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*Greetings of love to
the dear young hearts in
the name of Jesus Christ!*

Infantry (ground force), naval force
and air force are the things that pop up
instantly in our mind when we speak about Protection.

As all these are fighters fighting to protect our nation. But if there is a danger in the city, especially if there is a danger caused by fire, the fire brigade is the force that rushes to save the people regardless of their life. Some people act with great responsibility and sacrifice, to the extent of losing their lives to protect people. On that list was Orio Palmer, who lost his own life to save others in the 9/11 Twin Tower Blast. Minutes after the first North tower was hit, United Airlines Flight 175 hit 78th floor of the South Tower, causing great apprehension. Fireman Orio Palmer and his team immediately entered the building and started salvaging people. When all the lifts were on the blink, he found a working lift and used it to go to floor 41 and carried out a rescue mission. He saved many people before the South Tower collapsed to the ground. Even when he knew that the building he was standing on would collapse in a few minutes, he kept instructing the team working with him to save all the people at all cost till the last moment, until he lost his life.

Similarly, God protects us from every danger and snares that come our way. No matter how much evil the enemy sows and plans to destroy our lives, God is a bulwark and a pillar of protection around us. Nothing can touch you beyond His protection.

He is the one who gave His life for you. He will neither leave nor give up on you. When He is the real protector, no danger will approach you!

**Just like Orio Palmer, Strive to save the youth who are dying in sin.
If YOU rise up like Joshua the youth of the nation can be redeemed.**

You have **JESUS CHRIST THE PROTECTOR**, to fight on your behalf, protect and strengthen you!!

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Sis. Anna Rosline

MY JOURNEY WITH JESUS

This is an interview with a sister who was born in a Christian family, suffered from an illness in her childhood, was healed by God through her mother's prayers, and is now serving the Lord as a teenager.

Tell us about your Family and Childhood?

My name is Anna Rosline. I was born in a Christian family in a village called Karuvantha, near Surandai, in Tenkasi District. I was born as the first child to my parents, Mr. Daniel Deva Pichai and Mrs. Anna Bakiya Selvi. I have a younger sister and a younger brother. My family does Farming and Animal Husbandry. I used to get sick often, within a few days of my birth. My mother used to say that I was in a state where there were no chances for me to survive. That time, my mother prayed committing me to God, saying, 'If you give back my daughter alive, she will serve you in her best possible way.' I had fallen sick many times however. Nevertheless, God had protected me miraculously. When I was a little girl, once on a picnic, I lost my way, while I was seeking for my father. A sister brought me back to my parents when everyone was searching for me. Thus, God protected me many times. I used to go to church regularly in childhood. I never missed attending any Sunday classes. I regularly get prizes without fail in every Bible quiz and Sunday school classes. However, sinful desires were still persisting in me.

Okay... your carnal attributes were persisting in you... You said you got prizes in church... If then, when did you get saved?

Our church took us all to a youth gathering, when I was 15 years old, studying 10th grade. I received



Sis. Anna Rosline with her parents

my salvation there. After that, I started to pray for 1 hour each day waiting upon the Lord in his presence. Initially, I had been mocked and teased like, "for how many days this prayer is going to last." But the grace of God made me to pray each day.

Well ... You got saved and started praying... Tell us about your schooling?

God had given me good wisdom to study since my childhood. I used to study well. I had a good reputation amongst all my teachers. By the grace of God, I would always put God first during my schooling. However, I had few unspiritual things in me like watching cinema and getting angry. God gave me the grace to finish my schooling with good grades.



Superb... You finished your schooling... How was your college life?

I wanted to study Bio-Tech after finishing my schooling. Since I didn't get a chance to pursue it, I applied for engineering in a college in Chennai as per my mother's wish. But God forbade it and made me to study in an engineering college that was near my village. I couldn't fathom the plan of God back then. It was my desire to study by staying in a hostel, which is why I had applied for the college in Chennai. I had that longing inside me as I didn't get through. I started backsliding from Jesus during the early days of my college. Even a small failure in studies affected me a lot. I started going



into worldly life like everyone else. I who started to distance myself from the Lord, didn't have peace inside me. But, God didn't let me leave just like that. Again the Lord intervened with me through another youth meet. He filled me with the anointing of praise when I was in the college lab. He keeps talking to me through many things that he loves me. I accepted Jesus as my friend during my college days. I would share everything even my small things with Jesus just as sharing with a friend. In the final year of my college days Jesus and I developed a strong friendship.



Alright... A strong friendship was established between you and Jesus... How was your prayer life?

During the initial days of my salvation, I used to pray for an hour. However, during my college days, my prayer hours were lessened. But, after renewing my relationship with God, I started praying as before. God gave me new praying and waiting experiences. The Lord speaks to me through visions.

Okay... God speaks to you... You finished your education... Did you try for a job?

After completing my college I stayed in Chennai for 2 months and looked for a job. Even though God had granted me good marks and skills, I didn't get any job. One day, I went to a church in Chennai and prayed, 'If I had come to Chennai without Your will, kindly take me back to my hometown again.' The Lord heard my prayer. That time, my mother called and asked me to come to the town for a small matter. While in the village God gave me a promise. Accordingly, He offered me a job in a Software Company that was near my village. My dream of having a hostel life wasn't fulfilled this time as well.



Prayer team

Great!... You got a job... Were you able to do the job happily?

It was at the place where I worked that I got my biggest temptation. I feared that it would

separate me from God. I lost my prayer life. But, God didn't leave me in any situation. When I tried to resign from the job, He encouraged me to work and said that you should come out of that place as a winner and He gave me strength to do the work as well. I was protected by the grace of God and His abundant love. I again had the chance to fall back into the same sinful temptation. Nevertheless, God gave me grace to overcome that temptation. I quit my job in October in the last year, as I didn't want a job that separates me from God. After that, I started a YouTube Channel and started posting christian videos, short stories and Bible verses. People would say that, it was beneficial for them. The YouTube channel was definitely helpful in relieving stress which resulted after the temptation that I faced in the workplace.

Oh no!... You left the job that you desired... So what did you do after that?

During my college days I started a prayer cell in my church and could not continue it for a long time. Later, I participated in a youth meeting that happened during my college days in Surandai. After that, I was invited over phone to attend Synergia that happens every month. I always used to think of going there, but I had obstacles for more than a year in attending it. However, I started attending Synergia when I was in the final year of my college. I began volunteering there. I would sing songs and do other works as well. I started evangelizing for the first time after attending a youth festival in Nalumavadi. Whenever I get into a bus after work, I would always sit in the place where God stirs me up to instead of sitting with my friends. God always brings the right souls to me. I would tell them about the love of Jesus.

I always have tracts in my bag, and I will give it to the people to whom God prompts. At that time I had many temptations of sin and lost my prayer life. It was at that time, I participated in the Revival Igniters Camp. It was a turning point for me. The word which came through Mohan



Uncle that "God believes you" touched me and I surrendered myself to Jesus. Then I started a prayer cell and prayed together with two sisters who attended the same camp from my village. We as 10-15 members, would gather each week in the evening times to pray for the nation. Later in 2021, through a follow-up meeting that happened in Jebamalai, we started two prayer cells in V.K.Pudur Taluk and began praying. Now, God is providing the grace to conduct three prayer cells.

Okay... You are praying in the prayer cell... How is your relationship with Jesus right now?

In the beginning of 2022, I had a vision in which I was passing through a field where the paddy grains were ripe but unusable. I ignored the vision and the Lord intervened with me through many verses. Since, I didn't obey His word, I began to lose His presence. After that, with much zeal, firstly I started doing Tracts Ministry. I would try going to Village Ministry at least twice every month. When we go and hand out tracts in the village, people share their burdens and that would be very useful for me to pray. Now I can clearly feel the interference of God and His talks with me. When I wait in prayer, He reveals things about the nation in visions and insists me to pray for it. He teaches me many truths while meditating the Bible and when I do something wrong, He rebukes me. He never gives up on me when weaknesses, weariness and struggles occur

in spiritual life. He encourages me with His words and does everything He wants to do through me. Especially, He guides me in gospel and prayer.

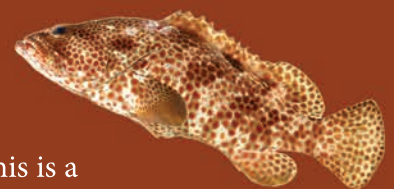
That's Fantastic!... He has made you to overcome temptation... What would you like to say to today's youth?

In many times, God's plans are always better than ours. Even if we couldn't understand it in the beginning, it will be great in the end. I didn't know how I would have been like, if I had got the hostel life that I desired. But the Lord is using me as a useful vessel for many, when His will is fulfilled in my life. I said to the Lord on the day of my salvation, "Even if I leave you, do not leave me", and I surrendered my hands completely to God for His will. If you too surrender yourself with zeal and desire to do something for the Lord, He will surely strengthen you and use you.

Beloved youngsters! Even though Sister Anna Rosline often fell down and rose up, since the Lord was with her, He led her by holding her hands and is using her to minister to many people today. Likewise, when you ask God to hold your hands, He will hold your hands too and will guide you. He will help you as well to overcome temptations and will protect you under His wings! ●

LORD THE ROCK IS OUR PROTECTION!

The Greasy grouper (*Epinephelus tauvina*) is a type of fish that is ingenious in escaping its enemies. These fish go and lie down under the sea among the rocks. It's really hard to differentiate this fish with the rocks since it looks just like the rocks. Its enemies who come to prey on it would return disappointed! This is a frequent occurrence in the sea, and the fish regularly runs between the rocks and escapes to this day!



Likewise, our God protected Moses so that, even His glory should not harm him! He is very concerned about the safety of his children. As a rock, He places Himself as our protection and fortress. Whenever we have struggles, whenever problems stand against us, His presence is where we need to hide!



LOOSE THE KNOTS

Compilation: Helena

King Solomon inherited the task of building the temple from his father, David. Answer the following questions quoting the Bible reference:

1. True or False: David was given permission by the Lord to build the temple.
2. Fill in the blank: Solomon got the cedars of Lebanon to use in building the temple from King _____ of Tyre.
3. How were the trees sent from Lebanon to Solomon?
4. Fill in the blank: The lord gave Solomon _____ as he had promised him.
5. Choose A or B: The temple windows were A) narrow B) wide.
6. Fill in the blanks: God promised Solomon, "I will _____ among the children of Israel, and will not _____ my people Israel."
7. Fill in the blank: The inside of the house of the Lord was overlaid with _____.
8. Choose A or B: The figures inside the oracle, where the Ark of the Covenant was placed were A) seraphim B) cherubim.
9. Which of the following was not carved on the doors of the temple?
a) Lions. b) Cherubim. c) Flowers. d) Palm trees
10. Who brought the Ark of the Covenant into the temple after it was completed?
a) Solomon's army. b) Solomon himself. c) The priests. d) The scribes

ANSWERS - OCTOBER

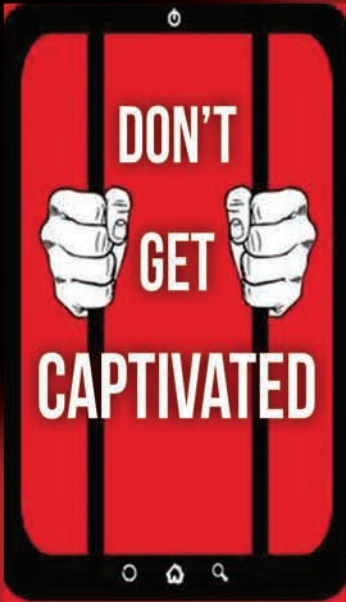
1. He baptised a eunuch.
2. Jesus changed his name after he announced Jesus as Christ.
3. Left tax collecting to become a disciple.
4. He sold Jesus for 30 pieces of silver.
5. He doubted that Jesus was risen.
6. He and Philip presented the request of the Greeks to Jesus.
7. Jesus' brother and head of the church at Jerusalem.
8. The first disciple to realize Jesus was risen.
9. She was the first to see the risen Jesus.
10. She believed in resurrection before Jesus raised her brother.

Your Answers are expected to reach us on or before

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I am in the final (third) year of college. I was born in a Christian family, saved and was living as a witness to the Lord. During the curfew days I started using mobile phone more and started watching porn videos for nearly 5 to 6 hours a day. That was my hobby. Even now after going to college I can't let it go. I feel guilty after watching it. I am dying inside myself every day. There are no words to express my grief. It seems like someone is saying that I am committing a very big sin. Yes! I know what I am doing is sinful. But I couldn't overcome it. As a result my studies are also affected. I couldn't study my subjects properly either. Is it possible for me to come out of this sin? Will Jesus set me free? - Shankar, Kanyakumari.

Dear brother Shankar, I can feel your inner pain. I can understand that you, who are saved, grieve God by sinning and suffer daily in the guilty conscience that results from it.

Shankar, the moment we want to come out of a sin, really, God opens the way for it. If you want to come out of your addiction, He will set you free from it and helps you to live with freedom and lead a successful life.

Shankar, many a time we fall into the trap that Satan lays for us, without our knowledge. The Scripture says, **"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy"** (John 10:10). We must be aware of what he steals, kills and destroys in our lives. Only then can we be vigilant.

▶ First thing that he steals from our lives is our holiness. The strength of young people is their holiness. As Satan steals it, they feel guilty and wearied.

▶ Second, to kill (to kill). He will spoil the beautiful plan that God has for them, divert them from the path of that plan, and begin to lead them straight down the wrong path of destruction.

▶ Thirdly, He will make us sin, push us into a guilty conscience, tell us a lie that we are not

God's children, and make us take our own lives by telling that we are not at all worthy to live. Ultimately, it is our souls that he strives to destroy.

His goal is to consign us, who are actually worthy of heaven, to an eternal sheol. His job is to steal, kill and destroy from us. But the scripture says "Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour" (1 Peter 5:8). So Shankar, knowing this fact, when you are cautious, we can easily detect the enemy's missiles and destroy them.



He is like a roaring lion. But he who is with and within us, is the Lion of Judah. The enemy is nothing before his roar. His plan and snares are nothing. So Shankar, Jesus is mighty to set you free from this sin, give you permanent freedom from this slavery, help you live a victorious life, and turn your failure into victory.

What you need to do is: If you ask the Lord with a sincere heart to forgive you, He will forgive your sins and set you free. At the same time, you ought to follow certain things to protect yourself from committing this sin again.



THINGS TO FOLLOW:

▶ Avoid using mobile phone after 9.30 pm.

▶ It is better to avoid internet usage unnecessarily.

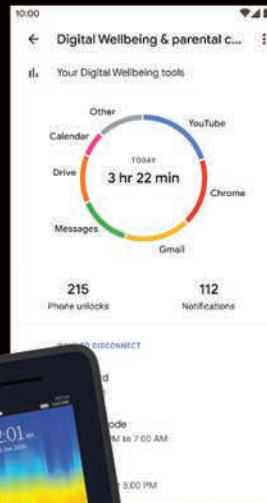
▶ Using the well-being option on the smart phone, when you fix a certain time to use apps like YouTube, Instagram, Facebook etc. per day, you will not be able to use that app after the specified time. Try to control and protect yourself like this.

▶ Whenever you feel the urge to touch your mobile, try to engage yourself in some other physical activities to divert your attention.

▶ Whenever you strengthen yourself spiritually, try to surge up your prayer and scripture reading to avoid such internet problems.

▶ Never read the Bible, on your mobile phone. Avoid even listening to messages on YouTube for a few days. Because after listening to the message, there is a chance that you will get to see some other stuffs without your knowledge.

▶ If you can't avoid using your smart phone, then it's best to switch to a normal Nokia button phone. The Bible says, if your eyes sin, your whole body will be dark. It's better to go to heaven with one eye than to go to hell with two eyes after sinning!



In John chapter 5, after healing the man who had been sick for 38 years, Jesus looked at him in the temple again and said, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you." After God has freed you from this sin, you can overcome this sin only when you act prudently and responsibly. At the same time, you can become a spiritual counselor who helps many youngsters who are caught in this sin like you. Pray and act.

Adolescence fascinates you to step out of boundaries, flutter wings and fly. If not cautious you will be captivated!! ●

"NATIONAL CANCER AWARENESS DAY" - NOVEMBER 7

World Cancer Day is observed on 4th February every year. "World Cancer Awareness Day" is observed on 7th November every year across the country to emphasize early detection and cure of cancer. This is a global initiative. It saves millions of lives from death. Cancer is not a contagious disease. However, many cancer patients are isolated because of the possibility of spread. Due to this, many patients lose their mental strength and hope.

1300 people die of cancer every day in our country. In 2018, 11.50 lakh new patients were diagnosed. Statistics show that 22.50 lakh people are living with cancer across the country. Breast cancer, mouth cancer, cervical cancer and lung cancer are the most common in our country. Cancer can be completely cured by detecting it at an early stage and providing appropriate treatment. For this, it is very important to create awareness among people. Statistics show that by completely controlling tobacco and smoke products, the average life expectancy of people in the next 10 years can be increased by 10 years. Doctors say that unhealthy eating habits can definitely increase the risk of cancer.

The Protector



Cover story: Sathish

In today's modern world none can easily guarantee that they would leave home and return safely as there are many dangers that target mankind in every day life. There are pestilences on one end and accidents, murders on the other side. India tops the list of countries with the highest number of road accident fatalities in the world. According to the central government, more than 4 lakh road accidents occur in our country every year. Even though there are unsafe situations around us, the Lord who provides protection is with us and He is protecting us. God said to Abraham, "**...Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward**" (Genesis 15:1) and not only did God call Abraham, but also protected him for 170 years.

God always protects His children. He never forsakes those who trust in Him. He is that God who protects being with us no matter how many dangers we face. During the days when Sadhu Sunder Singh was ministering in Punjab, Nepal and Tibet, people wouldn't accept him and would drive him away. Driven away by the people, he would stay in the mountains and hills. One morning when he awoke, he



found a leopard sleeping in the cave beside him where he had been staying. He left the place without any fuss. Sensing the presence of something when he stood up, he saw a large snake move. Thus by trusting God, Sadhu Sunder Singh, who was lying in the mountains and caves, was saved by the Lord from the mouth of the leopard and the teeth of the snake. Although many people have lost their lives due to the corona plague in the last two years, the Lord has protected you and me like an eyelid protecting the eye according to the promise, "A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; But it shall not come near you" (Psalm 91:7).

No matter how many times the devil rises up in your life like a roaring lion and tries to make you fall into sin, human scheming and cunning deception, do not be afraid. The Lord who saved Daniel from the mouth of lions will protect you from all harm. Lions are known to hunt and eat other animals. When they are hungry, they keep calm and watch other animals come into their territory. When prey animals are within their range, they roar to scare them. They seek the help of other lions to hunt down the frightened



animals and carry out their plan. When Daniel was thrown into the den of lions, which have such a character, they did not roar and frighten him. and did not call the other lions for help to destroy him. Do you wonder why? The scripture says that, the Lord shut the mouths of the lions to protect Daniel. "My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me" (Daniel 6:22).



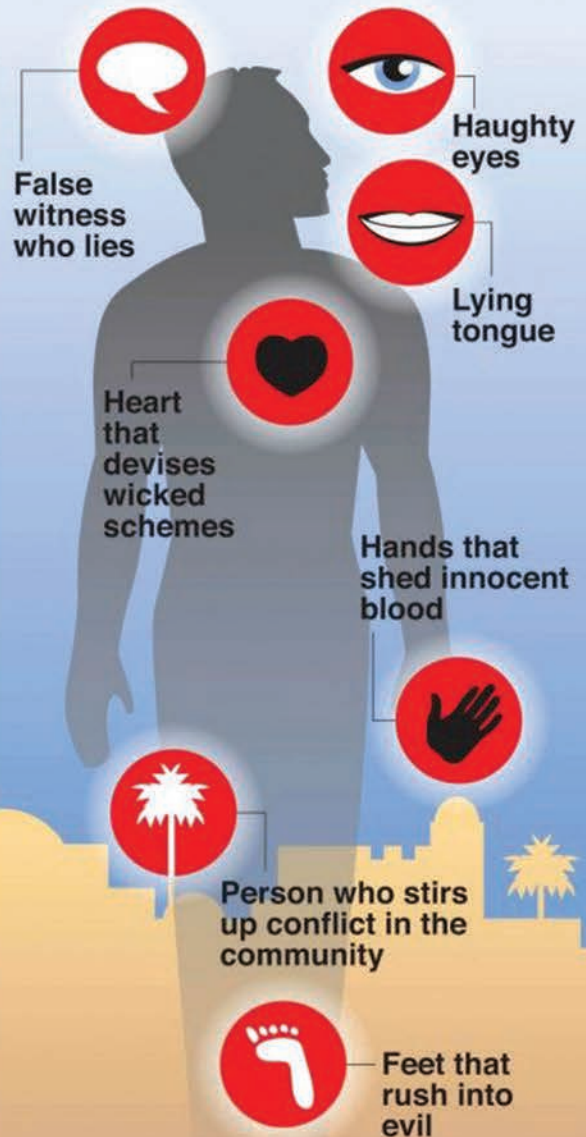
No matter how many people Satan raises up against you, do not be afraid or dismayed. The reason why the Lord protected Daniel was, "... Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no injury whatever was found on him, because he believed in his God" (Daniel 6:23). When you have faith like Daniel that, "No matter how many people rise up to destroy me, the God who protects me is with me", you can rest assured that no harm will come to you.

Believe that the Lord who protects you is with you. Then you will be protected. If you want your faith to be increased, you must pray to God every day. Daniel prayed to God three times a day according to the custom, even when they established a decree that he should not pray. It was this prayer that increased his faith and that faith protected him. When you pray to the Lord every morning, before you enter this world, no matter what happens against you, the faith that, "Jesus will protect me" augments in you.

My dear youngsters! Believe that only Jesus can protect you in this world which is full of rivalry, jealousy and danger. Because "He is a shield to all who trust in Him" (Psalm 18:30). No matter how dangerous the situation you are amidst in, all you have to do is trust in Jesus Christ saying "Lord, you are my refuge, my fortress, my shelter" and you will be protected by Him ●

7 Things God Hates

Proverbs 6:16–19





Message: Mohan C. Lazarus

KINDNESS

In Genesis

chapter 50, we read about Joseph.

When Joseph was 17 years old, he had a dream. He told his father about the dream with great joy. But it drew the wrath of his own brothers, who hated and planned to kill him. However, they sold him as a slave and he was taken to Egypt. Joseph, who came to the land of Egypt as a slave, was falsely accused, thrown into prison, and faced many sufferings. Joseph was in agony for almost 13 years and his brothers were the reason of all the suffering that he went through in his life. But after all these sufferings, the Lord raised Joseph as the highest official in the land of Egypt. He was made in charge of the country and was elevated to the position next to Pharaoh. At this time, there was a great famine, and Egypt was the only place where food grains were available. Joseph's brothers came to Egypt to buy food grains. There they found Joseph as the Lord of all Egypt. During this period, Joseph's father was still alive, but sometime later, their father died. After the death of their father, Joseph's brothers were afraid that he would take revenge on them. "Today, he is a man of great authority; what if he



plans to pay us back for all the harm we did to him", they said.

But Joseph said to them: "Do not be afraid, for am I in the place of God? But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive. Now therefore, do not be afraid; I will provide for you and your little ones." And he comforted them and spoke kindly to them" (Gen - 50:19-21). God wants us to be like that. You ought to go and speak kindly to those who have harmed you, blamed you excessively, preventing good things from happening in your home, preventing your promotion. Are we able to do that?

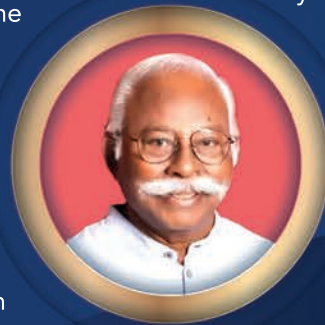
But look at Joseph. He spoke kindly to them telling, "What are you afraid of? I am here to take care of your children." He reassured his brothers with compassion. Let us examine ourselves to see if we have that nature in us.



When such great qualities are not within us, there is a lack of peace, quarrels, problems, uneasy situations and enmity in the house. Sometimes we forget to speak kindly and instead speak angrily. And then we rush to God, pleading forgiveness, saying, "Lord, I should not have spoken in that manner; I should not have behaved in that way, I should speak kindly and compassionately, please give me the grace to do so, please give me that nature." Some people say "Kindly forgive me, kindly help me." We need to be kind to those who say so.



There was a certain family that lived a prosperous life with many possessions and assets. They had a son. In order to grab the vast riches and properties, their relatives killed his parents and took all the assets for themselves. This child has been orphaned. The same relatives put him in an orphanage. When the boy grew up, he met a man from his village who told him the truth about the murder of his parents by his own relatives to confiscate the wealth. "They are the reason for your life as an orphan", said the man. The boy was enraged. He took up a decision in his life. "I will take revenge on my relatives who stole my property and riches and killed my parents", he swore with frenzy. When he grew into a young lad, he carried a large knife and was on the lookout for the people who had killed his parents and stolen his assets, so that he may kill them and take revenge.



At that time one day he was told about Jesus. As soon as he gave room for Jesus in his heart, his hardened heart became soft. A great transformation came over him. He accepted Jesus as his Saviour and started to live a new life. A few years later, he met another man who told him about the whereabouts of the people who had killed his parents. He immediately set out to meet them, at least to know the reason why they had killed his parents.

But when he went there, he found them living in poverty, with nothing to eat. When the lad found them in such a worst condition, he did not feel angry that they had killed his parents. His anger vanished, and he was filled with compassion. He immediately went to a nearby shop and bought them food, clothes, and some fruits. He went to their home, laden with these items. They asked him, "Who are you?" He replied, "I am from the same village as you, and I have come to see you. I have bought some food, clothes, and fruits for you". "Who are you son? We are unable to identify you, though you say that you are from our own village?" they asked. He revealed the names of his parents to them, and they were taken aback. He asked them, "Do you recognize me? I have been in search of you all these years, and only now, I came to know that you live here. So I have come to see you". He further added, "I wanted to take revenge on you for killing my parents. But one day, Jesus visited me and renewed my hardened heart. That is why I was filled with compassion on seeing you living in poverty. I bought these clothes and some fruits for you. Forget about the past. Jesus changed my life, and if you accept Him, you will be filled with happiness."

This young lad is Bro. Navaneethan, a servant of God working in the FMPB ministries. It is a true incident that happened in his life. Jesus is the reason for that kindness and compassion in him. We too must seek to show compassion and mercy to others. Jesus Christ was compassionate toward others. We should ask God to fill us with the same compassion toward other people. Let us ask for a heart that overflows with kindness and compassion towards others, and God will grant it.

Dear young people! Maybe you too are going through a rough path in life. Don't get discouraged... be kind and compassionate to others! Your long time dreams will surely come true! ●

Achievement: Suma

A quest for success



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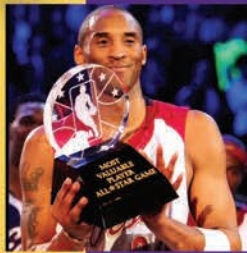
BRYANT

Greetings of love to all the young achievers who are gearing up for success! The first step in the path of success is to get out of your comfort zone to reach greater heights of success. The next step is to learn to cruise past the negative situations that stand in the way of your success.

A person who keeps on flying no matter how many obstacles come his/her way can certainly reach the high place of success. Here's the life of an achiever to get you flying to reach your goal of success.

Kobe Bryant was born in Pennsylvania, USA on August 23, 1978. Bryant's father was a famous former (NBA) basketball player. After his father's retirement, the family shifted to Italy. Bryant had a great zeal for basketball since the age of 3. Because of his petite height, he could only watch and admire and could not play. Bryant's two sisters turned him into a standout player in both football and basketball.

As Bryant grew older, his passion and talent for basketball began to increase. He was obsessed with basketball. He not only nurtured the desire, but also began to make efforts and practices for it. His family returned to Pennsylvania in 1991. He joined the basketball team at Laya Merion High School. His hard work led to four years of state championships. He started playing seriously. Despite high SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test) scores in high school, he decided to skip college and trained hard with his first ambition being to join the NBA. Bryant declared for the 1996 NBA draft and was unanimously selected by the Charlotte Hornets. He was then traded to the Lakers.



Bryant was named an "All-Star" in his second season in 1998 at the age of 19, the youngest in the NBA's history to receive it. Continuing to show his excellent basketball skills, he was named the "Most Valuable Player" (MVP) in 2008. He played for the United States of America in the 2008 and 2012 Olympics and won gold medal in both the events.

In 2013, he suffered a torn Achilles tendon. This resulted in a fractured knee while playing in the 2013-2014 tournament. He was unable to play due to a serious injury while trying to continue playing. He announced his retirement after it became clear that he could no longer play basketball. He won five NBA titles with his talent and hard work over 20 years of his sporting life. He won not only the titles but also the hearts of the fans.

Bryant's great efforts led him to form a charity trust with all the players, to help schools. He organised summer camps every year. Unexpectedly, he lost his life in a helicopter crash on January 26, 2020. The persistence

he had from his childhood made him the basketball player that everyone admires today.

MY DEAR YOUNGSTERS!! DESIRE ALONE WILL NOT PAVE THE WAY TO ACHIEVE YOUR GOAL. ONE NEEDS TO SACRIFICE MANY THINGS, PUT UP A DIFFICULT FIGHT AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, PERSEVERE IN THE EFFORTS TILL THE END. BY DOING ALL THESE, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO REACH THE HEIGHTS OF SUCCESS ONE DAY. GET READY TO FLY, TO BREATHE IN THE ESSENCE OF SUCCESS!! ●



JONAH

(Running away from God's Will)

Dear youngsters! This month, let us take a brief look on the fifth minor prophetic book "The book of Jonah".

Introduction:

Jonah shows that not showing love to people of other races is an obstacle in fulfilling God's will. Moreover Jonah depicts that, God is compassionate and offers salvation to everyone who repents and reigns over all humans and nature.

Author: Jonah

Time Period: 753 – 793 BC

Chapters: 4

Verses: 481

Words: 1,321

Key figure: Jonah

Summary of Jonah:

Jonah's flight

Reason for fleeing (1: 1, 2 verses)

Path fleeing (1: 3 verse)

Consequence of fleeing (1: 4 – 17 verses)

Christ in Jonah

* Jonah symbolises the resurrection of Jesus and is portrayed as the Prophet to the nations (Matthew 12: 40)

* Jesus Christ can be seen as Saviour and God in the life of Jonah (2: 9)

Jonah's Prayer:

Features of Prayer (2: 1 – 9 verses)

Answer to Prayer (2: 10 verse)

Jonah's sermon:

God's command to preach (3: 1 – 3 verses)

Synopsis of Jonah's sermon (3:4 verse)

Consequence of Jonah's sermon (3: 5 – 10 verses)

Jonah's Understanding:

Jonah's complaint to God (4: 1 – 3 verses)

God's lesson plan to Jonah (4: 4 – 11 verses)

Paul protected from the Viper on the Island of Malta

Paul and those who were in prison with him were on their way to Italy when a strong wind came upon them and they were struck in heavy rain. They lost all the hope of being saved (Acts 27). They escaped this danger and reached Malta Island where a viper struck Paul's hand. Since Paul saw how God had protected him from a big danger, he neither felt anxious over the situation nor how poisonous the viper is. He was assured on God's promise. So he did not back down from his faith and the people around thought that he would fall down and die. But Paul was normal. *He shook off the creature into the fire and suffered no harm. They were expecting that he would swell up or suddenly fall down dead. But after they had looked for a long time and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds and said that he was a god.* (Acts 28:1-6). His steadfastness of faith broke the power of the poison mixed with blood. The poison could not act in his blood and was destroyed.



Thought drops: Rebekah

DEAR YOUTH! PAUL FACED A LOT OF TRIALS, DANGERS, AND OPPOSITIONS, BUT JESUS PROTECTED HIM THROUGH IT ALL. EVEN IN A DEADLY SITUATION WHEN THE VIPER HAD STRUCK, JESUS PROTECTED HIM. GOD WILL PROTECT YOU TOO!!

The people of Israel protected in the wilderness...

When the Israelites were on their way to Canaan, Pharaoh pursued them. Then the people of Israel were afraid of Pharaoh coming after them, *“And when Pharaoh drew near, the children of Israel lifted their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians marched after them. So they were very afraid, and the children of Israel cried out to the Lord”* (Exodus 14:10). Even when Pharaoh's army was pursuing the Israelites, Moses cried unto the Lord. And the Lord guided and protected the people of Israel in their distress by giving them promises like, *“For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall see again no more forever. The Lord will fight for you, and you shall hold your peace”* (Exodus 14:13, 14). When Pharaoh's army chased the Israelite troop, the pillar of cloud and the pillar of fire surprisingly protected the children of God from them. *“He did not take away the pillar of cloud by day or the pillar of fire by night from before the people”* (Exodus 13:22). Thus the Lord fought for His people, protected and led them on the dry ground in the middle of the sea. He is a wonderful God. He performs miracles that you never expected, so don't worry, depend on God. Trust in Him without giving up.



DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE! NO MATTER WHAT KIND OF DISTRESS OR UNSAFE SITUATION YOU ARE IN, WHEN YOU CALL UPON JESUS, HE WILL PROTECT YOU, JUST AS HE SAVED THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL FROM THE HAND OF PHARAOH.



Daniel protected in the lion's den

All the governors and satraps of the kingdom conspired to harm Daniel. The king too ordered to cast him into the den of the lions. Yet God was faithful to protect Daniel from evil. *Then the king arose very early in the morning and went in haste to the den of lions and asked, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?"* (Daniel 6:20). *Then Daniel said to the king, "O king, live forever! My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me, because I was found innocent before Him; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you"* (Daniel 6:21, 22). Daniel's God protected him. He not only protected Daniel's friends who were thrown into the burning furnace, but he was also there with Daniel in the lion's den and kept him unharmed.



DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE! GOD PROTECTED DANIEL BECAUSE OF HIS UNCEASING PRAYER. YOU TOO MIGHT HAVE HAD THE EXPERIENCE OF THE LIONS' DEN. YOU MIGHT HAVE SUFFERED SOME INJURIES. CALL OUT TO GOD. HE WHO PROTECTED DANIEL WILL PROTECT YOU TOO FOR SURE!!

Jonah protected inside the belly of the Fish

God said to Jonah, "Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me." But Jonah wasn't interested, he boarded a ship that sailed in the opposite direction of Nineveh. The Lord sent out a great wind on the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship was about to be broken up (Jonah 1:4). The Lord sent a great wind upon Jonah, upon the ship in which he sailed, and upon the men who were with him. God allowed it for the ship to be broken, their journey to be hindered, and their purpose to be unfulfilled. He made him suffer. He put a distress over him like sifting wheat. On that day Jonah was caught in the wind and suffered many afflictions and torture. Jonah asked the people in the ship to throw him into the sea and it will become calm again. But they were not convinced and the sea grew wilder than before. So, they ended up throwing Jonah into the sea. The rage of the sea immediately stopped. While Jonah was drowning into the sea, a huge fish swallowed him. Jonah was in the belly of the fish for three days and three nights. Jonah was distressed for his disobedience that he did not go to Nineveh and prayed to God. Then the Lord commanded the fish and it vomited him onto a dry land. Then he went to Nineveh.



DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE! WHEN YOU DO YOUR OWN WILL LEAVING THE WILL OF GOD, YOU MIGHT FACE SITUATIONS LIKE A RAGING SEA AND GOING INTO THE BELLY OF THE FISH. SO KNOW THE DIVINE WILL AND ACT WISE. HE WILL PROTECT YOU AGAINST ALL THE STRONG WINDS THAT YOU WILL FACE.



Evangelism to the Gentiles by Peter the Revivalist (Acts 10)

In the port city of Caesarea, Italy, there lived a centurion named Cornelius, who was pious, God-fearing with all his household, who gave a lot of charity to the people, and always prayed to God. At the ninth hour of the day, when Cornelius was praying. He saw in a vision that an angel of God coming to him and asking him to send men to the city of Joppa and invite Simon, whose surname is Peter, telling him the exact location and in whose house he was staying and also told that "he would tell you what you should do."

Peter also goes to the upper room of Simon's house to offer his midday prayer, as per the Jewish traditions. While he was very hungry and wanted to eat, when the food was being prepared, he got enlightened (in a vision) and saw a big cage tied on all four ends descending in front of him and had been left on the ground, and in it were all kinds of four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, creeping things, and birds of the air. And a voice came to him telling, "**Rise, Peter; kill and eat.**" His mind did not want to eat the creatures shown in the vision even though he was hungry, as he clearly



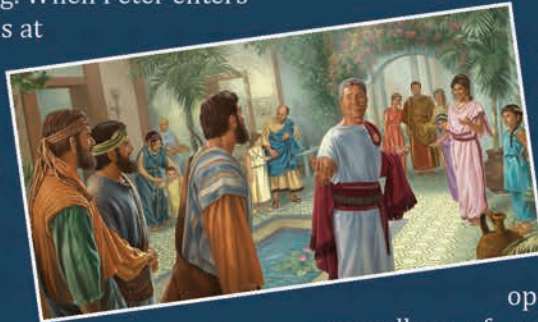
remembered the list of animals mentioned by the Lord in the Old Testament as clean and unclean (Leviticus 11, Deuteronomy 14). He said that "I have never eaten anything that is unclean." By this it's obvious that he did not allow his human emotions or physical weaknesses to violate the Jewish practices and God's commandments.

Just as the verse, "**by the mouth of two or three witnesses the matter shall be established**" (Deuteronomy 19:15), a voice saying, "**What God has cleansed you must not call common**" is heard three times. As he contemplates the Lord's confirmation of something to him through this vision, three men sent by Cornelius arrive at Peter's door looking for him. The Holy Spirit too instructed him to go with them without doubting anything. When Jesus first sent his twelve apostles to the ministry, he commanded that "**Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans. But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.**" But the Holy Spirit is now instructing him to go with the Gentile people. Peter could have thought that doing so would be antithetical to the Jewish upbringing. However, he obeys instantly without arguing. He immediately went downstairs and invited them into the house and hospitably shared the prepared food with them. This probably would have been the first time a Jew had invited a

Gentile into his home. It might have been a bit difficult for Peter, giving him a sense of guilt and anxiety that other Jews might hate him and ostracize him. However, his obedience to the Lord reflects his true discipleship, love, respect and faith in the Lord. The next day, taking with him a few men from the city of Joppa, he travels over a day's journey of about 30 miles to Caesarea and arrives at the house of Cornelius. In general, Roman military leaders



were characterized by valour, irreverence, intelligence, ability to quell rebellions, and fighting for their country until death. But Cornelius was unique in being loving, affectionate, patient, considerate of others, humble, and God-fearing. When Peter enters his house, Cornelius falls at Peter's feet without considering his authority and status before his kinsmen and friends. Peter neither embracing this act of Cornelius nor equating himself to God, immediately lifts Cornelius and humbles himself that he is only a man.



This event at the house of Cornelius took place 8 years after the day of Pentecost. The first idea of the Church's first message to the Gentile was that, "God is not partial." Peter bearing witness to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus spoke about judgment and forgiveness of sins. Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard



the word. The people who came with Peter were astonished to see the gift of the Holy Spirit being poured out on the Gentiles also and Peter commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord.

Everyone realizes that the vision of clean and unclean animals was shown to Peter to inform that both Jews and the Gentiles will be accepted by the Lord, as Cornelius is an example for, God meeting those who seek Him with an open, sincere and devoted heart, regardless of race. After Peter returned to Jerusalem, some who heard about this incident argued with Peter. Without getting angry or irritated, Peter calmly and patiently describes the workings of the Holy Spirit to all who ask him questions and safeguarded the oneness among them. The congregation glorified God that *"God has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life."*

A journey with Peter will continue with many more important... events...



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Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me." (Psalm 50:15)

Prayer Guide

November 2022

Intercede: Esther

Child trafficking:

In India, nearly 60 thousand children are kidnapped every year. Every eight minutes, a child is kidnapped and 174 children go missing each day. According to the Children Welfare Board, five lakh children go missing each year of which only 50% are rescued back and returned; the life of the remaining 50% is a question mark. Most of the children who are kidnapped are forced into labor, begging and prostitution. According to "The Times of India", in Tamilnadu at least 5 children go missing each day. These children face physical abuses and are affected by STDs like AIDS and face a harsh future of fear, anxiety, stress, shame and blame.



Prayer points:

- Let us pray for the evil spirits to be bound, which work behind children and women trafficking trying to ruin their future.
- Let us pray that the hearts of the leaders who indulge in this selfish act without thinking about the future will be touched and they will repent.
- Let's pray that the tricks of the devil who plans to mistreat children will be destroyed.
- Let us pray that the plight of girl children and women will change and that they will get adequate protection.
- Let us pray that God commands good protection for the children and that the affected children to come out of this.

Child Labor:

According to the data from the International Labor Organization, around 153 million children between the ages of 5 and 17 are child laborers. Out of this 73 million people are engaged in hazardous occupations. In the world's poorest countries, one in four children engage in work that harms their health. Almost half (72 million) of child labor is found in Africa. One out of every five children work as a child laborer. Child labor is on the rise in East Asia. The shocking fact is that child labor is found not only in the developing East Asian and African countries but also in well-developed American and European countries. CACL has reported that there are 70 to 80 million child laborers in India alone. Similarly, it has also reported that there is child labor in Bangladesh as well.

Prayer points:

- Let us pray that God himself should rescue the children who have been turned into child laborers.
- Let us pray that this situation of turning children into laborers will change and families will be blessed.
- Let us pray for the rescue of children who are involved in the most dangerous occupations of child labour.
- Let us pray to stop children from being taken as child labour and are sold into anti-social activities such as drugs, trafficking and prostitution.
- Let us pray that the middlemen involved in this will be delivered from this sin and abandon this business.





Child Marriages

The National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5) conducted a survey of around 11,346 families from July 2nd to November 14th, 2019. In this survey, Andhra Pradesh occupies the first position with the highest number of child marriages at 29.3%. Although the number of child marriages in Andhra Pradesh has declined from 33 percent in the previous survey, Andhra Pradesh continues to be at the top compared to other states. Telangana holds the second place with a percentage of 23.5, Karnataka holds the third place with a percentage of 21.3, Tamil Nadu in the fourth place with 12.8% and Kerala in the last place with 6.3%. Apart from this, the study has also found that women between the ages of 15 and 19 are married and have children. Child marriages in India have decreased by 3.3% as per the NHFS (The National Health and Family Survey) survey conducted in 2019-2020 and 2020-2021. Tamil Nadu also reported a decrease of 3.59% and 12.8% child marriages. India tops the list of child marriages in the world.

Prayer points:

- Let us pray that child marriage should be completely eradicated from our nation.
- Let us pray for the protection of the children and awareness to be created among parents who are thinking about child marriage.
- Let us pray for the government to make the minors aware of this and give them the power to prevent it.
- Let us pray for the deliverance and comfort of the children who are suffering from mental anguish and distress due to child marriage.
- It is regrettable that India ranks first in child marriage in the world. Let us pray for the transformation of people in India.



Students' Suicide

The number of students who died of suicide has increased by 4.5% in 2021, according to the latest data from the National Crime Records Bureau. In 2021, 1834 students committed suicide in Maharashtra. 1308 students committed suicide in Madhya Pradesh and 1246 students in Tamil Nadu. In 2020, 12,526 students committed suicide, while in 2021 this number has raised to 13,089. Between 2017 and 2019, student's suicide case accounted around 7.40% to 7.60% of the country's total suicide cases. In 2020 it has increased to 8.20% and in 2021 it was decreased to 8%. Out of 10,732 students under the age of 18 who committed suicide, the report says, 864 students have failed in their exams. Since 2017, student's suicide cases have increased by 32.15%. The total number of student suicide cases in 2017 was 9,905.



Prayer points:

- Let us pray that suicidal thoughts among students should be eliminated and suicidal spirits will be curbed.
- Let's pray that the spirits that lead to suicide due to exam failure will be bound and the mindset of students will change.
- Let us pray for God's governance and protection over the students in India.
- Let us pray that awareness centers should be opened in schools for the school going students.
- Let us pray for God's protection so that no student commits suicide anymore.



RED ALERT

Balaam

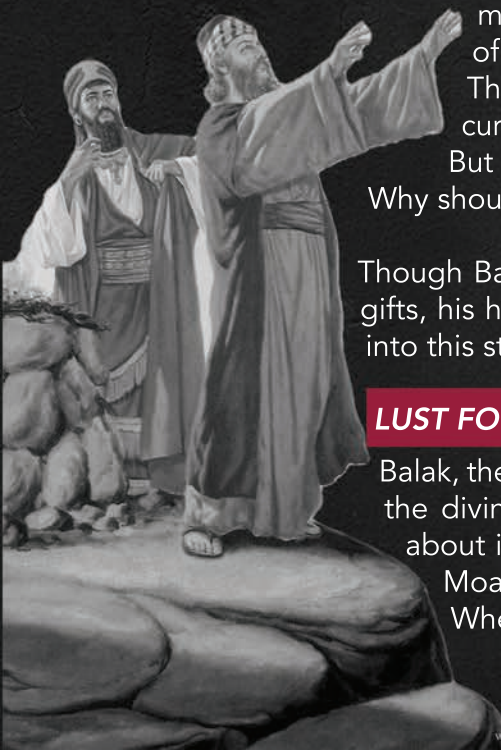
Alert Event: Caleb

Dear young people in Christ, it is a great pleasure to meet you again through this Red Alert series. Through this article, we are meditating on the fact that those who were known by God and who were running the race well, because of their small mistake, sin, and disobedience, turned away from God's call and received a deadly punishment. In this month's alert series, we will be meditating on Balaam, the son of Beor. In Numbers chapter 22-24 we read about Balaam. The Moabite king feared the Israelites, so he called Balaam to curse them. However, Balaam blessed the Israelites three times. But in Numbers 31:8, it is written that the Israelites killed Balaam. Why should the Israelites kill Balaam who had blessed them?

Though Balaam was a prophet whom God had blessed with special gifts, his heart was never pleasing to God. What caused him to fall into this stringent judgment?

LUST FOR MONEY, COVETOUSNESS

Balak, the king of Moab, sent the elders of his country to Balaam with the diviner's fee to curse the Israelites. At first, Balaam enquired about it to God and rejected their request (Numbers 22:13). The Moabite King again sent honourable Princes (Numbers 22:15). When he saw that honourable Princes with great wealth had





come to see him, his heart began to yearn for it. Balaam who did God's will, on seeing the fame and riches drifted from God's will and began praying to God about going with Balak. God was not pleased with this, but as Balaam kept praying, the Lord allowed him to go on one condition. His heart was perverse in the sight of God (Num 22:30). His heart was set on the rewards that the Moabite King would give rather than doing what God had said. The things that he did against God's will, was the beginning of his downfall. In 2 Peter 2: 15, it is written, *"they have forsaken the right way and gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness."* Even in our lives our purpose should be to please the Lord. Our purpose will not be fulfilled if we set our hearts on money, wealth or fame and the end of it will be destruction.



for money. Balaam advised the Moabite King that no one can curse Israel, except God if Israel sinned against Him. Therefore, to this day Balaam has been used to symbolise the people who entice others to sin.

In Num 31: 8, we read that the Israelites killed him. His end was tragic. Today, does our walk, speech, deeds, holiness glorify God before others? Or cause others to stumble? Let us analyse ourselves and act.

DEAR YOUNGSTERS, THOUGH BALAAM WAS A MAN MIGHTILY USED BY GOD, THE DECISION HE MADE AND HIS DISOBEDIENCE WERE THE CAUSE WHICH MADE THE ISRAELITES SIN. MATERIALISM DECEIVED HIM INTO FORGETTING GOD'S PURPOSE AND LED



HIM DOWN THE PATH OF DESTRUCTION. EVEN IN OUR LIVES, OBSTACLES AND SINFUL TEMPTATIONS WILL COME OUR WAY TO DIVERT US FROM GOD'S APPOINTED COURSE. BUT, IF WE ARE CAREFUL IN THE PURPOSE THAT GOD HAS CHOSEN US FOR, WE CAN FINISH OUR RACE VICTORIOUSLY.

BALAAM - THE CAUSE OF ISRAEL'S STUMBLING

After Balaam was warned by the Lord's angel he went and met Balak. Although Balak was called to curse the nation of Israel, he blessed them three times as the Lord commanded him. Balak was enraged with this. Balaam gave Balak a false advice to appease Balak's anger and get rewards from him. We read about this in Rev 2: 14, *"the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak to put a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit sexual immorality."* In Num 25 :1, we see, the people began to commit harlotry with the women of Moab. The cause of this stumbling was Balaam, who went to speak the word of the Lord, and became the cause of the profanation of the Lord by his desire

"Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith" (Heb - 12: 1, 2).

Let's meditate on another person in the next Red Alert section.



Igniters Youth Fellowship is a place where young people rise up with fire in the spiritual life, understanding the deep secrets of the bible and are 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!!

EVERY 1ST SUNDAY

(6TH NOVEMBER)

VELLORE (3 PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
Ajantha Mahal, No.3,6th West
Cross Road, Gandhi Nagar.
9442885315 | 9786379556

TIRUPUR (4PM - 6:30 PM)

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

TUTICORIN (3PM - 5:30 PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
Jehovah Jireh Towers,
51/8D/3, 1st Floor, Tiruchendur
Road, Muniyasampuram,
(Land mark : South Police
Station to Kamaraj
college Road) . 9442885315

TIRUPATI (3PM)

Old Community Hall,
West Church.
9985033401 | 9442885315

SANKARANKOIL (2:30-5)

Gethsamane Prayer
Center Sekinah Mahal
Mullai Nagar
9750955548 / 8344949555

EVERY 2ND SATURDAY

(12TH NOVEMBER))

MADURAI (4:30 - 6:30PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Centre
2/56, Upstairs, 1st Street, Main
Road, Subramaniya Puram.
9750955548 | 0452-2677300

EVERY 2ND SUNDAY

(13TH NOVEMBER))

AMBUR (3PM - 6PM)

Concordia Hr.Sec.School,

Opp Rly. Station.
9597927799 | 9442885315

THANJAVUR (3:00PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Centre,
Near Balaji Nagar Bus Stop,
18B, TPS Nagar, M.C.Road.
9444381971 | 9488475315

KOVILPATTI (3PM - 5.30PM)

St. Paul's Matriculation School,
Kovilpatti.
9677858766 | 9787322334

ALANGULAM (2:30PM)

P.M.V. Packiyavathy Building
R.A. Nursing Institute SCV
Computers (top floor) Main
Road, Alangulam, Near Union
Office Opposite.
9965377427 | 9750955548

**THENI (2.30PM - 5 PM)**

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
No.203, Madurai Road, (opp
Anantham Silk) Dr. Kamaraj
Hospital, 1st Floor.
9750955548 | 9976766422

SURANDAI (2.30PM)

Jawarhalal Middle School,
Surandai.
9443962141 | 9750955548

SIVAKASI (3PM -5PM)

Getsamane prayer Center
9677858766 / 9442906567

SATHANKULAM (3-5:30PM)

Hendry Matric Higher Secondary
School
Mela Sathankulam
Ct: 9442885315

EVERY 3RD SUNDAY**(20TH NOVEMBER)****TIRUNELVELI (2:30 PM)**

Gethsamane Prayer Center Shah
Complex No: 43/R4, Rajendra
Nagar Trivandrum Road.
9750955548 | 9488212915

COIMBATORE (4PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
No:90, 1st, Floor Arts College Rd.,
Near Charan Tower, Coimbatore.
0422 - 2309040 | 8903405315

TRICHY (3PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center
22A, 1st Floor, Thennur High Rd.,
Near KMC Bus Stop, Thennur,
9488475315

JEBAMALAI (2PM)

Kadaiyam (via),
Keelamathapuram,
Tenkasi Dist.
8300131000 | 9750955548

CHENNAI (3.30PM)

VGP Victory House, Mount
Road. 9488475315

NALUMAVADI (3-5:30PM)

Tabernacle of God,
Nalumavadi 9442885315

THIRUVARUR (3:30 PM)

Gethsamane Prayer
Center, 1A/25B, Bypass Road
(Opp Arasu Autos)
9976766322 | 7373374733

RANIPET (3 - 6P.M.)

Gethsamane Prayer Centre,
MBT Road, Navalpur
9500283179 | 9442885315

EVERY 4TH SATURDAY**(26TH NOVEMBER)****PERAMBALUR (5PM - 8 PM)**

Gethsamane Prayer Centre
M K Complex 71,
Venkatesapuram Near Bank
Of Baroda, Trichy Main Road.
9788788512

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY**(27TH NOVEMBER)****THIRUVALLUR (3-5:30)**

Gethsamane Prayer Center
H S R Tower, 2nd Floor,
Near CSI Gowdi Church
9488475315

KRISHNAGIRI (3PM-5PM)

Gethsamane Prayer
center, Near Arun Hospital,
Royakottai Road,
Ct: 9962085523 |
9524999711

MUMBAI (5PM - 8PM)

1st Sunday - Dharavi
2nd Sunday - Bhandup
3rd Sunday - Malad
9004882470



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REVIVAL OF POWER

I believe that you who are reading the revival message every month will pray for revival. This month we are going to look at the Revival of power. When God's power is manifested, multitudes of people are saved and accept our Lord as God. God filled the early Apostles like Peter and Paul with His power and turned many people towards Him through them. **"So that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid them on beds and couches that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them"** (Acts 5:15). From the surrounding villages, they brought multitudes of sinners and those possessed by unclean spirits to Jerusalem. All of them were healed. Since the power of God was manifested there, a multitude of men and women accepted Jesus as their Lord and were added to the church. The entire city was transformed. The name of Jesus was emphasized everywhere. God was with Paul where ever he went, thereby revealing His power and turned many gentiles towards Him. The lame, crippled and those possessed by unclean spirits were healed by them. Everywhere they went, the power of God was manifested and a great revival occurred among the people.

The Lord has manifested his power in our country through His servants. When

T.L.Osborn came to India to preach the scriptures and the word of God, not a single person accepted Jesus as their Saviour. Tired of this, he went back to his native country, America, and started serving God. Even there he couldn't rise and shine greatly. Knowing the reason for it, he fasted and prayed in God's presence and received His power. Soon after that the path of his ministry began to change. In a span of 40 years he visited more than 70 countries to preach Jesus. Wherever he went, crowds of people were healed and began to accept Jesus. God's power was revealed through him amidst thousands of people. 96 blind people received their sight when God's power manifested through him in one particular meeting.

He came back to India in 1961 and started ministering in Kolkata, Andhra Pradesh and in many places of Tamil Nadu. Through him, God sent his power to heal multitudes and freed them from the grip of unclean spirits. Many people accepted Jesus.

My dear youths! Wait in the presence of God so that you too can receive His power. May the Lord Jesus Christ fill you with His power and turn people to Him everywhere you go. Through you the power of God will be manifested and a great revival will happen in the nation. ●



Greetings to my beloved brothers and sisters. Let's get into this month's article requesting, "that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness" Ephesians 4:24. This month's article is titled, "The Protector". Dear friends, the bible says, this world we live in is subjected to sin because of Adam's sin. In this troubled world in many situations, we face physical dangers, economic problems, natural and artificial damages, spiritual struggles, obstacles and curses. In such circumstances, for us, who are the children of God, He alone is our fortress and refuge. Psalms 46:1 says, **"God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble."**

Yes friends. One thing many Christians wonder about, is "Why do we have dangers? We never intended to harm anyone! Why do we suffer so much even though we do good?" This is a contradictory thought to the scripture, because we live in a fallen world. The example I usually use is "I am traveling in a car on the road with all safety equipment on. But if an oncoming vehicle is driven out of control by a drunk driver and crashes into me, I am the one who is affected. Yes friends, that's why Jesus says, **"In the world you will have tribulation. But be of good cheer; I have overcome the world"** (John 16:33).

At the same time, He is our only protector in this troubled world. If we look, beyond natural disasters, it is usually the devil and our wrong self-decisions that get us into

trouble. I Peter 5:8 says, **"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour"**. Yes, my friends, the devil is determined to steal, kill and destroy us. But take heart, our Lord God has trampled him under his feet and conquered. The Bible also says, **"But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed"** (James 1:14). As the scriptures say in Romans 7, many times we decide to do what we hate, rather than what we will to do. The

Lord has redeemed us from such a sinful body through His Son Jesus Christ. Therefore, we are no longer subject to sin, to be drawn into sin by our own desires. My friends, the important reason to share these things is, when we live in obedience to Jesus every day, we can evade many dangers.

When the devil plans to bring dangers into our lives from places and circumstances beyond our control to destroy us, God is our strength and protector; He is our fortress and a very present help. The Bible says **"He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler"** (Psalms 91:4). Likewise, John 10:28 says **"they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand"** ●

PROTECTOR



CROW

BIRDS IN THE BIBLE

Dear young people! Each month we continue to read about the birds mentioned in the Bible. In that order, this month we will be talking about the bird 'Crow'. Let's take a look at some interesting facts about crows and some lessons we can learn from them.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT CROWS

- There are about 40 species of crows in the world.
- Tree crows typically live up to 20 years.
- Crows are the most intelligent of birds.
- They have sharp vision and strong wings.
- Crows are omnivorous, eating fruits, seeds, grains, worms, frogs, crabs, fish, rats, and dead animals.
- Crow is a gregarious bird. It has the characteristic of not eating the food it has got by itself, but calls its species and shares it.
- Dead and rotting carcasses are disposed of by crows feeding on them. Thus the environment is protected of pollution.

Crows are mentioned in 11 places in the Bible as 'Ravens'. Raven is the first bird mentioned in the Bible. We read in Genesis 8: 7, when Noah opened the window he had made in the ark *"he sent out a raven, which kept going to and fro until the waters had dried up from the earth."*

Although the raven has many good qualities, in the scriptures the Lord adds the raven to the list of unclean birds (Leviticus 11: 13-15). He commands us not to eat them. Of the birds that Noah left out of the ark, only the dove was put back inside. But we read that the raven kept coming and going until the water dried up. Noah did not take it into the ark. The raven was a carrion-eating bird, so it was waiting to eat the dead bodies of the people who were destroyed in the flood. Therefore, Noah did not take the unclean bird into the ark.

When reading I Kings 17:4-6, the prophet Elijah was hungry and the Lord fed him by sending food through a raven. When reading this, the thought arises why the Lord should feed Elijah through an unclean bird. Why should God choose the unclean crow when there are so many beautiful and clean birds? The Lord choosing an unattractive, unclean bird that is considered insignificant in everyone's eyes to feed Elijah, shows His infinite love, which is not partial, which does not ignore anyone and which does not consider a sinner.

Dear young brother, sister! Everything in God's creation has its own use. Nothing and no one should be treated with contempt. God has chosen us who were like crows lying in dirt, mud and trash and has washed us with His Holy blood, sanctified us and has kept us as vessels to do his noble work. Will you think of your Father, Jesus Christ, who has nurtured, protected, clothed and beautified you from the day you were conceived in your mother's womb to this day? "He provides food to the young ravens that cry" (Psalm 147:9). Like a crow, you may be seen today as insignificant and useless in the eyes of many. But the things that he will do with you will be tremendous and unfathomable.

Don't forget that you are special in His creation! He is the Almighty God who is with you. He is sufficient too for you!



LET US PRAY and conquer!

"The Prayer of King Solomon"

The land that David had earned by God's grace came to Solomon. This was the first request made by Solomon, who knew that he could not manage it in his inexperience, and it was pleasing in the sight of God. He was a praying king. King Solomon was not even 20 years old when he came to reign. He loves God very much. He adhered to the good advice of his father David. God heard Solomon's selfless prayer which he offered for the nation and blessed him beyond his request. We too must offer such selfless prayer in our tough situations. We have prayed a lot for our needs. Now we must pray for others, for our leaders and those in authority. **"Now, O Lord my God, You have made Your servant king instead of my father David, but I am a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And Your servant is in the midst of Your people whom You have chosen, a great people, too numerous to be numbered or counted. Therefore give to Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?"** (1 Kings 3:7-9). This was the prayer of King Solomon.

▶ This prayer is usually taught to children at home who study, thinking that the wisdom asked by Solomon is applicable only to them.

▶ But we are not blind to the fact that even the most experienced adults who face many challenges in life act unwisely at times.

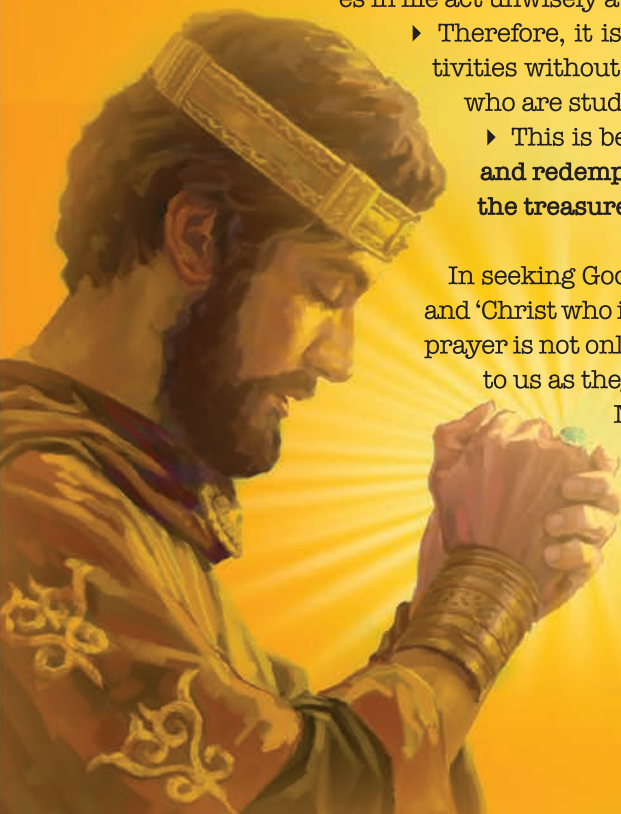
▶ Therefore, it is proper to ask God for wisdom to perform our daily activities without thinking that this prayer belongs only to small children who are studying.

▶ This is because, **"Christ became our righteousness, sanctification and redemption by God"** (1 Corinthians 1:31). **"In Him are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge"** (Colossians 2:3).

In seeking God's kingdom and His righteousness first, seeking wisdom and 'Christ who is the wisdom' must be our first priority. The result of such prayer is not only wisdom, but all other things will be "additionally" given to us as they were given to King Solomon.

Not only 'what we want and ask for' in prayer, but what God knows we need, 'what we have not asked for' will be abundantly given. Our Lord Jesus Christ is the one who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly, above all that we ask or think.

Dear young people! You who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ, think whether you have offered a pleasing prayer like King Solomon did!!



NEWS

DIGITAL CURRENCY COMING SOON!

Mumbai, October 8: RBI has already announced the issuance of Digital currency as an alternative to Bit coins. In this case, the Reserve Bank has announced yesterday that the central bank digital currency called 'Electronic Rupee' is going to be released soon. It has been said that, "It will be introduced on a pilot basis to facilitate easy, convenient and secure digital transactions. Not a substitute for printed currency notes"

- Dhinakaran, 08 Oct 2022,

INDIA'S VOTE AGAINST RUSSIA ON THE ISSUE OF UKRAINE IN THE UN!

New York, October 12: India votes against Russia in resolution condemning the annexation of 4 Ukrainian cities. The war between Ukraine and Russia has been going on for 8 months. Meanwhile, Russia illegally annexed four cities of Ukraine through war, namely Donetsk, Kherson, Luhansk, and Zaporizhzhia. This was strongly condemned by nations across the world. Following this, an immediate resolution was raised against Russia in the UN Security Council. Reacting to this, Russia used its veto power and called off the resolution.

In this case, Albania brought a resolution against Russia in the UN General Assembly which has 193 member states regarding this matter. Russia demanded that the vote on the resolution be held in secret. A referendum was held in the UN

General Assembly on this request. In this, India voted against Russia for the first time. 107 countries including India voted in favour of open referendum. 13 countries voted in favour of Russia. 39 countries abstained. Russia's claim thus rejected

- Dhinakaran, 12 October 2022

INDIAN ECONOMY IS STRONGER THAN OTHER COUNTRIES! IMF OFFICIAL INFORMATION!

Washington, October 13: International Monetary Fund officer has stated that India's economy is better than a majority of countries.

The economy of the world has been majorly affected due to CORONA. In the last financial year (2021-2022) the growth of the Indian economy was 8.7%. However, in the current year (2022-2023) IMF has predicted that the rate might fall to 6.8%. In this context, IMF Managing Director (Asia-Pacific division) Krishna Srinivasan said, "One-third of the world's economy will experience recession this year or next." Inflation will be severe and almost all countries will be affected. But when compared to other countries, India's economic condition is in a better status."

-Dinakaran, 13 October, 2022.



Children's Day

November 14, 2022



Children's Day is celebrated in India every year on the 14th of November which is the birth date of the late prime minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. This day is celebrated in order to show the love that Nehru had for children.



Jawaharlal Nehru strongly believed that children are the real strength of the nation and the base of the society. He said, "Today's children are going to build tomorrow's India. The way we bring them up will determine the future of the country."

Our Lord Jesus Christ too loved the little children very much. *"Let the little children come to me and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven"* (Matthew 19:14). The Lord says that unless one becomes like a little child and humbles himself, he will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

Children are the treasures who bring immense joy into our lives. The world of these children is wonderful. It is full of dreams. Their world doesn't contain the troubles of the adults. Children have the nature to deal with things precisely as such. Children are flowering plants in a beautiful garden.

If children aren't brought up in the way as they should, they won't become a great human. Be it a doctor, an engineer, a lawyer, a scientist or anything. Firstly, it is very important for them to grow and live as humans.

FEW COUNSELS TO BRING UP THE CHILDREN WHO DETERMINE THE FUTURE OF THE COUNTRY:

▶ It is good to teach the children that 'not everything they want in life is immediately available.' If they get what they have desired for, well and good. However, if it's not the case, they must not grow weary in heart.

▶ Instill confidence inside them. Tell the children, 'You can do anything.' They will start believing it.

▶ Let children fall and get hurt while playing. Don't stop them. Only then will they learn to rise from failure and walk.

▶ One of the biggest mistakes parents make is comparison. Don't compare children with anyone, especially with their siblings.

▶ When children go astray in a wrong path or do something bad, they must be condemned and disciplined. They must know and understand virtues. Guide them towards it.

▶ Be a role model for your children. Don't behave/react in a way that hurts the heart of the children.

Counseling for Students appearing for Government Exams (TNPSC/UPSC)

Last September, on 17th, a special counseling session was held for the youths who are awaiting to write the exam for government jobs. More than 2000 students along with their parents participated in this. Brother Sam Jebaraj led the opening prayer. After that, Jesus Redeems group conducted a singing session. After that Brother Avinash introduced the purpose of this gathering. Mr. Jagadish Pandian, a retired IAS officer, gave guidance on "how to study for future government jobs, what kind of conditions to be created" and many more. Mr. John Kennedy, former Principal of St Johns College, explained "How to prepare for TNPSC exams" and encouraged the students by giving them prizes. Dr. Wesley spoke in detail about the opportunities available in higher education courses and scholarships. Finally, Brother Mohan C Lazarus prayed and blessed the students for their future studies. The students who attended the meeting set off with renewed confidence and enthusiasm.

