GOD'S UNCONDITIONAL LOVE FOR YOU

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world;

but that the world through him might be saved.

John 3:16-17 kjv



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"We must learn to live together as brothers and sisters in Christ or perish together as fools; but when we lose the right to be different, we lose the privilege to be free."

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"History shows us that the first humans, Adam and Eve, gave birth to the human race in the continent of Africa. Sin entered the world when Adam ate the forbidden fruit and his descendants grew to be very wicked. "And the LORD said, 'My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he is indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years."

GENESIS 6:3 NKJV

God saw the evil in the hearts of Adam's descendants and was going to destroy the world with a great flood. But because Noah loved God, He told him to build an ark to save his family. The Earth was destroyed and only Noah, his wife, their three sons, and their wives were spared. Noah's descendants eventually repopulated the entire Earth. Every person today came from those eight. We are all one race, the human race!

GENESIS CHAPTER 9-11

After many generations, Noah's descendants wanted to make a name for themselves and began to build a tower to reach the heavens. God grew furious and scattered the human race over the Earth to Europe, Asia, North and South America and Australia. As a result of this diaspora, a multitude of nationalities, cultures, and languages developed.

Today, many nationalities and cultures make up our nation, the United States of America. If we of this great nation can put aside our differences and work together, we will be able to overcome any obstacle and meet any challenge. Only then can we finally unite and spread peace and prosperity throughout the world as **one race, the HUMAN RACE**. Let us start with displaying our logo of "United, We Make America" to show people our strength and unity.



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A Story Of Faith

[Prompted] by faith, Noah, being forewarned by God concerning events of which as yet there was no visible sign, took heed and diligently and reverently constructed and prepared an ark for the deliverance of his own family. By this [his faith which relied on God] he passed judgment and sentence on the world's unbelief and became an heir and possessor of righteousness (that relation of being right into which God puts the person has faith).

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. John 8:32 KJV

Your Genealogy starts with Noah and his wife, and they had three sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth, and each had a wife. After the flood, they were the only ones saved and they repopulated the entire Earth. Therefore, one third of us are brothers and sisters, and the other two thirds are cousins (read Genesis 5:1-32). This is why, "We must learn to live together as brothers and sisters in Christ or perish together as fools; but when we lose the right to be different, we lose the privilege to be free."

"We are all a piece of the puzzle."

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Ephesians 6:1-20 (NKJV)

Children and Parents

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise: "that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth."

And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

Bondservants and Masters

Bondservants, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in sincerity of heart, as to Christ; not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, with goodwill doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men, knowing that whatever good anyone does, he will receive the same from the Lord, whether he is a slave or free.

And you, masters, do the same things to them, giving up threatening, knowing that your own Master also is in heaven, and there is no partiality with Him.

The Whole Armor of God

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints—and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

Greetings from the desk of Pastor Walter L. Mathis, Sr.

There are people that live alone or in special care facilities that can often be forgotten. They miss out on some very important parts of life including the ability to attend church services. That is why this pamphlet is helpful. It is important for people who are unable to attend regular church services to have the opportunity to gather with others to read the scriptures and stories from the bible. This will aid them and allow them to see how God has helped others through the process of life, which include good times and hardships.

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The Operation Resources Pamphlet lets us send forth a small gesture of a pamphlet of prayers, bible passages and inspirational readings. We hope that this will provide encouragement, enlightenment and support to its readers and those who need it most. We encourage reading God's messages and that they will provide comfort and fill a void in the lives of this pamphlet's readers as well as provide fun with the puzzles on the pages within.

Reading through this pamphlet and working on the puzzles will hopefully provide solace. While reading the pamphlet which provides passages from the Bible or during prayer expect illumination in God's word and tranquility available through contact with Our Lord. May this pamphlet be a bridge between its readers and God. Hopefully it can in some small way help relieve cares or worries you may have and inspire prayers and healing in its reader's lives.

"Show me your ways, O Lord; teach me you paths. Guide me in your truth and faithfulness and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you do I wait all the day long. All the paths of the Lord are mercy and steadfast love; even truth and faithfulness are they for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies." Psalm 25:4-5.1- AMP

"God is our Refuge and Strength [mighty and impenetrable to temptation]; a very present and well-loved help in trouble." Psalm 46:1 AMP

Love sees through a telescope, not a microscope.

Love endures long and is patient and kind....it takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong.]

1st Corinthians 13;4, 5 AMP

Contact information:

Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1 KJV



The Family

For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land; Song of Solomon 2:11-12 AMP

The power of prayer

When we bow our heads before receiving a meal, or close our eyes and say a prayer before retiring for the evening, we are doing more than just saying a prayer. We are communicating with our Lord in the closest and most intimate way possible. Prayers are to be a help and a guide to you in order to get better acquainted with your Heavenly Father and His World. In the bible, Jesus tells us in **Mark 11:22-25** that whatever we ask for in prayer, believe that it will be granted, and you will get it. According to **Colossians 4:12**, we as servants of God must always be in prayer and stand firm and mature in spiritual growth, convinced and fully assured in everything willed by God. In other words, we must be true believers who walk with God and do the things God has called us to do.

All people are looking for something upon which they can depend, as Christians can depend on the Lord. When someone in need comes to you, you know how to assist them. You can point him to that portion of God's Word that is the answer to his problem. And you know how to advise him to reach out to God, to trust in Him, share with Him and ask His assistance and guidance in prayer. You will find yourself pouring over His Word—hungering for more and more. The Father rewards those who diligently seek Him (**Hebrews 11:6**). We must meditate upon the Scriptures which list prayers we know God will answer to everything and through prayer He will hear what is in your heart and your words and answer them according to His Will.

Our Prayer For You

Dear Lord,

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We are thankful for Lord Jesus Christ, and our families. We beseech you to continue to bless the family unit. Instill in the fathers and mothers the love, compassion and wisdom they need to raise children. We pray that Your Spirit will instruct children, that they will receive obedience and love.

We know you are our sustainer of life and health. We give you praise for our blessings. It feels so good to be a child of the King, who holds all power in his hands. Lead us, your children, in the way we should go. Our praises will continue to be on our lips. **Amen.**

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But seek ye first the KINGDOM OF GOD, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:33 KJV

Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thine heart: write them upon the table of thine heart: So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man. Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him and he shall direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

Proverbs 3-7 KJV

God's Protection

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28 JKV

Like a father his children and a shepherd leads his flock, the Lord will always guide us and show us where to walk. Even when we have His blessings he protects us and when we are in need He still protects us. He knows what we need before we ask.

In 2010, a young lady wanted to attend college. Ashe prayed that God would show her what to do. She got on a bus headed for the big city. Not knowing anyone in the city, she wondered what would happen to her, but she had the protection of God. When she arrived in the city she found a job immediately. She began to take a few college courses, not knowing how she would pay for them. God provided for her. During these trying times, she was not aware of how God loved and protected her. Now she enjoys a happy life. She graduated and is working and fulfilling the purposes of God.

Our Prayers For You

I am, that I am, that I am!

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In God there is no failure. He is our shield and sword. He neither slumbers nor sleeps. His majesty and dominion is forever and ever. He who trusts in the Lord shall always prevail. His angels and Spirit intercede for all his chosen children. Praise be to God for all his protection and care.

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Our approach to the throne of grace (Hebrews 4:16) is not on the basis of our victories. We are not invited because we are worthy. Jesus our brother opens up the way for us to come in our weaknesses, temptations and failures. He is with us in sympathy and help, not at the end of our struggle, but all the way through. – *Reuben R. Welch*



With you, Jesus Nothing is impossible Nothing is insurmountable Nothing is too hard, with you.

No star is unreachable No goal unattainable No road is too narrow No burden unbearable

No enemy too powerful No sickness incurable No task too formidable No loss unendurable

No job irreplaceable No habit unbreakable No problem unsolvable There's always hope for tomorrow

And no dream is too lofty, with you.

For I can do all things through Christ, which strengthens me.

They took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out:

"Hosanna! ("Save Now") 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' ... the King of Israel!" John 12:13 KJV

Our ultimate trust must be in God. He brought us out of so many situations that we were not able to overcome ourselves. This is why it is important to depend on Him at all times.

A young lady from Detroit, Michigan once said that God watched over her even when she was not aware of it.

One day while working in a department store, she found a bank envelope that someone had dropped. She looked inside to find \$200 dollars. Her first thought was that God blessed her with some money. But at once she stopped to consider what the other person had lost. At that moment the young lady put her trust in God that He would give her direction.

By trusting in God, the young lady decided to turn the money into the lost and found and God would reward her accordingly. Being trustworthy, she turned the envelope into the lost and found. Later, the person returned to the department crying, looking for the envelope she had lost. It was a joy to trust God and know what to do about lost money. But more importantly, the lady who lost something was restored to a

Our Prayers For You

Dear Lord,

We're' so thankful to have you as our Savior and Lord. It is reassuring to know that we can take all of our problems and cares to you. You are a faithful God and we praise your Holy Name. When the trials and tribulations of our daily lives confront us, we can rest assured that you will see us through. What a friend we have in Jesus, all of our sins and grief to bear...What a privilege to carry, everything to God in prayer.

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If we'd only allow the love of Christ to bubble up in our hearts and flow unrestricted through our lives, then we would gladden the strong believer and strengthen the weak one. We'd even be used to draw those outside of Christ into His life-changing embrace. *–Joni Eareckson Tada*

For where your treasure is there will your heart be also.

Matthew 6:21 KJV

Longing For God

But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; Matthew 5:44 KJV

Many times we are looking for someone to make us happy. We want attention from family members, friends, husbands, wives, and even seek attention in our pets. Often enough when we are seeking happiness from people, we are really looking and longing for God to fill gaps that are missing in our lives A man once confessed that he suffered from mental and emotional illness. He wanted so much attention that he lost self control. He didn't want to be in this situation any longer. He began to call on God to release the fear and hurt that caused him to lose faith. He realized that his family and friends loved him, but they could give him the love that God could give him. His heavenly Father heard his cries. He now serves God faithfully and has become a minister in a church. Do you know what he can do for you? Give God a chance!

Our Prayers For You

I need thee, oh I need thee. Dear Lord I am troubled and desperately need to feel your presence and power. My fear and problems have caused me to stumble. Heavenly Father, by your unlimited Grace and Mercy, come to my rescues...for I know you can do anything but fail. Restore my faith. Dear Lord, I will proclaim thy Greatness everywhere I go. Hold me in this Bosom of Your love and kindness as you have promised. Thank you dear Lord for always answering my prayers. Amen.

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Idolatry is placing our longings for what only God can provide in the hands of a creature instead of the Creator. When I Live for my work, or my wife, then I have made them my false god. When I have failed (and I can be absolutely sure that a false god will be impotent at the point of my greatest need), then I will experience the shame of failure and misplaced trust. The writers of Scripture are crystal clear that dependence on a false god will inevitably result in loss, pain and shame. (Isaiah 42:17; 44:9-11). A False god will disappoint. – *Dan Allender*

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The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Praying For Our Nation

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1 KJV

As a disabled Veteran, most men realize the necessity for all citizens in the nation to pray and support the nation and its leaders. Decisions made in the United States must not be taken lightly. We as a nation must come together to solve the problems that plaque our communities. We must be unified with our Lord. Our goal is to continue to pray for better world affairs. Each individual should do their part in praying so that the whole world will prosper.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16 KJV

How often have you heard that there will be peace? There will be no peace until this nation come together as a people of God.

And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats. Matthew 25:32 KJV All nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them [the people] from one another as a shepherd separates his sheep from the goats.

Our Prayers For You

Heavenly Father, Creator of the Universe, we acknowledge your sovereignty and power. We realize you hold the whole world in your hands and we ask for our nation's blessing to abound. Lord instill in our leaders the righteous and moral vision that would please you. By your Holy Spirit, may all the people glorify and magnify your majesty. Thank you for the provisions you have made, and for your Grace and Mercy Amen.

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"A real man is a man of integrity. That means going all out in everything he does. When he says something, you can count on it, take it to the bank. If I say I'm going to do something, you can consider it done. The first time I violate that, my credibility is shot. Our reputations are only as good as our last performances." — Mike Singletary

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Matthew 6:1-15 (NKJV)

Do Good to Please God

Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in heaven. Therefore, when you do a charitable deed, do not sound a trumpet before you as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory from men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But when you do a charitable deed, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, that your charitable deed may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will Himself reward you openly.

The Model Prayer

And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.

Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. In this manner, therefore, pray:

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Thanksgiving

Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. John 20:29 KJV

But we, brethren beloved by the Lord, ought and are obligated [as those who are in debt] to give thanks always to God for you, because God chose you from the beginning as His first fruits (first converts) for salvation through the sanctifying work of the [Holy] Spirit and [your] belief in adherence to trust in, and reliance on the Truth.

We must continue to walk in love and praise God at all times.

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There are times that we forget what God has done for us. He has mercy on us daily.

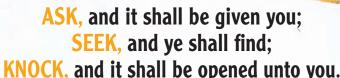
We see people doing things in this world that do not look good in our eyesight. God has shown us his marvelous works. He'll show others. But do you know that the only reason you are free from sin is because God has grace and mercy on you. Let's stop for a moment and understand this... If God dealt with us and the sins we commit, we would not be here today? We should be grateful and in prayer at all times.

Our Prayers For You

Heavenly Father, we thank you for your Son, Jesus and the gift of salvation. We thank you for the weather that blesses us and for the food and nourishment of our bodies. We thank you for every good and perfect gift.

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Authentic, lasting significance is hid with Christ. That is it say, a man cannot find significance in any lasting way apart from Christ. So, if a man is in Christ, and submitted to God's plan and purpose, then he can satisfy his greatest need in a way that endures. – *Patrick Morley*



KNOCK, and it shall be opened unto you.

Matthew 7:7 KJV

At the very least, if you don't listen to this rant or read my pamphlet, I can guarantee you one thing: "It doesn't matter whether you are a billionaire or a pauper, when you get to the cemetery you will get the same size hole." It all depends how much stress you put upon yourself before you get there. I believe that much is given, much is required, and we are all stewards of God's Money. Therefore, will you please give generously to our Scholarship Fund and our Health and Awareness Programs? Thank you.

Deliverance

And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call. Joel 2:32 KJV

SONGS & POEMS

Give Me

Give me work to do, Give me health,
Give me joy in simple things,
Give me an eye for beauty,
A tongue for truth,
A heart that loves,
A mind that reasons,
A sympathy that understands.
Give me neither malice nor envy,
But a true kindness
And a noble common sense.
At the close of each day,
Give me a book and a friend
with whom I can be silent.

– S. M. Frazier

Hallelujah, Jesus Is Alive

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Hallelujah, Jesus is alive Death has lost it's vict'ry And the grave has been denied Jesus lives forever He's alive, he's alive

He's the Alpha and Omega The first and last is He The curse of sin is broken We have perfect liberty The Lamb of God is risen He's alive, he's alive

Hal-le-lujah, Jesus is alive

A Worldwide Prayer

May peace return among men
Co-operation unite them
Friendship bind them
Love rule them
Justice prevail among them
Self-control strengthen them
Righteousness exalt them
Service ennoble them
Brotherhood enfold them
The past be forgiven them
The future be sanctified for them.

– Author unknown

Our Prayers For You

Dear Lord.

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and grief to bear. What a privilege sins and grief to bear.

Lord you can do anything but fail and it is so good to know that nothing is too hard for God.

Lord, everyone needs a friend today, but there is no friend like you. Someone is lonely and there is no other companion like you...someone is crying Lord; we know there is no other Comforter like you.

Lord, someone needs deliverance from drugs, alcohol, an eating disorder or other habits that are hindering their relationship with you. We pray for their deliverance because we know "Whom the lord makes free, is free indeed. Amen.

FOOTPRINTS

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashes scenes from his life, for each scene, he noticed two sets of footprint in the sand; one belonging to him and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most trouble-some times of my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."

The Lord replied, "My precious child, I love you and would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

- Author Unknown

Thankfulness

According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love.

Ephesians 1:4 KJV

O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever. Psalms 136:1 KJV

Saints, there is much to be thankful for daily. Today we want to pray and give thanks to Our Lord with you.

Heavenly Father, thank you for waking us up this morning. Thank you for the many blessings that you have bestowed upon us since our childhood. Lord, we thank you for bringing people into our lives who give us their love and teach us Your Word. Bless You today and always.

I will mention the loving kindnesses of the LORD, and the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his loving kindnesses. Isaiah 63:7 KJV

Lord, I pray and give thanks for your mercy and grace. I pray that you will continue to watch over your flock and teach us how to walk according to your ways.

Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer. From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I. Psalms 61:12 KJ

Write Your Prayer Request

Copy and write Your Prayer Request and mail it to the address on the front cover.

This is pretty strange how it worked out this way. Even if you are not religious, you should read this.

Q: What is the shortest chapter in the Bible? Psalm 117

Q: What is the longest chapter in the Bible? Psalm 119

Which chapter is in the center of the Bible? Psalm 118

Fact: There are 594 chapters before Psalms 118. There are 594 chapters after Psalms 118.

Add these numbers up and you get 1188.

Q: What is the center verse in the Bible? Psalm 118:8

Psalms 118:8 (NKJV)

"It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man."

Does this verse say something significant about God's perfect will for our lives?

The next time someone says they would like to find God's perfect will for their lives and that they want to be in the center of His will, just send them to the center of His Word!

Now isn't that odd how this worked out... or was God in the center of it?

Attitude

The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life.

Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company...a church...a home.

The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day.

We cannot change our past...we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude...I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it.

And so it is with you...we are in charge of our attitudes.

- Charles Swindoll

Winning Spirit of Leadership



Every morning in Africa a gazelle wakes up. It knows it must run faster than the fastest lion or it will be killed. Every morning a lion wakes up. It knows it must run faster than the slowest

gazelle or it will starve to death. It doesn't matter whether you are a lion or a gazelle; when the sun comes up, you'd better be running.

WINNERS AND LOSERS

A winner is always part of the answer A loser is always part of the problem A winner always has a program A loser always has an excuse A winner says, "Let me help you." A loser says, "That's not my job." A winner sees an answer to every problem A loser sees a problem for every answer A winner says, "It may be difficult, but it's possible."

BE A WINNER!

A loser says, "it may be possible,

but it's too difficult."

DON'T QUIT!

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will, When the road you're trudging seems all uphill, When the funds are low, and the debts are high, And you want to smile, but you have to sigh, When care is pressing you down a bit, Rest if you must, But don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As everyone of us sometimes learns,
And many a failure turns about,
When he might have won had he stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow,
You may succeed with another blow.

Success is failure turned inside out,
The silver lint of the clouds of doubt,
And you never can tell how close you are,
It may be near when it seems so far,
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit,
It's when things seem worse,
That you must not quit.



"You Must Be Born Again"

John 3:1-17 (NKJV)

The New Birth

There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him."

Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

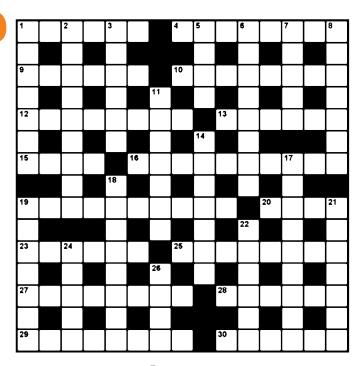
Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?"

Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Nicodemus answered and said to Him, "How can these things be?"

Jesus answered and said to him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things? Most assuredly, I say to you, We speak what We know and testify what We have seen, and you do not receive Our witness. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

Puzzles



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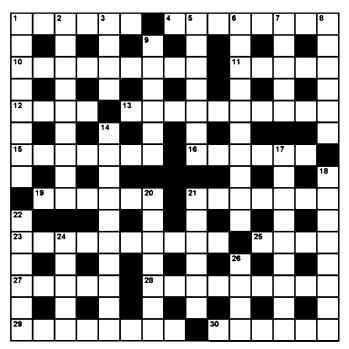
- 1 Express sorrow (6)
- 4 Anticipated (8)
- 9 God with judge people with this (6)
- 10 Sore ants (anag); In the White House? (8)
- 12 Kept confined (8)
- 13 Times Peter denied Christ (6)
- 15 Noah became this by faith (4)
- 16 Last book of the Bible (10)
- **19** God's angels (10)
- 20 Mix up (4)
- 23 Thin length of material (6)
- 25 It never comes (8)
- 27 Soothed (8)
- 28 Money lender (6)
- 29 Counted (8)
- **30** Rigid sheets of metal (6)

Answers on page 29

Down

- 1 A dimension of God's love (7)
- 2 Himalayas, for example (9)
- 3 Gain, reach or arrive at (6)
- 5 Sesame worked! (4)
- 6 A faithful minister of Christ (8)
- 7 Mother in law of Ruth (5)
- **8** Sun sets in this sky (7)
- 11 Retaliation (7)
- 14 Scripture is profitable for this (7)
- **17** Magicians couldn't do this for Pharaoh's dreams (9)
- 18 Jerusalem how her house is left (8)
- **19** Disease of cattle (7)
- **21** When Jesus comes these will be with Him (7)
- 22 Fragment of food (6)
- **24** Booms (anag) (5)
- 26 Not there! (4)

Puzzles



Across

- 1 An ancient weight (6)
- 4 Seemed (8)
- 10 New Testament book (9)
- 11 Unit of length (5)
- 12 '...it is a ____ thing the king requireth' (Dan 2:11) (4)
- 13 Contemplation (10)
- **15** Abigail supplied David with one hundred clusters of these (7)
- 16 A son of King David (6)
- 19 Concurred (6)
- **21** Light sources (7)
- 23 Propitiations (10)
- 25 A false god (4)
- 27 Gather (5)
- 28 Abimelech was hit by this (9)
- 29 Instructors (8)
- **30** Hastily (6)

Answers on page 29

Down

- 1 Skilled animal workers (8)
- 2 Inspiring (9)
- 3 Compass point (4)
- 5 Intense emotion (7)
- **6** The words of Jeremiah said not to listen to these (10)
- 7 Jewish leader (5)
- 8 'He is proud, knowing nothing, but
 about questions and strifes of
 words...' (1 Tim 6:4) (6)
- 9 Bread makers (6)
- 14 In this year of King Nebuchadrezzar's reign, Nebuzaradan arrived in Jerusalem (10)
- 17 Ancient city of Og, King of Bashan (9)
- 18 Stringed instrument (8)
- 20 Joseph, perhaps? (7)
- 21 Tiny amount (6)
- 22 Jesus did this with authority (6)
- 24 Last letter of the Greek alphabet (5)
- 26 Province of the Roman Empire (4)

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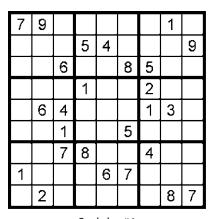
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BIBLE SCRAMBLE:

Unscramble the letters below in each word to discover the passage. Solution page 28.

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Sudoku #1 Sudoku #2

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS:







Solution: Crossword Puzzle: p. 26

Solution: Crossword Puzzle: p. 27

Solution: Wordsearch Puzzle: p.28

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Solution: Sudoku #1 - p. 29

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2	7	6	4	1	8	9	3	5
9	5	8	6	3	2	Υ	4	7

Solution: Sudoku #2 - p. 29

SOLUTION TO BIBLE SCRAMBLE:

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. I Corinthians 13:1-2

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