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40 DAYS OF PRAYER & FASTING! 40 DAYS OF CLARITY!

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th – 6am thru
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023 - 12 Noon



40 Days to Know God, Know Yourself, Know the Enemy!

The purpose of a biblical fast is not to lose weight, but rather to gain deeper fellowship with God. Anyone can fast, but some may not be able to fast from food (diabetics, for example). Everyone can temporarily give up something in order to draw closer to God. Fasting is not a way to get God to do what we want. Fasting changes us, not God. Fasting is not a way to appear more spiritual than others. Fasting is to be done in a spirit of humility and a joyful attitude.

Matthew 6: 16 “When you fast [giving up eating for spiritual purposes], don’t put on a sad [gloomy; somber] face like the hypocrites. They make their faces look sad [disheveled; disfigured; unattractive] to show people they are fasting. I tell you the truth, those hypocrites already have their full reward [EXB].

Prayer and fasting should not be a burden or a duty, but rather a celebration of God's goodness and mercy to His children. Fasting is taking your focus off of the things of this world in order to focus more on the things of God. Fasting can thus be a means of growing closer to God. It is good to examine your motives for fasting. Fasting is not about manipulating God. Fasting will not cause God to do something that is outside of His will. Fasting is about changing yourself to be in agreement with God's plan and to be prepared to carry out your role in His plan. **When you are deciding how to fast, it is crucially important to remember what fasting is all about—changing yourself, not changing God.**

Prayer is a ready weapon in the spiritual battle (Ephesians 6:18) Pray in [or in dependence on] the Spirit at all times with all kinds of prayers [prayers and requests], asking for everything you need. To do this you must always be ready [alert] and never give up [with all perseverance]. Always pray for all God's people [the saints] (EXB) and fasting helps to focus prayer and give it resolve.

Too often, the focus of fasting is on the lack of food. Instead, the purpose of fasting should be to take your eyes off the things of this world to focus completely on God. Fasting is a way to demonstrate to God, and to ourselves, that we are serious about our relationship with Him. Fasting helps us gain a new perspective and a renewed reliance upon God.

As we begin this 2023 Fast Journey, remember the word in Revelation 4:1 “After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, **“Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.”** NIV We have here an account of a second vision with which the apostle John was favoured: After this, that is, not only “after I had seen the vision of Christ walking in the midst of the golden candlesticks,” but “after I had taken his messages from his mouth, and written and sent them to the several churches, according to his command, after this I had another vision.” Those who well improve the discoveries they have had of God already are prepared thereby for more, and may expect them. (Matthew Henry Commentary)

God told Habakkuk to **“write the vision and make it plan on tablets...”** Get a journal, book, tablet, something to record your daily notes of Knowing God, Yourself and the Enemy. My prayer is that at the conclusion of this fast, you will be stronger, wiser, smarter, better, and have a plan for 2024.

FASTING INSTRUCTIONS

People Over 70 yrs., On Medication, Pregnant And/Or Under The Supervision Of A Physician Must Eat.

Eating times are from 5:00am-7:00am, 11:00am – 1:00pm, and 5:00pm-7:00pm

FASTING SCHEDULE

Week #	Date	Time to Fast	What to Eat
1 st & 2 nd	Sept 26 – Oct 8	6am – 6pm	Liquids only-after 6pm Baked chicken, turkey, fish, fruit, salads
3 rd & 4 th	Oct 9 – Oct 22	NO Meat	Eat Fruit, salads, beans and soup
5 th	Oct 23 – Oct 29	6am – 6am	Liquids Only
6 th	Oct 30 – Nov 4	NO Meat	Eat Fruit, salads, beans and soup

DO'S & DONT'S DURING THE FAST

DO YOUR A,B,C,G,P'S

A – Apples, Apple Juice (Fruit)

B – Beets - preferably fresh, Beet Juice

C – Coconut Water

G - Ginger

P – Prunes, Pomegranate & Prune Juice

Note: If you have an allergic reactions to any of the above foods or fluid restrictions, please consult your physician

DO drink plenty of water to stay hydrated, 60oz of water if possible and you're not on fluid restriction.


DO drink juices, i.e., pomegranate, prune juices, herbal teas protein, almond or cashew milk, coconut water.

DO eat baked, grilled or broiled meats i.e., fish, chicken and turkey

DO eat greens - kale, cabbage, green vegetables, beans, legumes, fruit, granola, baked yams

DO Take Your Medicine! All persons under medical care or pharmaceutical prescription, please seek your physician's advice and take your medicine. If you are on liquid/medical restriction, follow your doctor's orders! If you need to arise early and eat, have oatmeal, eggs or cereal to take your medicine.

DON'TS – NO coffee, tea, soda, homogenized milk, pasta, rice, bread, tortillas, crackers, pork, red meat,

 processed meats- bacon, turkey bacon, ham, impossible, incogmeato-plant-based meats, sushi, all cheeses, chips, nachos, burritos, burgers, pancakes, fried foods, fries, potatoes, ranch dressing, 1000 island dressing and desserts **CHILDREN – NO burgers, fries, sodas**

DO Limit Social Media activity to **two (2) hours per day** for all non-working activities.

PRAY, PRAY, PRAY! Spend time daily in Prayer. **PRAY WITH YOUR CHILDREN NIGHTLY!**

Connect on the Conference Call for Corporate Prayer Starting on Tuesday, September 26th!

Mondays - 7pm PST, **Tuesday through Friday** - 8pm PST.

The Call In Number is 1-267-807-9601, AC 491337328# Please dial *6 to mute your phone.

READ THE WORD, STUDY THE SCRIPTURES DAILY – Scriptures will be provided on a weekly basis. Don't want to read? Listen! Via YouTube....and absorb the word of God!

The words of Christ

https://youtu.be/SByVjOimSY?si=ZzR6A9il_C9kFK39

The Red Letter Scriptures of Jesus in Matthew (KJV)

<https://jesusbelieverjd.com/the-red-letter-scriptures-of-jesus-in-matthew-kjv/>

DAILY SCRIPTURES - September 26th – October 2nd

Week 1 – 7 Days of Knowing What Jesus Said

Definition of KNOW: to have understanding of; to have experience of; to be acquainted or familiar with
(All Expanded Bible versions)

Sept 26 Ephesians 1:17-23

17 [I always pray] that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may grant you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation [that gives you a deep and personal and intimate insight] into the true knowledge of Him [for we know the Father through the Son]. 18 And [I pray] that the eyes of your heart [the very center and core of your being] may be enlightened [flooded with light by the Holy Spirit], so that you will know and cherish the hope [the divine guarantee, the confident expectation] to which He has called you, the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints (God's people), 19 and [so that you will begin to know] what the immeasurable and unlimited and surpassing greatness of His [active, spiritual] power is in us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of His mighty strength 20 which He produced in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His own right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all rule and authority and power and dominion [whether angelic or human], and [far above] every name that is named [above every title that can be conferred], not only in this age and world but also in the one to come. 22 And He put all things [in every realm] in subjection under Christ's feet, and appointed Him as [supreme and authoritative] head over all things in the church, 23 which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills and completes all things in all [believers].

Sept 27 Philippians 3:9-11 Know God

9 and may be found in Him [believing and relying on Him], not having any righteousness of my own derived from [my obedience to] the Law and its rituals, but [possessing] that [genuine righteousness] which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith. 10 And this, so that I may know Him [experientially, becoming more thoroughly acquainted with Him, understanding the remarkable wonders of His Person more completely] and [in that same way experience] the power of His resurrection [which overflows and is active in believers], and [that I may share] the fellowship of His sufferings, by being continually conformed [inwardly into His likeness even] to His death [dying as He did]; 11 so that I may attain to the resurrection [that will raise me] from the dead.

Sept 28 Daniel 11:32b King James Version

32 but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits

Sept 29 Matthew 16:17-20

¹⁷ Jesus answered, "You are blessed, Simon son of Jonah, because ·no person taught you that [^Lflesh and blood did not reveal this to you]. [But; Rather] My Father in heaven ·showed you who I am [revealed it]. ¹⁸ So I tell you, you are Peter [^Cthe Greek *petros*, like the Aramaic *cephas*, means "rock" or "stone"]. On this rock I will build my church, and the ·power of death [^Lgates of Hades/the underworld] will not be able to ·defeat [overpower; conquer; prevail against] it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; ·the things [and whatever] you ·don't allow [forbid; ^Lbind] on earth will be ·the things that God does not allow [forbidden/^Lbound in heaven], and ·the things [whatever] you ·allow [permit; ^Lloose] on earth will be ·the things that God

allows [permitted/⁴loosed in heaven].” ²⁰ Then Jesus [sternly] warned his ·followers [disciples] not to tell anyone he was the ·Christ [Messiah].

Sept 30 Matthew 18: 18-20

¹⁸ “I tell you the truth, ·the things [whatever] you don’t allow [forbid; bind] on earth will be the things God does not allow [forbidden/bound in heaven]. And the things [whatever] you allow [permit; loose] on earth will be ·the things that God allows [permitted/loosed in heaven].”

¹⁹ “Also [Again], I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about something and pray for it [for which you have asked], it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ ·This is true because if [For where] two or three people ·come [are assembled/gathered] together in my name, I am there with them [among them; in their midst].”

October 1 John 1: 1-5

¹In the beginning [[Gen. 1:1](#)] ·there was the Word [the Word already existed; the Word refers to Christ, God’s revelation of himself]. The Word was ·with [in the presence of; in intimate relationship with] God [the Father], and the Word was [fully] God. ² He was ·with [in the presence of; in intimate relationship with] God in the beginning. ³ All things ·were made [were created; came to be] ·by [through] him, and nothing ·was made [came to be] without him [[Prov. 8:22–31](#)]. ⁴ ·In him there was life [*or* What was made through him was life], and that life was the light of all people. ⁵ The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not ·overpowered [defeated; *or* understood; comprehended] it.

October 2 John 1:10-13

¹⁰ ·The Word [He] was in the world, and the world ·was made [was created; came into being] ·by [through] him, but the world did not ·know [recognize] him. ¹¹ He came to ·the world that was his own [*or* his own country; that which was his own], but his own people did not ·accept [receive] him. ¹² But to all who did ·accept [receive] him and believe ·in him [in his name; the name indicating the character of the person] he gave the ·right [power; authority] to become children of God. ¹³ They did not become his children ·in any human way [by natural descent; by physical birth; by blood]—by ·any human parents [human passion/decision; desire/will of the flesh] or ·human desire [a husband’s decision; desire/will of a man/husband]. They were born of God.

DAILY SCRIPTURES - October 3rd – October 9th

Week 2 – Desperate Fasting and Praying

Desperate: involving or employing extreme measures in an attempt to escape defeat or frustration

October 3rd Luke 19:1-6 - Desperate Move to see Jesus

1 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. **2** A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. **3** He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. **4** So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. **5** When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, “**Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.**” **6** So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

October 4th Genesis 32:24-30 Amplified Bible - Desperate Win

24 So Jacob was left alone, and a Man [came and] wrestled with him until daybreak. **25** When the Man saw that He had not prevailed against Jacob, He touched his hip joint; and Jacob’s hip was dislocated as he wrestled with Him. **26** Then He said, “Let Me go, for day is breaking.” But Jacob said, “I will not let You go unless You declare a blessing on me.” **27** So He asked him, “What is your name?” And he said,

"Jacob." 28 And He said, "Your name shall no longer be Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men and have prevailed." 29 Then Jacob asked Him, "Please tell me Your name." But He said, "Why is it that you ask My name?" And He declared a blessing [of the covenant promises] on Jacob there. 30 So Jacob named the place Peniel (the face of God), *saying*, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life has not been snatched away."

October 5th Acts 12:5-11 Amplified Bible - Desperate Intercession

5 So Peter was kept in prison, but fervent *and* persistent prayer for him was being made to God by the church. 6 The very night before Herod was to bring him forward, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries were in front of the door guarding the prison. 7 Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared [beside him] and a light shone in the cell. The angel struck Peter's side and awakened him, saying, "Get up quickly!" And the chains fell off his hands. 8 The angel said to him, "Prepare yourself and strap on your sandals [to get ready for whatever may happen]." And he did so. Then the angel told him, "Put on your robe and follow me." 9 And Peter went out following *the angel*. He did not realize that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. 10 When they had passed the first guard and the second, they came to the iron gate that leads into the city. Of its own accord it swung open for them; and they went out and went along one street, and at once the angel left him. 11 When Peter came to his senses, he said, "Now I know for certain that the Lord has sent His angel and has rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting [to do to me]."

October 6th Matthew 15:21-28 Amplified Bible - Desperate Parent

21 After leaving there, Jesus withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22 And a Canaanite woman from that district came out and *began* to cry out [urgently], saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David (Messiah); my daughter is cruelly possessed by a demon." 23 But He did not say a word in answer to her. And His disciples came and asked Him [repeatedly], "Send her away, because she keeps shouting out after us." 24 He answered, "**I was commissioned by God *and* sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.**" 25 But she came and *began* to kneel down before Him, saying, "Lord, help me!" 26 And He replied, "**It is not good (appropriate, fair) to take the children's bread and throw it to the pet dogs.**" 27 She said, "Yes, Lord; but even the pet dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their [young] masters' table." 28 Then Jesus answered her, "**Woman, your faith [your personal trust and confidence in My power] is great; it will be done for you as you wish.**" And her daughter was healed from that moment.

October 7th Genesis 39:6-12 Amplified Bible - Desperate Exit

6 So Potiphar left all that he owned in Joseph's charge; and with Joseph there he did not [need to] [a]pay attention to anything except the food he ate. Now Joseph was handsome *and* attractive in form and appearance. 7 Then after a time his master's wife looked at Joseph with desire, and she said, "Lie with me." 8 But he refused and said to his master's wife, "Look, with me in the house, my master does not concern himself with anything; he has put everything that he owns in my charge. 9 He is not greater in this house than I am, nor has he kept anything from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do this great evil and sin against God [and your husband]?" 10 And so it was that she spoke to Joseph [persistently] day after day, but he did not listen to her [plea] to lie beside her or be with her. 11 Then it happened one day that Joseph went into the house to attend to his duties, and none of the men of the household was there in the house. 12 She caught Joseph by his [outer] robe, saying, "Lie with me!" **But he left his robe in her hand and ran, and got outside [the house].**

October 8th 1 Samuel 15:10-23 Amplified Bible - Desperate Excuse

10 Then the word of the Lord came to Samuel, saying, **11** “I regret that I made Saul king, for he has turned away from following Me and has not carried out My commands.” Samuel was angry [over Saul’s failure] and he cried out to the Lord all night. **12** When Samuel got up early in the morning to meet Saul, he was told, “Saul came to [a]Carmel, and behold, he set up for himself a monument [commemorating his victory], then he turned and went on and went down to Gilgal.” **13** So Samuel came to Saul, and Saul said to him, “Blessed are you of the Lord. I have carried out the command of the Lord.” **14** But Samuel said, “What then is this bleating of the sheep in my ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?” **15** Saul said, “They have brought them from the Amalekites, for the people spared the best of the sheep and oxen [b]to sacrifice to the Lord your God; but the rest we have destroyed completely.” **16** Then Samuel said to Saul, “Stop, and let me tell you what the Lord said to me last night.” Saul said to him, “Speak.” **17** Samuel said, “Is it not true that even though you were small (insignificant) in your own eyes, you were *made* the head of the tribes of Israel? And the Lord anointed you king over Israel, **18** and the Lord sent you on a mission, and said, ‘Go, totally destroy the sinners, the Amalekites, and fight against them until they are eliminated.’ **19** Why did you not obey the voice of the Lord, but [instead] swooped down on the plunder [with shouts of victory] and did evil in the sight of the Lord?” **20** Saul said to Samuel, “I have obeyed the voice of the Lord, and have gone on the mission on which the Lord sent me, and have brought back Agag the king of Amalek, and have completely destroyed the Amalekites. **21** **But the people took some of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the best of the things [that were] to be totally destroyed, to sacrifice to the Lord your God at Gilgal.**” **22** Samuel said, “Has the Lord as great a delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as in obedience to the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed [is better] than the fat of rams. **23** “For rebellion is as [serious as] the sin of divination (fortune-telling), and disobedience is as [serious as] false religion and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the Lord, He also has rejected you as king.”

October 9th 2 Kings 20 Amplified Bible - Desperate Prayer

20 In those days [when Sennacherib first invaded Judah] Hezekiah became deathly ill. The prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz came and said to him, “Thus says the Lord, ‘Set your house in order, for you shall die and not recover.’” **2** Then Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the Lord, saying, **3** “Please, O Lord, remember now [with compassion] how I have walked before You in faithfulness *and* truth and with a whole heart [entirely devoted to You], and have done what is good in Your sight.” And Hezekiah wept bitterly. **4** Before Isaiah had gone out of the middle courtyard, the word of the Lord came to him, saying, **5** “Go back and tell Hezekiah the leader of My people, “Thus says the Lord, the God of David your father (ancestor): “I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears. Behold, I am healing you; on the third day you shall go up to the house of the Lord. **6** I will add fifteen years to your life and save you and this city [Jerusalem] from the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will protect this city for My own sake and for My servant David’s sake.”

DAILY SCRIPTURES - October 10th – October 16th

Week 3 – Know Yourself (Natural) Know God (Supernatural)

Tues Oct 10 Daniel 1:15-20 NIV 15 And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh than all the children which did eat the portion of the

king's meat. **16** Thus Melzar took away the portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drink; and gave them pulse. **17** As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams. **18** Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then the prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar. **19** And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the king. **20** And in all matters of wisdom and understanding, that the king enquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm.

Wed Oct 11 Genesis 41:14-16, 37-41 NIV 14 So Pharaoh sent for Joseph, and he was quickly brought from the dungeon. When he had shaved and changed his clothes, he came before Pharaoh. **15** Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I had a dream, and no one can interpret it. But I have heard it said of you that when you hear a dream you can interpret it." **16** "I cannot do it," Joseph replied to Pharaoh, "but God will give Pharaoh the answer he desires." **37** The plan seemed good to Pharaoh and to all his officials. **38** So Pharaoh asked them, "Can we find anyone like this man, one in whom is the spirit of God[a]?" **39** Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Since God has made all this known to you, there is no one so discerning and wise as you. **40** You shall be in charge of my palace, and all my people are to submit to your orders. Only with respect to the throne will I be greater than you." Joseph in Charge of Egypt **41** So Pharaoh said to Joseph, "I hereby put you in charge of the whole land of Egypt.

Thur Oct 12 1 Samuel 17:34-47 NIV 34 But David said to Saul, "Your servant has been keeping his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, **35** I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. **36** Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. **37** The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine." Saul said to David, "Go, and the Lord be with you." **38** Then Saul dressed David in his own tunic. He put a coat of armor on him and a bronze helmet on his head. **39** David fastened on his sword over the tunic and tried walking around, because he was not used to them. "I cannot go in these," he said to Saul, "because I am not used to them." So he took them off. **40** Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine. **41** Meanwhile, the Philistine, with his shield bearer in front of him, kept coming closer to David. **42** He looked David over and saw that he was little more than a boy, glowing with health and handsome, and he despised him. **43** He said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come at me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. **44** "Come here," he said, "and I'll give your flesh to the birds and the wild animals!" **45** David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the

God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. **46** This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel. **47** All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the Lord saves; for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give all of you into our hands."

Fri Oct 13 1 Kings 18:22-24, 30-33, 36-39 NIV 22 Then Elijah said to them, "I am the only one of the Lord's prophets left, but Baal has four hundred and fifty prophets. **23** Get two bulls for us. Let Baal's prophets choose one for themselves, and let them cut it into pieces and put it on the wood but not set fire to it. I will prepare the other bull and put it on the wood but not set fire to it. **24** Then you call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the Lord. The god who answers by fire—he is God." **30** Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come here to me." They came to him, and he repaired the altar of the Lord, which had been torn down. **31** Elijah took twelve stones, one for each of the tribes descended from Jacob, to whom the word of the Lord had come, saying, "Your name shall be Israel." **32** With the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord, and he dug a trench around it large enough to hold two seahs of seed. **33** He arranged the wood, cut the bull into pieces and laid it on the wood. Then he said to them, "Fill four large jars with water and pour it on the offering and on the wood." **36** At the time of sacrifice, the prophet Elijah stepped forward and prayed: "Lord, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, let it be known today that you are God in Israel and that I am your servant and have done all these things at your command. **37** Answer me, Lord, answer me, so these people will know that you, Lord, are God, and that you are turning their hearts back again." **38** Then the fire of the Lord fell and burned up the sacrifice, the wood, the stones and the soil, and also licked up the water in the trench. **39** When all the people saw this, they fell prostrate and cried, "The Lord—he is God! The Lord—he is God!"

Sat Oct 14 Daniel 6:16-23 NIV 16 So the king gave the order, and they brought Daniel and threw him into the lions' den. The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you!" **17** A stone was brought and placed over the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the rings of his nobles, so that Daniel's situation might not be changed. **18** Then the king returned to his palace and spent the night without eating and without any entertainment being brought to him. And he could not sleep. **19** At the first light of dawn, the king got up and hurried to the lions' den. **20** When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?" **21** Daniel answered, "May the king live forever! **22** My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight. Nor have I ever done any wrong before you, Your Majesty." **23** The king was

overjoyed and gave orders to lift Daniel out of the den. And when Daniel was lifted from the den, no wound was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

Sun Oct 15 Acts 16:22-34 NIV 22 The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. **23** After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. **24** When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. **25** About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. **26** Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose. **27** The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. **28** But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" **29** The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. **30** He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" **31** They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household." **32** Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. **33** At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized. **34** The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household.

Mon Oct 16 Acts 9:1-19 NIV 1 Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest **2** and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. **3** As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. **4** He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" **5** "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. **6** "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." **7** The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. **8** Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. **9** For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything. **10** In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered. **11** The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. **12** In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight." **13** "Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. **14** And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name." **15** But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. **16** I will show him how much he must suffer for my name." **17** Then Ananias went

to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." **18** Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, **19** and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

DAILY SCRIPTURES - October 17th – October 23rd

October 17th - 18th John 3:1-21 Amplified Bible

¹Now there was a certain man among the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler (member of the Sanhedrin) among the Jews, ²who came to Jesus at night and said to Him, "Rabbi (Teacher), we know [without any doubt] that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these signs [these wonders, these attesting miracles] that You do unless God is with him." ³Jesus answered him, "I assure you *and most solemnly say to you, unless a person is born again* [reborn from above—spiritually transformed, renewed, sanctified], he cannot [ever] see *and experience the kingdom of God.*"

⁴Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter his mother's womb a second time and be born, can he?" ⁵Jesus answered, "I assure you *and most solemnly say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot* [ever] enter the kingdom of God. ⁶*That which is born of the flesh is flesh* [the physical is merely physical], *and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.* ⁷*Do not be surprised that I have told you, 'You must be born again*[reborn from above—spiritually transformed, renewed, sanctified].' ⁸*The wind blows where it wishes and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it is coming from and where it is going; so it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.*"

⁹Nicodemus said to Him, "How can these things be *possible?*" ¹⁰Jesus replied, "You are the [great and well-known] teacher of Israel, and yet you do not know *nor* understand these things [from Scripture]? ¹¹I assure you *and most solemnly say to you, we speak only of what we* [absolutely] *know and testify about what we have* [actually] *seen* [as eyewitnesses]; *and* [still] *you* [reject our evidence and] *do not accept our testimony.* ¹²If I told you *earthly things* [that is, things that happen right here on earth] *and you do not believe, how will you believe and trust Me if I tell you heavenly things?* ¹³*No one has gone up into heaven, but there is One who came down from heaven, the Son of Man* [Himself—whose home is in heaven]. ¹⁴*Just as Moses lifted up the* [bronze] *serpent in the desert* [on a pole], *so must the Son of Man be lifted up* [on the cross], ¹⁵*so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life* [after physical death, and will actually live forever].

¹⁶"For God so [greatly] loved *and* dearly prized the world, that He [even] gave His [One and] only begotten Son, so that whoever believes *and* trusts in Him [as Savior] shall not perish

but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send the Son into the world to judge *and* condemn the world [that is, to initiate the final judgment of the world], but that the world might be saved through Him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes *and* has decided to trust in Him [as personal Savior and Lord] is not judged [for this one, there is no judgment, no rejection, no condemnation]; but the one who does not believe [and has decided to reject Him as personal Savior and Lord] is judged already [that one has been convicted and sentenced], because he has not believed *and* trusted in the name of the [One and] only begotten Son of God [the One who is truly unique, the only One of His kind, the One who alone can save him]. ¹⁹ This is the judgment [that is, the cause for indictment, the test by which people are judged, the basis for the sentence]: the Light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For every wrongdoer hates the Light, and does not come to the Light [but shrinks from it] for fear that his[sinful, worthless] activities will be exposed *and* condemned. ²¹ But whoever practices truth [and does what is right—morally, ethically, spiritually] comes to the Light, so that his works may be plainly shown to be what they are—accomplished in God [divinely prompted, done with God’s help, in dependence on Him].”

October 19th - 20th Ezekiel 36:24-36 Amplified Bible

²⁴ For I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵ Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your uncleanness and from all your idols. ²⁶ Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you, and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ I will put my Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My ordinances and do them. ²⁸ You will live in the land that I gave to your fathers; and you will be My people, and I will be your God. ²⁹ I will also save you from all your uncleanness, and I will call for the grain and make it abundant, and I will not bring famine on you. ³⁰ I will multiply the fruit of the tree and the produce of the field, so that you will not suffer again the disgrace of famine among the nations. ³¹ Then you will remember [clearly] your [own] evil ways and your deeds that were not good, and you will loathe yourselves in your own sight for your sins and for your outrageous atrocities. ³² I am not doing this for your sake,” says the Lord God. “Let that be known to you. Be ashamed and humiliated for your [wicked] ways, O house of Israel!”

³³ ‘Thus says the Lord God, “On the day that I cleanse you from all your sins I will also cause the cities [of Israel] to be inhabited, and the ruins will be rebuilt. ³⁴ The desolate land will be cultivated instead of being a desolation in the sight of everyone who passes by. ³⁵ Then they will say, ‘This land that was deserted *and* desolate has become like the garden of Eden; and the waste, desolate, and ruined cities are fortified and inhabited.’ ³⁶ Then the nations that are left around you will know that I the Lord have rebuilt the ruined places and planted that which was desolate. I the Lord have spoken, and will do it.”

October 21st - 22nd Joel 2:12-13 Amplified Bible

¹² "Even now," says the Lord, "Turn *and* come to Me with all your heart [in genuine repentance], With fasting and weeping and mourning [until every barrier is removed and the broken fellowship is restored];

¹³ Rip your heart to pieces [in sorrow and contrition] and not your garments."

Now return [in repentance] to the Lord your God, For He is gracious and compassionate, Slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness [faithful to His covenant with His people]; And He relents [His sentence of] evil [when His people genuinely repent].

Joel 2:15-17, 25-29 Amplified Bible

¹⁵ Blow a trumpet in Zion [warning of impending judgment], dedicate a fast [as a day of restraint and humility], call a solemn assembly.

¹⁶ Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children and the nursing infants. Let the bridegroom come out of his room and the bride out of her bridal chamber. [No one is excused from the assembly.]

¹⁷ Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, "Have compassion *and* spare Your people, O Lord, and do not make Your inheritance (Israel) an object of ridicule, or a [humiliating] byword among the [Gentile] nations.

Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'"

²⁵ "And I will compensate you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the creeping locust, the stripping locust, and the gnawing locust—my great army which I sent among you.

²⁸ "It shall come about after this that I shall pour out My Spirit on all mankind; and your sons and your daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions.

²⁹ "Even on the male and female servants I will pour out My Spirit in those days.

October 23rd 1 Corinthians 6:18-20 The Message Bible

¹⁶⁻²⁰ There's more to sex than mere skin on skin. Sex is as much spiritual mystery as physical fact. As written in Scripture, "The two become one." Since we want to become spiritually one with the Master, we must not pursue the kind of sex that avoids commitment and intimacy, leaving us more lonely than ever—the kind of sex that can never "become one." There is a sense in which sexual sins are different from all others. In sexual sin we violate the sacredness of our own bodies, these bodies that were made for God-given and God-modeled love, for "becoming one" with another. Or didn't you realize that your body is a sacred place, the place of the Holy Spirit? Don't you see that you can't live however you please, squandering what God paid such a high price for? The physical part of you is not some piece of property belonging to

the spiritual part of you. God owns the whole works. So let people see God in and through your body.

Amplified Bible ¹⁸ Run away from sexual immorality [in any form, whether thought or behavior, whether visual or written]. Every *other* sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the one who is sexually immoral sins against his own body. ¹⁹ Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is within you, whom you have [received as a gift] from God, and that you are not your own [property]? ²⁰ You were bought with a price [you were actually purchased with the precious blood of Jesus and made His own]. So then, honor *and* glorify God with your body.

DAILY SCRIPTURES - October 24th – October 31st “DESPERATE” Continues

Desperate: involving extreme measures in an attempt to escape defeat or frustration
(Merriam Webster Dictionary)

October 24th Desperate Heart - 1 Samuel 1:9-18 Amplified Bible

⁹ So Hannah got up after eating and drinking in Shiloh. Now Eli the priest was sitting on his seat beside the doorpost of the temple (tabernacle) of the Lord. ¹⁰ Hannah was greatly distressed, and she prayed to the Lord and wept in anguish. ¹¹ She made a vow, saying, “O Lord of hosts, if You will indeed look on the affliction (suffering) of Your maidservant and remember, and not forget Your maidservant, but will give Your maidservant a son, then I will give him to the Lord all the days of his life; a razor shall never touch his head.”

¹² Now it happened as she continued praying before the Lord, that Eli was watching her mouth. ¹³ Hannah was speaking in her heart (mind); only her lips were moving, and her voice was not heard, so Eli thought she was drunk. ¹⁴ Eli said to her, “How long will you make yourself drunk? Get rid of your wine.” ¹⁵ But Hannah answered, “No, my lord, I am a woman with a despairing spirit. I have not been drinking wine or *any* intoxicating drink, but I have poured out my soul before the Lord. ¹⁶ Do not regard your maidservant as a wicked *and* worthless woman, for I have spoken until now out of my great concern and [bitter] provocation.” ¹⁷ Then Eli answered and said, “Go in peace; and may the God of Israel grant your petition that you have asked of Him.” ¹⁸ Hannah said, “Let your maidservant find grace *and* favor in your sight.” So the woman went on her way and ate, and her face was no longer *sad*.

October 25th Desperate to Hear - 1 Samuel 3:1-10

¹Now the boy Samuel was attending to the service of the Lord under the supervision of Eli. The word of the Lord was rare *and* precious in those days; visions [that is, new revelations of divine truth] were not widespread.

²Yet it happened at that time, as Eli was lying down in his own place (now his eyesight had begun to grow dim and he could not see *well*). ³ and the [oil] lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was, ⁴ that the Lord called Samuel, and he answered, "Here I am." ⁵ He ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call you; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶ Then the Lord called yet again, "Samuel!" So Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But Eli answered, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know [or personally experience] the Lord, and the word of the Lord was not yet revealed [directly] to him. ⁸ So the Lord called Samuel a third time. And he stood and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you did call me." Then Eli understood that it was the Lord [who was] calling the boy. ⁹ So Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and it shall be that if He calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for Your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰ Then the Lord came and stood and called as at the previous times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel answered, "Speak, for Your servant is listening."

October 26 Desperate Walk

Genesis 5:21-24 Amplified Bible

²¹ When Enoch was sixty-five years old, he became the father of Methuselah. ²² Enoch walked [in habitual fellowship] with God three hundred years after the birth of Methuselah and had *other* sons and daughters. ²³ So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years. ²⁴ And [in reverent fear and obedience] Enoch walked with God; and he was not [found among men], because God took him [away to be home with Him].

Hebrews 11:5-6 Amplified Bible

⁵ By faith [that pleased God] Enoch was caught up *and* taken to heaven so that he would not have a glimpse of death; and he was not found because God had taken him; for even before he was taken [to heaven], he received the testimony [still on record] that he had walked with God *and* pleased Him. ⁶ But without faith it is impossible to [walk with God and] please Him, for whoever comes [near] to God must [necessarily] believe that God exists and that He rewards those who [earnestly and diligently] seek Him.

October 27th - 29th Desperate Obedience Acts 5:12-42 Amplified Bible (Select scriptures)

¹² At the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders (attesting miracles) were *continually* taking place among the people. And by common consent they all met together [at the temple] in [the covered porch called] Solomon's portico.

¹⁷ But the high priest stood up, along with all his associates (that is, the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with jealousy *and* resentment. ¹⁸ They arrested the apostles and put them in a public jail. ¹⁹ But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors, and leading them out, he said, ²⁰ "Go, stand and *continue* to tell the people in the temple [courtyards] the whole message of this Life [the eternal life revealed by Christ and found through faith in Him]." ²¹ When they heard this, they went into the temple [courtyards] about daybreak and *began teaching*. Now when the high priest and his associates arrived, they called together the Council (Sanhedrin, Jewish High Court), even all the council of elders of the sons of Israel, and sent word to the prison for the apostles to be brought [before them].

²² But when the officers arrived, they did not find them in the prison; and they came back and reported, ²³ "We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened [the doors], we found no one inside." ²⁴ Now when the captain of the temple *guard* and the chief priests heard these things, they were greatly perplexed, wondering what would come of this. ²⁵ But someone came and told them, "The men whom you put in prison are standing [right here] in the temple [area], teaching the people!" ²⁶ Then the captain went with the officers and brought them back, without hurting them (because they were afraid of the people, worried that they might be stoned).

²⁷ So they brought them and presented them before the Council (Sanhedrin, Jewish High Court). The high priest questioned them, ²⁸ saying, "We gave you strict orders not to continue teaching in this name, and yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you intend to bring this Man's blood on us [by accusing us as His murderers]." ²⁹ Then Peter and the apostles replied, "We must obey God rather than men [we have no other choice]. ³⁰ The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you had put to death by hanging Him on a cross [and you are responsible]. ³¹ God exalted Him to His right hand as Prince and Savior *and* Deliverer, in order to grant repentance to Israel, and [to grant] forgiveness of sins. ³² And we are witnesses of these things; and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has bestowed on those who obey Him."

³⁸ So in the present case, I say to you, stay away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or action is of men [merely human in origin], it will fail *and* be destroyed; ³⁹ but if it is of God [and it appears that it is], you will not be able to stop them; or else you may even be found fighting against God!"

⁴⁰ The Council (Sanhedrin, Jewish High Court) took his advice; and after summoning the apostles, they flogged them and ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. ⁴¹ So they left the Council, rejoicing that they had been considered worthy [dignified by

indignity] to suffer shame for [the sake of] His name. ⁴² And every single day, in the temple [area] and in homes, they did not stop teaching and telling the good news of Jesus as the Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed).

October 30th - 31st Desperate Love

John 3:16-18 Message Bible

“This is how much God loved the world: He gave his Son, his one and only Son. And this is why: so that no one need be destroyed; by believing in him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life. God didn’t go to all the trouble of sending his Son merely to point an accusing finger, telling the world how bad it was. He came to help, to put the world right again. Anyone who trusts in him is acquitted; anyone who refuses to trust him has long since been under the death sentence without knowing it. And why? Because of that person’s failure to believe in the one-of-a-kind Son of God when introduced to him.

Isaiah 9:6-7 Amplified Bible

⁶ For to us a Child shall be born, to us a Son shall be given;
And the government shall be upon His shoulder,
And His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷ There shall be no end to the increase of His government and of peace,
[He shall rule] on the throne of David and over his kingdom,
To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness
From that time forward and forevermore.
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.

The Sacrifice of Jesus

Hebrews 10:1-5 Message Bible

¹⁻⁵ The old plan was only a hint of the good things in the new plan. Since that old “law plan” wasn’t complete in itself, it couldn’t complete those who followed it. No matter how many sacrifices were offered year after year, they never added up to a complete solution. If they had, the worshipers would have gone blissfully on their way, no longer dragged down by their sins. But instead of removing awareness of sin, when those animal sacrifices were repeated over and over they actually heightened awareness and guilt. The plain fact is that bull and goat blood can’t get rid of sin. That is what is meant by this prophecy, put in the mouth of Christ: You don’t want sacrifices and offerings year after year; you’ve prepared a body for me for a sacrifice. It’s not fragrance and smoke from the altar that whet your appetite.

Hebrews 10:7 King James Version

⁷ Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

A New and Living Way Hebrews 10:19-25 Amplified

¹⁹ Therefore, believers, since we have confidence *and* full freedom to enter the Holy Place [the place where God dwells] by [means of] the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by this new and living way which He initiated *and* opened for us through the veil [as in the Holy of Holies], that is, through His flesh, ²¹ and since we have a great *and* wonderful Priest [Who rules] over the house of God, ²² let us approach [God] with a true *and* sincere heart in unqualified assurance of faith, having had our hearts sprinkled *clean* from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us seize *and* hold tightly the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is reliable *and* trustworthy *and* faithful [to His word]; ²⁴ and let us consider [thoughtfully] how we may encourage one another to love and to do good deeds, ²⁵ not forsaking our meeting together [as believers for worship and instruction], as is the habit of some, but encouraging *one another*; and all the more [faithfully] as you see the day [of Christ's return] approaching.

DAILY SCRIPTURES - October 31st – November 4th

Tuesday, October 31st

2 Chronicles 7:12-14 King James Version **12** And the Lord appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice. **13** If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; **14** If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Leviticus 26:3-4 King James Version **3** If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them; **4** Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

Joel 2:23 King James Version **23** Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

Wednesday, November 1st

Deuteronomy 28 King James Version

1 And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: **2** And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God. **3** Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field. **4** Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

5 Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store. **6** Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out. **7** The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways. **8** The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. **9** The Lord shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in his ways. **10** And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the Lord; and they shall be afraid of thee. **11** And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers to give thee. **12** The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow. **13** And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the Lord thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them:

Thursday, November 2nd

1 Kings 18:41-46 King James Version **41** And Elijah said unto Ahab, Get thee up, eat and drink; for there is a sound of abundance of rain. **42** So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; and he cast himself down upon the earth, and put his face between his knees, **43** And said to his servant, Go up now, look toward the sea. And he went up, and looked, and said, There is nothing. And he said, Go again seven times. **44** And it came to pass at the seventh time, that he said, Behold, there ariseth a little cloud out of the sea, like a man's hand. And he said, Go up, say unto Ahab, Prepare thy chariot, and get thee down that the rain stop thee not. **45** And it came to pass in the mean while, that the heaven was black with clouds and wind, and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode, and went to Jezreel. **46** And the hand of the Lord was on Elijah; and he girded up his loins, and ran before Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel.

James 5:13-18 King James Version **13** Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms. **14** Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: **15** And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. **16** Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. **17** Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. **18** And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.

Friday, November 3rd

Isaiah 55:8-13 King James Version

8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. **9** For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. **10** For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the

sower, and bread to the eater: **11** So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. **12** For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. **13** Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the Lord for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Saturday, November 4th – Victory Service Today at 12 Noon!

Hebrews 6:9-20 Amplified Bible – “Better Things for You”

9 But, beloved, even though we speak to you in this way, we are convinced of better things concerning you, and of things that accompany salvation. **10** For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown for His name in ministering to [the needs of] the saints (God’s people), as you do. **11** And we desire for each one of you to show the same diligence [all the way through] so as to realize and enjoy the full assurance of hope until the end, **12** so that you will not be [spiritually] sluggish, but [will instead be] imitators of those who through faith [lean on God with absolute trust and confidence in Him and in His power] and by patient endurance [even when suffering] are [now] inheriting the promises. **13** For when God made the promise to Abraham, He swore [an oath] by Himself, since He had no one greater by whom to swear, **14** saying, “I will surely bless you and I will surely multiply you.” **15** And so, having patiently waited, he realized the promise [in the miraculous birth of Isaac, as a pledge of what was to come from God]. **16** Indeed men swear [an oath] by one greater than themselves, and with them [in all disputes] the oath serves as confirmation [of what has been said] and is an end of the dispute. **17** In the same way God, in His desire to show to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable nature of His purpose, intervened and guaranteed it with an oath, **18** so that by two unchangeable things [His promise and His oath] in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled [to Him] for refuge would have strong encouragement and indwelling strength to hold tightly to the hope set before us. **19** This hope [this confident assurance] we have as an anchor of the soul [it cannot slip and it cannot break down under whatever pressure bears upon it]—a safe and steadfast hope that enters within the veil [of the heavenly temple, that most Holy Place in which the very presence of God dwells], **20** where Jesus has entered [in advance] as a forerunner for us, having become a High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

AUDIO VERSIONS OF THE WORD

The words of Christ

https://youtu.be/SByVjOimSY?si=ZzR6A9iI_C9kFK39

The Red Letter Scriptures of Jesus in Matthew (KJV)

<https://jesusbelieverjd.com/the-red-letter-scriptures-of-jesus-in-matthew-kjv/>

Bible Verses About Jesus - 935 passages - King James Version (KJV)

<https://sarata.com/bible/verses/about/jesus.html#:~:text=Matthew%201%3A21,his%20people%20from%20their%20sins>

Don't Miss These Upcoming Services!

Saturday, November 4th at 12 noon
End of the Fast - VICTORY SERVICE!



Sunday, November 5th - 12:30pm - In Person Worship!



All Services Will be held at the
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Friday March 15 - Saturday, March 16, 2024
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Covid Reminder: Masks are recommended but not required. If you are ill, have been exposed or not feeling well, please join us online and submit your prayer request to hdpchurch@gmail.com