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Introduction

urray! Your favourite daily devotional, Rhapsody of Realities, is now available in 189 languages, and still counting. We trust that the 2013 edition of the devotional has enhanced your spiritual growth and development and positioned you for extraordinary success in all your endeavours.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

We Need To Do More

PASTOR CHRIS

Send us around the world with the news of your saving power and your eternal plan for all mankind (Psalm 67:2 TLB).

ur world today is far more complex than many expected it to turn out. Many are perplexed by the extent of evil and wickedness, as the world seems to be plunging deeper and deeper into abyssal depths of darkness. As Christians, however, it's important for us to realize that the events in the world today are actually the fulfilment of scripture. Isaiah 60:2 tells us, "For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee."

The more darkness there is in the world, the greater our opportunity to shine as lights in the midst of a perverse generation (Philippians 2:15). Now more than ever, we must realize our position as the light of the world, and take the light of the Gospel to men and women around the world. It's said that over eighty percent of all of Asia are yet to hear about Jesus Christ. In Malaysia, only eight percent are said to be Christians. Think about the growing level of heathenism in today's Europe.

Whilst these statistics may portray a gloomy picture, it also lets us know how much more impact

we need to make with the Gospel. We can't afford to be weak, lukewarm, or quiet. We must keep preaching the Gospel with greater fervency and passion, as the urgency of the moment demands. We're the custodians of this Gospel; it's our responsibility to preach it with the knowledge and power of the Spirit—as witnesses to all nations (Matthew 24:14).

Commit yourself to spreading the Gospel as though it rested on you alone to tell it to the whole world. Spend more time interceding for lost souls, and pray for ministers of the Gospel around the world, to achieve greater results in their evangelical efforts. Remember, the Gospel is God's only saving power that unveils His eternal plan for mankind; it's worth all your commitment.

<u>Prayer</u>

I pray today for a harvest of souls in all Asia, Africa, Oceania, Europe, and the Americas, as Christians in these regions carry out evangelical work. I come against the prince of the power of the air, and I break his hold over these regions, and pray for increased activities of angels, to guide many into salvation, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Matthew 24:14; Mark 16:15-16

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Ephesians 6:10-24	John 2:12-25
Isaiah 9-10	1 Kings 6

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2ND



Use The Name

PASTOR CHRIS

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Philippians 2:9-11).

The Name of Jesus is the Name above all names; in that Name is vested all authority in heaven, in earth and the regions of the damned. In that Name, you can alter unfavourable economic situations to your advantage, and effect positive changes in your nation of residence.

God has highly exalted and given Jesus a Name, which is above every name; such that by the instrumentality of His Name, you can change anything, and achieve anything! The Name has efficacy by the very mention of it.

When you make decrees in His Name, about your physical body, finances, family, the economic situation, etc., the Name of Jesus seals it. If a Christian were diagnosed with cancer for example, he doesn't need to see it as a death sentence. He can use the Name of Jesus to destroy the cancer. What he needs is to place his hand where the tumour or growth is and say, "in the Name of Jesus, cancer, I command you to die and

pass out of my body."

Use the Name of Jesus fearlessly and without doubt. Remember, demons, principalities and powers of darkness cannot resist the authority of that Name. When fear attacks you, use the Name; say, "In the Name of Jesus, I rebuke fear; I refuse to fear!"

No matter the challenges you're faced with, don't panic or cry; say, "I command a change in the Name of Jesus," and it shall be so. O, the power of His Name and the victory and dominion we have in Him! If you're in any predicament today, use the Name of Jesus as an instrument. Declare that in His Name, you have the wisdom to do excellently in every situation. Live victoriously every day—in His Name.

Confession

I live by the dominion of Christ, and power of the Spirit today, and declare that I'm prospering in all my endeavours because I live in the Name of Jesus: the Name above every name. I live triumphantly in all circumstances of life. Blessed be God!

FURTHER STUDY:

Philippians 2:9-11; Acts 3:16

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Philippians 1:1-30	John 3:1-8
Isaiah 11-12	1 Kings 7

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3RD



Walking With The Spirit

PASTOR CHRIS

And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him (Genesis 5:24).

ebrews 11:5 further enlightens us on how Enoch walked with God; it was by faith: "By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God." Hebrews 11:6 states that without faith, it's impossible to please God. Religious Christianity teaches that you have to struggle to please God, and to walk with Him. However, the reality is that you don't have to struggle to please God, because the Holy Spirit helps you live the faith life that pleases Him.

When people struggle and still don't seem to make meaningful progress in life you can tell they don't have much fellowship with the Holy Spirit. Real fellowship with the Holy Spirit makes a difference. He'll make you wise. He'll produce extraordinary results through you; you'll have an excellently fulfilled life. I'm absolutely fulfilled in Him. My life has only been in one direction—upwards and forward—for one simple reason: walking with the Holy Spirit.

We read that Enoch walked with God, and he was translated that he should not see death. Death isn't just the cessation of biological life; it represents poverty,

defeat, sickness, failure or destruction that work in men's lives: the death that works in their minds, visions and dreams! All of that will have no power over you because you've been translated above "death"—in your job, finances, education, family and ministry.

When Christ came into your life, you were translated from the dominion of darkness into the Kingdom of God's dear Son (Colosians 1:13); that's where you are now! Walk with the Spirit and enjoy your glorious life in Him.

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear Father, I thank you for the glorious life in Christ, and my inextricable union with you. I revel even now, in the beauty and glory of your divine embrace, conscious of your eternal love for me! Thank you for transporting me to higher levels of glory, as I fellowship with the Holy Spirit, who enlightens me in the way that I should go, and fills my life with pleasantness, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

1 John 1:3; 1 Corinthians 1:9

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Philippians 2:1-18	John 3:9-21
Isaiah 13-14	1 Kings 8

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4TH



You're Blessed!

PASTOR ANITA

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ (Ephesians 1:3).

Abraham, the Bible says, was blessed in all things, and so are you, because Galatians 3:29 says, "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." You didn't have to struggle for the blessing; it was bequeathed to you as an inheritance; you're an heir of God, and a joint heir with Christ (Romans 8:17).

Someone might ask, "If truly I'm so blessed, how come I don't have a car, or a house or enough money to live by?" Understand this: the car, house, money, etc. aren't the blessing but the results of the blessing. The blessing of God upon your life is an unseen power or force that causes good things to happen with you, to you and through you.

Not only are you blessed, God has also made you a blessing. In Genesis 12:2 He said, "And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing." We read in Galatians 3:29 that "...If ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." Being born again, you're in Christ; therefore, all the blessings God endowed to Abraham are now

your present-hour possessions. You've become the symbol of God's blessings wherever you are!

2 Peter 1:3 says, "According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue." What you need is to know what God has made available to you in Christ through the Word and walk in this light.

Prayer

Dear heavenly Father, I thank you for the manifestations of your goodness and kindness to me! Thank you for the Holy Spirit, who lives in me: the greatest blessing of all! I walk in righteousness, victory, health and dominion today, conscious that I'm blessed to be a blessing, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

1 Corinthians 3:21: Galatians 3:8-9

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Philippians 2:19-3:1-11	John 3:22-36
Isaiah 15-18	1 Kings 9

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH



It's Up To You

PASTOR CHRIS

Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them (Mark 11:24).

In the statement above from the Lord Jesus, the time of prayer is when you should believe and receive. This is the prayer of faith. If you desire a change or a miracle in any area of your life, that change or miracle depends largely on you. Jesus said, believe that you receive, and you shall have. It's really up to you.

Some people believe God chooses when to help or bless as He wills, but that's not true. He's already done all that's necessary for you to live an excellent life; He's already given you all things that pertain to life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3). What you're to do now is use the Word to build your life, and shape your future.

What you do with the Word is up to you. The Master unveiled a secret of change by the Word when He shared the parable of the sower in Matthew 13:1-8. When the disciples asked Him why He spoke to the people in parables, the Word declares, "...this people's heart is waxed gross...lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them" (Matthew 13:15).

I want you to note the words "any time"; meaning that whenever you "see" the Word with the eyes of your spirit, "hear" and "understand" it with your heart, you or your situation will be converted. In other words, there'll be a change. How does this change occur?

Psalm 19:7 says, "The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul...." God's Word is a converter; it's a transforming agent! If you'd meditate on the Word, nothing can stop the change you desire from taking place! The Word will make a poor man prosperous, produce healing and health for the sick, and stir joy in the heart of the downcast. Stick to the Word, and it'll transform you from glory to glory.

Confession

I'm increasing in the knowledge of God's Word, in all wisdom and spiritual understanding! I'm being transformed from glory to glory, and positioned for the extraordinary life of dominion, victory, purpose, power and abundance, through the Word, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Hebrews 4:12; James 1:22-25; 1 Timothy 4:15-16

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Philippians 3:12-4:1-3	John 4:1-9
Isaiah 19-22	1 Kings 10-11





No Option To The Gospel

PASTOR CHRIS

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek (Romans 1:16).

Lestimony of the Gospel as Paul in the scripture above. You must be convinced that the Gospel is God's only saving power, and be committed to its spread around the world. Let's not act as though there's an alternative for salvation, for there are no options: "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). Jesus is the only way: "Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: And by him (Jesus) all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses" (Acts 13:38-39).

Jesus Himself said in John 14:6 (WEB), "...I am the way, the truth and the life. No man comes to the Father except through me." No wonder Paul said in 1 Corinthians 9:16, "For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me if I preach not the gospel." This is the attitude we must have towards the preaching

of the Gospel.

Only through the Gospel is the righteousness of God revealed. "For therein (the Gospel) is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, the just shall live by faith" (Romans 1:17). No one can live a righteous life until he or she accepts the gospel of Christ. This is so because, only through Jesus Christ are men justified by faith, and thus have peace with God. So don't be quiet. Preach the Word everywhere.

The message of salvation has been entrusted to you (1 Timothy 1:11); you hold the key to the salvation of many around the world, so preach it with conviction, passion, and boldness.

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear Father, I thank you for your grace that's manifested to save, heal, deliver, uplift and prosper all those who'll embrace the glorious salvation that's in Christ Jesus today, as the Gospel is ministered around the world. Thank you for the guidance and leading of the Spirit for us all, preaching the Word around the world today, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

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Romans 10:8-15

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Philippians 4:4-23	John 4:10-18
Isaiah 23-24	1 Kings 12



MONDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

The Infallible Manual For Success

PASTOR CHRIS

And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified (Acts 20:32).

oshua 1:8 unveils God's tested and guaranteed recipe for unending success: "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."

There're several books and teachings on success, that may be helpful on a temporary and earthly basis, but devoid of spiritual insight. No wonder, those who feed on them fail sooner or later for their principles were based on human wisdom. Only God's Word can make you a true success.

You need the Holy Spirit, the Author of life Himself, to take you through His Word, and help you be successful in life. Psalm 39:5, says "...verily, every man at his best state is altogether vanity." Human wisdom or expertise is not enough to put you over in life. Embrace the wisdom of God. Proverbs 4:7 says, "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom..."; and wisdom is the Word of God.

The world's economies are in shambles today in spite of the great work of the best economists and financial teachers of the world. All the economic theories and postulations are crumbling, but God's Word gives us hope and wisdom. God has given us His Word to teach us how to live a joyous, successful, vibrant, and prosperous life.

Everything you'd ever need for a successful life is wrapped up in the Word; continually feed the Word into your spirit! It's the infallible manual for a successful, victorious and prosperous life.

Prayer

Dear Father, I thank you for your Word that's building me up, and by which I live every day in victory, and prosperity. As I meditate on your Word today, my success and progress are manifested in all things, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Matthew 7:24-27; 1 Timothy 4:15

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Colossians 1:1-23	John 4:19-29
Isaiah 25-26	1 Kings 13

WHY YOU MUST GO TO CHURCH

PART 1

Some believers don't think it is necessary for them to belong to a particular local assembly — church. While some attend a different church every week without commitment to any, some don't attend at all. As Christians, it's important for you to identify with a local assembly, a church you can call your HOME and participate fully in the activities. Otherwise, you'll deprive yourself of a lot of God's blessings and you'll be walking out of line with His Word. Here are some of the reasons you must go to church:

1. God Said So

The Scripture is unambiguous in letting us know that God desires His children to attend church meetings. In Hebrews 10:25, the admonition is clear not to forsake the assembly (meetings) of the brethren, and even goes on to indicate that some were erroneously doing so.

2. Jesus Did, Showing Us A Pattern To Follow

The scriptures show that the Lord Jesus had a culture of going to "church." It was part of His personal discipline and devotion—His custom: "And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read" (Luke 4:16). The Master took going to "church" as an important activity, and having been called into fellowship with Him we should follow His example and live as He did.



WIKISOZO: A VOICE FOR THE NEW CREATION ON THE INTERNET

A First Of Its Kind

The Wikisozo phenomenon is a first of its kind. Until it's inauguration in 2011, no other online platform ever gave believers the opportunity to freely and boldly share their stories of salvation with the world.

Presently, the unique website features over 22,000 uplifting stories from over 60 different countries of the world including Russia, India, United Arab Emirates, and Saudi Arabia.



The Power Of A Shared Experience

The testimonies from Wikisozo demonstrate the power of a shared experience. While many have for the first time enjoyed the thrill of sharing their salvation stories with so many at once, some others have had a marvelous turn around in

their lives as they read the stories detailing the testimonies of others. So far, over 3,000 people from 76 countries have also given their hearts to Christ on the Wikisozo website.

Following the stories on Wikisozo is truly a worthwhile experience. You're almost able to "feel" the passion between the written lines as you read through the testimonies. It's indeed a wonderful experience reliving the moments with the testifiers from each story.



So, have you shared your own salvation story on Wikisozo yet? If not, go to www.wikisozo.com to publish that wonderful testimony and bless many lives with the details of your own unique salvation experience. The world is waiting to hear your story!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH



Fellowship With Wisdom

PASTOR ANITA

Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding. Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her (Proverbs 4:7-8).

The Word of God is the wisdom of God. The way to fellowship with wisdom is to fellowship with the Word. When the Scripture says to get wisdom, you're actually being directed to the Word. Wisdom is the principal thing; it's what you need to be successful in life. Now you can better appreciate why, of all things in life that Solomon could have asked for, when God visited him, he asked for wisdom (2 Chronicles 1:10-12). He knew that with wisdom, he had it made.

Proverbs 4:8-10 (MSG) beautifully describes some of the awesome benefits of fellowshipping with wisdom; it says, "Throw your arms around her—believe me, you won't regret it; never let her go—she'll make your life glorious. She'll garland your life with grace, and festoon your days with beauty...it will add years to your life." The wisdom of God will promote you, bring you to honour, and give you the distinguishing edge in life. This was what happened with Solomon after he asked God for wisdom. God, along with wisdom, gave him riches, wealth, and honour beyond any king that ever lived on the face of the earth (2 Chronicles

1:12).

Your success isn't in any government, country of residence or profession. Your success in life is determined by how much of God's Word you know and put to work. Acting on the Word is functioning in divine wisdom. That wisdom directs you profitably in all things, and grants you insight into reality. The Bible says, Christ has been made unto us wisdom from God (1 Corinthians 1:30); all you have to do is fellowship with wisdom.

Confession

The wisdom of God is at work in me today! It's heard in my voice and seen in my actions! It propels me to function with divine insight into God's plan and destiny for me, whilst dealing excellently in all my affairs, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Proverbs 4:5-9

1YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Colossians 1:24-2:1-5	John 4:30-42
Isaiah 27-28	1 Kings 14

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH



The Holy Spirit: Our Secret Of Success

PASTOR CHRIS

And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter, (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, and Stand-by), that He may remain with you forever (John 14:16 AMP).

The tremendous miracles, signs and wonders recorded in our Ministry, and the extraordinary impact we make around the world with the Gospel are in no ways by human efforts. They're the works of the Spirit of God. For example, our Rhapsody of Realities devotional blesses lives daily in a hundred and eightynine languages, and in two hundred and twenty-three countries and territories around the world! This could only be by the Holy Spirit.

In John 14:16, Jesus said, "...I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever." Notice that He said "another Comforter"; that's because He was the Comforter. However, knowing He'd ascend to heaven after His death, burial, and resurrection, He said to the disciples "I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you" (John 14:18). The Greek word for "comfortless" is "orphanos," from where the English word "orphan" is derived. The Amplified version rightly renders it: "I will not leave you as orphans [comfortless, desolate, bereaved, forlorn, helpless]; I will come [back] to you."

You're not helpless. The Holy Spirit will make you successful in all things if you'd yield to Him and trust Him with your life. He'll make you an effective witness

of the Gospel. The Master instructed the disciples to wait in Jerusalem until they were filled with the Holy Spirit (Luke 24:49), because He knew they needed the divine enablement to accomplish the task of making disciples of the nations (Matthew 28:19). Hence, after they received the Holy Spirit, they became effective witnesses and preached the Gospel with miracles, signs, and wonders.

In Acts 19, we read how the Apostle Paul affected the city of Ephesus with the gospel; as a result, the Word of God grew mightily and prevailed in a region that was hitherto dominated by idolatry (read Acts 19:11-20).

You become a man or woman of great influence and impact when you learn to live by and through the Spirit. He's your secret of success. With Him, you're certain to make a lasting impact in ministry, business, academics, or any aspect of your life.

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear Holy Spirit, I acknowledge you as the One who leads me in the way of success and victory. You're my Comforter, Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, and Standby. I'm confident that following your indwelling presence and ministry in my life, I'll keep making tremendous progress and enduring impact in all my endeavours, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

John 14:26; Zechariah 4:6

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Colossians 2:6-23	John 4:43-54
Isaiah 29-30	1 Kings 15



An Exciting Life

PASTOR CHRIS

For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost (Romans 14:17).

The more you study the scriptures, the more convinced you'll be that Christianity isn't a religion at all, but a living, exciting, fulfilling, and extraordinary walk in the supernatural. I made this discovery early in life as a young lad. The more I studied the Word of God, the more excited I was about Jesus; I discovered that Christianity works. I discovered that the Word was living and active. I discovered that the miracles in the Bible weren't mere stories, and that the Holy Spirit was more than an influence.

Let's look at some exciting examples in the Scriptures of some of those in whose lives the Holy Spirit manifested His extraordinary power. Judges 15:16 tells us how Samson overcame a thousand trained soldiers with the jawbone of an ass. In 1 Samuel 17:34-35, David testified how he killed a lion and a bear with his bare hands. Consider Moses: Once, he and the Israelites were hemmed in between the Red Sea, and the charging Egyptian troops. The Bible tells us that as Moses stretched his hand over the Sea, it split wide open for the Israelites to walk through on dry ground.

How exciting and inspiring to know that the

same Spirit that worked with these and other Bible characters, as well as the Lord Jesus, and the apostles, is the same Spirit that's at work in us today. 2 Corinthians 4:7 says, "But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us." Ours is even better, because like the Lord Jesus, we have the fullness of the Spirit (John 1:16, Colossians 2:9-10).

The same Spirit that raised Him from the dead lives in us today in His fullness (Romans 8:11); therefore, you can walk in fellowship with God as the prophets, the Lord Jesus, and the apostles did. You can live an exciting life of victory, success, and excellence by the same Spirit.

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear Father, I thank you for your Word that has brought the reality of the divine life to light in me. I live a joyful, exciting, and glorious life in absolute liberty and mastery over Satan and all circumstances, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Romans 8:11

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Colossians 3:1-4:1	John 5:1-9
Isaiah 31-32	1 Kings 16

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11TH



His Pearl Of Great Price

PASTOR CHRIS

Again, the kingdom of beaven is like unto treasure bid in a field; the which when a man bath found, be hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he bath, and buyeth that field (Matthew 13:44).

The Lord Jesus likened the Kingdom of heaven to a treasure, which a man found in the field, and sold everything he had to buy the field. Notice that Jesus didn't say the man bought the treasure, but that he bought the field that contained the treasure. The treasure is the Church; and following the interpretation Jesus gave of the parable of the sower, the field is the world (Matthew 13:38). The Bible says in 1 Corinthians 6:20 and 1 Corinthians 7:23 that we were bought with a price. We're the treasure in the field which the Master bought.

The Master also likened the Kingdom to a merchant, seeking precious pearls of great value: "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it" (Matthew 13:45-46). We (the Church) are that pearl of great price; we're His purchased, special possession: "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, [God's] own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvellous light" (1 Peter 2:9 AMP).

Our value to Him is revealed in the price He paid

for our salvation: "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold...but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot" (1 Peter 1:18-19). There're people who often like to tell us that we're not very special. Even sometimes in the church, there're those who, in testifying of something great the Lord has done in their lives would say, "God did suchand-such for me, and it isn't because I'm special...." They think they're being humble when they say that, but they're actually being ignorant. We're special. Think about it: we were bought with the blood of Jesus Christ.

You're worth the blood of Jesus Christ. See yourself as such. Live everyday with the consciousness that you're special to God! That realization will inspire greater boldness and confidence in your spirit. Suddenly, you'd realize that indeed, nothing is impossible, unachievable, or too good for you. Think, talk, and live as one who knows his true value and worth to God; you're His pearl of great price.

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear Father, I thank you for creating me in your image, and in your likeness, for beauty and for glory! I recognize myself as your peculiar treasure and pearl of great price, fashioned for good works; I show forth your wonderful deeds and display your virtues and perfections today, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Psalm 135:4; Ephesians 2:10 (AMP); Deuteronomy 14:2; Titus 2:13-14

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Colossians 4:2-18	John 5:10-18
Isaiah 33-34	1 Kings 17-18

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH



Don't Settle For The Average Life

PASTOR ANITA

Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours; Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours; And ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's (1 Corinthians 3:21-23).

od didn't create you to suffer and struggle through life. Some people suffer and settle for the lesser things in life because they're ignorant of their rights, privileges and inheritance in Christ. Some have thought it wrong to live well and look good. They have the notion that it's better to live in poverty and go to heaven. Living in poverty, sickness and defeat has nothing to do with going to heaven; in fact, that's inconsistent with the Gospel. However, living in health, dominion, and in God's provision is the will of God for you.

God didn't plan a miserable life for you. His Word, apart from showing you His will for your life, also reveals your inheritance in Christ. 2 Corinthians 8:9 declares, "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich." Jesus became poor that we might become rich. What you have to do to enjoy the life of prosperity He's brought you into is to live in His Word!

In Isaiah 1:19, God said, "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shalt eat the good of the land." The Living Bible puts it this way: "If you will only let me help you, if you will only obey, I will make you rich." Your submission to God's Word as final authority in your life is the key to living in your inheritance in Christ and enjoying life to the full. God has already given you all things to enjoy; so don't settle for the average life.

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear heavenly Father, I thank you for the rich and beautiful life you've brought me into in Christ. I thank you for bringing me into my place of inheritance in Christ Jesus, where you've made all things available to me to freely enjoy, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

1 Timothy 6:17; Ecclesiastes 5:18

John 5:19-27
1 Kings 19

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH



Light Through Darkness

PASTOR CHRIS

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising (Isaiah 60:1-3).

ave you ever wondered why there're people who are desperately wicked, and treat others with such cruelty? Like what happened several years ago in Sierra Leone, where many had their limbs amputated, including babies. I recall watching a documentary where some of the victims narrated their ordeal. The perpetrators, some of whom were boy-soldiers conscripted to wreak the havoc, had no restraint. They acted with inhuman heartlessness and wickedness.

Such injurious and vicious acts of cruelty don't happen by themselves; they're orchestrated by demoniacal forces over whom we have authority in the Name of Jesus. As a child of God, therefore, you must continually exercise your authority in the Name of Jesus against the demonic powers that lure men into such acts of wickedness, breaking their influence over the people.

In Mark 16:17, Jesus said concerning the believing ones, "And these signs shall follow them

that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils...."
Then in Matthew 5:14 He said, "Ye are the light of the world...." The dark places of the earth may have been filled with habitations of cruelty, but we can do something about it. So don't be quiet. We're the light in a dark world. You don't have to be physically domiciled in these turbulent regions, but you can effect changes from where you are through authoritative prayers in the Name of Jesus.

You have the power to frustrate the evil one, and insist that the peace of God governs the nations, and rules in men's heart. Pray specially today for those in war-torn regions, especially children, who have been displaced due to these senseless acts of violence. Pray that they'd find comfort and peace in the Lord, and that through the intervention of the Spirit and the activities of angels, many would be guided to receive salvation.

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear heavenly Father, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I come against the evil schemes and devices of the devil to cause chaos and anarchy around the world. I speak peace, and declare that the ministry of the Gospel goes on unhindered in all nations, in the Name of Jesus. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Luke 10:19; Philippians: 2:9-10

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1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:1-13	John 5:28-32
Isaiah 38-39	1 Kings 20

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14TH



He's Given Us Everything!

PASTOR CHRIS

Therefore, let no man glory in men. For all things are yours (1 Corinthians 3:21).

ow wonderful the Lord is! He doesn't withhold any good thing from us. The truth is, He's given us everything. Ephesians 1:3 says, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with ALL spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." He's already blessed us. God isn't going to give you anything more than He's already given you in Christ.

Think about it: He's given you the Spirit without measure; there couldn't be anything better than that! John 3:34 says, "For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him." Then, in John 20:21, the Lord Jesus said to the disciples, just before He ascended into heaven, "...as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you" (John 20:21). This means that Jesus has sent us the same way He was sent of the Father; and He's given us the Spirit without measure also (Acts 2:4). This is so awesome. You don't need to look out anymore, craving "more" blessings from God, having already received the fullness of the Spirit. You have everything in Him.

When we talk about walking in the fullness of His blessings, it doesn't refer to God giving you more;

because He's already given you all there is. However, as you follow the principles of God's Word, you enter into greater levels of what He's already made available to you; not that God will make any effort to give you something more.

He already gave us everything that is necessary for life and godliness: "According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue" (2 Peter 1:3). Observe that it says, "through the knowledge" (Greek: epignosis) of Him"; that means full and accurate knowledge of God. The more we know Him, the more we enjoy that which we know about Him. It's important that you get to know Him through the Word, and know all that He's already made available to you in Christ to enjoy them.

Prayer

Dear Father, I thank you for giving me all things in Christ. Thank you for giving me a life of righteousness, glory, grace, and dominion in Christ Jesus. Thank you for giving me all things free, to enjoy, and for making me the symbol of your blessings, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

1 Timothy 6:17; Acts 20:32

1 Thessalonians 4:1-18 Isaiah 40-41 2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN: John 5:33-47 1 Kings 21

3. It Is The Vehicle By Which You Function In The Body Of Christ

A Christian is not a committed Christian until he demonstrates his commitment in the local assembly, because the local assembly forms an integral part of the spiritual body of Christ, which is God's representative on earth. You can't function in that body until you function in the local assembly. The early church was made up of local assemblies, and several were mentioned in the epistles, for example Romans 16:5 and Revelation 3.

4. The Church Is The Pillar And Ground Of Truth (1 Timothy 3:15)

God wants His children to know the truth about life, because the truth makes you free from bondage and sets you at liberty. In the Church, you're taught the truth. In the absence of the truth, a man will believe a lie and be a victim of it. For example the scriptures tell us that Jesus has abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. In the Church, these truths are not only taught, but explained. The teaching of God's Word is crucial for victorious living, and the Church is the primary place for this.



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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15TH



Let The Spirit Guide You

PASTOR CHRIS

What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also (1 Corinthians 14:15).

ne of the numerous benefits of praying in other tongues is the fact that it gets you synchronized with the will, purpose, and timing of God. Those who haven't understood this awesome benefit of speaking in tongues would rather use vain repetitions; numerous words in their understanding to try to express themselves to God. The Lord Jesus already pointed out the fruitlessness of praying that way: "But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking" (Matthew 6:7).

What do you want to tell a God who knows everything? He gave us the ability to pray in other tongues. When you pray in tongues, your spirit is stirred to know the mind of God. In 1 Corinthians 14:15, the Apostle Paul said, "...I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also...." He gave pre-eminence to praying in other tongues because that way, the Spirit stirs your heart and guides you to pray the will of the Father.

Sometimes, some Christians unwittingly ask God for things that could ruin them. That wouldn't be the

case if they had prayed fervently in other tongues: they'd have been guided by the Spirit as to what to ask for, and how! The Spirit helps our limitations in prayer; He bears us up in our weaknesses. He grants us the right spiritual expressions in our communion with the Father: "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered" (Romans 8:26).

Prayer

Dear Father, I thank you for the tremendous blessings and impact of your Word and the ministry of the Spirit in my life. My spirit is energized and sensitized to know your will, purpose, and direction for me; and I walk in the path of divine destiny, fulfilling your perfect will for me, in Jesus Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

1Corinthians 14:14-15;1Corinthians 14:39; Jude 1:20

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
1 Thessalonians 5:1-28	John 6:1-14
Isaiah 42-43	1 Kings 22



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

Empowered Witnesses

PASTOR ANITA

And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness...And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all (Acts 4:31, 33).

The Lord Jesus, before His ascension, said "... ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8). That means you have the self-generating power to effect changes, and be an effective witness for the Lord Jesus. This power works like a dynamo in you and it's by the operation of the Holy Spirit.

The Master also described the operation of the power of the Holy Spirit in the Christian as "... rivers of living water" (John 7:38). There's something "bubbling" inside us, propelling us to minister the Word of God with power, and dispense His goodness. The presence of the Holy Spirit, not just with us, but in us, makes us effective witnesses of the resurrection. We just can't keep quiet about the Gospel; it's like fire shut up in our bones (Jeremiah 20:9).

The Church of Jesus Christ is not weak and

powerless, as the devil would want to make us believe; we're empowered witnesses. We're anointed to preach the Gospel, "...not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect" (1 Corinthians 1:17), but in the demonstration of the Spirit, and of power (1 Corinthians 2:4). The cross of Christ wouldn't be effective in our day if our preaching comes only with words. Christianity is a supernatural life and the power of God must be demonstrated in our lives, and we must impact the world with the same power. Anything short of this isn't true Christianity.

Keep walking in the light of God's Word, and be conscious of the reality of the Holy Spirit who lives in you, and has endued you with power to be an effective witness.

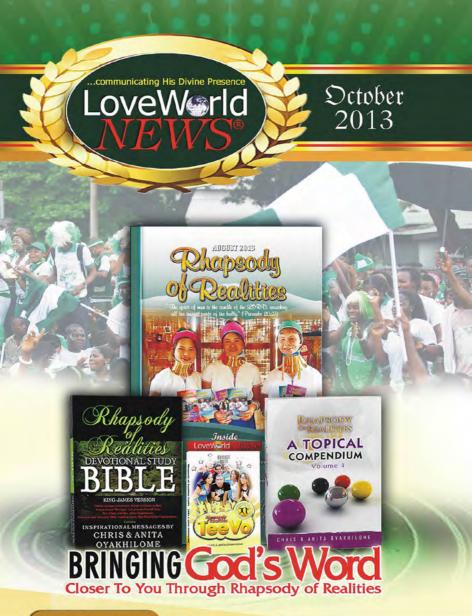
<u>Prayer</u>

Dear Father, I thank you for anointing me with the Holy Spirit and with power to effect changes and be an effective witness of the resurrection. Your power in me is activated today as I minister the Gospel and dispense your goodness to my world, to the effect that many would be brought into the knowledge of your grace and love, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Mark 16:15; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

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2 Thessalonians 1:1-12	John 6:15-21
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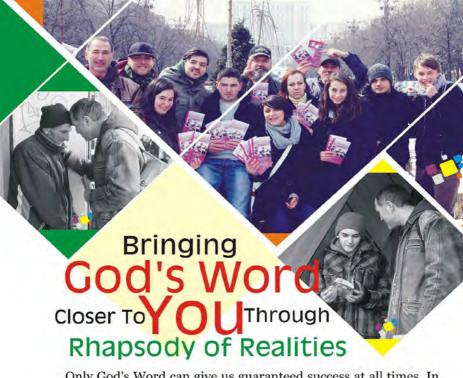


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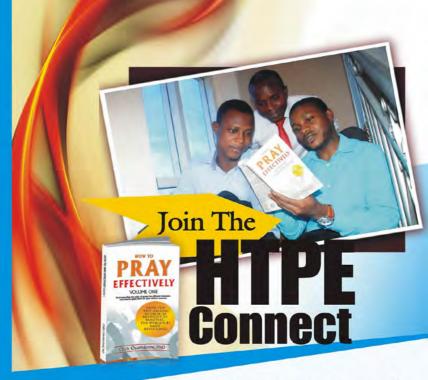


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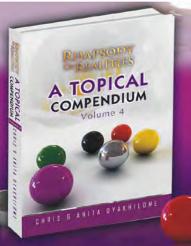
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Boldly Say What God Has Said...

PASTOR CHRIS

...For be bath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my belper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me (Hebrews 13:5-6).

When it comes to declaring the Word of God, you have to be unflinching; be bold to say what God has said about you. The Word in your mouth is God talking, and has inherent power to produce what it says. When you speak the Word with the boldness of the Spirit, things change.

The Bible tells us in Acts 4:31 that the Apostles were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the Word with boldness. What was it they said that passed as the Word of God? In this context, whatever they might have said about themselves, on the basis of what God has said, is the Word of God. It also implies preaching; being bold to affirm the Gospel. The Apostle Peter for one, on the day of Pentecost, declared the Word of God with such boldness that three thousand souls were saved after they heard him speak. Peter's words were so impregnated with divine energy that it pricked the hearts of his hearers: "Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?" (Acts 2:37).

Never be timid about the Word; declare it at all

times with boldness. Be bold to declare who you are, what you have, and what God has accomplished for you in Christ. For example, 2 Corinthians 5:21 says, "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." Therefore, be bold to declare that you've been made righteous; you're the proof of His goodness and equity. Speak boldly in consonance with that word, declaring to everyone that you're the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus.

Even now, make bold confessions of the Word about yourself! Declare that you're in Christ: in Him you live and move, and have your being! You reign with Him in the realms of glory; you're a victor, and your life is for the glory of God!

Confession

Greater is He that's in me than he that's in the world. I'm living the life of glory and excellence through the power of God's Spirit. I'm reigning as a king in life, having received abundance of grace, and the gift of righteousness. Halleluiah.

FURTHER STUDY:

Ephesians 6:19; Hebrews 4:12 (AMP)

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18TH



Fuel Your Passion For The Gospel!

PASTOR CHRIS

Never lag in zeal and in earnest endeavour; be aglow and burning with the Spirit, serving the Lord (Romans 12:11 AMP).

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the only saving message for the world, and you're a custodian of this life-changing message. It's the message of power by which God saves, heals, protects, delivers, preserves, and prospers. In Romans 1:16-17, the Apostle Paul said, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith."

Observe those beautiful, Spirit-inspired words carefully; it says, the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes. The Gospel isn't one of the requirements nor part of God's power for salvation, no! The Holy Spirit, penning down this truth through Paul, was absolute! The Gospel is God's ONLY power to save man. You must be convinced about this and become passionate in your spirit for the Gospel.

When you're passionate about the Gospel it'll impact those around you. Passion is like fire that must be fuelled, otherwise it'll be extinguished. Therefore, you must fuel your passion for the Gospel. The Gospel

of Christ must burn in your heart. Fuel your passion for the Gospel by talking and sharing it again and again! Talk and discuss the Gospel. Discuss with people of like passion: those who are equally fired up in their spirits for the Gospel.

Don't spend time on the wrong information that could dissipate your zeal; don't spend time with those who have no passion for the Lord, and for the Gospel. Spend time in the Gospel! Keep talking the Word and of your love for Christ and His Kingdom. The more you talk about His kindness, goodness, love for the world, and His message of salvation, the more the fire of His love will burn in the quarters of your heart!

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear Father, I thank you for making me a custodian of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the only message that can save the sinner, and bring them out of darkness into the glorious life of righteousness! I thank you for counting me faithful and worthy to be a minister of reconciliation; I'm ministering the Gospel with power, to the unsaved around me today, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Romans 1:16: 1 Corinthians 1:18

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
2 Thessalonians 3:1-18	John 6:30-40
Isaiah 48-49	2 Kings 4



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

You Can "Make" Something Out Of Nothing!

PASTOR CHRIS

Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear (Hebrews 11:3).

ur theme scripture shows us the power of faith. It says through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear. This means you can bring something out of nothing, through faith. How do you acquire faith? Romans 10:17 says, "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." That means if you didn't have enough faith, you could make faith come to you by hearing the Word. Faith comes to you in the Word, and with that faith, you can make things happen.

This completely debunks the mentality of those who sit idly by, waiting for "something good to happen to them." Never wait for things to happen by themselves. Through faith you can create something out of nothing. 2 Corinthians 4:6 reveals an important principle to this effect; it says, "For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

Notice that God didn't wait for the darkness to

turn to light; He commanded the light to shine out of darkness! There's a difference between lighting up a dark place and shining light out of darkness. The latter is the faith of God Jesus described in Mark 11:22.

Now, remember, we're made in the image and likeness of God; that means we look like Him, and can function like Him. Therefore, when life looks dark, and things look confusing, you can make something good out of that seemingly distressing situation with the Word of faith in your mouth. You can command light out of darkness. What you need is the Word of God; when that Word comes to you, it will spark up faith in your spirit to see endless possibilities. Put that faith to work through words and "make something out of nothing."

Confession

God, who commanded light to shine out of darkness, has shined in my heart! Therefore, I have received that same ability of faith, to call forth those things which I desire to see in my life. I manifest joy, prosperity and victory, everyday, in the Name of Jesus, Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Genesis 1:1-3; Mark 11:22-23

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
1 Timothy 1:1-20	John 6:41-51
Isaiah 50-51	2 Kings 5

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH



Prosperity—An Ability

PASTOR ANITA

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth (3 John 1:2).

any have only thought of prosperity in terms of money or the multiplication of material possessions, but prosperity is first an ability. Material possessions or finances are often the most common symbols or indications of prosperity, which is why many equate prosperity with money; but it's beyond money.

Let's review the example of Joseph in Genesis 39:2; the Bible describes him as a prosperous man: "And the Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian." We're told that he (Joseph) made his master, Potiphar, to prosper, to the extent that Potiphar made Joseph overseer of all that he had: "...the Lord blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the Lord was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field. And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand..." (Genesis 39:5-6).

Even after he was falsely accused and sent to prison, the Bible says that Joseph was still prosperous. He was put in charge of the prisoners and the Lord made him successful in all that he did (Genesis 39:22-

23). You can be "in prison," and be prosperous. You can be working for somebody or an organization, and be the reason for their prosperity. Consider Jacob: the Bible says he made Laban to prosper. In Genesis 30:27, Laban testified of this to Jacob and said, "...I have learned by experience that the LORD hath blessed me for thy sake."

Much more than the acquisition of material possessions, prosperity is the ability to help others prosper! It's the ability to do what you want to do, go where you want to go, and be whatever you want to be to the glory of Christ! It's the ability to please God, and walk with the Spirit, and have His glory manifested in your life! It's the Spirit of dominion at work in your life as a child of God.

You've been empowered by God, not just to prosper spiritually, mentally, physically and materially, but also to make others prosperous.

Prayer

I'm growing in grace and increasing in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Word is prevailing in my life, causing me to prosper in my body, finances and in every area of my life! I've been empowered to bring prosperity to others, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Deuteronomy 8:18; 2 Corinthians 8:9

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
1 Timothy 2:1-15	John 6:52-60
Isaiah 52-53	2 Kings 6

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21st



Justified To Reign

PASTOR CHRIS

For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ (Romans 5:17).

A righteousness which is without the Law; that's the righteousness which is by the faith of Jesus Christ (Romans 3:21, 22). That righteousness has been credited to your account as a child of God. This had nothing to do with your actions: what you did, or didn't do; it's the grace of God! Ephesians 2:9 says, "Not of works, lest any man should boast." It's therefore pointless to try to impress God with your "works."

Acts 13:39 tells us, "And by him (Jesus Christ) all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses." Meaning that if you believe in Jesus, you've been accounted righteous and declared not guilty: that which couldn't be achieved by keeping the Law with its ordinances has now been perfected by the faith of Christ. Romans 4:24-25 says, "But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification." This is a legal or formal declaration of innocence. Jesus was delivered to death for your offenses, and raised

back to life for your acquittal; you've been formally declared not guilty. God is not charging you with any wrong, because to Him, you never sinned. How could this be?

The reason is that, being born again, you're now a new man, with the life and nature of God, having no past. 2 Corinthians 5:17 says, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creation: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." You have a new life in Christ; the resurrection life (Romans 6:4); you've been justified by faith, to reign and rule in life: "...they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ" (Romans 5:17).

Confession

I'm a new creation in Christ Jesus, born with the resurrection life! I've embraced the righteousness which is by the faith of Jesus Christ, through which I've been justified to reign and rule in life. I walk in the light of my new life in Christ, conscious of my right standing with God, having received abundance of grace, and of the gift of righteousness.

FURTHER STUDY:

Romans 5:1; Romans 3:20-24

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
1 Timothy 3:1-16	John 6:61-71
Isaiah 54-56	2 Kings 7-8

5. The Church Is A Place Of Fellowship With Other Christians

Fellowship with other Christians is crucial to the growth of a believer. In Hebrews 10:24-25 we're admonished to provoke one another to love, and to good works. We're also to encourage one another. In Proverbs 27:17, the scriptures indicate that we sharpen ourselves as we fellowship. The company a man keeps will affect his life and growth (1 Corinthians 15:33). So keeping and being found in the right company is desirable, and going to church facilitates this

6. The Church Is A Place Where Christian Growth And Character Are Enhanced

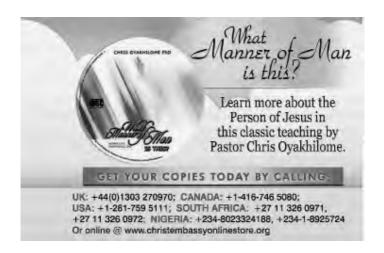
In Ephesians 4:11-16, the scriptures clearly state that God ordains certain offices for the benefit of the Christian, for growth and to sharpen his spiritual development. These offices are found in the Church, and men are ordained into them for the local assembly, for the benefit of those in that local assembly.

7. The Church Is A Place Where You Hear The Word Required For Faith & Life

God requires us to live by faith, for without faith it's impossible to please Him (Hebrews 11:6). The preaching of the Word imparts faith and the teaching of the Word helps that faith to grow as you understand and put what you've learnt to work.

8. The Church Is A Place Of Training

In **2 Timothy 3:16**, the Bible lets us know that the Word of God is given to train and instruct you. In the Church, God sets instructors who are able to instruct you in the truth, and help you culture your life. The Church is a place where discipline and proper conduct are imparted. These are required for your spiritual growth and effective service for the Lord (1 Corinthians 14:40).







You're Alive To God!

PASTOR CHRIS

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 6:11).

If you're born again you're alive to God. This isn't so for those who aren't born again; they're spiritually dead, being totally alienated from the life of God. They're the ones the Master referred to in Matthew 8:22 & Luke 9:60, when He said, "...let the dead bury their dead." The "spiritually dead" aren't alive to God; they're not awakened to the Fatherhood of God and to the reality of the Spirit realm. If you've never been born again, I encourage you to give your life to Christ even now; just say, "Lord Jesus, come into my heart to be the Lord of my life."

When you're born again, the Holy Spirit becomes real to you, and you're awakened to the efficacy of the Word of God. Suddenly, you recognize Jesus Christ not only as Lord of your life, but also as one with whom you have rich and intimate fellowship! You become awakened to God's realm of life; a realm that's beyond this world. No wonder Jesus said you're not of this world (John 15:19).

When you're alive to God His light shines in your spirit; His Word works in you: you become alive to His healing power, His righteousness, prosperity, and

wisdom! It's easy for the Lord to instruct and guide you from within; because you're tuned-in to Him.

For the rest of the day, especially when you get the chance to be alone, say repeatedly to yourself, "I'm alive to God." You'd be amazed at what'll happen in your spirit! The consciousness of the victory of Christ—His power, glory, love, and grace will increase in your life! You'd become more cognizant of the dominion of the Spirit of God in your life. Blessed be God!

Confession

I'm alive to God; having been brought into fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ. I belong in the Kingdom of God's dear Son, where I reign and rule by the power of the Spirit! I thank you Father, for bringing me into such a beautiful place of glory, beauty, honour, and prosperity, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Ephesians 2:1; Hebrews 12:22

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
1 Timothy 4:1-16	John 7:1-10
Isaiah 57-58	2 Kings 9

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23RD



Heirs Of Prosperity

PASTOR CHRIS

And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise (Galatians 3:29).

You need never pray "O God prosper me," because in Christ Jesus, you're an heir of prosperity. Praying to God to prosper you is asking Him to make you what you already are! Just as righteousness has been imparted to your spirit, greatness has been imparted to your spirit. You were born an heir of the Sovereign.

2 Corinthians 8:9 says, "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich."

In the same sense that He died that you might live, and became sin (that is, the sin sacrifice) that you might be made righteous, He also became poor that you might be an heir of prosperity: "And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ..." (Romans 8:17). Now, everything He owns belongs to you; He made and owns the whole world. In Haggai 2:8 He said, "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts." It's up to you to use His Name and reject poverty, sickness and everything that's not of God from your life, and live joyfully in prosperity all your days.

Prayer

Dear Father, I thank you for the awesome inheritance, which you've bequeathed to me in Christ! You've given me an incorruptible inheritance, and a glorious life in you! I fulfill your desire for me by walking in prosperity, health, and success, to your glory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Ephesians 1:11; Colossians 1:12

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
1 Timothy 5:1-25	John 7:11-19
Isaiah 59-60	2 Kings 10

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24TH



In Him, You're Safe!

PASTOR ANITA

He delivereth and rescueth, and be worketh signs and wonders in beaven and in earth, who bath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions (Daniel 6:27).

The Lord is a deliverer and rescuer; He delivers the righteous from trouble and rescues him from destruction. Psalm 59:16 says, "But I will sing of thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble." He's a safe place. If you're born again, you're in Him; your life is hid with Christ in God (Colossians 3:3). Christ is your security, your defense, and your fortress. No wonder He charged us so many times in the Word to "fear not."

It makes no difference who or what may come out against you; the Lord says "Fear not." Don't be terrified by the adversary or dismayed by their description. Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might (Ephesians 6:10). You're not alone. The Bible says in Hebrews 12:22, "But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels." You're surrounded by angels, who according to the Bible, have been given charge over you, to keep you, that is, protect you in all your ways (Psalm 91:11).

1 John 4:4 says, "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." You've already overcome the adversary. Don't give attention to information that makes the adversary appear powerful. That's how fear builds up and takes over. Instead, fortify your spirit with the Word of faith. Listen to faith-filled words again and again, until it becomes impossible for you to think or talk fear.

Receive God's Word to you today; declare with boldness that Christ is your refuge and strength! In Him you live, move, and have your being; therefore no evil can befall you! Psalm 91:7 says, "A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee." You dwell in Him; therefore, you're divinely protected and preserved from trouble, defeat, failure and death. "Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day" (Psalm 91:5).

Confession

I proclaim my victory and my glory in Christ Jesus. I walk in His wisdom, and in the dominion of the Spirit today; greater is He that is in me, than he that is in the world. I'm more than a conqueror.

FURTHER STUDY:

Psalm 32:7; Psalm 91:1-16

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
1 Timothy 6:1-21	John 7:20-31
Isaiah 61-63	2 Kings 11-12

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH



His Wonderful Name

PASTOR CHRIS

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in beaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you...
(Matthew 28:18-20).

If you're born again, the Name of Jesus has been named upon you. That Name is the greatest Name ever revealed to man, for it's the Name by which God created all things. God vested all authority in the wonderful and matchless Name of Jesus Christ.

The Word declares that Jesus delegated His authority to us, and commissioned us to make disciples of all nations, in His Name. He said, "...baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." He used the singular noun "name," showing us that the Name of the Father, Son, and of the Holy Spirit is Jesus. When you study the Book of Acts, you'd observe that in carrying out the instructions of the Master, the Apostles baptized in the Name of Jesus (Acts 2:38, 8:16, 10:48, 19:5, 22:16). They understood Jesus' statement without any ambiguity. They knew that the Name "Jesus" is the Name of the Godhead! When you say "In the Name of Jesus," you're referring to the Deity.

Colossians 1:19 says, "For it pleased the Father that in him (Jesus) should all fulness dwell." The fullness of the Godhead bodily dwells in Jesus—the Name above every name. Get excited about the Name of Jesus! Philippians 2:10 says "...at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth." Everything and every being that exists in heaven, earth, or under the earth are subject to Jesus.

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear Father, I thank you for giving me the authority to function in the Name of Jesus! I live by the power of that Name today, in dominion, victory, and righteousness. I experience peace, progress, increase, success, and prosperity always, in the Name of Jesus. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Luke 10:19; Philippians 2:9-11

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
2 Timothy 1:1-18	John 7:32-44
Isaiah 64-66	2 Kings 13-14

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH



Confessions Based On Revelation

PASTOR CHRIS

Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the beavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Christ Jesus (Hebrews 3:1 NKJV).

When we talk about "confessing" or speaking in conformity with the Word of God, it's not mere "positive talking" or a formula for getting God to do something. That's not what the Word teaches. "Confession" is from the Greek word, "Homologia," and it means 'speaking the same thing in consent or agreement.' It means to declare openly, by way of speaking out freely, your deep convictions based on what God has said.

Hebrews 13:5-6 says, "...for he hath said...So that we may boldly say...." Therefore, confession is the proclamation of that which God has said: declaring words that are consistent with His provisions, plans, and purposes. Your confessions must be based on the revelation of the Word of God. This isn't the same as the person who for example, feels pain in the stomach, and says, "I don't have stomach pain..."; that's not confession. The idea of confession isn't that you deny facts, or that you say, "I'm healed," so that you'd be healed; no. Rather, when you say, "I'm healed," it's founded on the truth that you know from the Word of God that you have the life of God in you! You have

the present-hour consciousness that the same Spirit that raised up Christ from the dead, dwells in you, and vitalizes your mortal body; therefore you're speaking on the basis of that revelation.

This explains why some people don't get the right results even though they've been making "positive confessions" as it seems. We don't "confess" the Word so that something will happen; we speak the truth. We tell it as the Word says; you declare that which already belongs to you in Christ, and not what you're trying to get. Right now, declare God's Word concerning your life, family, finances and ministry.

Confession

Greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world. I'm reigning in life through Jesus Christ, making progress and moving forward; I'm heaping success upon success. I'm not of this world; therefore I'm immune to the negativities and vagaries of the natural world. Glory to God!

FURTHER STUDY:

2 Corinthians 4:13; Romans 10:10

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
2 Timothy 2:1-26	John 7:45-53
Micah 1-3	2 Kings 15-16

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH



Prepare For The Lord's Coming

PASTOR CHRIS

...And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; Which also said... this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven (Acts 1:9-11).

hile the disciples stood gazing in awe as Jesus ascended into heaven, two angels appeared to them and said, "...This same Jesus, who has been received from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11). This is so important; Jesus is coming again. This is the reason we're preaching the Gospel around the world; the whole world needs to know that the Master is coming soon.

Jesus said in John 14:3, "...I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." It's your responsibility to prepare for His coming. If you're born again you're assured that at His coming the Master would receive you to Himself. However, the one without Christ would face eternal condemnation. If you're reading this today, and you're yet to make Jesus the Lord of your life, do so right away! Say, "Lord Jesus, I ask that you come into my heart to be the Lord of my life, from this day onward."

The Apostle Peter alluding to the day of the Lord

and the events that'll herald His coming said, "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness" (2 Peter 3:10-11).

In everything you do, don't lose focus of that day; live everyday as one who's expecting the Master; carry that consciousness in your heart at all times. While you're getting yourself ready, you're to help those around you get ready, and be prepared as well, for the coming of the Lord.

Confession

Christ has been made unto me wisdom and that wisdom causes me to walk in the will of God, and fulfill my destiny in Christ. I'm walking worthy of the Lord, pleasing Him in all things as I joyfully anticipate His soon return. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

1 Thessalonians 4:16; Revelation 22:20

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
2 Timothy 3:1-17	John 8:1-11
Micah 4-5	2 Kings 17-18

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28TH



What Do You Want?

PASTOR ANITA

And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it (John 14:13-14).

nly someone with unlimited power could make a statement such as the one above. Jesus said, if you ask anything in His Name, He'd do it; irrespective of what it is! As long as it's something that's good for you and good for God, you can ask and it'll be granted you. In Jeremiah 32:27 the Lord said, "Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh: is there anything too hard for me?" He's the Big Boss; He owns everything; and He's saying to you today: "Ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you."

Some people say, "We should never ask God for the things we want; God only grants our needs, not our wants." But the Lord says, "...if ye shall ask anything." This certainly doesn't refer to asking for "your needs." In fact, you're not supposed to ask for your needs because they're already catered for by your heavenly Father. The Bible says He's the One who takes care of the sparrows, and the lilies of the field. If He would cater for the birds and flowers, how much more will He take care of you, His beloved child (read Matthew 6:31-32 AMP).

Religion has cheated many and deceived them to thinking they'd have to ask for their needs! Paul said,

"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19). Paul wasn't making a promise to the Church on God's behalf; he had come to know God's ways of doing things: He supplies not just some but ALL our needs! Therefore, when you recognize a need, you don't need to pray, "Oh God, I need such-and-such"; just declare that you have it in the Name of Jesus.

As the seed of Abraham, you deserve to have the best things in life; there's no reason for you to be in lack or to envy others over what they have. You can have anything you want. Nothing is too good for you. Be bold to ask what you want in His Name, and receive, that your joy may be full (John 16:24).

Confession

The Lord is my Shepherd, therefore I do not lack. I'm walking in the light of my prosperity today, for I'm the seed of Abraham; I have access to wealth untold; I'm supply conscious! I have all my needs met, because I'm plugged to God's unending supply.

FURTHER STUDY:

2 Corinthians 9:8; Psalm 23:1

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
2 Timothy 4:1-22	John 8:12-21
Micah 6-7	2 Kings 19-20

9. The Church Is A Place Of Solution To Life's Questions

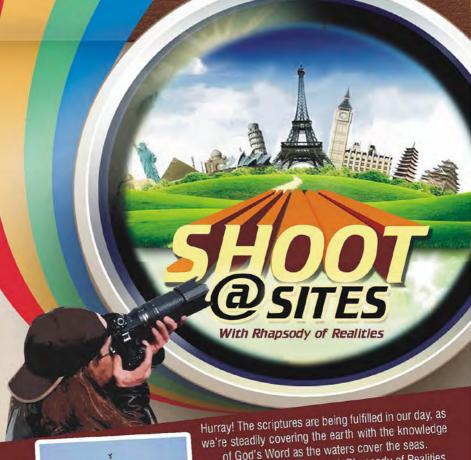
In the Epistles we see the Apostles sending letters to the churches to address questions that the brethren had. It hasn't changed. The church is uniquely equipped by the Holy Spirit to communicate wisdom from God for questions a Christian might have. Getting answers from the world is a deadend, since the wisdom of the world can't satisfactorily provide solutions to life's issues, because it's destined to fail (1 Corinthians 2:6).

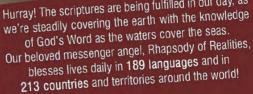
10. The Church Is A Place Where You Can Experience The Corporate Anointing

As brethren dwell together in unity, the scriptures tell us in Psalm 133 that it provokes a corporate anointing that blesses everyone. The anointing is contagious and in the Church, by association, a Christian can do much more with other believers than he could by himself.

The Church Is A Place Of Refuge, Comfort And Refreshing

A Christian is guaranteed to receive encouragement and words of refreshing in church. This is often needed after the travails of the market-place of life. The church is a place where you can receive the undiluted truth, and learn new things that are progressively to your benefit. The church is a place of upliftment, encouragement and refuge. No wonder David was always delighted about being in church (Psalm 122:1; Psalm 27:4).





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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH



Be Inspired To Pray For Others

PASTOR CHRIS

I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men (1 Timothy 2:1).

There's enough power in you to turn any situation around in your favour; you can change anything through prayer, because the divine power necessary to cause that change is already inside you (Acts 1:8).

I remember the testimony of a young girl who was retarded and bedridden due to juvenile arthritis. She could only move around in a wheelchair, and the only part of her body that she could move was her neck, as the disease had stiffened her whole body.

She was taken to a miracle service, and while in that meeting, she wept and called on the Lord to help her. Some others saw her and began to pray for her too. As they interceded for her, she asked the lady beside her to help her up. Though her hands and legs felt heavy and painful, she managed to stand up. As others prayed for her, the lady encouraged her and said, "Don't worry, go ahead and move your hands and legs. The Lord has healed you."

Although it was difficult for her to move, she was encouraged by the faith of those who were praying for her and began to take her steps. They all erupted in

praise to the Lord as she took another step, and then another one, and right before their eyes, she began to run around the room! That happened just because those believers around her were moved by compassion to pray for her.

There's so much we can do and change in the lives of others if we'd intercede for them. There're many who are going through a lot of hurt for whom we must pray. The Bible says of the Lord Jesus that He's touched with the feeling of our infirmities (Hebrews 4:15). Be moved by the conditions of the sinners and others who are suffering around you. Let the plight of the poor, the sick, and the downtrodden stir compassion in you to intercede for them and cause a change in their lives today.

<u>Prayer</u>

I pray today for all who are suffering; especially little children, who are sick, displaced, hurting or experiencing any form of pain, that by your Spirit, and through the ministry of angels, help, succour and comfort will come to them. I pray that the faith, courage, and strength they need to come out victorious be ministered to them in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

1 Timothy 2:1-4

1 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:	2 YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN:
Titus 1-2	John 8:22-32
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30TH



Live Joyfully... Everyday

PASTOR CHRIS

Is any among you afflicted? let bim pray. Is any merry? let bim sing psalms (James 5:13).

There're many who, instead of enjoying their lives every day are worried and weighed down by the cares of this life. The Lord Jesus, in Matthew 6:25, enjoins us not to live that kind of life: "Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?" (Matthew 6:25).

The Spirit of God, through the Apostle Paul reiterated a similar thought in Philippians 4:6: "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." You must decide to live joyfully and happily every day; it's a choice you have to make. Never find yourself sad, depressed or discouraged, irrespective of what happens around you.

God doesn't have the responsibility of making you happy or joyful. What He did was to put joy in your spirit. Joy is a characteristic fruit of your recreated human spirit (Galatians 5:22), but it's up to you to live joyfully. No one but you, in the whole world, has the responsibility of making you joyful.

Living joyfully has nothing to do with what's happening to you or around you, or what others say or do to you. It's got nothing to do with your experiences either; you can be joyful in the midst of trouble. James 1:2 says count it all joy when you go through diverse troubles. In other words, don't be moved by adverse circumstances; remain thankful and exuberant with joy, knowing that you're more than a conqueror.

Consciously express your joy. You can't say you're joyful and not express it. Laughter, singing songs of praise and thanksgiving, making melody in your heart to the Lord, are all expressions of joy. Recall part of what we read in our opening verse, it says, "...Is any merry? let him sing psalms." Learn to express yourself joyfully every day, in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs! Even now, sing and make melody in your heart to the Lord!

Confession

Dear Father, I thank you for your overflowing springs of joy that emanate from the innermost part of my being. Irrespective of the situations and circumstances, I rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory, knowing that all things work together for my good! Halleluiah!

FURTHER STUDY:

Romans 14:17; Psalm 5:11; Philemon 1:3

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Titus 3:1-15	John 8:33-43
Habakkuk 1-3	2 Kings 23



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31st

Be Continually Filled With The Spirit

PASTOR CHRIS

And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit (Ephesians 5:18).

Our opening verse in the original Greek rendering is expressed in present continuous language. This means, for you to be effective in your Christian walk and live the transcendent life in Christ to the full, you have to be continually filled with the Spirit—not just for one day—but always. Praying in tongues is very beneficial in this regard; you can pray in tongues anytime you want to, and be filled with the Spirit. It's not difficult at all to be continually filled with the Spirit.

The Word of God shows us in the ensuing verses, right after our opening verse, how to experience this constant infilling of the Holy Spirit. It's by "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" (Ephesians 5:19). Notice it didn't say, "...speaking to one another..."; when it says "speaking to yourselves..." it means each of us speaking to himself.

For example, when you say "The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want; the Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid? Greater is He that is in me, than he that is in the world!" That's you speaking the Word to yourself; edifying yourself with the Word of God. Speaking the Word to yourself in this manner is one of the ways to get yourself continually filled with the Spirit.

Secondly, it says, "...Singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord...." This refers to singing in the spirit; making spiritual melodies in your heart to the Lord. It doesn't have to be melodious to anyone else; you just go on singing in the spirit, all by yourself. Next, it says, "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ." That means you give thanks to God for all He's done for you; you testify of His wondrous works in your life, thanking Him for His love, kindness, grace, mercy, and glory in your life! You can also minister to others as in Colossians 3:16: "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."

Consciously practice these, and get yourself continually filled with the Spirit, for an all-day, all-time life of victory and dominion through the Holy Ghost!

Prayer

Blessed heavenly Father, I exalt and worship you for your great love, grace and power in my life! Thank you for bringing me into a life of peace and joy in the Holy Ghost! To you be all glory and dominion forever, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

Acts 4:31; 1 Corinthians 14:2

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Philemon 1:1-25	John 8:44-59
Zephaniah 1-3	2 Kings 24-25

PRAYER OF SALVATION

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"O Lord God. I come to You in the Name of Jesus Christ. Your Word says, "...whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Acts 2:21).

I ask Jesus to come into my heart to be the Lord of my life. I receive eternal life into my spirit and according to Romans 10:9, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved," I declare that I am saved; I am born-again; I am a child of God! I now have Christ dwelling in me, and greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world (1 John 4:4)! I now walk in the consciousness of my new life in Christ Jesus. Hallelujah!"

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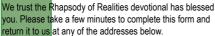
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