointing people to You in my words and actions.

Know Your Bible: READ 1CORINTHIANS 1.
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



**A little while longer and the world will see
Me no more, but you will see Me.**

Because I live you will live also.

JOHN 14:19

SUNDAY MAY 5

YOU WILL SEE ME

Jesus is alive, He resurrected and ascended into heaven and He is seated at the right hand of God the Father (1Pet.3:22).

Before He left, He made a promise saying, *“He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.”* Then one of His disciples, asked Him, *‘Lord, how is it that you will manifest Yourself to us and not to the world’?* Jesus answered and said to him, *“if anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. He who*

does not love Me does not keep My words”

(John 14:21-24)

Those who love Him and keep His words, will always see Him and know Him because He lives, walks, and talks with them every day.

This relationship makes us see Him always, and we are guided by His loving presence in our lives. Anyone that does not see Him, does not know Him. If you want to see Him and have a relationship with Him, you are welcome.

Because His hands are still open wide to receive those who will repent forsake their

sinful life style and accept the free gift of salvation.

If you are willing, then pray this prayer whole heartedly:

Dear Lord Jesus, I am sorry for all the sins I have committed, forgive me, cleanse me with Your precious blood.

Come into my life, be my Lord and Savior. I receive You today into my life, I will keep Your words, to love You with my heart and my neighbor as myself. Manifest Yourself to me. Amen.

THINK IT OUT

Do you know Jesus has chosen only to live in

the heart of men? And do you know you can only see Him, if He lives in your heart?

PRAYER:

Thank You Jesus for receiving me as Your child, thank You that henceforth I will no longer walk alone. I will be guided by Your loving presence.

Know Your Bible: READ 1COR. 2, 3

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





And again, “The LORD knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile”

1CORINTHIANS 3:20

MONDAY MAY 6

CHOOSE GODLY WISDOM

True wisdom begins and ends with God. To be wise without God is foolishness, because, God is the giver of wisdom. So there is no true wisdom that comes outside of God.

Those who think in their heart that they are wise, or those who are seeking worldly wisdom; today's text says,

'The LORD knows their thoughts , that they are futile -

meaning, their thoughts are pointless or their wisdom is serving no useful purpose, not to their bodies nor to their souls.

Wisdom without God, is liken to having a false knowledge – someone once said,

“Beware of False knowledge; it is more dangerous than ignorance”

- it is better to admit that you don't know, so that you will be open for learning, than to have

a false knowledge filled-up in your thought with little or no space for learning.

Proverb 15:33 says,

“The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom, and before honor is humility”

Also

Psalms 94:12 says,

“Blessed is the man whom You instruct, O LORD, and teach out of Your laws”.

It is only through the instructions of God, that we will have knowledge. If we humble ourselves and invite the Holy Spirit of God whom God sent, to be our helper, teacher and

guide, into our lives and allow Him lead, He will teach us the ways of God, declare to us the mind of God and instruct us on how to live and please God.

Then we will have godly wisdom. Because Godly wisdom is of more value and it is profitable both to our bodies and to our souls.

Please Choose Godly wisdom.

THINK IT OUT

Do you know it is the will of God to guide you in this life through His Holy Spirit? Do you want His guidance?


PRAYER:

Dear Lord, I admit I don't know, please Holy Spirit of God, the great teacher come into my heart and my life, instruct and teach me the ways of God, fill me with all Godly wisdom. And guide me to walk in the fear of the LORD.

Know Your Bible: READ 1COR. 4, 5

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





**But I make known to you, brethren, that
the gospel which was preached by me is
not according to man. *GALATIANS 1:11***

TUESDAY MAY 7

THE GOSPEL I PREACH

The gospel of Christ cannot be gotten from man or understood by man's knowledge or be taught with man's wisdom.

The gospel of Jesus Christ is through revelation which the Spirit of truth reveals.

Reading books, attending seminars, and going to schools of theology are good for inspirations, but they will not reveal Christ to you.

Paul said,

'The gospel which I preached, is not according to man, neither did I received it from man, nor was I taught; but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ.' (Gal. 1:11-12)

Paul did not became the great preacher to the Gentiles through the mentorship of man, but through the counsel and revelation of the Holy Spirit. In other words, he went through the school of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus said,

“But the helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send, in My name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you ---He will guide you into all truth, --- He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me for He will take of what is mine and declare it to you.”

(John 14:26; 16:13-14)

It is the Holy Spirit that has the authority and power to reveal Christ to us and to take from Christ and declare them to us.

The Holy Spirit descended and remained on Jesus like a dove to reveal Him to John the baptize (John 1:32-34).

As you seek knowledge and inspirations from seminars, books, and from schools of Theology, seek more the revelation of Christ through the Holy Spirit, seek more of His mentorship.

So that the gospel of Christ which you preached will not be mere doctrines and the philosophies of men.

THINK IT OUT

Do you know you too can go through the school of the Holy Spirit? Do you know it is tuition free, and readily available because it is the will of God for you?

PRAYER:

Dear Holy Spirit of God divine please be my mentor, reveal Jesus to me and help me to

preach only what You instruct and reveals.

Amen

Know Your Bible: READ 1COR. 6, 7

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



Now I rejoice, not that you were made sorry, but that your sorrow led to repentance. For you were made sorry in a godly manner, that you might suffer loss from us in nothing. *2CORINTHIANS 7:9*

WEDNESDAY MAY 8

GODLY SORROW

The word of God is pure, the Psalmist said,
*“It convert the soul. --- and makes the simple
wise”* (Ps. 19:7)

While Hebrew 4:12 says,

*“For the word of God is living and powerful,
and sharper than any two-edged sword,
piercing even to the division of soul and spirit,
and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner
of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”*

When the truth of the word of God is
preached, the word has the power to pierce the
heart even down to the soul and spirit of man

like a sword.

To the humble heart who receive this word, the word will produce in him a godly sorrow.

Apostle Paul said,

“Now I rejoice, -- that your sorrow led to repentance --- For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted.” (V.10).

The word of God will discover the conditions of our heart and declare to us the truth like a mirror; thereby leading to a godly sorrow which produces repentance.

And 1John 1:9 says,

“If we confess our sin, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from

all unrighteousness”

Not only will He cleanse us from all unrighteousness; Apostle Peter talks about a time of refreshment that follows the cleansing, he said,

“Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.” (Acts 3:19)

Godly sorrow is truly profitable.

THINK IT OUT

Will you love to know the true condition of your heart? Do you know the Bible is the only place to find the truth that refreshes?

PRAYER:

Lord, please give me a humble heart to receive Your word, so that I can truly know the condition of my heart, repent and be refreshed.

Know Your Bible: READ 1COR. 8, 9

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





And what agreement has the temple of God with idol? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: 'I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

2CORINTHIANS 6:16

THURSDAY MAY 9

I WILL BE THEIR GOD

God does not live in temples, Cathedrals or in structures built by men's hands. His dwelling place is our bodies which He made with His own hands.

Apostle Paul because of this wrote in Romans 12:1 saying,
“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.”

God cannot dwell in us or walk among us, if the temple He needs to dwell in is not kept clean and holy. It is obligatory that we keep our bodies clean, holy and worthy of Him as a service we render to God.

How can we keep our bodies clean?

Paul told us how in Colossians 3:8, he said,
“But now you yourselves are to put off

(remove from yourself) *all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth*” — (Then in verse 12-13, he said),
“*Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on (wear as your uniform), tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering, bearing with one another, and forgiving one another*”.

Just as we don't go to our wardrobe and say to our cloths, 'come on my body', so we will not just say, 'God give me humility and kindness'.

But we have to act, humility; kindness; forgiveness and tender mercies, purposefully as a sacrifice and service to God.

These services done from the heart will open our hearts and bodies for God to come in, dwell, walk among us, be our God and we His people.

THINK IT OUT

What other service do you think God wants from you, than for you to offer Him your heart as His dwelling place?

PRAYER:

**Dear Lord please help me through the Holy Spirit guidance to purposefully present my body as Your dwelling place.
Amen**

Know Your Bible: READ 1COR. 10, 11

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.

JOHN 20:23

FRIDAY MAY 10

THEY ARE FORGIVEN

'If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven'

This was Jesus commissioning speech to His disciples after His resurrection.

These disciples were well taught and trained on the topic of forgiveness – as such, they understood the importance of forgiveness.

So when Jesus arose from the death, He knowing they understood, gave them liberty to administer forgiveness. Though given this liberty the Apostles never mishandled the issue of forgiveness in their apostleship.

Let's look at some of the teachings Jesus taught them:

Luke 17:3-4 Jesus said,

“Take heed (be mindful) to yourselves. If your brother sins against you, rebuke him; and if he repents forgive him. And if he sins against you seven times in (one day), and seven times in (one day) returns to you, saying, 'I repent' you shall forgive him”

(Now where your brother does not return to say, 'I am sorry), Jesus also taught saying,

“And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him (let go right there, before you ask God to forgive your sins) that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses. But if

you do not forgive (let go), neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses.”

(Mark 11:25-26)

Every day, we ourselves struggles with our flesh and we need God's constant forgiveness, so as such we need to forgive others, since we also need the same thing from our heavenly Father. For it is written,

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy” (Matt. 5:7).

When we learn forgiving others, we will be given the authority over sin.

THINK IT OUT

Who do you need to forgive today? Do you also need forgiveness from God today? Do you know you need to give just as you want?

PRAYER:

Father LORD, I know I need to forgive those who have wronged me because I also need Your forgiveness. Right now I let go and forgive all in Jesus name. Amen

Know Your Bible: READ 1COR. 12

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





**And He Himself is the propitiation for
our sins and not for ours only but also
for the whole world.**

1JOHN 2:2

SATURDAY MAY 11

**THE PROPITIATION
FOR OUR SINS**

A propitiator is someone who stand in-between to pacify the anger of another or one who appease a quarrel and call for peace and calm.

Jesus Christ in His body took the sins of the whole world and became the sacrificial lamb to die in the place of sinful man, so as to appease the righteous laws of Almighty God.

Jesus said, “Do not think that I came to destroy the law or the prophets, I did not come to destroy but to fulfill” (Matt.5:17).

He fulfilled the laws of God, appeased the law and brought peace between man and God. He made us pleasing to God through His sacrifice.

Ephesians 5:2 says, “Christ loved us and gave Himself for us, as an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling aroma”. Because of this sacrifice, 2Corinthians 2:15 says, “We are to God the fragrance of Christ.” The fragrance of His sacrifice.

Today, whoever you are, if you are willing, you can come to God through Jesus. His blood is available to cleanse you and make you worthy to be God's son and daughter. He gave Himself as a ransom for all and it is His desire that all men should come to the knowledge of the truth (the sacrifice He did for them) and be saved (1Tim.2:4-6).

Jesus is your propitiator.

What are you waiting for? Jesus already paid the price for your sins. Invite Him into your life today receive the free gift of salvation, and enjoy your relationship with Almighty God.

THINK IT OUT

Do you know this is a personal information to you from God, so that you may receive His gift? Is this information helpful and useful to you? If you believe this, what actions will you take?

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus thank You for giving Yourself as the sacrificial lamb for my sins. I am sorry for all my sins, forgive me, cleanse

me and come into my life as my savior. I receive you today. Amen

Know Your Bible: READ 1COR. 13, 14

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



Rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God.

1PETER 3:4

SUNDAY MAY 12

PRECIOUS IN GOD'S SIGHT

The hidden person of the heart is our personality, our moral nature and our feelings.

It is from the heart that we have compassion, love, pity, kindness and mercy for others. It is also from there that hatred, jealousy, lies, unforgiveness and wickedness develops.

So the book of Proverbs 4:23 tells us “Keep your heart with all diligence (all effort), for out of it spring the issues of life.”

We are to pay attention to the thoughts of our heart, so that we don't allow wickedness to develop and corrupt our personality which is the hidden person.

Jesus said,

“A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good” (Lk. 6:45a)

The contents of our hearts are very important because God sees our innermost being. And He is more interested in the conditions of our heart because that is His home; His dwelling place.

So what is precious in His sight, is a gentle and quiet (peaceful and calm) spirit with an incorruptible heart.

So what is precious in His sight, is a gentle and quiet (peaceful and calm) spirit with an incorruptible heart.

This is the beauty that God sees and love to dwell in.

Though we cannot stop evil thought from creeping into our heart, but we can make it our duty to guard the thoughts of our hearts and make all effort not to allow evil thoughts thrive or take root, and corrupt us.

That way, when God looks at us, He will see beauty; and we will continue to be precious in His sight.

THINK IT OUT

Do you know God really wants your heart to focus on Him that is why He has chosen it to be His dwelling place? Will you make it beautiful for Him to dwell? And do you know that is relationship?

PRAYER:

Lord please help me to be attentive to the thought of my heart, and be diligent to keep it precious in Your sight. Amen

Know Your Bible: READ 1COR. 15, 16

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness – by whose stripes you were healed

1PETER 2:24

MONDAY MAY 13

LIVE FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS

Jesus bore our sins in His own body, He took every sin we have ever committed on His body and died for it on the cross for our sakes.

Therefore we became righteous before God. According to 1 Peter 2:9, we became, a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people to proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

We were in time past living in darkness, where we serve the flesh, doing all manner of lawless deed; conforming to the rules of the world and without the fear of God. But Jesus came, paid for the penalty of all the wrong choices and wrong living. Jesus gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

(Titus 2:14)

Now He calls us to live worthy of the sacrifice He made on our behalf.

Everyone that have this believe, lives righteously, obediently as children, not conforming to the former lusts, as in the days of ignorance, but in holy conducts, (because) He who called us is holy (1Pet. 1:14-15)

Since He uses His blood to purchase us out of the lawless life, let us live for Him; righteously, and be zealous always for good works as those who truly believe in His sacrifice.

THINK IT OUT

What can you offer for this wonderful gift of love that Jesus gave to you? Is there anything

that will be too much to give up for the one who loves you so much?

PRAYER:

Thank You dear Lord Jesus for purchasing us with Your blood and making us worthy to be called Your children. May we truly live as children of light to Your praise and honor. Amen

Know Your Bible: READ 2COR. 1, 2

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





Then Agrippa said to Festus,
“I also would like to hear the
man myself”, “Tomorrow”, he
said, “You shall hear him”.

ACTS 25:22

TUESDAY MAY 14

HEAR FOR YOURSELF

Reported speeches, most times contains some distortions or at times may not convey the original ideas or meanings.

It is not easy to give a detailed account or

relate exactly what we hear or see without missing out a little detail.

Words at its source may carry a different idea, opinion or meanings from the reported speech; that was why when king Festus was relating Paul's case, the accusations against him and his defense, King Agrippa did not quite understand the story from his narration, so he said,

“I also would like to hear the man myself”
(V.14-22)

He wanted to hear from the source, the accurate story so that he can form his own opinion.

Let's relate this with the gospel of Christ;

supposing what you are hearing from preachers or others about Jesus - who He is and His love for you, is not completely accurate?

Why take a reported version when you can simply request to hear for yourself from the source?

Beware of the reported speeches you are listening to, because Jesus said, “If the blind leads the blind, both will fall into a ditch.” (Matt. 15:14).

Do you really believe that God speaks to people?

If God spoke to those who believed in Him in the Bible, why is He not speaking to you who believe in Him today?

Have you said like King Agrippa,
“*I also would like to hear from God myself*”?

Well if you haven't, you can right now, say
“Lord I also would like to hear You for
myself, please speak to me.”

THINK IT OUT

Do you know God Himself wants to
communicates with you?

Would you not love to hear for yourself?

PRAYER:

**Lord please open my ears so that I can hear
from You, help me to know when You are
speaking to me and also help me to
understand.**

Know Your Bible: READ 2COR. 3, 4

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.

1CORINTHIANS 15:50

WEDNESDAY MAY 15

THE KINGDOM OF GOD

God our Father is a king, and His kingdom is a priceless treasure that Jesus said we should seek first. (Matt. 6:33).

The kingdom of God is one sure promise of Jesus that every believer is awaiting and hoping to inherit.

In one of His parables, Jesus likened the kingdom to a treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid and for joy over it, he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. (Matt. 13:44).

This treasure, God's kingdom is gotten by inheritance; being a property that descends to an heir. You can only be entitled to it by who you become.

It is not for all but only for those who are children. By virtue of being a child you are qualified to inherit your Father's Estate.

Apostle Paul said,

'flesh and blood cannot inherit it; nor does corruption inherit incorruption'

Why?

Because we who have become children and

are eligible to inherit the kingdom, shall all be changed in a twinkling of an eye' AND 'when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is'

(1Cor. 15:51; 1John 3:2).

Every believer who has this hope, is mindful at all times and in all things to keep himself unspotted or untangled with the affairs of this life; so that our sunset on this earth will be our sunrise in the kingdom of our Father.

Our relationship here on earth is the

foundation of that, we become God's children here on earth before we can hope for our inheritance as His children. For a believer, heaven is spelled H-O-M-E.

It is infinitely better than the most pleasant accommodation here; imagine a place where there will be no more sorrow, hunger, hatred, lies, sickness and pains. But righteousness, peace and joy for eternity!

THINK IT OUT

Have you thought about your final destination? Are you aware of the glory that await those who are children of God?

PRAYER:

Oh dear Father, fill us with the eternal

eyesight to know that the glories of heaven await, the trials of this life will fade and we will return home to rest. Amen.

Know Your Bible: READ 2COR. 5, 6

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



There is also an antitype which now saves us – baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

1PETER 3:21

THURSDAY MAY 16

BAPTISM - A GOOD CONSCIENCE

Apostle Peter before calling baptism an antitype said, Noah and his family were saved through water, symbolizing baptism.

Apostle Paul also wrote in

1Corinthians 10:1-2 saying,

“Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea”.

Now in the present, Apostle Peter said, 'Baptism also now saves us, not as the removal of the filth of the flesh – not as washing away our sins, because it is only through the blood of Jesus, that our sins are blotted out (Col.1:14) – but as, the answer of a good conscience toward God – accepting or conforming to what we consider to be correct.

As it is written,

“Do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?

Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as He was raised

from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.'

Also, 'For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ''

(Rom. 6:3-4; Gal. 3:27).

When we die and resurrect with Him in baptism, we accept that His death is true and that we are no longer the old man but as it is, newly born believers of what Christ accomplished for us on the cross.

By this conscience of newness in Christ, we live for Him.

Besides, Jesus said,

“Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is

born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God” (John 3:5).

THINK IT OUT

Do you believe in the death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ? So have you been baptized in the name of Jesus?

PRAYER:

Father thank You for the privilege to die with Christ, to resurrect with Him and to be anew as new-born in Christ through baptism.

Know Your Bible: READ 2COR. 7, 8

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





**But I determined this within
myself, that I would not come
again to you in sorrow.**

2CORINTHIANS 2:1

FRIDAY MAY 17

**NOT COMING AGAIN
IN SORROW**

Paul wrote to the Corinthian Church that he had determined not to come to them again in sorrow but in gladness of heart as a fellow worker for their joy, because they also for receiving and trusting the truth of the gospel, are his joy in the Lord.

Jesus also came once to this earth to bear the sorrow and pains of man's sin.

He came as the sacrificial Lamb of God to earth, to purge with His blood the sin that was committed by man.

He through His death appeased the rightful judgment of God and brought reconciliation and peace between God the Father and man.

He is coming again, only this time not in sorrow nor to bear pains but in joy to gather to Himself those who have accepted His free gift of salvation; those who have made Him, their Lord and personal Savior and are living in expectation of His appearance.

Hebrew 9:28 says,

“So Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him he will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation”.

Apostle Paul describing the events of that day said,

“For the Lord (Jesus) Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of

an arch-angel, and with the trumpet of God.

And the dead in Christ will rise first.

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord”.

His second coming will no longer be in sorrow, but in joy to receive you.

Oh what a glorious day that day will be!

THINK IT OUT

Are you actually waiting for Him? And how are you waiting?

PRAYER:

Thank You Jesus for Your promise to come back. Please give us a longing heart to watch and wait in anticipation for that great day of days.

Know Your Bible: READ 2COR. 9, 10, 11
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



As it is written:
“There is none righteous, no, not one.

ROMANS 3:10

SATURDAY MAY 18

THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS!

There is none righteous, no, not one; there is none who understands; there is none who seeks after God. They have all turned aside; they have together become unprofitable; there is none who does good, no, not one.

It is on this ground that the Scripture said, “But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us”. (Rom. 5:8).

We couldn't meet up God's righteousness, He

demonstrated that He loves us still and sent His Son to pay the price for our sins, so that righteousness now becomes a gift to whoever will believe in Jesus whom He sent (John 3:16).

Now when we read,
“There is none righteous, no, not one”;
this is to let us know that by our effort, it would have been impossible.

If we are to base our righteousness by works;
what quantity and what quality of works will be morally justifiable to qualify us for God's standard of righteousness?

Paul wrote,

“(But we) being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth as a propitiation (a stand in-between) by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness --- that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus” (Rom. 3:24-26)

We are only justified, when we believe in the righteous work Jesus did on the cross. And being justified, we are sealed with the Holy Spirit, as a guarantee (2Cor.1:22; Eph.1:13).

The Holy Spirit takes God's word and guides us in the way we should live; He helps us to grow in character; and enable us to relate with Jesus.

Therefore our righteousness now is found in the love and acts of God through Christ.

THINK IT OUT

Do you know you can receive righteousness as a gift from God, and the Holy Spirit will walk you through the rest?

PRAYER:

Thank You Father because now I have been justified freely and I am righteous through faith in the sacrifice of Christ. I have been reconciled to live and serve You in holiness.

Know Your Bible: READ 2COR. 12, 13

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





**Being greatly disturbed that they
taught the people and preached in
Jesus the resurrection from the dead**

ACTS 4:2

SUNDAY MAY 19

THE RESURRECTION

The Sadducees in Apostle Peter's days never

believed in resurrection – they were of the opinion that once a man dies, he is gone forever; that all hope, works, profit or loss ends here in this life.

They are not alone, many today also believe and behave that way – all about life is here and now, so they have no hope of the afterlife. But not so with those who believe in the Lord Jesus. We believe that Jesus rose from the dead the third day for our justification (Rom. 4:25).

He is the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep (1Cor. 15:20)

He rose with an incorruptible body, never to die again.

Likewise, all who put their trust in Him will be given life even after dead to live an incorruptible life (Rom.8:11; 1Cor.15:23).

To the believer, the resurrection day will be a price giving day, a day of rewards –

Jesus said,

“Those who have done good, will come forth to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil will come forth to the resurrection of condemnation” (John 5:29).

If you are discouraged or if you are questioning whether this Christian life is worth doing?

Jesus Himself said,

“Blessed are you who hunger now, for you

shall be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh” (Luke 6:21).

Also, “You shall be repaid at the resurrection” (Luke 14:14).

Since this day will surely come, let us be encouraged and press on towards the rewards and joy of that glorious day.

THINK IT OUT

Do you have any expectation after this life? Will that day be to you a glorious day or a day of regrets?

PRAYER:

Thank You Father for the day of resurrection. Give me the courage to face

**life's challenges with the hope of the day
of resurrection.**

Know Your Bible: READ GALATIANS 1, 2
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



**For the administration of this service
not only supplies the needs of the saints,
but also is abounding through many
thanksgivings to God.**

2CORINTHIANS 9:12

MONDAY MAY 20

LET US ABOUND WITH THANKS

Everyone who put their trust in Christ Jesus, should abound with thanks.

We have so much to thank God for.

Our thanksgiving should not only be in times of plenty or when things are working according to plans, or our expectations.

Ephesians 5:20 says, we should give thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

While Philippians 4:6-7 says,

“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus”.

But most importantly let us give thanks to God for: sending His Son Jesus Christ to die for all our sins; reconciling us to Himself and making us meet to be partaker of the inheritance of the saints in light (Col.1:12).

We are too blessed to complain. The things

God has done for us through Christ are priceless; money and connections, cannot buy this.

Apostle Peter wrote,

“As His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue” (2Peter 1:3).

Even in the worst of times; when the whole world is lamenting and hopeless; we still have much to be thankful for – The giving of His Son; the giving of His Holy Spirit to live in us; His promise of eternal rest from the trouble of this world and the hope of due

rewards for all the trouble we have endured;
is more than enough that we do not need
more to be thankful for, we just need to be
more thankful.

THINK IT OUT

Does God's love and mercies fills your heart
with thanksgiving? Or do you feel there is
more God should do for you to make abound
with thanks?

PRAYER:

**Thank You dear Father for all the benefit
and for all Your goodness upon us. Forgive
us for complaining and help us to abound
with thanks for Your love. Amen.**

Know Your Bible: READ GALATIANS 3, 4
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.

JUDE 1:3

TUESDAY MAY 21

CONTEND FOR THE FAITH

The word, 'Contend' simply means to: 'Advocate'; 'Champion'; 'Uphold'; and 'Defend', seriously and sincerely the faith which was once delivered to us.

We have received and believed the message of our salvation – And this is the message of our salvation - Jesus Christ the only begotten of the Father, sent by the Father to blot out the sins of man through His shed blood; to redeem man from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of light and reconcile the broken relationship between God and man.

Making us children of God, so that we can live and walk as children of light in the kingdom of our God

(Col.1:14; Acts 26:18; Col. 1:13).

Everyone who believe this, is save.

This is our common salvation and this is the faith that was delivered to us.

So Apostle Jude said,

'Contend for this faith'.

How can we contend for this faith?

First, by being an advocate for the faith – working to support or promote the cause of this faith.

Second, by defending and upholding this faith; and the best way to uphold this faith is to live it.

We do not need to defend the faith by way of argument, but we can be living examples of our faith. (1Pet.2:12).

Our lives are a living sermon whether or not we preach. (2Cor. 3:2-3).

When we live a Spirit-guided life, God will show the reality of His presence to others through us;

that is why Jesus said,

'Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven (Matt. 5:16).

THINK IT OUT

What ways are you contending for what you believe in Christ? Do you really think it is worth contending for?

PRAYER:

Show me the way, Lord, help me to shine and be an example of what I believe.

Know Your Bible: READ GALATIANS 5, 6
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





Having many things to write to you, I did not wish to do so with paper and ink; but I hope to come to you and speak face to face, that our joy may be full.

2JOHN 12

WEDNESDAY MAY 22

OUR JOY!

Being together with fellow believers brings joy. Jesus said,

'Where two or three are gathered in My name, I will be in their midst' (Matt. 18:20).

This is what makes our unity joyful. In the Scriptures, Jesus said to those who said to Him,

'Your mother and brethren are outside looking for You' He answered, 'My mother and My brethren are these which hear the word of God, and do it' (Luke 8:19-21)

Believing in Christ, we have been conveyed into a new kingdom, with Almighty God as our Father, and that makes us one.

Now the Spirit of Christ our Savior dwells in us, to teach and lead us as we grow on to maturity.

Philippians 3:3 says,

'For we are the circumcision (in the heart) who worship God in the Spirit, rejoice in

Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh (worldliness)”.

Our joy is not based on earthly possessions, worldly comfort, or worldly achievement (Though our Father has given us all things). But our rejoicing is in what Jesus did; in who we are; and the glory we will receive when He shall return.

This inspires Apostle Paul to write,
“Through (Jesus) we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God”

He went further to say,
'And not only that, but we also glory in tribulation, knowing that tribulation produces,

perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us” (Rom.5:2-5).

But all these will not be true if the people we are fellowshiping together do not share nor have this same believe.

THINK IT OUT

Do you have this joy? And are you in the right congregation?

PRAYER:

Lord thank You for the joy of salvation. There is no joy better than this, I am grateful

Know Your Bible: READ EPHESIANS 1, 2
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



And his affections are greater for you as he remembers the obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling you received him.

2CORINTHIANS 7:15

THURSDAY MAY 23

OBEDIENCE

Obedience to God, is when we receive the gospel of our salvation, believed it and live by it.

Being obedient to the word of God brings God blessings and it is counted for righteousness.

It is written,

“Just as Abraham 'believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness, ----So then those who are of faith are blessed with believing Abraham” (Gal.3:6,9).

Also, Apostle Paul wrote,

“Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading

to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?” (Rom.6:16).

It is important that we don't just hear the gospels, believe it, but not do what it teaches. Apostle James said those who hear, believe but not do are deceiving themselves.

He added,

“For if anyone is a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does”

(James 1:23-25).

Obedience is doing; Doing is obedience.

When we do what we believe, that is where the blessings flows.

The people Paul was writing to in Corinth, shows their beliefs in their acts of obedience.

Jesus said,

“He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him”

(John 14:21).

This is a promise that is sure to be fulfilled.

THINK IT OUT

Do you love Jesus? Do you keep His word?

PRAYER:

Lord help me to obey your word, give me the grace to be submissive to the leading of the Holy Spirit as He guides me to obey every of Your commandment.

Know Your Bible: READ EPHESIANS 3, 4
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





**Who once were not a people but are now
the people of God, who had not obtained
mercy but now have obtained mercy.**

1PETER 2:10

FRIDAY MAY 24

THE PEOPLE OF GOD

In time past, it was only one nation that
was known and called,
'The people of the living God'.

The Israelites were chosen by God and they were precious in His eyes; they were the apple of His eyes.

No one touches them and go free.

(Duet.7:6, 32:10; Zechariah 2:8).

All other nations were serving gods of stones and woods; man-made gods, they were not counted as God's beloved.

But in this dispensation, God threw the door open and invites all men of every nation, tribe and tongue, through His Son Jesus Christ.

It is important to know that, there is no other name; no other mediator; no other sacrifice; will give this green card – but only faith in Jesus, His Son. (Acts 10:35).

John 3:16 says,

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life”.

Then John 1:10 & 12 declares,

“He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.’ But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name”.

Right now it is no longer one nation that is called the people of the living God, but whoever believe the story of redemption.

He or she is now called,

‘The children of light, the apple of God's eyes and the beloved of God’. (1Pet.2:9, Rom.1:7).

THINK IT OUT


Where do you belong? Are you a citizen of God's chosen people?

PRAYER:

Dear heavenly Father, I want to be Your child. Thank You for the sacrifice of Jesus. I am sorry for my sins please forgive me. I receive Jesus into my life right now as my Lord and Savior. And through Christ I am now a child of God. Amen

Know Your Bible: READ EPHESIANS 5, 6
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





For this is the will of God, that by doing good you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men.

1PETER 2:15

SATURDAY MAY 25

DOING GOOD

We are often looking for God's will, we wonder, what is God's will for my life?

Apostle Peter says,

'It is the will of God that you do good things'.

We have read Jesus' teachings:

Whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also; whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two; give to him who asks you, and who wants to borrow from you; love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you. (Matt.5:39-44);

and We, wonder,

‘what will happen to me if I do all these’?

Or are these easy at all? Will I survive if I start praying a prayer of blessings for my

enemies or give to everyone who asks me?

As scary as they may seem, we can't know for sure, unless we try.

Psalms 34 says,

“Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who trusts in Him! Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints! There is no want to those who fear Him. The young (energetic) lions lack and suffer hunger; But those who seek the LORD shall not lack any good thing” (V.8-10).

Does God want me to be drained, for asking

me to give to everyone who ask and to go a second mile?

The psalmist said,

'There is no want to those who fear Him'.

Then the answer is,

'Whenever I am drained and empty, I will be fill.

More so, the good works we do, are deposit to our heavenly store house, where moth and rust does not destroy. (Matt. 6:20).

And which of course we will need, as a wedding garment, to wear on our marriage

feast with Christ; as recorded in
Revelations 19:7-8.

THINK IT OUT

So will you do His wills?

PRAYER:

**Dear Lord help me to know that when I
obey Your words, it shows I trust You.
May I hear and do Your commandments.
Amen**

Know Your Bible: READ PHILIPPIANS 1, 2
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





Having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.

1PETER 2:12

SUNDAY MAY 26

THE DAY OF VISITATION

Our God is faithful and true. He is all-knowing, all-powerful and all-able.

Hebrews 4:13 says,

“And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account”.

Then Chapter 6:10 says,

“For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have ministered to the saints, and do minister”.

Therefore, Apostle Peter wrote,

Have your conducts honorable among the Gentiles (Gentiles here means those who do not believe God – and this can be any body), that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they

observe, glorify God in the day of visitation”.

'There is a day of visitation'.

Because God is faithful not to forget your good works, those who have observed your honorable conduct will glorify God in the day He visits you.

Because of this Apostle Paul in

Galatians 6:9 says,

“And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not”.

Are you walking honorably?

Are you doing good works?

Keep at it, don't give up and don't be weary,

for you serve a master that nothing is hidden from His sight; who do not forget; and who is faithful to His promise.

He will visit you – this is His abiding presence manifesting in your life – this is what neighbors will see and praise God for your sake.

THINK IT OUT

Do you know His presence in your life can never be hidden?

As you serve, are you hopeful of this day?

PRAYER:

Thank You Father, for Your faithfulness.

Thank You for there is a day of visitation.

Give me the grace to keep doing good.

Amen

Know Your Bible: READ PHILIPPIANS 3, 4

Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading



**And to the angel of the Church in
Pergamos write: 'These things says
He who has the two-edged sword.**

REVELATION 2:12

MONDAY MAY 27

THE TWO-EDGED SWORD

This message describing Christ as
'He who has the two-edged sword';

was sent to a compromising Church, the
Church in Pergamos; A Church that adjust the
truth to accommodate lies.

Paul writing to the Corinthians said,

*“But I fear, lest somehow --- your mind may
be corrupted from the simplicity that is in
Christ. For if he who comes preaches another*

Jesus – or you receive a different spirit --- or a different gospel ---- you may well put up with it!” (2Cor. 11:3-4).

The idea of receiving a different 'GOSPEL'; a different 'SPIRIT; and a different 'JESUS' is commonplace in our today's religion called, “Christianity”.

This umbrella name 'Christianity' is now only a religious organization that claims to worship God;
everyone gets to bring their own ideology and doctrines as long as Jesus, is
mentioned somewhere along the line;

Some do not even need to mention Jesus – if they are not Muslims, or pagans, they are Christians.

Compromising or blending the truth with lies or even putting up with what we truthfully know is wrong is risky because the evil will corrupt the good. (1Cor.15:33).

We might also be tempted to take the simplicity of the gospel of Christ or the long sufferings of the Lord and manipulate, for our own profit.

Ecclesiastes 8:11 says,

'Because the sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil'.

While 2Peter 3:9 says,

'The Lord is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance'.

The only way to know if we are right is to be willing to discover where we are wrong.

The truth is readily available; read your Bible.

THINK IT OUT

In your religious rituals, do you know if you are right? And do you know where you are wrong?

PRAYER:

Lord please give me a humble heart to listen. Help me to seek for the truth, so that I will believe only the truth for my salvation.

Know Your Bible: READ COLOSSIANS 1
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





By Silvanus, our faithful brother as I consider him, I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God in which you stand.

1PETER 5:12

TUESDAY MAY 28

THE TRUE GRACE OF GOD

Apostle Peter needed to assure those he was writing to;

we can see in Chapter one that he was writing to some converts in different locations when he said,

“To the pilgrims of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia”
(1Pet 1:1).

This could have been as a result of them enquiring and seeking to know if what is told them, is the truth, or if they are really doing the right thing – They have just receive the gospel of Jesus Christ, that,

‘He is the messiah that God sent to save mankind’;

so it is obvious that they needed assurance.

Therefore he wrote to them saying,

'I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God in which you stand'

Today, many just receive the gospel, and swallow whatever is given them without enquiring to know if what they receive is true.

We are more at advantage than they were in the early days of the gospel, because today we have the Bible, that carries - the story of who Jesus is; why He came; what He did; and what He taught; written for us to cross check.

But unfortunately, it is in this generation that more people have chosen to be ignorant of the, 'true grace of God', that was sent to man.

The true grace of God, is God's intervention into the plight and spiritual condition of man, by sending His only begotten Son Jesus, to stand in the place of man and bear the punishment of sin, so that man who could not be righteous by their own effort, will attained righteousness and be reconcile to God, by believing and putting their trust in the finished work of the cross of Christ.

Believing this truth is eternal life.

Jesus said,

“And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent”

THINK IT OUT

Is this what you believe? Are you sure you are standing in the true grace of God?

PRAYER:

Father Lord thank You for Your Grace. Help me to stand in this true grace only, and not be entangled in the ideas of men. I choose to know, believe and stand by the truth that is in Christ.

Know Your Bible: READ COLOSSIANS 2, 3, 4
Write Down Point For Today's Bible Reading





Their throat is an open tomb; with their tongues they have practiced deceit, the poison of asps is under their lips.

ROMANS 3:13

WEDNESDAY MAY 29

DECEIT

We cannot just read this and ignore, and make it look as if it is none existence.

Deceit is a way of misleading others and causing them to accept as true or valid what is

false or invalid.

It is therefore a serious issue that we need to be mindful of.

Believers of Jesus Christ have been forewarned of this deceit;

Jesus said,

“For false christs and false prophets will rise and show signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elects” (Mark 13:22).

While Paul in 2Thessalonians 2:9-10 said, *'The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because*

they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved'.

Also Apostle Peter wrote in details about their working, saying,

“For when they speak great swelling words of emptiness, they allure (entice and charm) through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness (sexual unchastity), the ones who have actually escaped from those who live in error. While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage. For if, after they have escaped the pollution of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and

overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning. For it would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness”. (2Pet.2:18-21).

The Scripture did not make it a trivial matter, so we should not.

Beloved in Christ, if all we want from Jesus is signs and wonders, and not relationship, then we make ourselves available and open to the deceits of the servants and messengers of Satan. Be warn.

Jesus said,

'But take heed; see, I have told you all things beforehand'. (Mark 13:23)

THINK IT OUT

So do you make this a serious matter or it does not matter to you?


PRAYER:

Lord help me to hold fast to the truth and not be carried away by lies. Help me to seek to know You more and have a relationship with You as my Lord and Savior. Amen

Know Your Bible: READ 1THESS. 1, 2, 3

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Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshipper of God and does His will, He hears him.

JOHN 9:31

THURSDAY MAY 30

GOD DOES NOT HEAR SINNERS

Jesus came so that He will take away the sin of man and reconcile man to God.

He took the sins upon Himself and died on the cross for it.

When all was accomplished,

He said on the cross,

'It is finished'.

Salvation is free and available for everyone who will say 'yes'.

John 3:16-18 says,

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already”.

Then John 1:12 says,

'But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God'.

God does not hear sinners, those who have rejected His free gift of salvation, the scriptures says, they are condemned already.

Meaning they have no right at all to ask, though they may ask but He does not listen to them.

The Psalmist said,

“The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD, but the prayer of the upright is His delight”,

'The LORD is far from the wicked, but He hears the prayer of the righteous'

Again,

'One who turns away his ear from hearing the law (of God) even his prayer is an abomination'" (Ps.15:8, 29; 28:9).

But there is one prayer that God will not refuse, and that prayer is,

'I am sorry for my sins'.

God the Father will not refuse this prayer because, it has already been settled.

Jesus already paid for the sin.

So why let sin separate you from God?

When you can simply say,
'I am sorry' and 'I accept Jesus gift of
salvation”.

Then become a child and enjoy your
relationship with your Father.

THINK IT OUT

Are you a child? And are you sure God hears
you when you call?

PRAYER:

**Thank You Jesus for the gift of salvation.
Thank You that as a child my Father hears
me always.**

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Because you say, 'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing' – and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked.

REVELATION 3:17

FRIDAY MAY 31

**I HAVE NEED
OF NOTHING**

Many today are just contented with being a moderate Christian: Go to church on Sundays, pay tithes, give reasonable offerings;

Weekdays live a normal societal life –

After-all I have need of nothing.

Christianity might be a religion amongst other religions of the world, but the finished work of the cross of Christ is not about religion.

Jesus did not come as another religious leader to lead a faction of religion called, 'Christianity'.

Jesus came as the Lamb of God which takes away the sin of the world! (John 1:29);

He came as the only Mediator between God the creator and man His creation (1Tim. 2:5);

He came to pay man's debt with His blood, and reconcile man back to God, so that man can serve God the creator in an acceptable way – which is through Jesus only.

(Eph.2:16, John 14:6, 1Pet. 2:20).

As it is written,

'(This Jesus) *is the image of the invisible God, the first-born over all creation*' (Col.1:15).

While 2Corinthians 5:19 says,

“(This shows), *that God was in Christ*

reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them”.

This is not a case of religion or a leader and his followers. This is a case of God who created man, stretching out His hands of mercy and saying to man, 'Come and walk with Me'.

Those who reject the offer, the Scriptures said, '*They are condemned already*' (John 3:18).

Then those who have said 'Yes' yet decides to walk in their own ways,

He said,

'Because you are neither here nor there; hot

nor cold; I will vomit you out of My mouth'

(Rev. 3:16);

'Therefore be zealous and repent' (V.19).

In other words,

'Take this offer and the relationship personal'.

THINK IT OUT

Are you contented with your religion routines and have no need of the relationship Jesus came to offer?

PRAYER:

Lord please help me not to count on the worldly achievements as ultimate but to take the relationship which You have called me into serious.

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