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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

Praise the Lord! We are so blessed to be able to study God's Word every day. I want to commend you for diligently doing your part. Believe me, when we do our part Jesus will do His part.

God bless you!

Gladly in His Service,

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**Monday December 1** 

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 45-46

2 Peter 3

Praise the Lord! Jesus is Lord! Look at Philippians 2:9, "Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the Name that is above every name." God, the Father, has exalted Jesus to the highest place and God has given Jesus the Name that is above every name. God did all these things because Jesus willingly came and laid His life down on the cross so mankind could be saved. All of mankind was dead in their sins and they were all going to be eternally separated from God. But Jesus came and became the way for everyone who will put their trust in Him to be forgiven and saved and so they can spend all eternity with Him.

Here is some more. Philippians 2:9-11 say, "Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the Name that is above every name, that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

There is a day coming when every knee will bow to Jesus. I am sure you realize that there are some people who will not bow to Him now, but there is a time coming when every knee will bow to Jesus. Some will be lost for all eternity because they didn't give their lives to Him when they could. Thank God we have given our live to Jesus now and we are saved. Our sins have been forgiven and we will spend all eternity with Jesus. Aren't these wonderful truths for us to start the monty of December off with? We know the real meaning of Christmas is all about Jesus coming and opening the way for us to be saved.

Prayer: Lord, thank You, Jesus, for coming and laying Your life down for all my sins. I know that I was completely lost without You and I know that I am completely saved because You have provided salvation for me. Thank You for seeking me and for saving me when I was lost. I am so thankful I am saved. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Tuesday December 2** 

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 47-48

1 John 1

Praise the Lord! I have been writing these devotions for many years and I have also been putting them on the internet for a long time. They are being used more and more and I am so thankful for that. If you are someone who is reading this on the internet, I appreciate you and it is my privilege to provide these for you every day. Actually, I am so thankful for every one of you who are doing these, no matter how you access them. Let's all keep spending time in God's Word and let keep growing.

Let's look at the subject of faith. There was a time when God delivered His people from bondage in Egypt and then they crossed through the wilderness and came to the promised land. Thank God that He was working in their lives and He never quit. God is working in your life and He is never going to quit on you!

Anyway, God gave His people a plan to defeat Jericho. God told them to march around Jericho once a day for 6 days and then to march around Jericho 7 times on the seventh day. Then they were to shout and the walls of Jericho would fall down before them.

I am sure that many people wonder how and why the walls fell down. Well, look at Hebrews 11:30, "By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the army had marched around them for seven days." The walls fell down because the people of God believed God by faith, they did what God said by faith and the walls fell down by faith. Now, I am pretty sure God won't ask us to do something exactly like this but know this: We are all called to live by faith and we do that by believing what God speaks to us by faith and by doing what God tells us to do by faith.

Prayer: Lord, I am choosing to live by faith. I am thankful that You have never quit on me and I know You never will. Thank You for examples from the Word that I can learn from. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Wednesday December 3** 

**Scripture Reading: Daniel 1-2** 

1 John 2

Praise the Lord! Joshua 6:1-2 say, "Now the gates of Jericho were securely barred because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in. Then the Lord said to Joshua, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men.""

The people in Jericho had evidently heard that God's people were coming and they had locked all the ways in. Notice what God said to His people, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men." Notice that God told His people what was going to happen. He gave them a promise of what He was going to do for them. Their part was to believe what God said and they needed to do what God told them to do.

Has God spoken any promises to you? Do you have some promises from God that have not been fulfilled? If so, you need to do what the people did back then. We need to believe what God has promised and we need to do what He tells us to do. That is living by faith.

After Joshua and the people of God defeated Jericho, God had more for them to do. Look at Joshua 8:1-2, "Then the Lord said to Joshua, "Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Take the whole army with you, and go up and attack Ai. For I have delivered into your hands the king of Ai, his people, his city and his land. You shall do to Ai and its king as you did to Jericho and its king, except that you may carry off their plunder and livestock for yourselves. Set an ambush behind the city."" God had more for them to do and He has more for us to do.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for speaking to me today and every day. I choose to believe the promises You have given me and I want to diligently do all that You ask me to do. I am never going to quit. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Thursday December 4** 

**Scripture Reading: Daniel 3-4** 

1 John 3

Praise the Lord! We have been covering the account of God's people defeating Jericho. God gave them a promise, they *believed* the promise and they *did* what God told them to do.

Now, look at Hebrews 11:1-2, "Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for." We are called to live by faith. 2 Corinthians 5:7 says, "For we live by faith, not by sight." We live by faith. The Word says that and I know that we believe the Word. That is how those referred to as *the ancients* lived and that is how we need to live too

2 Corinthians 4:18 says, "So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." Most, if not all, of the things we can see in the natural are temporary, changeable and passing away. Have you noticed that many of the things seem to be changing fast?

The Word also tells us that there are things that are eternal and they never change. What things are like that? God and His Word never change. Heaven never changes. Our salvation and God's blessings never change. I could go on but I think you are getting my point. We need to fix our attention and focus on the things that never change. When we do that we will have confidence and stability. That is what *living by faith* is all about. James 1:25 says, "But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do."

Prayer: Lord, I want to be strong and stable. Help me to focus on eternal things that never change. I want to live by faith and not by sight. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Friday December 5** 

**Scripture Reading: Daniel 5-6** 

1 John 4

Praise the Lord! We have been talking about living by faith. When God speaks something to you: *Believe it* and *do whatever He asks you to do.* That is living by faith.

Now, take a look at Romans 10:17, "Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ." One version puts this verse this way: Faith comes by hearing and hearing the Word. The more we hear the Word, believe the Word and renew our minds to the Word, the more faith we will have.

Look at 1 Thessalonians 2:13, "And we also thank God continually because, when you received the Word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the Word of God, which is indeed at work in you who believe." Paul was thankful for them because they had received the Word. When they heard, they believed the Word. That is all good. Amen?

Then Paul told them that the Word was at work in you who believe. We need to let the Word work in us. Look at what Jesus said in Matthew 13:23, "But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the Word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown." When we let the Word work in our lives it will produce. We let the Word work in us by knowing what the Work says, by believing it and by never quitting.

Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful for Your Word and I am thankful for all that Your Word has produced in my life. I want be good soil for Your Word. I want Your Word to produce in my life more so I can share You and Your Word for others to hear. I also want my life to be a living testimony of what You can do in people's lives. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Saturday December 6** 

Scripture Reading: Daniel 7-8

I John 5

Praise the Lord! We need to live by faith, believe God's Word and never quit trusting Him. Believe me, God has many wonderful things for us as His children and we don't want to miss out on anything He has for us. Look at Matthew 7:11, "If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask Him!"

James 1:17 says, "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, Who does not change like shifting shadows." Every good and perfect thing in our lives is from God. Some good things might come to us because we worked for them, but know this they are really from God. After all, He is the one who strengthens us and gives us abilities to do whatever we do.

So, every good thing in our lives comes from Him and there is even more in this verse for us to see. We are also told that God never changes. He loves us and He will always love us. He wants to bless us and He will always bless us. You have probably been around some people who seem to change moment by moment. They were good to you and then they were not so good to you. Don't let the fact that they change make you doubt God. He loves you and He will never, ever change.

Look at what Jesus said in John 14:13-14, "And I will do whatever you ask in My Name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask Me for anything in My Name, and I will do it." More on this tomorrow.

Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful that I have given my life to You. I know it was the best decision I ever made. I also know that You love me and I know that You never change. Help me to recognize Your blessings more and help me to be more grateful. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Sunday December 7** 

**Scripture Reading: Daniel 9-10** 

2 John

Praise the Lord! I gave you John 14:13-14 yesterday and I said I would comment on it today. "And I will do whatever you ask in My Name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask Me for anything in My Name, and I will do it."

That is an amazing promise and I am sure someone thought something like this. "Yeah but what if I asked for something that wouldn't be good for me?" "Would God still give it to me?"

The short answer to that is no. God knows what is best and we always need to trust Him to do the right thing. To make this point look at 1 John 5:13-15, "I write these things to you who believe in the Name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of Him."

These are wonderful verses and they should give us great confidence in our payers being answered. Now, please notice what they say about prayer. We can have confidence in approaching God and we can know that He hears us and that He answers our prayers when we ask anything according to His will. Let those truths sink into your thinking and let them give you confidence.

We need to know God's will and we know it when we know the Word. And we need to pray in accordance with His will.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for teaching me this wonderful truth about prayer. Help me to diligently study Your Word and help me to pray in line with Your Word and Your will. I know that Your ways are always right and I submit to You and Your will. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Monday December 8** 

Scripture Reading: Daniel 11-12 3 John

Praise the Lord! Look at Psalms 100:1, "Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth." Psalms 98:1-4 say, "Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him. The Lord has made His salvation known and revealed His righteousness to the nations. He has remembered His love and His faithfulness to Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music." There are so many verses that talk about how much we should praise God. He is always worthy of our praise.

He has saved you, He has blessed You and He has always been faithful. I know that we sometimes go through hard things but we *go through them* because God sees us through. No matter what, we all need to praise Him.

Psalms 100:2 says, "Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs." We should also always worship God. Look at the first time worship is mentioned in the Bible. In Genesis 22, God asked Abraham to sacrifice Isaac, his son. Look at what Abraham said to the people there in verse 22, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you." Abraham was going to worship God. He didn't know how it was going to work out but he knew that he and Isaac could come back alive. The book of Hebrews says that Abraham believed that God would raise Isaac from the dead if it was needed. We need to worship God. That is putting God first and He will always meet our needs. Believe it.

Prayer: Lord, I know that You are always worthy of my worship and I choose to worship You like You deserve. I trust You to make a way to take care of me even when I don't know how that is going to happen. I know that You have always taken care of me and I believe You always will. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Tuesday December 9** 

Scripture Reading: Hosea 1-4 Jude

Praise the Lord! Psalms 100:3 says, "Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture." God has made us. Thank God. We are His because we have given our lives to Him. We are His people. When the Word says we are His sheep it is a good thing. We are the sheep of His pasture. Look at John 10:27-28, "My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of My Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

Jesus said we hear His voice and we follow Him. Believe what Jesus said about you and it will help you to hear His voice even more clearly. Jesus gives us life and life in abundance. He gives us eternal life. Thank God. We will never perish. We are going to enjoy eternal life forever. We are safe in Jesus hand and in the Father's hand. I wanted to share those truths with you so you would know how blessed we are to be His sheep. Here's some more on this. Psalms 23 says, "The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside quiet waters, He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for His Name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely Your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." Don't let the fact that you have heard these verses ever diminish the impact that have for you today!

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me and thank You for being my Shepherd. I know that You have always taken care of me and I know that You always will. I thank You for giving me life and life in abundance now and forever. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Wednesday December 10** 

Scripture Reading: Hosea 5-8 Revelations 1

Praise the Lord! Psalms 100:4 says, "Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name." We should always be thankful to God and

we should be praising Him in all things

The Word says that God *inhabits our praise*. So, when we praise Him, He comes and *inhabits our praise*. Now, we know He is always with us and yet some how He still *inhabits our praise*. If you are ever going through a hard time, praise Him and you will do better. I know it can be hard, but God is always worthy of our praise.

Hebrews 13:15 says, "Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess His Name." There are two things I want to talk about from this verse. First, this verse says we are to praise God through Jesus. He will help you. Secondly, sometimes it is a sacrifice to praise God but we still need to praise Him.

Take a look at an interesting thing from Luke 1. Zechariah and Elizabeth had not been able to have a child and God miraculously gave them a son and he was John the Baptist. Anyway look at Luke 1:57-58, "When it was time for Elizabeth to have her baby, she gave birth to a son. Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown her great mercy, and they shared her joy." Their neighbors and relatives shared in their joy. Here's my point. They rejoiced and praised God with others who were being blessed. We should be like this. When you hear about someone else being blessed, praise God! Rejoice with them. As this becomes our attitude we will always have more things to praise God about.

Prayer: Lord, I love You and I thank You for saving me and for blessing me in so many ways. Help me to rejoice when You bless others and help me to share in their joy. I know that You are always worthy of my praise. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Thursday December 11** 

Scripture Reading: Hosea 9-11 Revelations 2

Praise the Lord! Look at Acts 16:16-18, "Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved." She kept this up for many days. Finally Paul became so annoyed that he turned around and said to the spirit, "In the Name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!" At that moment the spirit left her."

Praise God! This girl was set free from the devil and his influence. That is good news. Well, some people didn't like this. Acts 16:19-24, "When her owners realized that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to face the authorities. They brought them before the magistrates and said, "These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice."The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks." I don't have enough space here to finish this story, but since I have been writing about praising God, no matter what we are going through, let me tell you that Paul and Silas praised God even when they were in jail AND GOD SET THEM FREE.

Prayer: Lord, I know that You are always worthy of my praise. Help me to praise You when I am blessed and even when things aren't going well. I also know that You are always able to turn things around in my life and I want to praise You all the time. Help me to know how to apply this truth in my life. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Friday December 12** 

Scripture Reading: Hosea 12-14
Revelations 3

Praise the Lord! Yesterday, we saw in Acts 16 that Paul and Silas were being faithful to preach the Gospel and while doing that they encountered a girl who was demon possessed and they set her free. Lord, help us to consistently share the gospel with people and help us to never quit.

Now, let me continue the story from Acts 16. Verses 25-30 say, "About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose. The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?""

Praise God! While Paul and Silas offered up what surely could be called a sacrifice of praise, God miraculously set them free. The jailer realized that he was lost and asked how he could get saved. Praise God! Come on, take a moment and praise God!

I am going to have to finish the story tomorrow, but did you notice that when Paul and Silas were set free they didn't run our of the prison? They must have known that God wanted them to stay and share the Gospel more.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me and thank You for helping me to really see that You are always worthy of my praise. Help me to know that You are all powerful and help me to be willing to share the good news with people who don't know You. Help me to praise You more no matter what I am facing. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Saturday December 13** 

Scripture Reading: Joel Revelations 4

Praise the Lord! Well, let's look at the rest of the story we are covering from Acts 16. Verses 31-40 say, "They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved-you and your household." Then they spoke the Word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized. The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God-he and his whole household. When it was daylight, the magistrates sent their officers to the jailer with the order: "Release those men." The jailer told Paul, "The magistrates have ordered that you and Silas be released. Now you can leave. Go in peace." But Paul said to the officers: "They beat us publicly without a trial, even though we are Roman citizens, and threw us into prison. And now do they want to get rid of us quietly? No! Let them come themselves and escort us out." The officers reported this to the magistrates, and when they heard that Paul and Silas were Roman citizens, they were alarmed. They came to appease them and escorted them from the prison, requesting them to leave the city. After Paul and Silas came out of the prison, they went to Lydia's house, where they met with the brothers and sisters and encouraged them. Then they left."

What a mighty God we serve! What faithful men Paul and Silas were! The girl ended up delivered, the jailer and his family were saved and Paul and Silas were set free. Do you think there might be some things we all should learn from this wonderful story?

Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful for Your Word. Help me to learn from this story. Help me to faithfully share the Gospel all the time. Help me to never be distracted to discouraged because I see that You can always turn things around. I want to take some time right now and praise You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Sunday December 14** 

Scripture Reading: Amos 1-3 Revelations 5

Praise the Lord! We read about Paul and Silas praising God while in prison and God delivered them. Praising God when everything is going well is always the right thing to do. (You probably know what I am going to say next but I am going to say it anyway). Praising God when everything isn't going well is also the right thing to do.

Here is an example of this from the Old Testament. 2 Chronicles 20:15 says, "He said: "Listen, King Jehoshaphat and all who live in Judah and Jerusalem! This is what the Lord says to you: 'Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's." They were surrounded by a vast army and the Lord told them not to be afraid or discouraged. They needed to remember that God was going to fight their battle. God is going to give them instructions, and I will show you those verses, but first they needed to have faith rather than fear and they the need to encourage themselves rather than giving in to discouragement. We need to do these things in our lives too. Being afraid and discouraged will not help.

2 Chronicles 20:16-17 say, "Tomorrow march down against them. They will be climbing up by the Pass of Ziz, and you will find them at the end of the gorge in the Desert of Jeruel. You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you." Don't know you that it was great news when God told them that they would't have to fight their battle because He was going to fight for them. God will fight your battle too. Trust Him.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for speaking to the people in 2 Chronicles and thank You for speaking to me too. I choose to reject fear and discouragement because I know that You are with me and I know that You will help me. I believe that Your Word is helping me to have faith for what I face in life. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Monday December 15** 

Scripture Reading: Amos 4-6
Revelations 6

Praise the Lord! 2 Chronicles 20:17 says, "You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you, Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you."

This was God's Word for them back then and this is God's Word for you today. Believe it. Look at Romans 15:4, "For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope." It might be helpful for you to read this verse again and then read 2 Corinthians 20:17 again. God had that verse written for our instruction. He had it written so we would have endurance, encouragement and hope. If you are going through something hard right now receive the endurance, encouragement and hope that God has for you. If you aren't going through anything hard right now thank God for that and store this truth up for anything that might come your way.

The Lord will be with you. Isn't that good news? When we know that the Lord is with us we have nothing to fear. God will never leave us or forsake us. Here is a verse that even says God goes ahead of us. Deuteronomy 31:8, "The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." I don't know what you are going through or what you may go through but I know that God is greater than any of those and I know that He is with you. You are going to make it because God is for you, He loves you and He is all powerful.

Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful for Your Word and all that You speak to me through It. I believe Your Word and I thank You for giving me courage, encouragement and hope. I know that I was completely lost without You and I know that I am completely saved with You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Tuesday December 16** 

Scripture Reading: Amos 7-9 Revelations 7

Praise the Lord! When I started covering the verses in 2 Chronicles 20, I tied it into the story from Acts 16 where Paul and Silas worshipped God while in prison. Now, look at 2 Chronicles 20:18, "Jehoshaphat bowed down with his face to the ground, and all the people of Judah and Jerusalem fell down in worship before the Lord."

God is always worthy of our worship! Amen? I sure hope people worship Him when He helps them but Jehoshaphat worshipped the Lord before God worked everything worked out. God had spoken to him, he believed what God said and he worshipped God.

This verse also says that when the leader, Jehoshaphat, worshipped God all the people worshipped the Lord too. Jehoshaphat set a good example and others followed his example. Let's be a good example too. There are people who know you and they are watching what you do. Set a good example for them. Have you had people that set good examples for you? Be that person for others. If you have the opportunity to speak to them show them in the Word what promises you are believing and standing on.

When Jehoshaphat set a good example by what he said and by what he did others followed. Verse 19 says, "Then some Levites from the Kohathites and Korahites stood up and praised the Lord, the God of Israel, with a very loud voice." Know the truth, believe the truth and put it into practice in your life and help others to do the same things.

Prayer: Lord, I choose to believe Your Word and I choose to praise and worship You before, during and after whatever I face in life. I also want my life to be an example for others to see and for them to learn from. Help me to believe that You really can use me and my life to help others more. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Wednesday December 17** 

Scripture Reading: Obadiah Revelations 8

Praise the Lord! Thank God for the Word! Amen? There are always lessons we can learn from the Word and we are blessed to be able to study His Word every day. I pray for us all to keep learning.

2 Chronicles 20:20 says, "Early in the morning they left for the Desert of Tekoa. As they set out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, "Listen to me, Judah and people of Jerusalem! Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld; have faith in His prophets and you will be successful.""

Jehoshaphat really believed the Word that God had spoken to him and he was willing to tell others. He had faith in God and he was encouraging others to have faith in God too. He was telling them to trust God and he was telling to them to trust what God had said. This is what I try to do on here every day. I trust in God and what He has said. I encourage you to trust in Him and what He says too.

Well, look at what happened next. 2 Chronicles 20:21 says, "After consulting the people, Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the Lord and to praise Him for the splendor of His holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: "Give thanks to the Lord, for His love endures forever.""

They were praising God and thanking God for his deliverance before it happened. That is faith. Look at Hebrews 10:39, "But we do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved." We have faith and we are saved.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for speaking to me from Your Word. I choose to believe Your Word and I choose to speak what I believe. I give You praise for always helping me and I worship You all the time. Help me to live by faith and help me to never give up. I also ask You to bless all my brothers and sisters who are doing these devotions. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Thursday December 18** 

Scripture Reading: Jonah Revelations 9

Praise the Lord! Look at 2 Chronicles 20:21-22, "After consulting the people, Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the Lord and to praise Him for the splendor of His holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: "Give thanks to the Lord, for His love endures forever." As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated."

WOW! God's people believed Gods' promises. In faith, they praised God before they were set free and look at this: "As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated." As they began to sing and praise the Lord, by faith, God defeated their enemies.

This is what God promised to do. Do you think promises like this are for you? Well, look at 2 Corinthians 1:20-22, "For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ. And so through Him the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God. Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set His seal of ownership on us, and put HIs Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come." Please take a moment and read these verses over again and know that all the promises of God are YES for you. Then add your Amen to them and believe. These verses even say that God gave you the Holy Spirit guaranteeing what is to come!

Prayer: Lord, I am amazed at the promises You have made in Your Word and I believe what You said when You said that they are all for me because I am in You. Help me to believe the Word, help me to renew my mind to Your Word and help me to speak what I believe. Thank You, Holy Spirit, for guaranteeing what it is come. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Friday December 19** 

Scripture Reading: Micah 1-3
Revelations 10

Praise the Lord! There is something interesting to see in 2 Chronicles 20:23, "The Ammonites and Moabites rose up against the men from Mount Seir to destroy and annihilate them. After they finished slaughtering the men from Seir, they helped to destroy one another." Those who were opposing God's people ended up destroying each other. God is so good.

Verse 24 says, "When the men of Judah came to the place that overlooks the desert and looked toward the vast army, they saw only dead bodies lying on the ground; no one had escaped." When God's people showed up the battle had been fought and won.

Do you remember what verse 15 said? "He said: "Listen, King Jehoshaphat and all who live in Judah and Jerusalem! This is what the Lord says to you: 'Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's." God said it was God's battle and we sure see that was exactly what happened. God keeps His promises. Believe what He says and don't doubt. Believe and live for Him. He is in control.

2 Chronicles 20:25 says, "So Jehoshaphat and his men went to carry off their plunder, and they found among them a great amount of equipment and clothing and also articles of value—more than they could take away. There was so much plunder that it took three days to collect it." They just had to gather the spoils. They were blessed. They were greatly blessed. They were so blessed it took them three days to collect all the blessings. Would you like to say, "That's for me!"?

Prayer: Lord, thank You for all Your promises. I am always going to believe what You say and I am never going to quit living for You. I know that You are actively working in my life. Help me to recognize Your work more and I am going to be thankful. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Saturday December 20** 

Scripture Reading: Micah 4-5

**Revelations 11** 

Praise the Lord! 2 Chronicles 20:26 says, "On the fourth day they assembled in the Valley of Berakah, where they praised the Lord. This is why it is called the Valley of Berakah to this day." When you read that verse did you wonder what the word Berakah means? Well, I did and I looked it up. It means BLESSINGS. God said He was going to fight for His people and He told them that they were going to be blessed. God surely fought for them and they were blessed so they named the place BLESSINGS.

Did you notice what they did in this place called BLESSINGS? They PRAISED THE LORD! When we are blessed we should always PRAISE THE LORD! Look at John 1:16, "From the fulness of His grace we have received one blessing after another." Thank God for His blessings and always remember that His blessings come from the fullness of His grace. Thank God for His grace. Ask God to help you to recognize His blessings more and then always thank God for them. Actually, I teach people that when God blesses them they should do three things. 1. They should thank God for His grace and 2. They should thank God for the blessing and 3. They should tell Jesus that they are looking forward to the next blessing. After all, the Word says they come one blessing after another.

The people in 2 Chronicles sure praised God. 2 Chronicles 20:27-28 say, "Then, led by Jehoshaphat, all the men of Judah and Jerusalem returned joyfully to Jerusalem, for the Lord had given them cause to rejoice over their enemies. They entered Jerusalem and went to the temple of the Lord with harps and lyres and trumpets."

Prayer: Lord, I thank You for all the blessings You have given me. Help me to see more of them. I know that they come because of Your Amazing Grace. Also help me to know that I am blessed so I can be a blessing. Help me to use what You give me to bless others. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Sunday December 21** 

Scripture Reading: Micah 6-7
Revelation 12

Praise the Lord! 2 Chronicles 20:29 says, "The fear of God came on all the surrounding kingdoms when they heard how the Lord had fought against the enemies of Israel." What a blessing. God promised to take care of His enemies and He surely did that and there were even more blessings. Now, the surrounding kingdoms heard about how the Lord had fought for them and they were afraid of God's people. His blessings go on and on.

2 Chronicles 20:30 says, "And the kingdom of Jehoshaphat was at peace, for his God had given him rest on every side." God's people were at *peace* and God gave them *rest* on every side. Thank God for all of His blessings that these people experienced and thank God that He has these same blessing for us. God wants you have *peace* and He wants you to *rest* in Him.

Look at what Jesus said in Matthew 11:28-29, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

God promises to give us rest. Did you notice what our part is in this? We need to *come to Jesus*. I am sure this invitation is for all the time but specifically here Jesus invites us to come to Him when we are *weary and burdened*.

We are also told that when we come to Him we need to *learn* from Him. He wants us to live in His blessing and He is ready and willing to teach us how to stay in that blessing of rest.

Prayer: Lord, I thank You for Your blessings. I want to live in Your presence. Help me to come to You when I am weary and burdened. I also thank You for all that You have taught me and I want to keep learning from You continually. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Monday December 22** 

Scripture Reading: Nahum Revelations 13

Praise the Lord! Take a deep breath right now. Did you do it? Take another deeper breath. Ok, now look at Psalms 150:6, "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord." I wanted to make sure that you would really know this verse is for you today. We are told to PRAISE THE LORD!

Jeremiah 20:13 says, "Sing to the Lord! Give praise to the Lord! He rescues the life of the needy from the hands of the wicked." Aren't you thankful for God's protection? Give Him praise!

Psalms 111:1 says, "Praise the Lord. I will extol the Lord with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly." This is talking about praising the Lord when we are around other believers. I want you to know that when you praise God it will bless others and it will encourage them to realize how wonderful He is and they will be reminded that they should praise Him too.

Look at all of Psalms 111. "Praise the Lord. I will extol the Lord with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly. Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them. Glorious and majestic are His deeds, and His righteousness endures forever. He has caused His wonders to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and compassionate. He provides food for those who fear Him; He remembers His covenant forever. He has shown His people the power of His works, giving them the lands of other nations. The works of HIs hands are faithful and just; all His precepts are trustworthy. They are established for ever and ever, enacted in faithfulness and uprightness. He provided redemption for His people; He ordained His covenant foreverholy and awesome is His Name. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow His precepts have good understanding. To Him belongs eternal praise."

Praise the Lord!



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**Tuesday December 23** 

Scripture Reading: Habakkuk Revelations 14

Praise the Lord! We are so blessed to be saved. Don't ever forget how blessed you are and it is all because of Jesus. Deuteronomy 28:1 says, "If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all His commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth." Think about this phrase: The Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. What a promise.

Listen to what Jesus said in John 10:10, "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." Jesus came to give us life and life to the full. This verse also mentions the devil and the fact that that he come to steal, kill and destroy, but thank God we are in the Kingdom of God and Jesus gives us life and life to the full. Thank God we are saved. We need to keep our lives open to Jesus and closed to the devil.

Deuteronomy 28:2 says, "All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God." When we obey Jesus by living like He says we should live we will be blessed with life and life to the full.

Would you like to know some more of the blessings that God and Jesus promise? Deuteronomy 28:3 says, "You will be blessed in the city and blessed in the country." Doesn't that sound like we will be blessed wherever we are? Verse 4 says, "The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock—the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks." Doesn't that sound like everything we have will be blessed too?

Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful that You have saved me. I know that giving my life to You was the best decision I ever made and I know that the life and life to the full that You have for me is so wonderful and I know that it is going to last literally forever. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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#### **Wednesday December 24**

#### Scripture Reading: Zephaniah Revelations 15

Praise the Lord! I am going to share some more from Deuteronomy 28 today but I also want to wish you a very Merry Christmas. We know the real reason for the Christmas season! John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." Thank God that we have given our lives to Jesus. We are saved and we have eternal life!

Ok, back to Deuteronomy 28. Yesterday, I gave you verse 4 and here it is again, "The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock—the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks." I am thankful that God's blessings are on everything we are involved in but I wanted to make sure we all see that God's blessings on our lives includes our family. God promises to bless your family because you are saved.

Verse 5 says, "Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed." This is an interesting verse. God wants to bless everything. Don't limit your thinking. We may or may not have baskets and kneading troughs today. God wants to bless our lives and everything we have and everything we are involved in. Verse 6 says, "You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out." Thank God for His blessings. Wherever you are and whatever you are doing, God is blessing you. I really think we need to think about truths like this more. The more we think about these things the more we will see them in lots of ways. If you have a car, did it start yesterday? That was a blessing from God. If you have ever had a car that didn't start you know what a blessing it was. Thank God for His blessings.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for blessing me and my family. Help me to be more aware of Your blessings and help me to thank You more. I also ask You to bless all my brothers and sisters who are doing these devotions. Help them to have a blessed Christmas. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Thursday December 25** 

Scripture Reading: Haggai Revelations 16

Praise the Lord! Look at some of the Christmas story from Luke 2:8-14, "And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests.""

In case you didn't notice the things I underlined in these verses, look at them. Because Jesus came we are told, **Do not be afraid.** People who don't know Jesus may have some things to fear, but we have given our lives to Jesus and He promises to always be with us. So, **Do not be afraid.** 

We are also told that Jesus came to bring us **Good News**. Thank God for the Gospel which is **Good News**. Look at what Paul said about the Good News of the Gospel in Romans 1:16, "**For I am not ashamed of the gospel**, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile." Thank God for the Good News that Jesus came to save everyone who believes. Thank God that you believe in Jesus and you are saved. Jesus also came to give us **Great Joy**, **Peace and Favor**.

Prayer: Lord, thank You, Jesus, for coming and for all the blessing that I have because You have saved me. I thank You that I have nothing to fear, I thank You for the Gospel, for great joy, peace and Your favor. Help me to realize how blessed I am and help me to be a blessing to those I am around today. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Friday December 26** 

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 1-3 Revelations 17

Praise the Lord! Ok, back to Deuteronomy 28 and how blessed we are. Look at the wonderful blessings in verse 7, "The Lord will grant that the enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you. They will come at you from one direction but flee from you in seven." Thank God for His protection. I am sure that there are times when God protects us and we don't even know it. So, stay thankful.

God protects us from harm AND He blesses us. Deuteronomy 28:8, "The Lord will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to. The Lord your God will bless you in the land He is giving you." You may not have literal barns, but this verse also says that God will bless everything you put your hand to. Thank God.

Speaking of barns I was reading Proverbs 3 quite a while ago and I saw verses 9-10, "Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine." When we honor God with our wealth (that He gave us in the first place) then our barns will be filled to overflowing. The Lord said to me, "You need to get more barns." I went out and opened a savings account and God has blessed it. God keeps His Word.

What do you think it means when verse 9 starts off by saying, "Honor the Lord"? I am sure part of it is found in Matthew 6:33, "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Prayer: Lord, thank You for protecting me and thank You for blessing me. I want to honor You with my life, with my wealth and with every part of my being. I want to seek You and Your kingdom first. Help me to make these commitments top priority. I never want to miss out on anything You have for me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Saturday December 27** 

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 4-6 Revelations 18

Praise the Lord! We have been looking at many blessings God has for us from Deuteronomy 28 and I know that I have jumped to many other verses too. When I read about God's blessings I just know there are so many other Scriptures that promise God's blessings. Well, yesterday when I gave you Proverbs 3:9-10, I looked at the context and I saw blessing after blessing after blessing. I didn't want you to miss out on any of them so here is Proverbs 3:1-9. Read them slowing and believe what God promises you.

"My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep My commands in your heart, for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity. Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man. Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones. Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine."

Thank God for the Word. We could never know how blessed we are without the Word. Look at Philippians 4:19, "And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of Hls glory in Christ Jesus." God promises to meed ALL your needs according to HIS riches. Doesn't that sound good to you?

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me. That is surely that greatest blessing of all. I know that I am now Your child and I know that You bless me because of that. Help me to know that Your Word is powerful and help me to know that You always keep Your Word. Thank You for showing me so many wonderful truths. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Sunday December 28** 

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 7-9
Revelations 19

Praise the Lord! I am so glad that I don't have to cover everything I have for you in one devotion, or in one week's worth of devotions or even in one year's devotions. I say that because I just looked ahead and I realized I am not going to finish Deuteronomy 28 this year. Praise God. There is more for next year.

Deuteronomy 28:9 says, "The Lord will establish you as His holy people, as He promised you on oath, if you keep the commands of the Lord your God and walk in obedience to Him."

As we live for Jesus, He promises to *establish us as His holy people*. That is a wonderful promise. We need to remember that it is Jesus who is working in our lives and He will never quit. Look at 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24, "Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it." He is *faithful* and He will *surely* finish His good work in your life.

As God does His wonderful work in our lives others will see it. Now, I have to tell you that some will like what God is doing and others will reject it but they will know that it is God who is doing it. Our part is to stay on track. Keep living like God wants and keep sharing the truth so Jesus will get all the glory.

In Matthew 5:16, Jesus said, "In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me and thank You for working in my life. I want to keep growing and I want to be a good witness for You. I know that You are going to finish Your good work in my life and I am going to stay on track. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Monday December 29** 

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 10-12
Revelations 20

Praise the Lord! I have a wonderful promise for you from God's Word for today. It would be a good one to believe as we start a new year in a couple days. Deuteronomy 28:11 says, "The Lord will grant you abundant prosperity—in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your ground—in the land He swore to your ancestors to give you."

God says He will grant us *abundant prosperity*. If it just said *prosperity* that would be wonderful, but it says *abundant prosperity*. Then it talks about some areas where this will apply. Our children will be blessed, our families will be blessed and other areas where we are involved will be blessed.

Verse 12 says, "The Lord will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none." God will bless everything we are involved in and God will bless ALL the work of our hands. I choose to believe this. Then it says that we will be so blessed that we will be lenders rather than borrowers.

Verse 13 goes on. "The Lord will make you the head, not the tail. If you pay attention to the commands of the Lord your God that I give you this day and carefully follow them, you will always be at the top, never at the bottom" Look at Psalms 145:13, "Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion endures through all generations. The Lord is trustworthy in all He promises and faithful in all He does." God is faithful and He keeps His promises.

Prayer: Lord, I am amazed at how many times You say that You will bless me. I also know that You always keep Your Word. I choose to believe Your Word, I choose to live for You and I look forward to Your blessings coming. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Tuesday December 30** 

Scripture Reading: Zecharia 13-14

**Revelations 21** 

Praise the Lord! We have been seeing many many blessings that God has for us as His people. He loves us and He will never stop loving us. He sent Jesus so we could be saved and so we could live for Him. He sent Jesus to save us because of His great grace for us. We didn't and we don't deserve any of His blessings. Thank God for His love and His grace. 2 Timothy 1:9-10 makes these points. "He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of His own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel." We are saved because God loves us and because He has grace for us. Now, we need to live for Him.

Deuteronomy 28:14 says, "Do not turn aside from any of the commands I give you today, to the right or to the left, following other gods and serving them." You have come this far living for Jesus. Don't turn aside or be distracted. We really should be living for Jesus more and more. As we study the Word and learn more of His ways it should make us ready and willing to live for Jesus more and more.

2 Thessalonians 1:2-3 say, "Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing." Thank God for His Grace and Peace. Keep growing in love.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for revealing Your Amazing Grace when You sent Jesus into the world and thank You for revealing Your Amazing grace when You sent Jesus into my life. I want to keep growing in love. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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**Wednesday December 31** 

Scripture Reading: Malachi Revelations 22

Praise the Lord! We come to the end of another year. We have made it. Jesus has been faithful and He will always be faithful. Rejoice in the good things God has done in you life this year and be thankful. We really should be the most thankful people in the world. You can also know that as good as God has been He has even more goodness for you. He never runs out of blessings for His people and that includes you.

As we closed the year off looking at the blessings that are promised in Deuteronomy 28 it has been a good thing for us to do. God has all these promises for us and even more. Our part is to live fully for Him. We also need to know and remember that God blesses us so we can bless others.

All those blessings were made to people under the Old Covenant and we now have a better Covenant. Hebrews 8:6 says, "But in fact the ministry Jesus has received is as superior to theirs as the covenant of which He is mediator is superior to the old one, since the new covenant is established on better promises." We are so blessed to be New Testament believers.

In closing for the year look at 2 Timothy 3:16-17, "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." As you have diligently been in God's Word every day this year God has been teaching you His ways and He has been equipping you for every good work He has for you to do.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me. Thank You for keeping me. Thank You for training me for all that You have for me to do today and next year. I ask You to bless all my brothers and sisters who have been doing these devotions and help more people to do them in 2026. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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#### **Up and Coming Events**

#### **BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS**

Every Wednesday morning at 7:30 AM the men meet for coffee and/or breakfast at the Church Office and a time of fellowship. Contact us here at the Church for more information.

#### **WOMEN'S BRUNCH**

The first Saturday of the month, the women of Creative Ministries meet for a carry-in brunch at 12pm. Contact us here at the Church for more information and location.

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# **Sunday Morning**

Event	Time	Location
Main Service	10 -11:30 A.M.	The CCI building LCCC
Sunday School	10:45-11:30 A.M.	The CCI building LCCC

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