

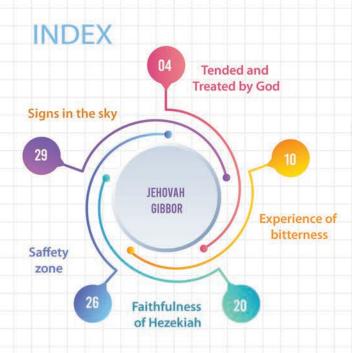
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Greetings of love to dear youth in Christ!

The major war that took place between Israel and the Palestinians during the month of May made the whole world to look at them. On May 10, Palestine made its first attack towards Isarel. Moreover, Israel successfully destroyed nearly 500 missiles in air that were sent from Gaza. Israel protected its nation by destroying almost 90% of the missiles sent by Palestine using the new technology/system called IRON Dome System. Though Israelites think their victory is due to their Intelligence, Army and Research...

There is a Lord who protects Israel. The Lord is strong, The Lord is mighty in battle.

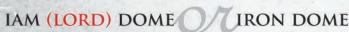
In many of the wars mentioned in the Scripture, God stood up and fought for Israel and defended Israel. When the five kings who headed towards Gibeon against Joshua, though he helped them once he defeated them as sent by God. Because, God promised Joshua that "And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear them not: for I have delivered them into thine hand; there shall not a man of them stand before thee." (Joshua 10:8) Many of them died from the hail stones sent by the Lord than by the sword of Joshua. Because, The Lord is Mighty in battle.

It is no exaggeration to say that the Lord is mighty in battle, not only yesterday but even today. Long back, our Lord promised Joshua that He will be with Joshua, He will fight the war and He will give him victory. The promise that the Lord made to Israel that day is being fulfilled even today. But to this day a group of people in Israel does not believe in Jesus Christ. They think their victory is due to their intelligence, science, man power and military. But still the nation did not realize the Lord's hand in their nation.

In the same way, many times we assume that we run on our own strength. No, it's the Lord's hand that supports us.

The Lord (Jehovah Gibbor) is mighty to protect you.

What is the sign of your safety today?



In God's work, **Avinash.**



Tended and Treated by God



Sister: Jaya Prabha

Disease on one side, loneliness and ridiculing of people on the other. How did sister Jaya Prabha overcome all this as an outgoing student and become an English lecturer? What changes happened within her? How did they happen? Shall we ask her to know more about it?

Tell us about your childhood days.

My name is Jaya Prabha (a) Precious Glory. I was born in a middle-class family to Joshua Shanmugam and Beulah Manimekalai as their second daughter, in Thiruvarur. My father is an ex-serviceman who is working in the post office now. He is also the

pastor of two churches. My mother is a retired nurse. I have two sisters named Esther Epsiba and Evangeline Jaya Kiruba.

So, you were not born in a Christian family? How did your family accept Christ?

I was born in a strong Hindu family. When I was one year old, my father got severely ill and hospitalised. During this time, a school teacher named Vimala shared the gospel to my father and this made him accept Jesus as his saviour and was baptized. While my father was praying in one room, my mother used to worship Hindu deities in the other room. I was so drawn to Father Berchmans' songs at that young age. So my sister and I used to pray along with my father.

Your father accepted Jesus after his deliverance. How did your mother enter into salvation?

When I was studying first standard, my mother had a major disease in her lungs and was battling for her life. She tried checking in multiple hospitals to get the right treatment. I used to shiver when I saw her bleeding from the nose and mouth. Though medical science failed to give her relief, the prayer of my father and our church pastor recovered her within a night. After that my mother was also

baptized and accepted Jesus as her saviour.

Super! Your entire family entered into salvation. How was your academics?

I studied in a hostel in Mayiladuthurai from 6th

standard to 12th standard. I was independent in my home. But after entering the hostel, the jail-like compound walls, the schedule that starts at 4 in the morning and ends at 10 in the night, the rushed baths and laundry, the beatings from the warden for failing to keep up, the diet which comprised of porridge and pickle, everything there made my experience painful.

I was affected by a small deficiency from my 7th standard to 12th standard. I slept a lot during the class and my classmates mocked me for this. Even when I try eating pickles or chocolate to stay awake, I won't be able to control my sleep. When



teachers throw books at my face in front of my friends, I would feel extremely humiliated. There are a lot of days where I skipped my meals and chose to remain hungry because of this. During my 12th standard, I used to put chilli and pepper powder in my mouth to drive away sleep.

I used to get within the top 5 ranks and was very involved in my studies, so, my Zoology teacher, Mrs.Mangai noticed my deficiency and said that

one would feel excessively sleepy if they have low Red Blood Cell count and asked me to get treated. I took her advice and underwent a treatment that cured the disease.

Seeing my mother's dedicated service as a nurse, I was drawn towards the medical profession and started to study with an aim to become a heart surgeon.

You managed to finish your schooling successfully, amidst such struggles. How was your relationship with God?

I used to be a traditional Christian till then, but a change happened and I became close to God. I began reading the Bible forgetting to drink and eat. During the 11th and 12 standard I started to share the gospel of Jesus with my fellow students. I started a prayer cell and prayed with 200 students.

How was your life in the hostel?

Whenever I become hungry in the hostel, I used to long for a raw mango and desperately look at the kids who buy snacks in the canteen. There have been many days which went by like this. There were days when I didn't even have water to drink.

Hunger on one end and the longing for parental love on the other worried me at times. Though I didn't have enough facilities in the hostel, the extremely dedicated teachers compensated for it and my dad's words, "Somehow strive hard and finish your studies," kept me motivated to study day and night. I started sticking pictures of famous doctors in my pencil box and notebooks. Finally I passed out of school with really good marks.

Did you get a medical seat?

I got admissions in dental and veterinary medical colleges. But my father felt the profession is not suitable for women and made me to join English literature instead.

Though I loved the language, I started developing a hatred towards it as I didn't have anyone to clear my doubts. I used to sit in the classes with hatred. It took me many months to understand the English of my professors. Once when my father saw me crying over the fact that I am unable to cope up, he said, "Ask Jesus, He will teach you." I had a corner in my house, where I used to study, pray and read the Bible. Whenever I wake up at night, I read the Bible along with my college lessons. God eventually helped me to speak and write fluently. When I finished college, I was recognised as the Best Outgoing Student, Best Performer and Best Sports Player among the 1300 students who studied with me. God lifted me in front of the eyes of the ones who mocked me.

After becoming the Best Outgoing Student, did you do your post graduation?

Yes, God helped me to get a seat in the Central University of Tamilnadu, amidst many competitive exams. On the first day, a senior lecturer said that people from Tamilnadu don't have the talent to survive in the university and asked Tamil students to leave after getting the TC. I felt like being pushed down, after climbing the steps of academics with so much difficulty

and felt shattered. But, I had the faith that the God who has led me so far won't let me down. Somehow the word of the senior lecturer became true and 20 people who studied with me got TC and left the university. But Jesus, the supreme teacher, was with me throughout. He helped me complete the course without a single arrear.

After post-graduation, did you study further? Or did you start working?

I joined teacher training in Bon Secours College of Education in Tanjore. Since I was longing for love since my childhood, I made a lot of friends there and started giving

them a high priority.

Photography, modelling, bike race, fashion show, acting in short films, sports and social media became my favourite timepasses. Bible reading and prayer slowly became customary

to me. I had a fall out with a few of my friends during the final year as they had hurt me badly. During those times, the verse, "Can a woman forget her nursing child, And not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, yet I will not forget you," strengthened me. I decided to live my life for Jesus that day.

The lecturers who saw my talent on stage and in the classroom thought I had studied in a CBSE or International school. Even though I told them several times that I studied in a Tamil Medium Government School, they refused to believe me. God made me pass with distinction and gave me a job as a high school teacher in Montfort Community School through campus interview. At the same time, God also gave me a chance to teach juvenile delinquent kids. Then I worked as a English lecturer in a private college in Thiruvarur and I also trained the students for campus interviews.

You had a great job and a handsome salary. What did you do for Jesus?

I shared the gospel to the girls in the college and prayed with them. Whenever I see people in trains and buses, my heart gets filled with a burden for the lost souls and I start praying for everyone. I always manage to share the gospel with my fellow passengers during travel. Then I started ministering among trans genders. During the first lockdown I started praying with Mrs. Ida Priyadarshnini and Jothi Emima for the nation. We prayed for an hour daily for the nation and we did night prayer from 10 pm to 2 am on Fridays for the revival of the nation. If I had become a doctor, I would have only treated the external wounds of people. But God made me a teacher who had the access to

treat the broken souls. He made me sit in high places and help students who suffer in studies, just the way l

did.

What do you want to share with the youngsters?

Dear youth, people ridicule you saying that you know nothing. But God will lift you in the same field and put the ones who hurt you to shame. God didn't select warriors in David's family to fight Goliath, he selected David, who was a shepherd. You might be an ordinary person, but God has the power to turn you into an extraordinary one. Pray fervently, read the Bible regularly, surrender your life to God and wait patiently. God will surely lift you in the future. When you are with God, He will be with you

Dear youngsters! Despite going through a lot of struggles and problems Sis Jaya Prabha held on to God firmly and was lifted in her life. Are you also going through a similar situation? Don't lose your heart! The God who was with Jaya Prabha is with you too!

Esther

(Protection of God's people)

Dear youth, this month, let us briefly discuss the 12th and last historical book of the Bible, **'Esther'**.

Bible study: Rachel

INTRODUCTION:

The book of Esther talks about a beautiful woman, Esther, who was chosen to be the wife of Ahasuerus (Xerxes), the Persian King. When Haman planned to destroy the Jews, Esther's guardian, Mordecai persuaded her to help save them. She appealed to the king by putting her own life at stake and saved her people. The word "God" is not mentioned anywhere in this book. But still, the central idea of this book reveals that God protects His people in all difficulties and tribulations.

AUTHOR: Not mentioned (Though they say that Ezra is the author, based on Esther 9:20, the author could be Mordecai)

TIME PERIOD: 464 BC - 435 BC

CHAPTERS: 10

VERSES: 167

WORDS: 5637

IMPORTANT CHARACTERS: Esther.

Haman, Mordecai, Ahasuerus

SPECIAL FEATURES:

This book marks the usage of the country, India. The entire book can be split into three parts - Ahasuerus' feast, Esther's feast to Ahasuerus, and Purim festival's feast.

PLOT AGAINST JEWS:

- ▶ Queen Vashti deposed from her position (Chapter 1)
- ▶ Esther was chosen as queen (Chapter 2)
- ▶ Haman's evil plot against the Jews (Chapter 3)

DELIVERANCE OF JEWS:

- ▶ Esther's resolution for the Jews (Chapters 4,5)
- ▶ Haman defeated (Chapters 6,7)
- ▶ The King's edict and Mordecai (Chapter 8)
- ▶ Destruction of the Jews' enemies

(Chapter 9: 1-19)

- ▶ Days of Purim festival (Chapter 9:20-32)
- Mordecai raised to a high position in the royal council (Chapter 10)

CHRIST IN THE BOOK OF ESTHER

The book of Esther skillfully depicts Esther, who played a key role in saving the lives of Jews just like Jesus, as a mediator who surrendered Himself for the salvation of His people.





Dearly beloved, it gives me immense joy to meet you all through this July month's edition. I thank God for making this cover story a great blessing and an encouragement to you every month. With great burden, prayer, and His grace, I have written this message to you, and I believe that this shall surely be a blessing to you. Do not become weary by looking at all the situations around you and never utter words of unbelief that God is not with you, or He would not do miracles in your life. Be steadfast in faith as it is said in Psalm 60:12 "through God we will do valiantly, for it is He who shall tread down our enemies." I would like to remind you that our God is valiant.

Buddhism was predominant in Tibet and to safeguard it, there was a strict law that no other

religious missionary should enter Tibet. In the year 1908, 19 years old Sadhu Sundar Singh crossed the frontier of Tibet as a young missionary. When he entered the town of Rasa where the gospel was not welcomed by the people, he was caught by the local people and taken to the local minister Lama. Lama sentenced him to death. According to their practices, Sundar Singh was thrown into a well filled with bones. When he came back to

his senses, it was pitch dark and there was a horrible stench of corpses and bones of those who were thrown into the well. Amidst hunger, thirst, and pain Sundar Singh was unable to sleep.

He expected to die on the third day, but suddenly he heard someone unlock the closed lid of the well. He looked above and a stranger let down a rope and rescued Sundar Singh. When Sundar Singh looked for him to thank him, there was no one there. Through the power of God, he was delivered from the valley of death. Like Sadhu Sundar Singh, you might also be in a difficult or life-threatening situation. Do not forget that the Lord whom you worship is an Almighty God, and He will fight for you, there is nothing too hard for Him. He

will do supernatural wonders.

When there arose a situation where all the people of

Babylon had to worship the image of gold set up by king Nebuchadnezzar, three youngsters did not worship the golden image. When the king questioned them, "Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, 'O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter." (Daniel 3:16). Are you wondering how did they get the courage to respond to the king? They believed that more than the



power of the burning furnace, the power of God is greater. Faith is very essential during times of tribulation.

Jesus never said that there will not be tribulations, pain, or insults in this world. On the contrary, He said, "In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world". (John 16:33) They looked at the king who was

giving them hardship and declared words of faith, "Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O King." (Daniel 3:17) Lord heard their faithful words and delivered them by His power and proved to king Nebuchadnezzar and all the people of Babylon that He is a valiant God.

These three youngsters did not condemn God, they did not complain nor question God as to why these tribulations were permitted in their lives. But, how about you? Think about what kind of words do you confess by looking at your circumstances? Be careful with your words. When the disciples were travelling in a boat, it was hit by a great windstorm and by the waves. With the fear of

dying gripping them, they woke up Jesus who was asleep in the stern. Jesus arose and rebuked the wind and the sea and said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?"(Mark 4:40) The disciples were fearful because they did not realize that the God with them is the Almighty God. Maybe, like the disciples, if you are in a fearful situation about what is going

to happen in your future, remember, Jesus is greater than your circumstances. He is the almighty God. "The right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly." (Psalm 118:16)

Dear youngsters! The Lord whom you and I worship is the Almighty God. He changes the circumstances in supernatural ways for all those who trust in Him. The Lord walked amidst the fire with the three young Hebrew men, who confessed their faith even to the point of death. Believe, that the same Lord is with you and amidst your circumstances, He will fight for you. There is nothing too hard for the Lord. Therefore, do not be afraid to look at your circumstances. The valiant Lord is with you!

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Whose Father is our God?

A beggar came asking for food. I told him to come around to the back door and asked him to sit on the floor while I went in to bring the left over food. I brought him food & said, let's pray. Now repeat after me, "Our FATHER in Heaven". He said, "Your Father in Heaven". I said. "No, say OUR FATHER in Heaven". He again said, "Your Father in Heaven"!!! This extremely Irritated me! I asked why do you say 'Your' father when I say 'Our' FATHER?' He said, "Sir, it's like this. If I say Our FATHER, then we both become brothers. If we are brothers, you would invite me in through the front door and not the back; you would ask me to sit at your dining table not on the floor; you'd also not give me stale food! Sir, somehow it's not possible that we are sons of the same father"!

He may be your Father, but he can't be OUR father! Whose FATHER is He? It took a beggar to teach me the truth!!! GOD becomes our FATHER when we treat one another as brothers and sisters. All for each and each for all.

Source:WhatsApp



Visual communication and achieve something in the media industry. I have wasted one year since I did not get admission to the course I wished for. I prayed and applied for that course. But I turned weary when I did not get the course I wanted. In this situation, my elder brother who is 22 years old married his lover and left our house. My parents were heartbroken. Due to this, there's no peace and joy in our house. I don't think about my education anymore. Now, a boy in my neighborhood is nagging me to accept his proposal. In these circumstances, if I reveal this to my parents, they will be devastated. Should I tell this to my parents? or not? I do not know. I am not able to pray or read the Bible over this. What should I tell that boy? Please give me

some advice. SHEEBA, DELHI

Dear sister Sheeba! Your problem is very painful. On one side you are not able to study the course you desire, you have wasted one year and on the other side, a bitter experience has brought shame upon your family. In addition to this, a boy is troubling you in the name of love. I can clearly understand your befuddled situation.

Sheeba! Everybody has dreams and ambitions. They also wish to achieve them. But, when they are unable to achieve them, it is natural to feel tired and helpless. But very few youngsters, without feeling tired or crippled, think about what they should do next and look out for other possibilities to achieve their goal and move forward. So Sheeba, instead of thinking about the year you wasted, consider other courses that will help you achieve your goal in the media industry.

Further, your parents are devastated by your brother's action. Maybe if you complete your studies, stand on your own, get appreciation in society, then there is a chance for your parents to be happy again because of you. So, continue to work on your dreams. These days even for a graduate to get a job is like reaching for the moon. Hence, without wasting any more time, try to study a course related to media and wish to succeed.

Your success will give your parents great joy. Moreover, the troublesome love affair is very dangerous. If you don't handle it well, you might fall prey to that lust. Also, while you are thinking about what answer to give to that boy, it seems like you are planning to say yes to him.



The disasters to ensue if you say Yes...

· Your dreams of studying media might be crushed.



- Because you don't have the age or experience to choose your life partner, choosing the wrong guy might bring grief and aversion into your life.
- If you make the wrong decision just like your brother, there is a chance to further sadden your parents with your love marriage.
- If the boy you love is a bad person, your life will be filled with grief.

The goodness to ensue if you say No...

 You might be able to study your dream media course.

- When you open up about the guy that is disturbing you to your parents at the right time, you will not only get their support and guidance to handle him but they will also have a new found trust and respect for you.
- The right decision that you make might be an example to many girls like you.
- · Hindered prayer life and Bible reading might become regular again.

Sheeba, your decision will decide your bright future. Hence make a clear decision. Worldly things might be good to hear and see. But it does not fit in real life. In today's world, women are rising up courageously achieving and progressing. You must also become an achiever. Don't feel discouraged that you are not able to study or that you have love related problems. You can surely concentrate and study; you can definitely join a media course, finish it successfully, reach heights and make your parents happy. Believe it and act with faith •

"There is surely a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off." (Proverbs 23:18). Pray and act!

FAITH

A Very poor woman with a small family Called in to a Radio Station asking for help from GOD... A Nonbeliever who was also listening to this Radio program decided to make fun of the woman. He got her address., and called His Secretary., ordered her to buy a large amount of foodstuffs and take to the woman. However., he sent it with the following instruction: "When the woman asks who sent the food., tell her that Its from the Devil." When the secretary arrived at the woman's house., the woman was so happy and grateful for the help that had been received. She started putting the food inside her small house. The secretary then asked her., "Don't you want to know who sent the food ..?" The woman replied,

"No., say Thanks to whoever sent this ..! I don't care who the person is because when GOD orders., even the Devil obeys..!"

Source: WhatsApp



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Igniters monthly Youth Fellowship is a place where the youth can rise up with fire in their spiritual life, understanding the deep secrets of the Bible and to be strengthened by praying unitedly for the nation. Even you can participate in this fellowship and be strengthened! Strengthen yourself and get ready to strengthen others! Prepare others!

EVERY 1ST SUNDAY (4th July)

VELLORE (3 PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center, Ajantha Mahal, No.3,6th West Cross Road, Gandhi Nagar.

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TIRUPUR (4PM - 6:30 PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center, No:62 2nd Floor, Benny Kumaran Main Road, 9442082200

TIRUPATI (3PM)

Old Community Hall, West Church. 9985033401 | 9442885315

EVERY 2ND SATURDAY

(10th July)

MADURAI (4:30 - 6:30PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Centre 2/56, Upstairs, 1st Street, Main Road, Subramaniya Puram.

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(11th July)

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THANJAVUR (3:00PM)

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ALANGULAM (2:30PM)

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THENI (2.30PM - 5 PM)

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EVERY 3RD SUNDAY

(18th July)

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MUMBAI (5PM - 8PM)

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THIRUVARUR (3:30 PM)

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(24th July)

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EVERY 4TH SUNDAY

(25th July)

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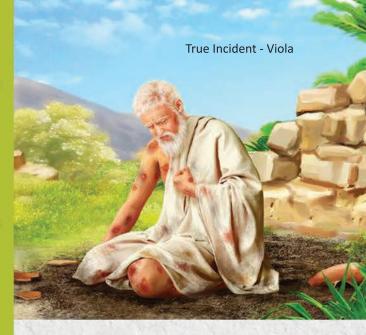


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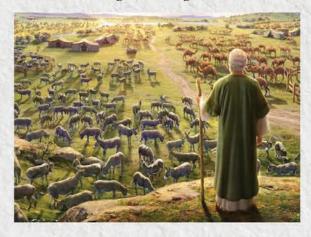
Alas... What life is this! There are many who groan and question why there is so much suffering in this time of a pandemic stating their plight such as - my father is jobless, mother is sick, no education for siblings, no income in the family, no joy, no compromise, no peace of mind, no friends or relatives to console or lend a helping hand and so many losses. The book of Job helps us realise that the sufferings we undergo are not sent by God but permitted by Him and it also clearly says about satan's temptations and God's permittivity. Today we will meditate on this great man Job, who lived with determination even in the peak of adversity and then redeemed double the blessings from God.

BACKGROUND

It has been deduced that the meaning of the name Job means "Persecuted" or "Hated". He lived in the land of Uz which is said to be in Edom (Lamentations 4:21). The period of Job is uncertain from the facts of Job's life as a head of the family and a priest was not bound to the laws given by God (Job 1:5, 42:8). Moreover, the period of Job might also be during or before the lifetime of Abraham. Some Bible experts say that he is the third son of Issachar (Genesis 46:3). Job was a very wealthy man. He had 7000 goats, 3000 camels, 500 oxen and 500 donkeys. He also had many servants to maintain these cattle. He lived a happy life with his 7 sons, 3 daughters and wife. But when satan came to Job



with the permission of God to test him, he lost all his cattle, his servants and his ten children in a single day. Just think how confused and distresses his mind would have been hearing all the devastating news consecutively. But do you know what he said? "the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD". These words reveal his devotion to God, his faith in God and also his ascertainment over his spiritual life. Next, satan tested him for the second time by smiting him with sore boils from head-to-toe. In this situation Job's wife urges him to curse God and die which is blasphemy. He was left alone in the midst of suffering and deadly grief. Now shall we look below at the imaginary scenes of the silent war that would have gone through Job's mind?



Why was I born? It would be better if I had been aborted in my mother's womb! I could have died instead of my children. What was it the will of God to break me? What is the use of living a true, god-fearing life staying away from evil? Everything is in vain.

God had blessed me with much goodness. I enjoyed them all these years. So, I need to patiently tolerate these sufferings. He is my Creator and I am His creation. He has all rights over me. I should not question him.

I used to rise up early in the morning, sanctify my sons and offered burnt offerings. God did not even think about that and protect me. I was the eye of the blind and the leg of the handicapped. There was no gain even after helping the poor, orphaned children and widows. Why did God become so cruel? As my wife had said, is it correct to curse the Lord and die?



No no...The Wisdom of God is expansive. Whatever He does, leads to goodness. Who am I to criticize Him? It's ok that all my cattle is dead. But God could have at least saved my children? I have never ignored the justice of my servants. It would have been nice if I had good health in the least. My skin bursts and these sore boils are torturing me. I have become a victim of mockery and contempt. God has forsaken me like this...



Let my Almighty protect me from speaking against Him at this time of suffering. Even if He kills me I will have faith in Him.

What a will power? The Bible testifies that in spite of his great suffering and loss, Job did not sin with his lips or blame God for anything (Job 1:22, 2:10). Because of this, the Bible says that the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. (Job 42: 10-16) ●

Even you, living in this time of pandemic today, may be saddened by the loss of something. Remain faithful in God, who does great things that cannot be explored and wonders that cannot be imagined. He is wise in heart, mighty in strength (Job 9:4). No matter what situation you are in, He is mighty to lift you up before everyone's eyes. Never ever utter words that grieve God. Instead Praise Him! Surely you also will receive double the blessings!!

LOVING PURPOSE BEHIND EVERY WAITING SEASON

Meditation: Isaiah 30:18

We often wonder why the LORD waits to do things in our lives. Isaiah tells us plainly that it is so He may be gracious to you.

VALUE OF MERCY: Mercy exalts the goodness of the person who gives it. This was shown at the cross, where Jesus took the punishment we deserve and God's justice was satisfied (Romans 3:26).

WAIT PATIENTLY WITH TRUST ON GOD'S PROMISE: Blessed are all those who wait for Him: Because God is so great, there is a built-in blessing for those who wait for Him.

IMPATIENCE IS SNATCHING AN UNRIPE FRUIT: Certain of God's people are in trouble and distress, and they are eager for immediate rescue. They cannot tarry till the hour cometh; like children, they snatch at unripe fruit.

LEARN BETTER GOD'S WAY: Rather than under the guidance of Satan into some questionable policy, we must trust in the Lord and do good. We must learn a better way.

TODAY'S REALISATION: GOD'S plan is purpose filled for us. We must not let confusion overwhelm

Achievement: Suma

ream about future is the prominent feature of each and every person living in this world. Out of 100% of the people, 50% of them chase their dream by undergoing struggles and achieve it. Remaining 50% of the people's dream still exists as a dream in their life. Our life is a gift given by God. Making your life as a priceless treasure and turning your future life successful is in your hands. Here's a life experience of a successor which would motivate and smoothen your mind.

Rani Rampal was the third daughter of the cart-puller in Shahabad Markanda town in the Kurukshetra district of Haryana. In her birth place, hockey training academy was established to train women to play hockey. Most of the women who

Rampal who saw women representing the Indian team desired to play for India and make India proud. She expressed her wish to her parents but they refused it due to poverty and also thinking about how their neighbours would react and also might disrespect their family as Rani Rampal was a girl. Similarly when she revealed her wish to her parents, her neighbours began to say to their parents that, 'If you allow your female child to play, then she will wear t shirt and skirts which will be disrespectful to your family'.

were trained from this academy represented the Indian team to play hockey. Rani

Rani Rampal's parents were firm in their decision of not letting their daughter to play after hearing the opinions of the neighbours. But Rampal was mentally strong and holded her dream firmly. Every day she began to ask permission to her parents by pleasing them. Finally

> her parents gave permission to play hockey after 3 years by seeing her

interest and firmness to achieve. After a struggle of 3 years, Rampal was allowed to play and chase her dreams.

She joined in Shahabad hockey academy where women were trained proficiently. She began to chase her dreams from there. She was 7 years old when she lifted up a hockey bat to play. Rampal's mother used to sacrifice her sleep and stays awaken to wake up her daughter early in the morning at 5 a.m. as they couldn't afford to buy alarm clock due to their poverty. Rampal was saddenned on seeing her mother staying awake throughout the night for her sake. When she came to know about the handwriting competition conducted in the school and that the winner will win an alarm clock, she practiced well and won that alarm clock for her mother. In the beginning stage, representing the country and make India proud was her only aim. After 8 years of hard work and practice, she debuted in her first international match but she couldn't winfor India. India failed

to qualify in Olympics. At that time Rampal was not aware of Olympic Games and its importance. But she felt happy that she represented the country, which was her only happiness.

She faced failure in the next match which she participated in Delhi four years later. She faced failures after failures. She was burdened that India couldn't participate in Olympics. After continuous hard work and efforts in the year 2015 she won the game conducted in Belgium and got qualified for semifinals and got an

opportunity to



participate in Olympics in the year 2016. After 36 years, India qualified to play in the Olympics.

Rani Rampal, who firmly chased her dream of playing for India, got an opportunity to lead the team. In the year 2017, she led her team in a perfect manner. Indian Government has appreciated her efforts by awarding her Padmashri Award and honored her. In the year 2019 she received the honorable "World Games Athlete of the Year" and became successful. She was the first ever women in the world to win this award as a hockey player •

I believe that the life experience of Rani Rampal will refresh

the minds of the youth who reads this. In order to taste success we should undergo failures, criticism, fear, confusion, etc. and overcome it. You should always think optimistically that "If I can't then who else will do". Hold this and move forward. Make use of your time in a wiser way. Be successful! Success is yours!

Complied: Caleb

The Chosen Mighty Warrior

David

David, who was inexperienced in warfare faced Goliath in a battle. Goliath was a tall and strong warrior. He possessed a bronze shield and spear which no one else possessed (1 Samuel 17:5,6). On the other hand, David was an ordinary shepherd who carried bread and cheese for his brothers who were in the war (1 Samuel 17:17,18). David had in his possession a single sling. Saul and all others were frightened to fight with the Philistine, Goliath (1 Samuel 17:11). The inexperienced David, without having any war equipment, went into war with just his sling and a few stones. Goliath ridiculed David. David placed a stone in his sling and swung it at the giant Goliath, who fell with his face down as the stone hit his forehead (1 Samuel 17).

Dear youngsters! If God could turn David, who was a mere shepherd into a mighty warrior, could He not turn you into a mighty warrior today?

God is ready to do so, are you?



Abishai

During the days of David, the son of his sister Zeruiah who goes by the name Abishai, stands along with David. On hearing that David fled to the caves of Adullah, his brothers and father's household joined him. Along with them, the sons of Zeruiah, namely Abishai, Joab and Asahel, accompanied David to the caves and everywhere he went and learnt warfare and became mighty warriors. Abishai killed 11,000 Edomites (1 Chronicles 18:12,13). He raised his spear and killed 300 men (2 Samuel 23:18). The people of Ammon paired with Syrians and came for a battle against David. David went to war under the leadership of Joab (1 Chronicles 19:8-15). Abishai was fighting against the Amorites on one end. When Abishai noticed that a giant named

Ishbi-Benob was barging through the lines to kill David, he killed Ishbi-Benob and saved the life of David (2Samuel 21:15-21). Now there was a man named Sheba the son of Bichri who was causing much harm (2 Samuel 20:6). Abishai was so mighty that he even solved that issue with ease.

Dear youngsters! When you handle any situation that is thrown at you wisely, God will transform you into a mighty person. Are you willing to surrender yourself to do all things wisely?

Gideon

The people of Israel did evil things in the sight of God God punished them by handing them over as slaves to the Midianites. They seemed to be the enemies of Israelites. The Israelites retreated back to those wild barbarians 'Midianites'. The Midianites were so powerful that they destroyed the crops from the land of the Israelites. They had stolen their sheep, cattle, and donkeys. The Israelites were crushed and left in despair. Because the hand of the Midianites were so strong and oppressive over Israelites and hence they took refuge in fortified places such as clefts, caves and stronghold mountains. Seeing the people living in clefts and caves, the lord calls Gideon as 'Mighty warrior' (Judges 6), and said, "Go in the strength you have and save Israel out of Midian's hand. Am I not sending you?".

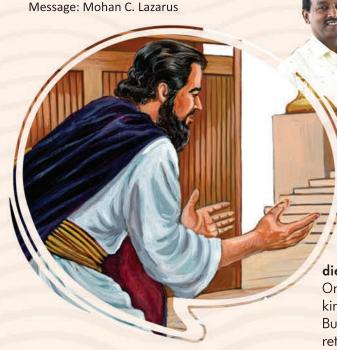
Dear youngsters! Are you scared to see what is happening in the country today? Do not be afraid! When the people of Israel cried out to the Lord because of the Midianites, Just as the angel of the Lord spoke and strengthened the Israelites,

He will strengthen you and make you mighty!

Benaiah

Benaiah is the son of Jehoiada. He was a mighty man. He fought and killed the most strongest men in Moab. Once in a snowy day, he entered a cave to escape from extreme cold. There was a lion inside and was amused as the prey comes inside by itself. It did not know anything about the mightiest Benaiah. He struck down over the lion fearlessly and killed it. He once stood in front of a 7½ tall monster-like Egyptian with a spear in his hand. He only had one stick with him. With that he fought valiantly and snatched the enemy's spear and killed him with the same. Because he had done so many things, David made him the leader of the bodyguards (2 Samuel 23: 20-23).

Dear youngsters! Even if enemy rise up like a raging lion,
Will you rise mightily and defeat the satan as
Benaiah did?



FAITHFULLNESS OF HEZEKIAH

God spoke prophet Isaiah and asked him to inform Hezekiah "Put your house in order, because you are going to die; you will not recover."

On seeing Prophet Isaiah, the king would have thought it to be good news. But, the prophet exclaimed a shocking news and returned from the court of king.

"In those days Hezekiah became ill and was at the point of death. The prophet Isaiah son of Amoz went to him and said, "This is what

the LORD says: Put your house in order, because you are going to die: you will not recover. Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the LORD, Remember, LORD, how I have walked before and with faithfullu wholehearted devotion have done what is good in your eyes." (Il Kings 20:1,2)

King Hezekiah reigned over Jerusalem positioned over the nation of Judah. We read in II Kings 18 that he was made the king at the age of 25 and reigned over Jerusalem for twenty-nine years. He did what was right in the eyes of the LORD, just as his father David had done. Inspite of he being a king who held fast to the LORD and kept the commands the LORD had given Moses, Hezekiah became ill with some boil disease (predicted to be cancer) and was at the point of death.

Immediately, Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the LORD, "Remember, LORD, how I have walked before you faithfully and with wholehearted devotion

have done and what is good in your eyes".

Hezekiah wept bitterly and God was moved to compassion.

Before Isaiah had left the middle court, the word of the LORD came to him: "Go back and tell Hezekiah, the ruler of my people, 'This is what the LORD, the God of your father David, says: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears; I will heal you. On the third day from now you will go up to the temple of the LORD. I will add fifteen years to your life." In the same manner, God is heeding to our prayers and extending our life span till now graciously.

When Hezekiah prayed, he said "Remember, LORD, how I have walked before you





faithfully and with wholehearted devotion and have done what is good in your eyes." He reminds God that he was faithful before Him and God also recollects that trait of

Hezekiah. God does a miracle for those who are faithful. In Numbers 12:7 God acclaims of Moses. "my servant Moses... he is faithful in all my house". It implies that Moses was faithful in all of God's commandments and diligently obeyed to God. That is why God spoke to Moses face to face. In the same manner, Bible acknowledges Daniel in Daniel 6:4 "They could find no corruption in him, because he was trustworthy". In Daniel 9, while Daniel was praying, the angel Gabriel came to him in swift flight about the time of the evening sacrifice. He instructed to him saying, "Daniel, ..as soon as you began to pray, a word went out, which I have come to tell you, for you are highly esteemed". These words of the angel implies that

Daniel was also a faithful man in the affairs of administration.

Are you faithful in your house?
Are you truthful in husband-and-wife relationship?
Is there a truthful relation between children

relation between children and parents in your house?
If you cheat your parents he

If you cheat your parents, how can God rule over your life? If there is deceitful relationship between your spouse, how can God perform a miracle in your life? Can you boldly testify your faithfulness?

Once in a village, an evangelist preached in a 3 days convention. On hearing the word of God, the people were convicted of their sins and surrendered themselves to God. The next day, he boarded a town bus to travel back to his native place. He purchased a ticket for Rs.10 and the conductor rendered him a rupee more than what he owed as change.

The evangelist had a second thought about the extra one rupee, while the Holy spirit continuously nudged him to return back the one rupee to conductor. Immediately, the evangelist called the conductor to his seat and handed over the one rupee back to him. The conductor exclaimed, "I listened to your meetings and preaching these three days, I just wanted to test whether you were a faithful servant of God. That's the reason I gave you one rupee purposefully, Now I believe you are a truthful servant of God". In the same manner, God is watching over us. Exercise your faithfulness even in the trivial matters of one rupee affairs.

Are you truthful in your job? Are you truthful

in the taxes you pay to the Government authorities?

Be aware that God
watches over your
actions. Are you
truthful with your
earnings? If we are
boldly able to declare
that we are faithful in all

our actions like how King Hezekiah did, God will surely bless us ●

MY BELOVED YOUTH, GOD DESIRES US TO PRAY AND GET INTO ACTION FOR THE REVIVAL OF OUR NATION. HEZEKIAH DID WHAT WAS PLEASING TO GOD. IN THE SAME WAY, WE SHOULD ALSO DEDICATE OURSELVES TO GOD. WE SHOULD LEAD A BLAMELESS AND UPRIGHT LIFE IN OUR JOB, CAREER, BUSINESS AND FAMILY LIFE. WHEN YOU DEDICATE AND SURRENDER YOURSELF TO GOD SINCERELY, GOD WILL BLESS YOU IN ABUNDANCE AND USE YOU FOR HIS GLORY IN THE REVIVAL OF OUR NATION. BE FAITHFUL!





My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, greetings to you in the name of our ardent fan Jesus Christ, who is adoring you every second. At a young age, it is normal for everyone to show interest in being dressed up, work on their looks and wanted to seek the attention of others. But, is it fair according to the Bible? This article focuses on the importance of being aware of the truth regarding that question.

There used to be a time when face cream and face powder was considered the highest form of grooming. Other than that, only actors wore makeup. But today, people are spending a lot of time and money on makeup routine. One might argue that presenting ourselves in the best possible way will create a good impression about us. But, it is important to learn how not to present ourselves, according to the Bible.

Why and How shouldn't we beautify ourselves?

"And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty," (1Corinthians12:24). Those who think that they aren't good-looking

and presentable enough (the ones lacking self-confidence) need makeup. By doing so, they declare that "I am not beautiful," and indirectly blame God who created them with much care. It is like saying, "God you did not design my eyebrows properly, let me correct it. You don't even know how to colour my lips and nails, let me also change them, Lord!"

Jeremiah 13:23 states that it is not possible to change our skin complexion.

Correcting our skin tone is in a way rebelling against His ways.

We waste so much time and money to enhance our looks to be admired by our loved ones or those unknown to us, without thinking of our almighty God who created us and who

always admires us.

The world admires us only until we are young, after that, no matter how much we spend on looking good, they will only criticize us. Because beauty is temporary. But, admiring nature of our God is permanent. Rethink your priorities. No matter how much we invest in looking good, if we don't have God's words within us, we will be considered "As a ring of gold in a swine's snout." (Proverbs 31:30). This applies to all genders. If you are a guy thinking these aren't for me, know that your hairstyle, beard, hair colouring, torn

jeans and tattoos are also against the Bible. (1 Corinthians 11:4; Leviticus 19:27,28; Matthew 5:36). The Bible asks us to wear dignified clothes! Dress accordingly!

What is acceptable?

God doesn't prohibit us from looking good. Instead, He insists on things that are good in His sight. "Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, But a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised." (Proverbs 31:30). This applies to men too. At least now we must stop seeking what is wasteful and deceptive, and shift our focus to eternal beauty. 1 Peter 3:4,5 says a gentle and quiet spirit is the indestructible beauty and it is precious in God's sight. Complete obedience to God is also effective grooming, according to the Bible. Proverbs 16:31 says, "The silver-haired head is a crown of glory, if it is found in the way of righteousness." Proverbs 4:24-26 talks about specific make-ups for the mouth, lips, eyes and legs. Proverbs 15:13 discusses the best face powder. If we have a happy heart and a smile, we can attract everyone. Our character is the best form of makeup.

Note: If you are looking for a good-looking, gorgeous partner, there is no guarantee of peaceful life. But, when you seek a partner according to the grooming mentioned in the Bible (Exodus 3:17,18), happiness and peace are 100% guaranteed.

Through this write-up, I did not mean to say that the ones who do makeup are sinners and they will end up in hell. Instead, I presented you with counsel that takes you close to God's heart. Dress modestly, be hygienic. Some might argue saying, "Foreigners wear makeup daily, is that wrong?". I repeat once again. God is beyond cultures and practices. Instead of listing the don'ts, I would like to focus on the list of permissible things to be done. God looks deep into your hearts, not your faces. So, don't waste your time and money on anything temporary; instead, live a life that qualifies for God to say "My beloved! My beauty! You are impeccable!"

WEAKNESS BOWS DOWN US WHEREAS CHRIST'S POWER LIFTS US

The miraculous cure of a woman that had been long under a spirit of infirmity.

IN YOUR WEAKNESS, THIRST GOD MORE

Even bodily infirmities, unless they be very grievous indeed, should not keep us from public worship on, for God can help us, beyond our expectation.

CHRIST'S POWER (ONLY) RELEASES SATANIC BONDAGE

Though it was a spirit of infirmity, an evil spirit, that she was under the power of, Christ has a power superior to that of Satan, is stronger than he.Though she could in no wise lift up herself, Christ could lift her up, and enable her to lift up herself.

SINNERS BOWED DOWN TO SINS

In the conversion of sinners, under this spirit of infirmity; they are bowed down towards things below. They can in no wise lift up themselves to God and heaven.

SINNERS EYES MUST BE LIFTED TO HEAVEN

Christ, speaks a healing word to them, by which he looses them from their infirmity raises it above worldly regards, and directs its aims heavenward.

GRIEVE AND FEAR ARE SPIRIT OF BONDAGE

Children of God are long under a spirit of infirmity; through prevailing grief and fear, they are bowed down greatly, they go mourning all the day long. But, Christ, by his Spirit of adoption, looses them from this infirmity in due time, and raises them up.

TODAY'S DECISION.

Let us make the bowed down souls to raise their spirit to Christ. When crooked souls are made straight, they will show it by their glorifying God.

Prayer Guide - July 2021

People waiting for Employment

- ▶ According to a survey in June 2020, 67,38,785 graduates and post graduates are waiting for government employments.
- ▶ Among these people 25,29,477 range between the age group of 24 to 35, says the directorate of employment.



Prayer points

- ✓ Let us pray for the employment of over 67 lakh people in our country.
- Let us pray for the 25 lakh youngsters who have completed their studies and looking forward to getting a job.
- Let us pray for the ones who have enrolled themselves in the employment office to get employed according to their seniority.
- Let us pray for everyone who are going through mental stress because they couldn't find a job.
- ▶ Let us pray for everyone in distress and feeling suicidal because they couldn't find a job.



Tamilnadu

- ▶ 34 ministers have been newly appointed into the Tamil Nadu general assembly for 34 new departments.
- ▶ Each department is headed by a minister and functions under his/her advisory.
- ▶ All 38 districts in Tamil Nadu should be blessed with water and land resources.

Prayer points

- ✓ Let us pray for all the 34 ministers to be blessed with wisdom and knowledge from heaven.
- ✓ Let us pray for blessings and peacefulness across the state.
- ✓ Let us pray for the TASMAC shops to remain closed and for crimes to be under control
- ✓ Let us pray for the district collectors and officials to function wisely and also for their protection.
- Let us pray for the destruction of evil spirits functioning across the state and that our state to be blessed.







Pandemic

- ▶ The number of corona infected cases has increased to 16.85 crores.
- ▶ 3 lakh and 49 thousand people have lost their lives to corona and 15 crore people have recovered.
- A new kind of yellow fungus has been detected which is deadlier than black and white fungus.
- Scientists across the world are suspecting the third wave of corona to hit soon and this time it will affect the children more.

Prayer points

- Let us pray that the corona virus should not affect the countries of the world anymore.
- ✓ Let us pray for the protection of people from the new fungal infections.
- ✓ Let us pray for the nations to be protected from the third wave of coronavirus that the scientists are predicting.
- ✓ Let us pray for the availability of medicines for all those who are affected and good treatments to be provided.
- ✓ Let us pray for the countries to be able to reverse the dull economic growth because of the pandemic.

Revival

- ▶ We are standing on the edge expecting a revival all across the globe. God has promised us that this revival will come across 7 sectors.
- ▶ Likewise, we are seeing a revival of prayer, a revival of purification, a revival of power, and a revival of salvation which is primarily preparing us for the second coming of Jesus Christ.
- ▶ We have to witness three more kinds of revival and people should rise to do God's work.



Prayer points

- ✓ Let us pray for the evil spirits that are working against the spread of this revival to be demolished.
- Let us pray for the fire of revival to be poured upon our nation.
- ✓ Let us pray for the completion of all the seven kinds of revival so that we can witness a wholesome revival across the country.
- ✓ Let us pray for the churches, pastors and believers to be prepared and ready for the revival.
- ✓ Let us seek forgiveness from God for our sins that could possibly be delaying the revival.



Isræl became a separate nation in the year 1948. Since then the nation is facing a lot of wars and military attacks from its neighbouring countries. Only when we look into the world map we will understand how such a small nation withstands such warships and struggles. This is really surprising. The main reason behind this is, "The God who protects that nation neither slumbers nor sleeps." (Psalm 121:4). He not only protects the nation but also provides the required knowledge and tactics to the people to protect their nation. How amazing?

Yes. As we are all aware, in the month of May there was a war between Isræl and Palestinian terrorists. In this attack, hundreds of missiles were launched from Palestine into the capital city of Isræl, Tel Aviv. The entire capital Tel Aviv would have been shattered if all those missiles would have fallen upon them. But they used a new technology called Iron Dome Defence System (the system to destroy missiles in sky)

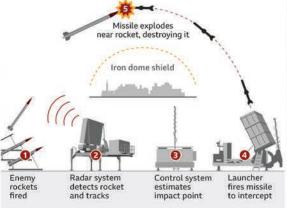


thereby successfully protecting them from the missiles falling into the capital. Isræl is the first nation to conquer victory through this technology.

Now let us see what is Iron Dome Defence System and how it works?

Purpose: Iron Dome Defence System are the missiles that are sent in air in response to any threats to destroy the opponent missiles thereby preventing them from falling over the nation. This is also called as interceptor. This has the power to run automatically. It is capable of destroying enemy missiles with information obtained by radar. It works accurately in all situations.

How Israel's Iron Dome defence system works?



Iron Dome system ignores incoming threats it determines will land in uninhabited areas

Important sections of Iron Dome System

Radar:

We have heard a lot about the term, Radar. This device predicts the destination route of the enemies missile, the speed of the missile and sends the information to the control room.

BMC (Battle Management and Control Unit)

The information from the radar is sent to a control room called BMC. From this control room instructions are given to the device that operates the missiles called Launcher.



Launcher:

Every launcher has 20 missiles. These missiles are sent based on the command from BMC and they destroy the enemy missiles. Since the military of Isræl used this technology, a huge damage to life and property was prevented. The other world nations were amazed by this technology used by Isræl. Even by sending 500 missiles the terrorists were unable to succeed.



Dear youth, while reading this Iron Dome defence system, even in our life, the satan sends many missiles in various ways through many people to destroy our spiritual (prayer, Bible reading) and holy life as we read in 1 Peter 5:8 and Ephesians



6:12,16. It is really sad that even many young minds with great vision failed to stand for Christ and paved way to sin, guilt and depression without realizing this attack towards them. Instead, if the same young people stand against them using prayer as a weapon and God's word as a spiritual sword just like the radar in Iron Dome, we can destroy the weapon of satan and make it inactive as well. Only if we, the chosen generation to fight against the army of satan in the last days, overcome the tricks of satan victoriously in our personal life, we would be able to fight for our nation, destroy the plans of satan deceiving the people and save their souls. Let us realize this Mighty Warrior!! The Mighty God is with you!!

"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;" (2 Corinthians 10:4)



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ear youths! Loving wishes in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. In last month's issue, we analyzed the foremost question that wavers in the minds of any youth "Does God Exists?". The second question in the list is "With what evidence you can prove that Jesus Christ and Christianity are right when there are so many gods and religions in this world". We shall discuss in this article the answers for these concerning biblical and historical facts.

People all over the world worship different Gods and religions. Our country India is well-known for its diversity in worshipping god. We must have heard the quote, "All paths lead to God". At times, we would have believed that's the truth. As mentioned above, in a world of many gods, while the philosophy or theories of those Gods or religions are different, how could the statement, all paths lead to God be right? For example, the Hindu religion says, we are all part of God and after death, we re-unite with that God. Buddhism says, there is no God, and there is no self, and our existence is determined by our actions in our previous life and finally, we disappear. Islam says there is one God; we cannot have a personal relationship with Him. It says, after death, even if we go to paradise, he will not be there. Hence, thus all religions being distinctive, it is impossible to say that all these religions lead to one God and that they are true.

In that case, how can you say that Christianity is the true religion and Christ is the true God? I will answer that with one or two important pieces of evidence. Some say Christianity existed 2000 years ago. Hindu religion was there even before that, hence, the Hindu religion can only be a true religion. This is wrong. Friends, if you see from this perspective, before Hinduism, people were worshipping nature which indicates that nature worship is the true religion. Hence, we must check on this religion based on truth.

Questions of a Christian Youth

How can we know Jesus is the only true God? As the Bible states, did He move around as a human 2000 years ago? Jewish historian, Flavius Josephus has mentioned Jesus in his historical manuscript in 96 A.D. Around that same time, Pliny and Tacitus who held important positions in the Roman empire has written clearly that Jesus was crucified in the period of Pontius Pilate. Just like these two, there are numerous records that Jesus had lived and died.

Second Question, while Jesus lived, what did He say about Himself and His resurrection?

Jesus said, "I and the Father are one." John 10:30. In Matthew 16:16, 17, when Peter said, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.", Jesus acknowledged it. That's why, He claimed the truth that He is the Son of God, He and His Father are one. In the same chapter of Matthew 16, He explained how He will die and how He will rise again. In John chapter 2, He says, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days". Now, what we need to understand here is, it is proven that He is the true God. Or else, it will be proven He is another ordinary man. But, there is enough evidence that He has risen. Let's see some of them.

Some historical inscriptions say Jesus was crucified on the cross and His body was laid at the tomb of Joseph from Arimathea. It is still empty. There are more than 500 witnesses who saw Jesus who has risen. Nobody would dare to die for a dead person. When we read the history of the 1st century, we will know how many disciples and believers have died during the Roman reign for their faith. Nobody will die for a lie. Lastly, Paul who hated Jesus and James, the brother of Jesus, later became solemn believers of Jesus Christ and this is found in the Bible and many ancient scrolls. Paul says that he saw the risen Jesus. Hence, my dear friends, as we see much evidence for fulfilment of all that Jesus prophesied, we can clearly say that He is the only true God •

Be prepared for God's second coming

Signs in the sky

Before the second coming of Jesus Christ, signs will appear on the earth and in the sky. These will certainly happen before He comes. Whenever the sky turns red, remember Jesus Christ is coming. In recent times, you might have heard or read about Angel's appearance or the moon becoming red and the sounds of trumpets heard or seen in many countries of the world. These are the signs told by Jesus before He comes. The verse, "...there will be strange and terrifying things coming from the sky." (Luke 21:11) clearly states that these are happening in the days we live.

You might have heard about a sunspot in the Sun. A sunspot doesn't mean there is a spot in the colour black. They appear dark because they are cooler than other parts of the Sun's surface. In 1989, due to a solar storm, a vast cloud of solar plasma struck the earth's magnetic field. The violence of this 'geomagnetic storm' caused spectacular 'northern lights' for two days in the central and northern Canadian regions. In 2002, a similar solar storm affected more than 30 satellites. Just like global climatic change, there are certain solar activities in outer space.

NASA has confirmed that there is a huge dark spot in the sun that passes strong magnetic fields affecting the satellites and solar power stations on the earth. Sun flakes that release hot waves from the outer surface of the sun is common. But, the intensity of this energy is high, says "Space and Weather Research Organisation". The changes happening in the space is often discussed than the changes happening in the earth. Scientist says that these changes are causing tsunamis, rain, floods and climatic changes.

Before 1969, it was believed that there was only one moon outside the earth. Only after the discovery of Polish Astronomer, Kazimierz Kordylewski, there were discussions about few other moons above the earth. About two lakh and fifty thousand miles away just like the moon, astronomers say that there are mystical large transient concentrations of clouds. But scientists still researches on this existence.

There are thousands of galaxies in outer space. There are more than billions of stars in outer space. Apart from the sun and moon, there is a huge number of satellites in outer space. Also, there are billions of neutron stars. Astronomers believe that the changes happening in these systems also affect the earth.

The changes happening in the sky are just signs beginning to show before the coming of Jesus Christ. Much greater signs are yet to come. "Soon after the trouble of those days, the sun will grow dark, the moon will no longer shine, the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers in space will be driven from their courses." (Matthew 24:29)

When all these happen, the son of God will appear in the sky. They will gather His elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

My dear youth! We are witnessing the signs and changes in the earth and sky. Whatever Jesus prophesied before His coming are happening in our days. Whether you believe it or not, Jesus Christ is coming soon to judge the earth. Hence, be prepared to meet Him. Be Warned! "I Have Told You Everything Ahead Of Time". (Mark 13:23) warns the Lord.

Let us see about another sign of the second coming of Jesus Christ in the next issue ●

NEWS

THE MOVING ICEBERG OF ANTARCTICA

Antarctica is a huge continent where very few people reside. A maximum of 10000 people stay there during the summers. The majority of them are researchers. Apart from them there are thousands of penguins, polar bears and seals. The nature of this continent is that other than

these there are just ice and icebergs. Recently a chunk of iceberg broke causing a huge commotion. From the ice shelf known as Ronne, an iceberg named A76 which is approximately 4320 sq km has broken and started moving. But researchers assure that there is no need to worry regarding this issue since it has broken-off naturally. It has no connection with

the climatic changes. Since this is a floating iceberg, researchers have assured that it will not cause any rise in the sea level. Researcher Christopher Schuman has compared this to the act of trimming of our nails when they outgrow our feet.

This continent is filled with icebergs up to an extent of 98%. 61% of the world's clean water is locked within these. If these icebergs melt, there is a hazard that the sea level might rise by 60m. Setting aside these hazardous news, if we look at Antarctica, it is a desert. Snow that's been falling

there for thousands of years has changed it into such a place.

Researchers call this act of icebergs breaking from Ronne ice shelf as 'Calving'. When these ice shelves which are in contact with the ground comes in contact with water, their stability is questionable.

In those times the icebergs which had no contact with the ground broke off and started floating away. Since the Filchner-Ronne ice shelf is very close to the Weddell sea, every year icebergs of 100m tend to break away. This time it's a huge chunk that's broken.

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NASA has now planned to set foot into this venture. With the satellites required for this purpose, Cyber-2 is launched into space today from New Mexico. A rough estimate of 10 crore stars in each galaxy have been given by the researchers.

Researchers have guessed that there might be about 200 crores of galaxies in the universe. According to this there might be many crores of stars in the sky. With the technology to count them precisely, Cyber-2 has been launched into space today.

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THE COUNT OF STARS IN THE SKY- RESEARCHES NASA.

CYBER 2 LAUNCHES TODAY

Even when man has achieved great feats in astronomical researches, the study on stars is still a mysterious one. One such mystery is the count of stars in the sky. Leading space research organizations around the globe including NASA has not given the proper count on the number of stars.





Answer the following questions quoting the Bible reference:

- I. True or False: Nebuchadnezzar was king of Babylon.
- 2. Daniel became a part of the king's court because he was:
- a.an Israelite
- b. of royal blood
- c. unblemished
- d, all of the above
- 3. True or False: Daniel did not eat the king's food, although his friends did.
- 4. What special gift did God give Daniel?
- 5. How did Daniel gain King Nebuchadnezzar's favor?
- 6. After Daniel gained the king's favor, the king:
- a. worshipped Daniel
- b. praised Daniel's God
- c. gave Daniel gifts
- d. all of the above
- 7. True or False: Daniel became ruler of Babylon
- 8. Nebuchadnezzar required everyone to worship an image of:
- a. stone
- b. gold
- c. silver
- d. bronze
- 9. True or False: Daniel was among the men the Lord saved from the fiery furnace.
- 10. A later king, Darius, signed a decree that no one was to pray to any God but him for how many days

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- 1.False
- 2. c. Luke [Luke 1:13 19]
- 3. Elizabeth [Luke 1:13]
- 4. a. priest [Luke 1:5]
- 5. True [Luke 1:19]
- 6. a. burning incense in the temple [Luke 1:9 12]
- 7. Zacharias [Luke 1:59]
- 8. c. regained his power of speech [Luke 1:63,64]
- 9. Judea [Matthew 3:1]
- 10. c. the kingdom of heaven is at hand [Matthew 3:3]
- 11. a. Isaiah [Matthew 3:3]
- 12. Jesus [Matthew 3:11]
- 13. b. fire [Matthew 3:11]
- 14. False [Matthew 3:13 15]
- 15. Pleased [Matthew 3:17]



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