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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

Praise the Lord! We have a whole new year to live for Jesus. Being in God's Word every day will help you to grow and it will help you to live more fully for Him. I want to encourage you to do the Scripture readings I put on here every day. They really won't take very long each day and you can read the whole Bible this year by doing a little bit each day.

Gladly in His Service,

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Thursday January 1

Scripture Reading: Genesis 1-2 Matthew 1

Praise the Lord! Way back, last year, I covered 2 Timothy 3:16-17 and I want to start this new year with the same verses. **“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.”** I want to commend you for being in God’s Word today and I pray that you will be in God’s Word every day this year. God will bless you and He promises to equip you for *every good work* through His Word. Because of those things I want to say: *This is going to be a good year!*

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.”** Look *intently* into the Word and don’t quit. God says *you will be blessed in what you do!*

Look at what Jesus said in John 13:17, **“Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.”** We have the Word and we are free to study it and put it into action in our lives. When we do Jesus said we will be blessed.

Here is some more of what Jesus said. John 14:15, **“If you love Me, keep My commands.”** I am sure if you asked many people if they love Jesus, many or maybe even most of them would say, “Yes I love Jesus”. But He went beyond that. He said that if we really love Him, we will keep His commands. You see, saying that we love Him has to be backed with loving Him enough to live like He wants us to live.

Prayer: Lord, I love You and I am so thankful for Your Word. Help me to study Your Word diligently and help me to put Your Word into action in my life. I thank You for all Your blessings and I want to be blessed even more so I can bless others more. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Friday January 2

Scripture Reading: Genesis 3-5 Matthew 2

Praise the Lord! Proverbs 1:1-2 say, **“The proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel: for gaining wisdom and instruction; for understanding words of insight.”** God has given us His Word to help us to *gain wisdom, instruction and insight*.

Verse 3 adds some more. **“For receiving instruction in prudent behavior, doing what is right and just and fair.”** I just looked prudent up and it said. 1. Marked by wisdom, judiciousness, or restraint. 2. Having or showing good judgment or restraint. Want to know what stood out to me? Both of these use the word *restraint*. As I thought about this, I think God was speaking to me that my being prudent often means I need to hold back and restrain myself. It might just be me who needed to hear that, but if you need it you can have this reminder too.

Verse 3 also tells us that being prudent also means *doing what is right, just and fair*. So, as we study God’s Word, He will reveal wisdom to us. As we learn wisdom from Him, we need to put what we know into practice in our lives. The more we live like He wants the better we will do. God’s blessings will be ours and I believe people will like us more. God wants us all to be witnesses for Him. We want to tell people about how wonderful God is and we need our lives to line up with what we say.

Verse 4 says, **“For giving prudence to those who are simple, knowledge and discretion to the young.”** Whether or not you are young, God has wisdom and knowledge for us all. Let’s keep learning.

Prayer: Lord, I thank You for revealing Your wisdom to me. I want to know when to go forward and I want to know when to restrain myself. I ask You to help me because I am well aware that You always know what I should do and I also know that You always lead me in the ways I should go. I love You! In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Saturday January 3

Scripture Reading: Genesis 6-8 Matthew 3

Praise the Lord! Proverbs 1:5 says, **“Let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance.”** We have been talking about God’s wisdom. This verse says that the *wise will listen and add learning*. There is always more for us to learn. The wiser we get the more we should know that there is more for us to learn. If a person ever thinks they know it all they really need more wisdom.

This verse also says *let the discerning get guidance*. God gives us insight and discernment and when He does then we need guidance to know what to do with what He shows us. We need to heed both of these steps. Sometimes a person will discern something and then they will rush right in to do something about it when they should wait for God’s timing. Sometimes we may discern something and what we need to do is pray.

Proverbs 2:1-5 say, **“My son, if you accept My Words and store up My commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding—indeed, if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God.”**

We need to accept God’s Word and continually seek wisdom. When God reveals truth to us, we need to put it into practice in our lives. Keep asking God for wisdom. Seek it like you would seek for silver and hidden treasure. God always has more for you.

Prayer: Lord, I thank You for the wisdom You have given me and I want to be faithful. Help me to know what to do when You reveal something to me. Help me to be willing to do whatever You want and help me to pray, pray, pray. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Sunday January 4

Scripture Reading: Genesis 9-11 Matthew 4

Praise the Lord! We have been talking about God giving us wisdom. As we seek wisdom, He will give it to us. Look at Proverbs, 2:1-5 **“My son, if you accept My words and store up My commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding—indeed, if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God.”**

Did you notice that these verses talk about our seeking and searching for wisdom like we would search for hidden treasures like the ones we looked at yesterday? Believe me we need wisdom. I know I do and I also know that the more I seek it the more I find it.

Look at what Jesus said in Matthew 6:33, **“But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”** When we seek Jesus and His Wisdom *first*, we will have His wisdom and He promises to give us everything else as well.

Now look at verse 34, **“Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.”** When we seek His Kingdom, His righteousness and His wisdom, He will give them to us. Then we don't have anything to worry about. By the way, worrying doesn't help. Seeking Jesus and His wisdom will help. When we trust Jesus, He knows what is coming and He knows how to take care of us. So, keep your priorities right. Seek Jesus and His wisdom first.

Prayer: Lord, I want to seek You first. Help me to know that You are speaking to me today. I am going to put this wisdom into action in my life. I know that You will always meet my need so I am going to believe, to have faith and not worry. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Monday January 5

Scripture Reading: Genesis 12-14 Matthew 5:1-26

Praise the Lord! Proverbs 3:5-6 say, **“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.”**

Don't just trust in the Lord a little bit. **Trust in the Lord with ALL your heart.** Be completely committed to Him and never quit. **Lean not on your own understanding.** I am sure you are like me and we know that our understanding isn't enough. We need God's wisdom and His understanding. The good news is that He has all the wisdom and understanding that we will ever need and He wants to give us wisdom and understanding.

We are told to **submit all our ways to Him.** Not some of our ways or only when we are in trouble, but we are to **submit ALL our ways to Him.** When we do that then **He will make your paths straight.** God has paths for us and when we trust Him with all our heart, when we don't lean on our own understanding and when we submit to Him, we can have confidence that He will show us the paths that He has for us.

We are also told that His paths are straight. Psalms 27:11 says, **“Teach me Your way, Lord; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors.”** Proverbs 4:11 says, **“I instruct you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths.”** Proverbs 11:5 says, **“The righteousness of the blameless makes their paths straight, but the wicked are brought down by their own wickedness.”** And Psalms 119:105 says, **“Your Word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.”**

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me. I choose to trust in You with ALL my heart. Thank You for all Your blessings and thank You for teaching me wisdom and for giving me understanding. I choose to walk in the straight paths You have for me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Tuesday January 6

Scripture Reading: Genesis 15-17 Matthew 5:27-48

Praise the Lord! For today, look at 1 Samuel 15:22, **“But Samuel replied: “Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams.”**” In the Old Testament there were many sacrifices that needed to be made. They were all pictures of the ultimate sacrifice Jesus would make on the cross. Thank God for Jesus and His sacrifice.

Even under the Old Covenant, there was something that was more important than the sacrifices they made. The verses from 1 Samuel made this clear. **“To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams.”**

We need to obey the Lord in all things. Look at what Hosea said in Hosea 6:6, **“For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.”** God desires that we love Him and then from our love we willingly obey Him in all things.

Proverbs 21:3 says, **“To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.”** Look at what Mark 12:33 says in the New Testament, **“And to love Him with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is much more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.”** Love Jesus, live for Him and love others. Matthew 12:7 says, **“And if you had known what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice,’ you would not have condemned the guiltless.”** God desires us to have mercy on others.

Prayer: Lord, I love You so much. Thank You for saving me by dying on the cross for my sins. I know that I could have never deserved Your love or Your forgiveness. Thank You for saving me by grace. I am going to love You, I am going to love others and I am going to obey You in all things. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Wednesday January 7

Scripture Reading: Genesis 18-19

Matthew 6

Praise the Lord! I want to commend you for being in the Word every day. You are doing the right thing and being in His Word will help you in every area of your life. Developing the good habit of being in the Word every day will help you to develop other good habits in your life. Keep studying God's Word and put it into practice. God will bless you.

As you spend time in the Word, you will find many blessings that God makes. Look at Numbers 23:19, **"God is not human, that He should lie, not a human being, that He should change His mind. Does He speak and then not act? Does He promise and not fulfill?"** This is such a wonderful promise and it is true. Take a moment and read it again and know that this is God's promise for you today. Believe it. I am sure we have all had some time when some person has told us something that was a lie or something that they later changed their mind about. But know this **GOD IS NOT A MAN THAT HE SHOULD LIE** and when He promises something **HE DOESN'T CHANGE HIS MIND**.

1 Samuel 15:29 says, **"And also the Glory of Israel will not lie or have regret, for He is not a man, that He should have regret."** Hebrews 6:18 says, **"So that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us."** It is impossible for God to lie! This should give us encouragement. Actually, this verse says that the fact that it is impossible for God to lie should give us *strong encouragement to hold onto the hope that we have in Jesus*.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for speaking to me from Your Word every day. I want to do my best to study Your Word every day and I know that You are blessing me. I also thank You for so many promises and for so many times You tell me that You always keep Your promises. I believe. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Thursday January 8

Scripture Reading: Genesis 20-22 Matthew 7

Praise the Lord! I have some more to write to you about God keeping His promises, but for today I want to cover some verses from Matthew 7. I hope you are doing the Scripture readings that I put on here every day. It really won't take very much time each day and you can read the whole Bible in a year by doing them every day.

So, look at what Jesus said in the New Testament reading from Matthew 7 for today. Verses 24-27 says, **“Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”**

There are two types of people described in these verses, those who heard the Word and did what it says to do and those who heard the Word and didn't do what it says to do. Both faced storms in life. I often say that living for Jesus and doing what He says doesn't mean you will never go through anything hard but it does mean you will never go through them alone.

Look at James 1:25, **“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, thank You for making it so I can read and study Your Word every day. Help me to do my part to read it, help me to believe it and help me to do what it says. I want my life to build solidly on the rock. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Friday January 9

Scripture Reading: Genesis 23-24 Matthew 8

Praise the Lord! Look at what Isaiah said about the Word in Isaiah 55:8-9, **“For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways,” declares the Lord. “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts.”**

God’s thoughts and His ways are higher than our thoughts. Actually, let me add a little to that. God’s thoughts and His ways are higher than our thoughts *until we renew our minds to His Word and until we live in His ways*. Praise God! As God reveals His thoughts and His ways to us, we can make them our thoughts and our ways. That is how to be blessed.

Verses 10-11 say, **“As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is My Word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to Me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.”**

Rain and snow help things to grow and produce in the natural. In the realm of the spirit God’s Word comes to us and the Word will help us to grow and produce. Look at what the last part of these verses say about the Word: **“It will not return to Me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.”** Matthew 24:35 says, **“Heaven and earth will pass away, but My Words will not pass away.”** John 6:63 says, **“It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The Words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.”** Receive the Word and let it produce in your life.

Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful for Your Word. I believe Your Word, I am renewing my mind to Your Word and I know that Your Word is going to help me to grow and Your Word is going to help me to be productive. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Saturday January 10

Scripture Reading: Genesis 25-26 Matthew 9:1-17

Praise the Lord! Yesterday we started by looking at some verses from Isaiah 55 and we saw that God sends His Word to us so we can grow and be productive. Thank God for His Word and His work in our lives.

Now look at Isaiah 55:12, **“You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.”** Thank God for the Word. We are so blessed. Knowing the Word, growing and being productive should make us *go out in joy and to be led forth in peace.*

Isaiah 55:13 says, **“Instead of the thornbush will grow the juniper, and instead of briars the myrtle will grow. This will be for the Lord’s renown, for an everlasting sign, that will endure forever.”** The Word will only produce good things in your life.

Look at the last part of these verses: **This will be for the Lord’s renown, for an everlasting sign, that will endure forever.** The work of God’s Word in your life is for *His renown and it is an everlasting sign that will endure forever.*

If you are wondering how these things could be true let me show you an example of these things happening in you. God revealed to you how to be saved, through His Word, you accepted Jesus and you were saved. Your salvation is going to last forever. For all eternity the Lord’s renown will be displayed as an everlasting sign of His salvation, His grace and His mercy.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me. I know that I am going to be with You forever. I am so thankful for heaven and I want to live fully for You now. Please continue to reveal Your ways to me and help me to be a great example of a person who is born-again and living fully for You. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.



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Sunday January 11

Scripture Reading: Genesis 27-28 Matthew 9:18-38

Praise the Lord! Look at what Peter said in 2 Peter 3:1, **“Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking.”** I want to go on and show you some things that Peter wrote following this but I wanted to make a point from this verse. Peter was involved in their lives for the long haul. He had written to them before and now he was reminding them of what he had said. We need people in our lives who are going to be with us for the long haul. We also need to be like that forever. Be thankful for the people who have helped you.

Ok, verse 2 says, **“I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles.”** Peter was also reminding them (and us) that we have the Word that was written and preserved for us to learn from. There are always new things and new ideas being passed around. Some of them might be good and some of them might be bad but thank God we always have the Word. We need to base our lives on the Word and know that it never changes. Matthew 24:35 says, **“Heaven and earth will pass away, but My Words will never pass away.”**

In verse 3 Peter said, **“Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires.”** Peter was writing to them (and us) about things that will happen *in the last days*. He didn't write these things to scare us. He wrote them to us so we would not be led astray. Have you noticed that there are **scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires** around?

Prayer: Lord, I thank You for the people in my life who have helped and who continue to help me for the long haul. Help me to be like that for others. I am also so thankful for Your Word. Help me to know it, help me to believe it and help me to put Your Word into practice. I don't ever want to miss out on anything You have for me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Monday January 12

Scripture Reading: Genesis 29-30 Matthew 10:1-23

Praise the Lord! 2 Peter 3:3-7, **“Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ He promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.” But they deliberately forget that long ago by God’s Word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same Word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.”**

Don’t these things seem like they were written just for today? I am sure when the people who first read these things a long time ago they felt like these things were written just for them too. Well, here’s my point: They were written for them AND us AND for all believers.

We ALL need to know that Jesus is coming back and before that there will be people who will be *scoffing and following their own desires*. There will be people who mock us for believing that Jesus is coming. But God is still in control and Jesus is coming back. We need to keep living for Him just like those who read these things thousands of years ago needed to keep living for Him.

Here’s the truth. Jesus is coming back! We don’t know when but we know He is coming back. There will be people who don’t believe that like Peter said. We need to believe it and we need to be ready. We are ready by giving our lives to Jesus and by living like He wants.

Prayer: Lord, I believe You are coming back. Help me to live fully for You. I am not going to be distracted by those who doubt what Your Word reveals. I look forward to Your coming and I look forward to being with You forever. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.



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Tuesday January 13

Scripture Reading: Genesis 31-32 Matthew 10:24-42

Praise the Lord! Have you ever felt like time was moving faster and faster? 2 Peter 3:8-9 say, **“But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. Instead He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.”**

God is never hurried, He is never late and He is in control. He is not *slow in keeping His promises*. If you feel like it takes faith to believe this, I want to remind you that God has called you to live by faith.

Also, thank God these verses say that God is *patient*. Aren't you glad for His *patience*? Peter was writing about Jesus coming back and now He says, **He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance**. Aren't you glad that Jesus didn't come back the day before you gave your life to Him?

We need endurance. Romans 15:4 says, **“For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.”** We have the Word to help us to have *endurance* and *hope*. Romans 15:5-6 say, **“May the God Who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.”** God gives us *endurance* and *encouragement*.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for giving me endurance and hope. I want to live fully for You. I am so thankful for all that You have been speaking to me through the Word and I ask You to bless all my brothers and sisters who are doing these devotions. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Wednesday January 14

Scripture Reading: Genesis 33-35 Matthew 11

Praise the Lord! 2 Peter 3:10 says, **“But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.”**

Thank God we have given our lives to Jesus! We will be with Jesus forever in heaven. In case anyone wonders what we should do look now at verse 11, **“Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives.”**

Here are verses 11 & 12, **“Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat.”** Since we have given our lives to Jesus we are going to be ok.

Verse 13 says, **“But in keeping with His promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.”** Aren't you looking forward to heaven? There will no more sorrow, sickness, pain or lack and we will be with Jesus forever.

Look at Isaiah 65:17, **“For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.”** Heaven is going to be so wonderful that we won't even remember the sorrow, sickness, pain and lack.

Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful that You have saved me and I am so thankful that I am going to be with You in heaven forever. Since I am saved and coming to heaven help me to live holy and godly now. I want to be a good witness for You. I want to help others to be saved and to be heading to heaven. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Thursday January 15

Scripture Reading: Genesis 36-37 Matthew 12:1-21

Praise the Lord! 2 Peter 3:14 says, **“So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with Him.”**

Please don't miss this. Over and over Peter tells us that the coming of Jesus a fact and we should let the fact that Jesus is coming affect our lives. *Since you are looking forward to Jesus coming, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with Him.* What do you think it would mean in your life to *make every effort* to live for fully for Jesus?

As I have said, no one knows when Jesus is coming but we know that He is coming. The way to make sure you are ready for His coming is to make sure you are ready all the time. In Peter's words that means we should be living *spotless, blameless and at peace with Him.*

Peter even referred to what Paul was writing about the coming of Jesus. See if you think the things Paul wrote agreed with what Peter had written. 2 Peter 3:15-16, **“Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation, just as our dear brother Paul also wrote you with the wisdom that God gave him. He writes the same way in all his letters, speaking in them of these matters. His letters contain some things that are hard to understand, which ignorant and unstable people distort, as they do the other Scriptures, to their own destruction.”** Peter and Paul were both revealing the same truths. Jesus is coming. We need to be ready and we can be ready by living fully for Him all the time.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me. I want to be ready for Your coming. Help me to live my life spotless, blameless and at peace with You. Thank You for revealing these truths through Peter and Paul. I believe. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Friday January 16

Scripture Reading: Genesis 38-40 Matthew 12:22-50

Praise the Lord! 2 Peter 3:17 says, **"Therefore, dear friends, since you have been forewarned, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of the lawless and fall from your secure position."**

We are so blessed to be able to study God's Word. Let's all believe it and let's all live like God wants. Believe me, His ways are always right. When we learn from His Word and live like He wants we will not be carried away with the error of lawless and we won't fall from our secure position. If you think that sounds like a serious warning, you are right.

The Word not only tells us what *not* to do. The Word also tells us what we *should* do. 2 Peter 3:18 says, **"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever! Amen."**

Let me make sure you know that two ways are being set forth here. Some will *be carried away by error and lawlessness* and others will *grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus*.

Let's choose wisely and our lives will bring God *glory both now and forever!* Thank God for the Word. *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."* I pray for the Word to equip you thoroughly for every good work.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me. Thank You for coming again. I believe. Help me to make wise choices and help me to always choose to believe Your Word and help me to always choose to bring You glory. I love You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Saturday January 17

Scripture Reading: Genesis 41 Matthew 13:1-32

Praise the Lord! I hope you are diligently doing the Scripture Readings I put on here for you. We are so blessed to be able to study God's Word and I hope these reminders help you. From time to time, I like to make a comment from the reading to reinforce you if you have been doing your Scripture Reading and to encourage you all to do them.

Matthew 13:31-32 say, **"He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches.""** Parables are stories that talked about things in the natural to illustrate Spiritual truths. In the natural seeds (even small seeds) can grow up into large plants. They may have had a small beginning but in the end they provided for and blessed many.

Matthew 13:33 say, **"He told them still another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough.""** A little amount of yeast can be added to a large amount of flower and the yeast will affect all of the flour and make is useful.

These parables are talking about you and me and our lives. God's work may have started in what seems like a little way but His work will grow and make us strong in Him and able to help many other situations and people. Just let Jesus and His Kingdom keep growing in your life.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me. I want to keep growing in You and I want You and Your Kingdom to grow in my life so I can be used to bless and help many. I know that everything good in my life is because of You and Your good work in me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Sunday January 18

Scripture Reading: Genesis 42-43 Matthew 13:33-58

Praise the Lord! Jeremiah 29:11-13 are very familiar to many Christians. I hope you know them well. When I have shared these verses, I have often had people come up and say something like this, "Those are my verses!". I know what they mean. I want go through them verse by verse here.

Jeremiah 29:11 says, "**For I know the plans I have for you,**" declares the Lord, "**Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.**" If you would like to say, "That's for me!", go ahead and say it.

The first thing that stood out to me is God saying, **For I know the plans I have for you.**" This might seem like an odd thing for me to say but I am going to say it anyway. God knows what He is doing. Here's what I mean, God has plans for you and they are very good plans. Isn't that a wonderful truth?

Here are the plans He has for you. **Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.** God wants to bless you! He doesn't want to harm you. He wants to bless you. He wants to give you *hope* and a *future*. Look at Isaiah 55:8-9, "**For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways,**" declares the Lord. "**As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts.**" His thoughts and ways are higher than our thoughts and ways and we can know His thoughts and ways when He reveals them to us through the Word. Thank God for His Word! Thank God that He reveals Himself and His ways to us. We need to believe them.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me and thank You for having plans for me. Thank You for revealing Your plans for me through Your Word. I choose to believe. I believe that You want to prosper me and that You want to give me hope and a future. Help me to renew my mind to these truths. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Monday January 19

Scripture Reading: Genesis 44-45 Matthew 14:1-21

Praise the Lord! Jeremiah 29:11-12 say, **“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.”**

Thank God for the Word. God has plans for us and He has *declared* those plans to us. Verse 12 says that when we know His good plans for us we should respond. **Then you will call on Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.** God wants you to call on Him in prayer. If you ever wonder if you are bothering Him in prayer now you know the answer. He loves you and He wants you to pray. He promises that He will listen to you. Isn't that wonderful? I have heard some people say that when they prayed they felt like their prayers never got through to God. Listen, don't be confused by what you feel. Believe what God says in His Word. He started off these verses saying the He knows the plans He has for us and is revealing His truth to us. Believe verse 12. Pray and know that He is listening to you.

Here is what God says in His Word. Matthew 7:7-8, **“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.”** Jeremiah 33:3 says, **“Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.”** Psalms 145:19, **“He fulfills the desire of those who fear Him; He also hears their cry and saves them.”** Believe what He says and pray.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for revealing Your ways and Your truth to me. I choose to believe and not doubt. Thank You for speaking to me about prayer today. I am so blessed to be hearing these truths today. Help me to know that You want me to pray and I am going to pray more because I know Your will. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Tuesday January 20

Scripture Reading: Genesis 46-48 Matthew 14:22-36

Praise the Lord! Jeremiah 29:11-13 say, **“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. You will seek Me and find Me when you seek Me with all your heart.”**

God always speaks the truth and He is revealing truth to us through His Word today. Thank God that we are listening. God says, You will seek Him and you will find Him when you seek Him with all your heart. God says these things and He is speaking the truth. Let's do our part and know that He will always do His part.

Jeremiah 29:14 says, **“I will be found by you,” declares the Lord, “and will bring you back from captivity. I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you,” declares the Lord, “and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile.”**

When we are in need and crying out to God for help He says, **“I will be found by you!”** That is such good news. He loves us and He always wants to bless us. These verses were even made to people under the Old Covenant and we have a much better Covenant as New Testament believers. Look at what Jesus, Himself, 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.”** We do have an enemy who comes to steal, kill and destroy, but thank God Jesus is stronger than the devil and He came to give us life and life to the full. Keep your life open to Jesus and closed to the devil. (How is that for some really good advice?)

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me and thank You for all the blessings I have because of You. Thank You for hearing my prayers and thank You for giving me life and life to the full. I am going to keep my life open to You and closed to the devil. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Wednesday January 21

Scripture Reading: Genesis 49-50 Matthew 15:1-20

Praise the Lord! We need to believe in Jesus, put our faith in Him and His Word. We need to live by faith. Abraham was a great man of God and Romans talks about him quite a bit.

Romans 4:16, **“Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham’s offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all.”** Abraham believed God and he received what God had for him. He was saved by grace. This verse also say that his offspring would also be saved and blessed by grace. Look at this phrase: **Those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all.**

Romans 4:17 says, **“As it is written: “I have made you a father of many nations.” He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.”**

We have given our lives to Jesus and we are saved and blessed. Look at what this verse says about some of what God has for us: **God gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.** God speaks and what He says happens. He gives life to the dead. Before we were saved we were dead in sin but God has made us alive in Jesus.

God told Abraham that he was going to have a son. In the natural he was too old to have a son but Abraham believed God and he had a son just like God said. We need to believe like Abraham.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me and thank You for keeping me in You. I know that You will never leave me or forsake me. I also know that I am saved by grace. Help me to learn from Abraham’s life and help me to live by faith. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.



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Thursday January 22

Scripture Reading: Exodus 1-3

Matthew 15:21-39

Praise the Lord! I want us to look at the story of Abraham so we can learn from it. God made a promise. Abraham believed God and he didn't quit. He got all that God had promised him and we are called children of Abraham.

Romans 4:18 says, **“Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”** One version puts it this way, “When it seemed like there was no hope, Abraham kept hoping and believing God. . .” Then the verse says, **and so became the father of many nations.** He believed, he never quit and he received all that God had promised him.

Look at 1 Corinthians 10:11, **“These things happened to them (Abraham) as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come.”** Isn't that a wonderful promise? Can you believe it? Would you like another verse to back this up? Romans 15:4-5 say, **“For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope. May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had.”**

God had the Word preserved and He is speaking to you today so you can have *endurance, encouragement and hope*. God loves you that much. Let's pray and ask God to give us the *endurance, encouragement and hope* that the Word promises.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for saving me and thank You for giving me Your Word. I choose to believe and I ask You to give me endurance, encouragement and hope. I know You are doing these things and I am never going to quit living for You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Friday January 23

Scripture Reading: Exodus 4-6 Matthew 16

Praise the Lord! I want to commend you for being in God's Word every day. You are better off because you will know more fully what God has promised you. God keeps His promises.

Romans 4:19 says, **"Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead."** God had promised Abraham that He was going to have a son. Abraham and Sarah had no children. Abraham was 100 years old and Sarah was 90 but Abraham didn't *weaken in his faith!* He knew that there was no way they could have children unless God worked a miracle for them. But look at this phrase, **"Without weakening in his faith."**

God said they were going to have a son. Abraham believed God and he didn't weaken in his faith. I will show you some more on these things in the coming days, but for today here is one of the things Abraham did. He kept his attention on the promise. He kept his attention on the Word.

Look at Romans 10:10-11, **"For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in Him will never be put to shame.""**

Abraham probably walked around saying things like this: "God said I am going have a son and I say I am going to have a son!" He believed the Word and he spoke what he believed and those things helped him to maintain his faith.

Prayer: Lord, I thank You for the example Abraham is for me. I want to really learn from his example. Help me to know what You have promised me and help me to speak what I believe. I don't ever want to weakening in my faith. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Saturday January 24

Scripture Reading: Exodus 7-8 Matthew 17

Praise the Lord! Have you ever had a promise from God and it seemed like it wasn't being fulfilled? Well, you are not alone.

Romans 4:19-20, **"Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God."**

He strengthened his faith and gave glory to God. Look at Colossians 3:2, **"Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things."** That may be a short verse but it is powerful. Do you know who determines what your mind and attention is set on? You do. It is your mind. When any of God's people set their minds on God and His promises they will always do better. Oh, I know it is hard but it is well worth it.

Romans 4:20-21 say, **"Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised."**

Abraham was *fully persuaded that God had power to do what He had promised.* I know I gave you this verse earlier, but here it is again. 1 Corinthians 10:11, **"These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come."**

Prayer: Lord, thank You for always speaking to me and thank You for Your good work in my life. I know that You have power to do what You have promised. Help me to know this, help me to hold on to it and help me to never quit. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Sunday January 25

Scripture Reading: Exodus 9-10

Matthew 18:1-20

Praise the Lord! Abraham stood in faith and kept believing that God could do what He had promised and he received what God had promised. Now look at Romans 4:22, "**This is why "It was credited to him as righteousness."**" He received what God had promised. Isaac was born and this whole process **was credited to him as righteousness.**

Let me say something about Abraham being credited righteousness. We have been covering the story for several days. Here is what Abraham had done. He believed what God spoke to him and he didn't quit even when it seemed impossible for God to do what He has promised.

With that in mind look at 2 Corinthians 5:21, "**God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.**" Do you know what we have to do to be made righteous? We need to believe just like Abraham had to believe. We also need to be like Abraham and never quit.

The next verse in Romans 4 is verse 23, "The words "**It was credited to him**" **were written not for him alone. . .**" I left those . . . at the end of that verse because there is more. What God said about Abraham being credited righteousness was not just for him. Who else do you think that promise was for?

Well, look at Romans 4:23-24, "**The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead.**" More on this tomorrow.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for the story of Abraham and thank You for showing me how the truths revealed to Abraham apply to me and my life too. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Monday January 26

Scripture Reading: Exodus 11-12 Matthew 18:21-35

Praise the Lord! Let's look at Romans 4:23-24 some more today. **"The words "It was credited to him" were written not for him alone, but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead.""**

God's Word is saying that **God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead.** Isn't this an exciting truth? Aren't you glad that God had this written in His Word and aren't you glad that you are doing your part by reading and studying His Word every day?

Just so I won't skip an important step in this process, let me ask you a very important question. Do you believe in Jesus and in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead? This is a very important question. If your answer is, *"Yes, I believe that God raised Jesus from the dead!"* That is a life changing event that will last forever.

When Adam, the first man, sinned all mankind was made sinners. We were all *in him*. When Jesus came and lived a completely righteous life and He made a way for us all to be set free from sin. Look closely at Romans 5:17, **"For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!"** When we believe in Jesus and what He did for us on the cross, we are forgiven and we are born-again. We are now made righteous in Jesus. I have to say that again, I have more to say about this tomorrow.

Prayer: Lord, I choose to believe Your Word. I thank You for making me righteous in Jesus. I know that I used to be a sinner and I now know that I have been made righteous in Jesus. Please continue to teach me Your truth. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Tuesday January 27

Scripture Reading: Exodus 13-15 Matthew 19:1-15

Praise the Lord! We have been seeing and learning that Abraham believed in what God promised and because of his believing *righteousness was credited to him*. All that was under the Old Covenant. As New Covenant believers we need to *believe in Jesus and what He did on the cross and we are made the righteousness of God in Jesus*. I know that there are many people who do these devotions and I am thankful for every one of you. I suppose for some of you this is new revelation and I know there are others who know this truth. I also know that we all need to hear these truths. If this is new to you, continue studying God's Word and believe the Word. If you have heard these things before, I believe you probably need these reminders. So, continue studying God's Word and believe the Word.

Romans 5:17 still says, **"For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!"**

As believers, we have been made *righteous in Jesus*. Don't miss that we are told that we have this and all the blessings of God because of *the abundant provision of His grace*. Thank God for His Amazing Grace. None of us deserved these blessings. No one has every been good enough to earn them. We have them because of *His abundant provision of grace*. There is even one more blessing in this verse. We are also told that we will *reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ*. Isn't that an amazing promise? We need to believe it like all the rest of the promises we have because of what Jesus has provided for us.

Prayer: Lord, I am always amazed at how much You have done for me. I choose to believe! Help me to believe that I am righteous in You and help me to believe that I can reign in life in You. I certainly know that everything I have in You is because of Your Amazing Grace. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Wednesday January 28

Scripture Reading: Exodus 16-18

Matthew 19:16-30

Praise the Lord! I am going to try to cover the rest of Romans 5 by the end of the month. So, here goes. Romans 5:18 says, **“Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people.”**

Adam sinned and all mankind became sinners. But thanks be to God, He had a plan to set us free. Jesus died on the cross for all mankind and because of His death and resurrection every person who puts their faith in Him can be born-again and made righteous in Him.

John 3:16-17 say, **“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. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.”** Praise God! These are wonderful truths but there is even more.

John 3:18-21 say, **“Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the Name of God’s one and only Son. This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.”**

Prayer: Lord, thank You for paying for all my sins. I am so thankful that I have given my life to You and I know that I am now born-again. I say what You say, “I am righteous in You!” Help me know that I am no longer under condemnation. Jesus, I believe all that You have done for me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Thursday January 29

Scripture Reading: Exodus 19-21 Matthew 20:1-16

Praise the Lord! We have been talking about when Adam sinned all mankind from then on were born into sin but Praise God, Jesus came and paid for our sins so everything could be turned around. Romans 5:19 says, **“For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one Man the many will be made righteous.”**

Jesus paid for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:2 says, **“He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.”** Now to be clear, Jesus’ sacrifice was for all people, but we all have to accept Jesus and His payment for us.

Look at John 3:1-3, **“Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs You are doing if God were not with Him.” Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.”** Nicodemus was a religious man and probably lived a good life but he was a sinner and lost. Jesus told him that he had to be born-again.

Look at what Jesus said in John 14:6, **“Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”** Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. He said, **“No one comes to the Father except through Me.”** Jesus is the only way for a person to be saved.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for dying for my sins and thank You for drawing me to You and to the salvation that You have for me. I know You are the only way I could be saved. Help me to know how to share this good news with others more effectively. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Friday January 30

Scripture Reading: Exodus 22-24 Matthew 20:17-34

Praise the Lord! Romans 5:20 says, **"The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more."**

I have some things to say about the law for today. When Adam sinned, he became a sinner and everyone born after him were sinners. Some people think that God gave the law so people could know how to live and so they could become righteous by keeping the law but that is wrong. You see, no one, and I mean no one, could ever keep the law. No one could earn their salvation by their works and efforts.

The law was given to reveal the truth that everyone was lost and they could not earn or work their way to salvation. That sounds pretty dire but God had a plan to send Jesus so people could be saved by putting their trust in Him. So, the law served a good purpose. It made it so people would clearly know that they needed help outside of their own efforts and good works. People can only be saved by God's grace.

Now look at Romans 6:1, **What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase?** Some thought that since we are saved by grace we should go on sinning and that would show how great God's grace is. This is wrong too. I have to say this is very wrong. The only way for anyone to be saved is by God's grace and His grace is great enough to save anyone who accepts Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful for Your Amazing Grace. I know that I was completely lost because of sin and I know that I am completely saved through Jesus and by grace. Help me to know more fully how blessed I am. I also want to help others to know that they can be saved by trusting in Jesus and Your grace. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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Saturday January 31

Scripture Reading: Exodus 25-26 Matthew 21:1-22

Praise the Lord! Romans 5:20-21 say, **“The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”**

Thank God we are not under the law. Before we were saved we were under the law and sin reigned in our lives. We could not be good enough to earn our salvation and so there was no way we could be saved by or through the law.

But thanks be to God, He had a plan. Sin reigned in death **so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.** We were dead in sin and sin reigned over us but when we gave our lives to Jesus, God provided a Way.

John 14:6, **“Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”** Jesus is THE WAY, He is the TRUTH and He is the LIFE!” And His is our RIGHTEOUSNESS.

We could not have any of these wonderful things any other way than accepting them from Jesus. He did it all. Our part is to accept Him and what He has provided for us. 2 Corinthians 5:21, **“For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.”** God actually made Jesus *to be sin for us - so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.* He did all those things for us because of His Grace.

Prayer: Lord, I am so thankful for all that You have done for me. I am so thankful for Your GRACE. I am so thankful for Jesus' sacrifice on the cross and I am so thankful for the life and life in abundance You have for me. Help me to accept that I am righteous in You and help me to live like a righteous person should live. 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

PLEASE JOIN US THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 9:30 BEFORE CHURCH FOR SOME COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS AND LOTS OF FELLOWSHIP!

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