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FOREWORD

My Redeemer Lives...!

Tender greetings to dear young hearts!

The tomb of Jesus, which is still open today, is a great ray of hope for the lives of many. Many times when problems and struggles surround us, we seem to think 'Has Jesus abandoned me?' When reproach and shame oppress us, the thought of 'Has Jesus forgotten us?' also arises.

In the same way, Martin Luther King was once very weary and was quietly thinking about something by his desk; His wife suddenly appeared in front of him dressed in black. Shocked, Martin Luther asked, "Who died? You have come dressed in black." His wife said with great sorrow that Jesus Christ had died.

When Martin Luther heard that, he said very furiously, "What are you saying? Jesus, who was resurrected, is still alive today." Then his wife said, "If you say that Jesus is alive, then why are you sad? If Jesus is alive, why are you weary?" she asked.

Immediately a great wave of faith arose within Martin Luther, and with teary eyes, he said in a loud voice, 'Jesus is the living God, who said, "I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore."

(Revelation 1:18)' He began to exalt and praise the name of Jesus.

My dear youngies! The closed graves and memorials of many

are just for remembrance. But the only open grave in the world is the grave of our Jesus! It is a source of hope for the entire mankind. I spend this day and the days to come with hope, because he is alive.

The resurrected Jesus not only gives us hope, but also eternal joy, everlasting peace, lasting happiness and life. We must hasten and be intensively active to proclaim the true love of that Magnificent God to our perishing youth society.

AS A REVIVAL WARRIOR IT IS YOUR UN-CEASING TASK, TO SHOW THE RISEN JESUS TO THE WORLD!

THE RESURRECTED JESUS IS LOOKING FOR YOU!

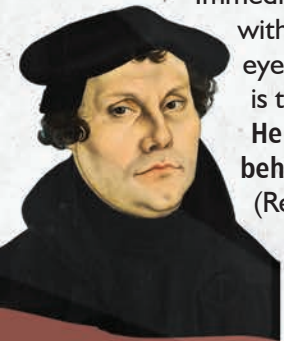
IT IS YOUR DUTY TO PROCLAIM THE WHOLE WORLD THAT 'HE ROSE AS HE SAID'!

IT IS YOUR GREATER RESPONSIBILITY!

Realize!

Proclaim!

In Christ's Mission,
Avinash



Yearned for Love!

Born in a Christian family, the sister who turned many young children to the Lord through VBS in her childhood, longed for love and created a circle of friends for herself in her teenage, and when she retreated from Jesus, the Lord himself sought after her and revealed his unfathomable love. Come let's listen from her!

Testimony: Bennita



Sis. Mary Pushpam

Tell us about your family and childhood...

I was born as the second daughter to Mr. Jayapaul and Mrs. Mariyal in Ambasamudram, Tirunelveli district. I have an elder brother named Nelson Amalraj and a younger brother named Dhasan. I have completed ITI (Electrical). Currently I'm studying in Harvest Evangelical Training College (HETC). Since my childhood I never obeyed my parents. I was addicted to many sinful things like TV, cinema and serials. I would fight often with my mother and would rebel so much.

house and teach them the scriptures that I had been taught at church and share them the food that mom would cook for us.

As days passed by, I got the idea to do it the same way the church conducts VBS. There was a desire in my heart to put up notice posters for VBS like the churches did. But in those days



Okay... So how did you accept Jesus?

I got saved at the age of 13 when I was in 8th grade. But Jesus had chosen me when I was 7 years old, in my 2nd grade. At an age when I didn't even know what VBS was, I would take the kids next door to our



we didn't have money to print such posters, so we would write on A4 sheets saying "We conduct VBS in our house" and would stick it on all the walls ourselves. Thus I had an urge to do ministry from childhood.

Great... you got the ministry urge in a very small age... Did you continue doing it?

On the one hand ministry grew up, while worldly love and worldly things started growing on the other. When I was in 8th grade, Jesus pointed out a mistake that I did.



I wanted to change whole heartedly but I couldn't. The reason was the love of worldly friends. There was a time where I could no longer live without my friends. But still I continued doing my Sunday prayer, house prayer and VBS ministry.

But I made no effort to come out of my sin. I who thought, "There's no life without friends", faced many problems because of them. No one in this world could have spent as much money as I spent on friends. If my friends don't talk to me I would cut my hand. I would show hatred to everyone like mom and dad without eating. I was living a life thinking that 'Friends are my world'. I never did anything I liked. I would do anything for my friends. But there was no peace or joy in my heart.

It's really sad to hear ... Well friends didn't make you happy ... Did you go in search of love from friends again?

When I was studying 12th std a teacher was very kind and loving towards me. I too loved her so much. I started hating my family and I used to treat the teacher like my mother. Even that love brought only tears and sorrow. Later in ITI I got a new friend, and I shared all my stories with her. She had been married for

six years and was childless. I showed her all my love thinking that she should get my love fully as she had no child. I used to keep crying if she doesn't show up to class one day. I would help her family in everything.

I have prayed a lot for her. In this situation, I joined a company and got a salary of 20,000 rupees after working there for five months. I gave only 4000 rupees to my parents and spent the remaining 16 thousand rupees on my friends. I completely forgot about Jesus and salvation. But I was also ministering out of obligation.

Okay... You lost happiness because of your friends... You forgot Jesus and did ministry out of obligation... What kind of ministry did you do?

Although I was addicted to the love of the world, the Lord remembered me and helped me to evangelize in many places. Through a Christian organisation Jesus graced me to visit and evangelize 14000 children within a year and spread the gospel. Even though I walked away from Jesus, He kept sending me to His ministry. I prayed to God saying, "For 10 months I will fast and pray for my friend by skipping one time meal, give her the blessing



Sis. Mary with her Family



of child”, Likewise after 10 months, she told me that she was pregnant. Jesus heard my prayers and gave her a baby girl in 2020 and a baby boy in 2021. A six-year problem was solved.

Unexpectedly, one day my friend threw all the things I had bought her on my face, beat me in front of everyone, humiliated and sent me out of the house, saying a false accusation as I reprimanded her for doing a wrong thing. That’s when I started feeling lonely. I was very depressed and sad.

When I was sitting alone dejectedly, Jesus came looking for me and said, “Daughter, the call I have upon you is different; why are you crying?”. Not listening to the voice of Jesus I said, “I don’t want to do ministry, open doors for me to get a job.” Jesus said, “Serve me.” However, I urged Him and prayed that I wanted a job, so the Lord gave me a job in a private company.

Since I led many people to Christ by telling about Jesus in that place, the management severely reprimanded and warned me that “If you do this again, you will be fired.” But Jesus held my head high where I was insulted. God raised me to the extent of placing a banner in the same company with my photo that said ‘Best winder and worker’.

Excellent...! He lifted you in your workplace... Are you working in the same company? What are you doing now?

Jesus made me realize that worldly love is vanity, worldly things, work, money and education are all vanity. Now I have left everything behind and am studying at Harvest Evangelical Training College with full commitment for Him.

What would you like to tell to the youngsters?

The love that we shower upon others in this world is Vanity! One day that love will hurt us. But Jesus is waiting for us to show His love without expecting any returns. Only He can show true, selfless love. Our first priority should always be for Jesus.

First of all, we need to ask and know what His purpose, will and calling for us is. We are the ones always talking to him. Allow Jesus to speak. Know His will. Listen to His voice, to do His will. Only then can we fully receive God’s love.

Dear young people! Sister Mary Puspham thought that 'Friends are her life' and even though she gave everything she had to her friends, she could not get the true love. In times of loneliness, the Lord met her directly, expressed His Calvary love and is using her as a witness to many today. Likewise, God can use you as well. That requires you to listen to the voice of the Lord and dedicate yourself to do only His will! ■

Steel King!

From India to Indonesia



Lakshmi Mittal

Warm greetings to the young achievers. Everything that happens in our life teaches us some lessons. The lessons we learn, sculpt and shape us into something beautiful that others look at and wonder about! To make your life more beautiful, here is the life of an achiever!!!

Lakshmi Mittal was born on June 15th, 1950 in an ordinary middle-class family in the state of Rajasthan. During his youth, he lived a very simple life. He was a shy and introverted teenager. Because of this, he was very reluctant to talk with others. He completed his schooling at a Hindi medium school in his childhood. As a result, he could not speak English fluently while studying in college. Inferiority complex prevailed with him because of this. He aspired to study many courses and graduate. But he was able to study only B.Com.

As Lakshmi Mittal's father was a partner in a steel company, considering the business, his family relocated to Calcutta after

he finished school. While studying in college, Lakshmi Mittal used to work at his father's steel factory for at least 15 hours a day. He began working hard. In this situation, the Indian Government curbed steel production in India. But this did not stop Lakshmi Mittal. He did not change his business considering the situation. Having pondered about what to do next, he bought a steel manufacturing plant in Indonesia, renovated it and started manufacturing steel. He found great success in this. He made the world look back on steel production. Mittal's business gradually spread to all countries. He provided jobs to over one lakh people in his factories. He was called as "Mittal – the Steel King" because of his persistent efforts and unrelenting self-confidence.

In 2004, 'Mittal Steel' became the world's largest steel producer, producing 42.1 million tonnes of steel. The company made over \$22 billion in profits. He also

bought his competitor Arcelor and built it into the world's largest steel company under the name of Arcelor Mittal. It is now the largest steel manufacturing company in the world, producing 70 million tonnes of steel per year. He received various awards such as the Padma Vibhushan Award from the Government of India, European Business Man of the Year - 2004, and Steel Maker of the Year - 1996. He remains one of the richest people in the world. Born in India and currently residing in England, he takes the lead in steel production in various countries.

Young achievers who are reading this! Don't be discouraged. Lakshmi Mittal did not reach this peak easily. Though he was shy and inferior, he set aside all obstacles that hindered his growth, worked hard, overcame them, and attained success. When you work hard and put in your efforts to use your time wisely, you too can become like Lakshmi Mittal. Success awaits you. Don't miss it! ■





Triumph over the temptation!

I am working as a Team Leader in an office. Since the lockdown days, I started watching videos on my mobile. Eventually, I started watching Netflix and web series throughout the night, and going to work in the morning without sleep became a habit. This resulted in eye pain, fatigue, and so many other illnesses. Due to lack of proper sleep I am unable to concentrate on my work and unable to complete the project. The appraisal I was looking forward to has also bailed me out that it lead to depression. On the other hand, my team performance became very poor and it created much more stress. I was scared that I'll lose my job. Problems like this from all sides resulted in dejection. I knew what I was doing was wrong but I couldn't stop watching those videos. Sometimes I hate myself for that. Please help me to get out of this brother.

- Sneha, Chennai.

Dear sister Sneha, this is a problem pertinent among the youths of the nation everywhere. I can feel the pain of, though knowing what you are doing is wrong, the regret of 'not being able to let it go' and the after effects of this problem. The problems caused by watching videos and series at night and setbacks in work have greatly affected your mind.

At times it scares you that you might lose your job. It might be interesting for you to talk about the stories that you watch during the night with your friends but the cost you

pay for that is way too high. It can affect your eyes and overall health and eventually become a problem to the point where you can't work. You are realizing how it is affecting every aspect of your life but not able to get rid of it because you are addicted to it.

Sneha! You are saddened by the thought of being addicted to the mobile phone on one hand and on the other hand the real-life problems you face because of the addiction. But dear Sneha, you can overcome this addiction only if you really want to. This

habit is no joking matter. Because even before you realized the intensity of the problem, it was already out of your control. If you put an end to this habit, you can come

out easily. If not, it is a trap like a wide abyss, and it is very difficult for those who fall into it to get out. So, it takes a lot of support and meticulous efforts to come of this.

SOME TIPS TO COME OUT OF THIS ADDICTION:

- Use the option 'WELL BEING' on your mobile. This will tell you the number of hours you spend on your mobile and it will restrict you from using any apps after a given amount of time.
- Avoid using your mobile after 9:30 pm.
- Do not recharge data unnecessarily.
- Delete the apps that tempt you to watch different videos and series. (Netflix, Facebook, Instagram)
- Stop subscribing to the apps like Netflix and Amazon prime.
- Change your circle of friends. If they have a culture of watching series and talking about them all the time it will tempt you to watch more of them too.
- Make it a habit to wake up early in the morning.
- In the mornings take up some physical activity like exercise, cycling, or jogging. This will help you to go to sleep early.
- Try to get a decent amount of sleep. This will keep you refreshed throughout the day and increase your productivity and help you perform better at work.

To follow these tips mentioned above you will need to put in a lot of efforts. But many times the things we try to do by our own strength have the chance to fail. So above all these things, when you seek help from God, depend on Him and pray with the help of the Holy Spirit, you will be able to overcome this and get complete deliverance.

Dear sister Sneha! When you ask with all your heart, "Dear Jesus, deliver me from this mobile addiction. I believe that only You can set me free. Forgive me for wasting my time and living a life of bad testimony", you can truly receive deliverance. You too can overcome the temptations and get to the top!



"Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed." (John 8:36)

He is Risen!

Guo Gangtang, who is a resident of China, started looking for his son, after someone abducted him while he was playing at the door. Even after more than 20 years, he did not cease his search. Since he started searching for his child, he changed 10 motorcycles and traveled 5 lakh kilometers. After so much effort, suffering and wandering in search of his child with firm faith, his effort was successful in 2021. Yes, he found his son after 24 years, who went missing in 1997.

When you see on YouTube, the footage of Gangtang and his wife embracing and crying their son when they saw him after 24 years, the depth of a father's love can be felt. Just as Guo Gangtang wandered in search of his child, Jesus came to this earth as the Son of Man, because man who was created in his image, had sinned and left him. ***"The Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost"*** (Luke 19:10).

No man desires death so easily, nor dares to face it. As ***"The wages of sin is death"*** (Romans 6:23), there are innumerable prisoners in this world who live in fear of death anticipating it every day. They must suffer the punishment befitting their sinful act. No one can escape it. A prisoner called Barabbas was awaiting death because of a riot and murder he had committed. There was none to set him free. His days were numbered. He was struggling with the fear of death every day thinking, 'Who will set me free?' As he was on his way to death, out of the blue he heard a voice saying "Crucify Jesus and release to us Barabbas".

Barabbas, who was destined to die on the cross, was set free by Jesus. Jesus accepted death on the cross in his place. Barabbas, a prisoner of death, was justified. Jesus not just accepted the punishment of one individual man, Barabbas, on the cross. He died on the cross, accepting the penalty for the sin of every human being on this earth. Jesus, who encountered death, defeated the devil-the lord of death, by his death and rose again on the

third day. The resurrected Lord lives even today. He who said, ***"I am the resurrection and the life"*** is the Redeemer who redeems man who was dead to sin. ***"For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost."*** (Matthew 18:11).

In layman's terms, he is dwelling as a living God among men, as a God who fixes the life of every human being corrupted by the devil. If you too are dying daily in sin, fear of failure, worry about the future, and fear of death, don't worry! He who overcame death lives. He will revive you who are dead to sin.

Early in the morning on the first day of the week, Mary, who went to the tomb in search of Jesus, was shocked to see the open tomb. She immediately told this news to all the disciples. Those who heard it went into Jesus' tomb and left, but they were not worried about the missing Jesus' body. But Mary was standing by the tomb with longing eyes that she did not see the body of Jesus. All the disciples who ministered with Jesus fled away from Him. But Mary did not. As she longed to see the body of Jesus, the resurrected Jesus appeared



first to her. He did not disdain her as a sinner. **"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners..."** (1 Tim. 1:15). He was revealed to Mary because she truly loved him. The resurrected Jesus is still alive today.

He will appear to all who sincerely seek Him. Jesus died

for us, knowing that the only way to save us was to give His life. But if He had been in the grave, we wouldn't have attained salvation. It is because of His resurrection, that 'we' who were dead to sin have been redeemed.

My beloved youth! No matter what kind of sinful

situation you are in, "If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved" (Romans 10:9). The day the tomb was opened and the darkness left was the day of Jesus' resurrection ■

Loose the Knots

BIBLE TRIVIAL

Answer the following questions about Peter quoting the Bible reference:

- Before he became a disciple of Jesus, how did Peter make his living?
- "And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you ____ of men."
- What was Peter's another name?
- Jesus healed Peter's mother-in-law of:
 - leprosy
 - demon possession
 - blindness
 - a fever
- How did Peter answer Jesus' question, "But whom say ye that I am?"
- "And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter; and upon this ____ I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."
- Why did Jesus say to Peter, "Get thee behind me Satan"?
- Jesus gave Peter:
 - the keys to the kingdom of heaven
 - His robe
 - the honor of saying Peter was the greatest disciple
 - the gift of prophecy
- True or False: Peter witnessed the transfiguration, along with James and John.
- Upon Jesus' instruction, Peter acquired money for the temple tax from:
 - a sympathetic priest
 - the carcass of a lion
 - the mouth of a fish
 - the jaw of a donkey
- True or False: Peter asked Jesus how many times he was required to forgive his brother.
- How many times did Jesus say that Peter would deny Him before the rooster crows?
- Was Peter with Jesus at the Garden of Gethsemane?
- When Jesus was being arrested, Peter cut off the high priest's servant's:
 - thumb
 - ear
 - beard
 - arm
- How many times did Jesus ask Peter if he loved Jesus more than the other disciples did?

Your Answers are expected to reach us on or before 25th of Every Month



Crucified Jesus!



Message: Mohan C Lazarus

Wherever Christians are present we all can witness a cross there. When a church is built, a cross is placed on the rooftop. Many churches have a cross on the altar. Some wear chains with a cross pendant. Thus, we use cross in many ways. There are many types of crosses made of wood, gold and silver.

Even on Palm Sunday we make cross in palm leaves and hang them in our houses. We see the cross everywhere. This cross is just a symbol of identity and it is not worthy to be worshipped. Jesus who was nailed to the cross and bled to death is the most important. That's why we wish to share about Jesus who was crucified on the cross, to everyone.

WHAT DOES THE CROSS REVEAL TO US?

The cross reveals us how terrible sin is.

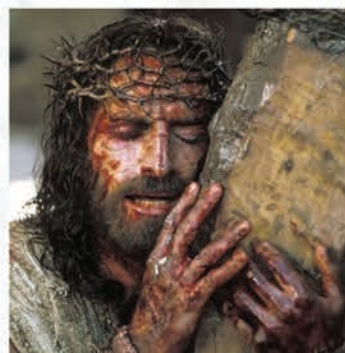
It reveals the power and dreadfulness of sin. So, whenever we look at the cross, we must realize how horrible our sin is. That is why the cross is used as a symbol in churches and homes. Crucifixion was a capital punishment given by the Roman government to those who committed murder and robbery, who

rebelled against the government, and those who committed flagrant crimes.

If the government had decided to crucify a man, they would beat him ruthlessly, strip him of his clothes, and leave him nailed to a cross. Bleeding little by little, he will be tormented, suffer a deadly agony and die hating his life. Crucifixion is such a flagrant death.

So why should the God who created the heavens, the earth and us hang on that cross? What crime did He do? What sin did He do? Why did the government punish Him? The Bible clearly says that, He neither sinned nor did any crime. He was not crucified for His sins but for our sins, for our iniquities and for our transgressions.

My dear young people! He gave Himself to hang on the cross for your sin and mine. No crime was found against Him. No one could say He was guilty. But He hanged on the cross



like an accused. Our iniquities and our sins took Jesus to the cross. The cross showed us how dreadful that sin is. It is our sin and crime that led the holy, sinless God to the cross. Whenever we look upon the cross, we can feel how terrible our sin is. The holy God was hung like a robber amidst the robbers. When we ask Him to cleanse us, His blood will cleanse our sins and purify us.

I know a servant of God. He was working doing God's ministry as well. One day while sitting and meditating in the presence of God, he had a vision where Jesus was hanging on the cross with His hands and feet nailed, His head covered with spikes and His face covered in blood. At that moment there came a black figure. That seemed to be a man. But his face was not clear. That figure began to shake the hanging body of Jesus Christ and that pain when he shook could be seen in the face of Jesus.

Then he ran away. Soon he returned back and again shook the body of Christ. This time it was even more painful for Jesus Christ. He did this again for two or three more times. When that missionary witnessed this in his vision, he angrily asked Jesus on the cross, "Who is that man who is shaking and tormenting you over and over again?" And the Lord said, "You are that man, do you know that every time you sin again and again, you torment me on the cross like that?" The man broke and cried. When he surrendered himself to God saying he will not sin and torment Him anymore, God gave him a beautiful Tamil song, 'En kaigal paavangal seidhittaal tham kaiyin kaayangal paarkindraare, theeya vazhilyil en kaalgal sendraal tham kaalin kaayangal paarkindraare' (When my hands sin, He sees the wounds of His hands, when my legs go in a wrong path, he looks at the wounds of His legs).

The cross reveals how great is the love of God towards us who created the heaven and earth. In Romans 5:8 it says **"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."** Also in 1 John 4:10 it says, **"In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins."** If we want to know how great the Lord's love for us is, we must stand before the cross. Only when we stand before Jesus Christ hanging on the cross we can understand the love He has for us.



We can see His love for us on the cross. His love is revealed on the cross. He gave Himself on the cross for us and gave us the assurance of forgiveness. And we are privileged even more that He calls us His sons and daughters. How blessed are we! What can we give in return for this love? He died for our sins and that cross reveals the love HE has for us. Our heavenly Father gave His only begotten Son to die on the cross for us because He loved us. His blood cleanses all our sins.

My dear youth! Are you trapped in a sin? Do you feel guilty and worried because of your sins? The blood of Jesus is there to forgive and cleanse you. Surrender yourself in front of the cross saying, "I will not do this sin again. I will not crucify Jesus again and again on the cross. I will always lead a holy life." Jesus who was crucified on the cross will forgive you! ■

Revival Igniters Camp 2023

(Madhya Pradesh,
Gujarat, Rajasthan and
Maharashtra)



As the Lord promised, "I will raise a young generation," in the year 2021 and 2022, more than 9000 youths from Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and East-Indian States travelled to Nalumavadi, received the burden and vision of revival and are igniting the revival fire in their schools, colleges, and villages, in accordance with their resolution. Similarly, According to the will of God that, 'youths in the North Indian states of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh should also become Igniters of the revival fire', On February 14th, 15th, and 16th, 1155 youths travelled from these states to Nalumavadi and received the vision of revival. In this, servants of God Bro. Mohan C. Lazarus and Bro. Vincent Selvakumar clearly explained the Revival vision and how important the role of youth is in Revival. God filled all those who came, with the vision of Revival and sent them back with immense anointing. Bro. Mark and Bro. John Ebenezer lead the praise and worship segments. Bro. Berachah and Bro. Ravi helped us with the Hindi translation. Everyone returned with a commitment to spread the revival fire. Praise be to God!







Revival Message: Sathish

Word Revival!

The Holy Bible containing the words of God is the book, which has been translated into about 3350 languages in the world. No one can deny the fact that, through God's word, there is revival in every phase of time. God is the sender of revival. People are turned to Christ in droves during the revival. Even prayers that are unanswered for years will be gloriously answered in times of revival. God turns people who have gone astray to Him through His Word.

During the days of Nebuchadnezzar, people from Judah and Jerusalem were taken captive to Babylon. After 70 years, the Lord inspired Cyrus, the king of Persia, to send men from Babylon to rebuild the ruined temple of Jerusalem. When a scribe named Ezra, who left with them, stood before the Lord and prayed, **"...a very large assembly of men, women, and children gathered to him from Israel; for the people wept very bitterly"** (Ezra 10:1). Then Shechaniah, the son of Jehiel, one of the sons of Elam, spoke up and said to Ezra: 'We have trespassed against our God along with the foreign women in the land' and the people confessed their sins and turned towards God. In this way, the Lord turned his people, who had fallen into sin, to his side with a man of God named Ezra.

During the days of Jesus' ministry, wherever He met multitudes, **"He preached the word to them"** (Mark 2:2). Many of those who heard the message repented and followed Jesus. How true the scripture is, **"Your words have upheld him who was stumbling, and you have strengthened the feeble knees"** (Job 4:4). The word of the Lord brings repentance to many who have fallen into sin. After Jesus, the early apostles preached the word of the Lord zealously. While Peter the first disciple preached, about 3000 people were pierced to the heart, repented and were saved. Later it increased to 5000. Thus the scriptures flourished and spread in the cities around Jerusalem. Crowds of people who heard the word were turned to the Lord.

Dr. Billy Graham, played a vital role in the Revival of America. Although many miracles and prophecies did not transpire in his meetings, he preached in all his sermons with emphasis on the word of God saying, "Thus says the scriptures." Many of those who heard the word repented and accepted Jesus. Everywhere he went there was a great revival of God's word and many people were saved.

My dear youth! Did you see how powerful the words of the living God are? If you rise up and begin to proclaim the word of the Lord among the youths who are mesmerized by peppy songs and music, those words will bring repentance to many, who have fallen into sin and are weary.

Wherever you preach the word of the Lord, there will be a great revival. Without delay, start proclaiming the words of Jesus among the people around you today. You will see the scriptures flourish through you! ■



*Great in
Counsel*

THE WALLS OF JERICO

and God's astounding plan

Can marching around a super strong double layered wall for 7 days make it fall? Yes, it will! Because our God is the one who can destroy anything that hinders His beloved people.

Dear young people! In this section, we will continue to read the strategies used by the Lord to make the wall of Jericho, which was shut up against the Israelites, fall without a battle or any attacks.

When the Israelites were a few steps ahead to the promised land Canaan, they were blocked by the flooding, Jordan. After they miraculously crossed it, Jericho's barred wall awaited them. If you see a succession of struggles and blocked doors in your life, believe that the Breaker of barriers is passing before you.

The walls of Jericho were built in about 8000 B.C. It is a town in the valley of Jordan. This wall was built to protect the people from floods due to rains. Do you know what was the strategy of God to overcome this wall? It is just to march around the wall!

As the Lord commanded, "Proceed, and march around the city, and let him who is armed advance before the ark of the Lord." Joshua prepared the people of Israelites to march around the walls for 7 consecutive days. The people of Jericho were confused to see the people of Israel marching around the wall without making any attack. As the Lord had said, when they marched around the wall seven times on the seventh day, when the priests blew the trumpets and people shouted with a great shout the wall fell down flat.

**TO ENCOUNTER SUCH EXTRAORDINARY THINGS IN OUR LIFE,
WE MUST PAY ATTENTION TO THE BELOW GIVEN DETAILS IN THIS INCIDENT;**

- Jericho was shut before the Israelites. No one went in and no one went out." In this situation, Joshua looked unto the Lord. Therefore, we must also be careful to run to the Lord's presence first in any situation.
- When Joshua told the people about God's plan, they did not grumble, did not ask 'How is this possible' and did not delay. They immediately acted as God commanded them. Likewise, in such situations we too must listen and obey to God's word immediately without delay.
- Do you know the secret of the collapse of such a big wall that was the identity, majesty and pride of the city of Jericho? It was Obedience (Joshua 1:1-16). Since Joshua and his people were ready to obey the Lord's word, the Lord broke all the barriers which was against them.

Dear young people! Our God is not just the one who opens the closed doors! He is also a God who breaks the blocked door! For he is a breaker of iron bars. To experience such extraordinary miracles in your life, patiently listen to His words, understand and obey them. The battle will become the Lord's.

Because He is Great in Counsel! ■

April 2023

Prayer Guide

ELECTION

1. Let us pray for God's rule in the parliamentary elections to be held in 2024 and also that chosen people of God should be elected.
2. Let us pray that 91 crore voters should vote with utmost responsibility and the attempts to cast fraudulent votes should be completely prevented.
3. Let us pray that the plan of those who indulge in witchcraft, sorcery etc., with the intention of winning the elections should become absurd.
4. Let us pray for the destruction of mantras that involves shedding of blood and sacrificing lives to win in the elections.
5. Let us pray that the Chief Election Commissioner and his team should strictly practice and implement the rules without any partiality.
6. Let us pray that the election officials and the police officers in the respective districts should work without any partiality.
7. Let us pray that parties preparing for elections do not engage in any illegal activities.



REVIVAL

8. Let us pray for the 8 billion people around the world to know the truth and be saved
9. Let us pray for revival in all the churches around the world.
10. Let us pray for false teachings to be suppressed and things that bring false revival and deceive the people, to be removed from the churches.
11. Let us pray that the works of Satan that rise up against revival should be destroyed and bound.
12. Let us pray for the spirits to be bound that work to bring false revival, to raise up deceptive ministries and false ministers and deceive the people,
13. Let us pray that the fire of revival should be poured upon youngsters and small children and for the youth and children to become Igniters of the revival.
14. Let us pray earnestly that, God through these young people and children should do miracles as in the days of early Apostles in the Bible.



MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

15. Let us pray for the proper functioning of nearly 70,000 hospitals operating throughout our country.
16. Pray that proper treatment should be given in all 37,725 government hospitals functioning in our country and also pray that sufficient number of doctors should be appointed.
17. Let us pray for the 3000 medicine manufacturing companies to manufacture and distribute quality medicines.
18. 2 out of 3 doctors in India are practicing medicine without a proper medical degree. Let us pray that such an act should be prevented.
19. Pray that proper medical facilities should be reached to every village in India and that authorized doctors should be appointed.
20. Let us pray for the prevention of death due to wrong treatment and carelessness and for right treatment to be provided at the right time.
21. Let us pray that wisdom and grace should be bestowed upon every doctor and nurse working in the medical department.



PROTECTION OF STUDENTS

22. Let us pray for the protection of 14 lakh school students studying in our country.
23. Let us pray for the abolishment of any kind of sexual assaults or harassment against 32 crore students studying in schools and colleges.
24. Let us pray that necessary action should be taken against the particular educational organization and the teachers who are associated with sexual harassment of girl students.
25. Let us pray for the oppression of suicidal spirits that arise and act among school and college students.
26. Let us pray for the protection of girls to be protected from sexual abuse and for the spirit of lust to be bound.
27. Let us bind and pray against the spirits that tempt school and college students from getting involved in wrong relationships.
28. Let us pray for the destruction of Satan's plan against students.



LIQUOR SHOPS

29. Let us pray that 5300 liquor shops functioning in Tamil Nadu should be closed down and for the prevention of death happening due to alcohol addiction.
30. Let us pray that those who are addicted to alcohol should be delivered and accept Jesus as their personal savior.



**Take a minute each day and pray with all your heart
for the prayer point given on that particular date!**

The Power of Resurrected Jesus!

My dear brothers and sisters! Each month we are meditating a lot of things on different topics. This month let us read up on the resurrection of Jesus in this article. Yes, it is customary for Christians all over the world to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ in the name of 'Easter' Sunday. Let us analyse how important the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ is, and how important the power of that resurrection is for us as believers, to live as witnesses of Jesus in this world.

Jesus Christ very clearly mentioned about His crucifixion and His resurrection from death on the third day. Accordingly, some of the disciples who followed him went in search of His body on Sunday morning. Two men dressed as bright as lightning looked at the women and asked, "**Why do you seek the living among the dead?**" (Luke 24:5). Yes friends, Jesus is Risen! His tomb remains empty to this day. The resurrection of Jesus not only proved the truth that He was the Son of God, but also gave eternal hope to His disciples who had lost faith that everything was over. Yes, if it were not for the resurrection of Jesus, our faith would be futile and we would have still been in sin, says Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians chapter 15.


Yes, my dear friends, sometimes we search for the risen Christ amongst the dead like those women. Even today He is seated on the right hand of the Lord and intercedes for us.

"... **And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age**" (Matthew 28: 20) justifies that still He lives amongst us today. Paul prays in Ephesians 1:19 that we should understand the exceeding greatness of His power toward

us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead.

The power of His resurrection is essential for us to live a 'Jesus model life' in this world. In the schools and colleges you study, in the workplaces, when there are situations that provoke lustful temptations, sinful thoughts and deeds in us, the power of His resurrection is necessary for us to overcome those situations.

The Bible says that this power is reserved for everyone who believes. Romans 8:11 says, "**But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.**"



*My dear brothers and sisters!
The Spirit of God who raised Jesus
lives within us. I pray to God that you
may be filled more with the power of
the Holy Spirit and may you use the
resurrection power of the Holy Spirit
in your daily life and become
victorious Christian youths!*

ZEPHANIAH

Dear young readers! We are learning about a book from the Bible every month. This month we are going to briefly see the facts about the book of “Zephaniah” which is the 9th minor prophetic book of the Bible.

INTRODUCTION

The book of Zephaniah is the last book added to the list of Minor Prophets who prophesied before the captivity. Zephaniah ministered just before the time of Jeremiah. When the people of Judah and the people of Jerusalem went into captivity in the land of Babylon, Jeremiah prophesied the word of the Lord.

Zephaniah prophesized that the Chaldeans would bring destruction to Judea and Jerusalem. He explained to them the sins of the Jews. He warned the Jews to repent of their sins.

Zephaniah also warned the neighboring nations of destruction if they sinned like Judah. Zephaniah also comforted the Jews with the promise that, even though they were going into Babylonian captivity, they would be freed from their captivity and return happily to their own country in due time.

The book of Zephaniah was written during the years 640 – 612 B.C in the Palestine. The prophet Zephaniah is the author of this book (Zephaniah 1:1).

Highlights

- ▶ This book is the only book from the Old Testament which explains clearly about the Day of the Lord.
- ▶ The process shows that God's people must meet God's warnings and be comforted by His promises.
- ▶ Zephaniah's revelations about the day of salvation for God's people, because of God's wrath against the wicked, foreshadow the latter-day revelations of the New Testament.

Author: Zephaniah

Period: 640 – 612 B.C

Chapters: 3

Verses: 56

Words: 1,476



FULFILLMENT IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

In speaking of His second coming (Zephaniah 1:2, 15; Matthew 13:40-42; 24:29) Jesus quoted twice from the book of Zephaniah. The writers of the New Testament believe that Zephaniah's 'Great Day of the Lord' describes incidents from the period of great tribulations to the second coming of Jesus to judge the living and the dead. The New Testament refers many times to the second coming of Jesus and the Judgement Day as 'that day'. ■

Revival

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Monthly Fellowship

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 (2nd April)

MUMBAI – DHARAVI (5PM – 8PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Centre
2nd Floor, Above Balakrishna
Farsan Mart,
Opp. Apna Restaurant,
Near Kamarajar School,
90 Feet Road,
9004882470

VELLORE (3PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
Ajantha Mahal,
3, 6th West Cross Road,
Gandhi Nagar
9442885315 | 9786379556

TIRUPUR (4PM – 6:30PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
#62, 2nd Floor,
Benny Kumaran Main Road.
9442082200

TUTICORIN (3PM – 5:30PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
Jehovah Jireh
Towers, 51/8D/3, 1st Floor
Tiruchendur Road,
Muniasampuram Land mark :
South Police Station to Kamaraj
College Rd. 9442885315

TIRUPATI (3PM)

Old Community Hall, West Church
9985033401 | 9442885315

SANKARANKOIL (2:30PM – 5PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
Sekihnah Mahal,
Mullai Nagar.
9750955548 | 8344949555

EVERY 2nd SATURDAY (8th April)

BANGALORE (3PM-5PM)

Telugu Church, #21, Nethaji Road,
Railway Line
Pulikeshi Nagar, Frazer Town.
Opp: BWSSB Office.
9962085523 | 9591077110

MADURAI (3PM -5:30PM)

American College Higher
Secondary School,
AC School
Backside to Arumugam Hotel,
Tallakulam Bus Stop.
9750955548 | 9344759316

EVERY 2nd SUNDAY (9th April)

AMBUR (3PM-6PM)

Concordia Hr.Sec. School,
Opp Rly.Station
9597927799 | 9442885315

MUMBAI - THANE

(4PM – 6:30PM)

9004882470

POLLACHI (3PM TO 6PM)

GPC, Grace Auto 1st floor,
163 , raja mill road pollachi,
9486037586 | 9487856205

THANJAVUR (3PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
Near Balaji Nagar Bus Stop,
18B, TPS Nagar, MC Road
9444381971 | 9488475315

KOVILPATTI (3PM -5:30PM)

St. Paul's Matriculation School
9677859766 | 9787322334

ALANGULAM (2:30PM)

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

THENI (2:30PM – 5PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
#203, Madurai Road,
Opp. Anantham Silk
Dr. Kamaraj Hospital,
1st Floor
9750955548 | 9976766422

SURANDAI (2:30PM)

Jawarhalal Middle School
9443962141 | 9750955548

SIVAKASI (3PM -5PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
9677858766 | 9442906567

SATHANKULAM (3PM -5:30PM)

Hendry Matric Higher Secondary
School Mela Sathankulam.
9442885315

CHENGALPET (3PM – 5:30PM)

Blessing School,
Tirukazhukundram Road
9488475315

VILLUPURAM (3PM – 5:30PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
HH Complex, Namnadu Textiles
Opp., Shanthi Theater Rd
8870517324 | 834411022

EVERY 3rd SUNDAY (16th April)

TIRUNELVELI (2:30 PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
Shah Complex, #43/R4, Rajendra
Nagar, Trivandrum Road
9750955548 | 9488212915

COIMBATORE (4 PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
#90, 1st Floor, Arts College Road,
Near Charan Tower,
0422 – 2309040 | 8903405315

TRICHY (3 PM)

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

JEBAMALAI (2 PM)

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

CHENNAI (3 PM)

VGP Victory House, Mount Road
9488475315

NALUMAVADI (3PM -5:30PM)

Tabernacle of God, Nalumavadi
9442885315

TIRUVARUR (3:30PM)

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

RANIPET (3PM-6PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
MBT Road,
Navalpur.
9500283179 | 9442885315

ERODE (4PM – 6:30PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
#216, 1st Floor, Near Fire Service,
Gandhiji Road
9750722000

NAGERCOIL (3PM TO 6PM)

GPC, NO: 1055 K.P ROAD,
Milk Depot Junction, Nagercoil
7598155503 | 9442885315

PONDICHERRY (3PM TO 6PM)

St. Peter School,
Govt Dental Hospital Back side
8344433800 | 9787339422

DINDUGAL (3PM TO 6PM)

Sophia School, Govt Hospital
Emergency Block opp
9043422612 | 9715495621

CHITTOOR (3PM TO 6PM)

St. Lukes Telugu Church
9487734603

EVERY 4th SATURDAY (22nd April)

PERAMBALUR (5PM -8PM)

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

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY (23rd April)

THIRUVALLUR (3PM -5:30PM)

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

KRISHNAGIRI (3 PM – 5PM)

Gethsamane Prayer Center,
Near Arun Hospital
Royakottai Road.
9962085523 | 9524999711

KARUR (3PM-5:30PM)

CSI Boys High schools, Jawahar
Bazzar, Bunglaw Street, Karur.
9489775075

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Promises



Joseph



& Conditions

Special Article: Jeyaseelan

Hello dear young champs, hope all of you are doing good!

This month in our 'Promises and Conditions' series, we are going to see about the experiences of Joseph, a young man. The God who blessed many of our forefathers through promises, gave Joseph dreams regarding his future. What was that dream?

He said, "There we were, binding sheaves in the field. Then behold, my sheaf arose and also stood upright; and indeed your sheaves stood all around and bowed down to my sheaf." (Genesis 37:7) and "Then he dreamed still another dream and told it to his brothers, and said, "Look, I have dreamed another dream. And this time, the sun, the moon and the eleven stars bowed down to me." (Genesis 37:9). The scripture says that because of the second dream, his father rebuked him saying, "Shall your mother and I and your brothers indeed come to bow down to the earth before you?" (Genesis 37:10). These dreams were fulfilled in the land of Egypt where he was taken as a slave. (Genesis 37:36)

PET CHILD

Joseph means "Increase" or "Increaser". Joseph grew up with the fear of the Lord and good character from his childhood. God had blessed him with the gift to dream even from his childhood. Since Joseph was born as the 11th child to Israel in his very old age, he was loved more than others. Israel made him beautiful clothes and rejoiced in doing so. He showered all his love on Joseph. Joseph was a pet child to his father Israel.

PET INTO PIT

Joseph's brothers hated him because, amongst all the brothers, their father loved Joseph the most. His brothers hated him all the more for his dreams saying, "Shall you indeed reign over

us?" When Joseph came to seek the welfare of his brothers in the wilderness, they saw him from far off and said to each other that the 'dreamer is coming'. Even before he came near, they conspired to kill him and so they threw their father's pet child into a pit. (Genesis 37:5, 8, 18, 24)

PIT TO PRISON

They pulled him from the pit and sold him as a slave for 20 pieces of silver to the merchants who were going to Egypt from Gilead. The merchants sold Joseph in Egypt to Potiphar, where he became a servant in his house. May be Joseph would have been worried thinking, "I never dreamed that all this would happen. Is the Lord with me? Is this the way of the Lord?" Days passed by. It was at that moment when he was a trustworthy person to his master, there came another test through his master's wife.

When there was an opportunity to sin and to fulfill the youthful lust, Joseph said 'How can I do such a great wickedness and sin against my God.' So He left his clothes and ran away. Joseph was falsely accused and imprisoned for a crime that he did not commit.

PRISON TO PALACE

Joseph's life did not end in prison. There came a day when King Pharaoh had a dream and none of the Egyptian magicians were able to interpret it. Therefore, Joseph was quickly brought to the palace before Pharaoh, the king of Egypt from prison and stood before him. (Genesis 41:14)

Since Pharaoh got the answer to his dreams, he gave Joseph the responsibility to safe guard the people of the nation from the great famine that was coming and also set him over all the land of Egypt.

PALACE TO PRESIDENT

Then Pharaoh took his signet ring off his hand and put it on Joseph's hand; he had him ride in the second chariot and gave him great authority and raised Joseph as the ruler of the country. The entire nation of Egypt came under his control (Genesis 41:41-44).

Not just that, as Joseph dreamt, the same brothers who hated him and sold him to traders, God made them to fall at Joseph's feet. (Genesis 42:6, 43:26, 28). He also met his father whom he thought that he would never meet and rejoiced (Genesis 46:29)

My dear Son! Daughter! At the age of 17 Joseph was taken as a slave to Egypt, and at the age of 30 he became the governor of Egypt. It did not

happen at the blink of an eye or in an easy manner. For almost 13 years he suffered much. Though God led him through a path of shame, reproaches, insults, hunger, starvation, tears, prison, he was faithful and honest before the Lord and before his master, that all could say that 'The Lord was with Joseph.' God gave him a high position that no one can comprehend or can recommend. The reason being His ways are higher than our ways. Hallelujah!

My dear children! Are you sobbing thinking, 'Why these tears in my life? Why such consecutive failures? Why so many difficulties? Why this loneliness? Why this imprisonment? Is God not with me?' Are you feeling as if you were thrown into a terrible pit? Are you suffering for no fault of yours? Are you stumbling on thoughts like - Is God with me? Is this God's way? Do not worry. There is a Redeemer for you, who is compassionate, who brought you up out (Psalm 40:2) and gave you the Spirit of adoption by whom you cry out Abba, Father (Romans 8:15) and to bring you back from captivity (Deuteronomy 30:3). Do not worry. God will make those slanderers to come and humble before you.

Like young Joseph, who ran away from sin, whether being beheaded or imprisoned, you too flee away from sin and guard your holiness.

A royal honour is awaiting you!





The Track

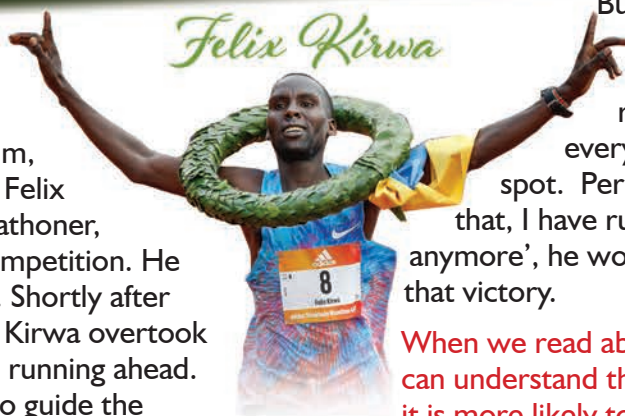
Revival race

Event: Caleb

Through this series 'The Track' every month we continue to look about those who ran for God and also about the Marathon runners. The intense flow of God's people liberated and blessed many. If people are to be delivered and blessed through us, who have been chosen for this end-time revival, we must run earnestly and act fervently.

But sometimes problems, struggles and backslides hinder our run. Not only that, it also makes us to run in the wrong direction. Let's take a look at how to overcome these obstacles and run in the revival for God.

In June 2022, the international Marathon was organised in Stockholm, Sweden's capital city. Felix Kirwa, a Kenyan marathoner, participated in the competition. He was expected to win. Shortly after the run started, Felix Kirwa overtook everyone and started running ahead. Volunteers assigned to guide the runners along the marathon route, steered Felix Kirwa down the wrong path. As a result, Felix Kirwa ran for 1.1 km in the wrong track. Realising the mistake, the tournament organisers made him run on the right track again. Everybody thought that this would affect his victory.



Felix Kirwa

But he didn't want this mistake to stop him from winning, so he ran hard and surprised everyone by taking the top spot. Perhaps if he had thought that, 'I have run astray; I can't win anymore', he wouldn't have achieved that victory.

When we read about Felix Kirwa, we can understand that 'if a man guides us, it is more likely to go wrong, and even cause losses'.

But when we rely on Jesus and when He guides us, there won't be any flaws and the run will not be interrupted. The best example for this is the evangelist Philip. What was the reason for his success?

He acted boldly

In the days of Philip's ministry, tribulation and distress were abundant. It was then that Stephen died as a martyr. Obstacles, troubles, persecutions and imprisonments were frequent to prevent the spread of the revival. Even under such circumstances, Philip's run was not hindered (Acts 8:6). He was actively proclaiming the gospel. The reason for that is 'Philip was full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom' (Acts 6:3) says the Bible.

Only when there is a fullness of the Holy Spirit, one will have the courage and faith that is necessary to act boldly for God. There were many reasons and obstacles for Philip not to evangelize. But all those crumbled before the power of the Holy Spirit. There is a famous saying in English that "Fortune favors the brave." It means, "Luck fruitions the one who acts boldly."

In the same way, God wants to use those who act courageously for Him in ministry. As Philip ministered bravely for God, the gifts and powers of the Holy Spirit worked through him. Many people got liberated and were saved through him. Today, God is looking for young people who dare to act courageously for Him. He is ready to fill them with gifts and power and use them. Therefore let us prevail over the oppositions, struggles and problems that prevent us from rising up, through the power of the Holy Spirit and commit ourselves to act intensively in this revival.

He listened precisely to the voice of the Spirit:



Another reason Philip did great things for Jesus was that, he was careful to listen to the voice of the Spirit. The Spirit taught him where to go and what to say. In Acts 8, the Holy Spirit told Philip to go into the wilderness. Then he asked him to join the chariot of the Ethiopian minister who came that way.

A minister of a nation was saved as Philip was heeding and acting upon all the promptings of the Spirit. If Philip had thought that, "There will be no one in the wilderness, and what I shall do where there is no one?" not heeding

the voice of the Lord, the minister could not have been saved.

Bible researchers speculate that the gospel preached by the Ethiopian minister may have gone into the land of Ethiopia and within the African continent. Trusting, believing, and acting upon the leading of the Spirit brought blessing not just to a man or to a nation, but to a continent. When we too obey the voice of the Spirit who dwells within us, we can become a blessing not only to a man, but to a nation.



Dear young people! Today the world is running after money, name, fame and worldly desires. In this hectic world, Are we seeking Jesus earnestly who are redeemed by His precious blood? Or, Are we running behind the world? Let's think about what we are running after. The harvest is abundant in the land.

At the same time, in this time of increased protests and struggles, our race can only be successful if we are filled with the Holy Spirit and run with keen attention to His voice. If we do not listen to the voice of the Spirit, but depend on the voice of man or our own self, we will fail or go astray.

Therefore, if we run the race appointed for us patiently, carefully, depending only on Jesus, no matter what kind of distress and tribulation we may face, God will give us the grace to meet multitudes of souls, lead them into salvation, and to spread the Revival.

"But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint." (Isaiah 40:31)

Coffee with Reporter



The robber who became worthy of Paradise!

In the Holy Scriptures, there are people known by their deeds, speech or prayer, without being mentioned by name. Notable among the figures is the robber who was crucified with Jesus, who became worthy for paradise. As we celebrate the resurrection of Christ this month, let us imagine a conversation between our reporter and this person, if they had met each other.

Reporter: Hello anna!

Robber: Hello!

Rep: Can you share your experience with Jesus on the cross to our youngsters?

Robber: Dear brother, I am not a prayer or faith warrior, disciple or an apostle. I was a robber who was condemned to death by the Sadducees, Pharisees, and all men, was called an iniquitous man, worthy of the death penalty, and put to death on the cross. Why have you chosen me for the interview?

Rep: Anna, every man knows only after his death whether he is destined for eternal life or eternal damnation. But even before you die, you got a vow from Jesus that you will be in paradise. Truly you are great!

Robber: Yes. Great was His mercy towards me. Well... Let me share it with you in detail. At first I thought of Jesus as an ordinary man like me. The

people who went past our crosses blasphemed Jesus badly. They mocked Him saying, "He saved others; Himself He cannot save." Even we the crooks who were crucified with Him reviled Him.

Rep: Did Jesus react something to it?

Robber: No, He was silent. But His face was full of sorrow.

Rep: Is it?

Robber: The first word Jesus spoke was, Father! Forgive them!' I was touched by these words.

Rep: How?

Robber: Jesus went around doing good to everyone. The Pharisees and Sadducees were jealous and sentenced him to death. The torments that He went through on the cross are indescribable. Every part of His body throbbed with agony. He could not even speak. Even in that situation He didn't talk out of anger or curse

anyone. He had no desire for revenge in him. Instead, He forgave every evil thing they did to Him with a heart full of love. Those who hurt him did not apologize. They did not feel that what they have done is wrong. It is impossible for an ordinary man to pray to his Father in such great agony for forgiveness of those wicked, stone-hearted people, not wanting them to be punished who have caused him great pain. It was only then that I could realize that Jesus was special and divine.

Rep: What do you think of the ones who crucified you?

Robber: Even though I was rightfully punished for my deeds, I wasn't able to forgive them. I had a lot of anger on them and was cursing them in my heart.

Rep: What happened after that?

Robber: It was only when I compared myself to Jesus that I got an understanding heart. My soul accepted that He is the son of God. All the words that Jesus had said and the words that I had heard about him came to my mind. I believed that everything Jesus said was true.

Rep: Did the other friend who was crucified with you believe in Jesus?

Robber: No. He desired only temporary blessings of the world. That is, He wanted 'Jesus, the Son of God to prove himself by freeing himself from death on the cross by his divine power and to free us too. But that didn't happen, so he did not believe in Jesus.

Rep: What did you do to get your friend to accept Jesus?

Robber: I advised him to fear God. I rebuked him saying, "And we indeed justly, for we receive

the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong" when he blasphemed Jesus. But he did not take it seriously.

Rep: Mmm... What happened then?

Robber: All three of us were on the verge of death. So I didn't want to waste any time. I pleaded to Jesus with the thought of afterlife.

Rep: That probably was your first and last request. Right?

Robber: Yes, brother. That was the only time I requested Jesus. He accepted it at once. He did not hate that I was a sinner or an iniquitous person. He accepted me with love and immediately promised me paradise. His love and mercy are so great. (Read: Luke 23:39-43)

Rep: Truly you are blessed! You have received the greatest blessing from Jesus in the last minute of life. Well brother, what would you like to say to our youth?

Robber: The Holy Bible says remember your Creator in youth. Please don't think you can waste all your life and repent at the last moment like me. Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

If you are going to be careless about such a great salvation, there is no way for you to escape the punishment and judgement of God. Living a life for Jesus is a noble and glorious thing to do. My journey with Jesus, who assures blessings while alive and eternal life in the afterlife, began for me in the last moments of life. But my dear youths! I pray for you that it begins right now and lasts forever and ever. Thanks!

Rep: Thanks anna! ■



News!

CREATIVE MEASURES TO RESTORE PEACE IN UKRAINE!

QUAD FOREIGN MINISTERS JOINT STATEMENT!

A joint statement by the Foreign Ministers said that they discussed taking constructive steps to bring justice and peace to Ukraine at the Quad Conference in Delhi. QUAD is a defense cooperation organization of four countries India, USA, Japan and Australia. (Its conference was held in Delhi yesterday.) The G-20 Foreign Ministers' Conference was held in Delhi for the last 2 days. Foreign ministers from 40 countries, including the United States and Australia, participated in this. Following this, the Quad Foreign Ministers Conference was held in Delhi yesterday under the chairmanship of Union External Affairs Minister Jaishankar. Japanese Foreign Minister Yoshimasa Hayashi had come to Delhi to attend.



In a joint statement released by the QUAD foreign ministers after the meeting, the QUAD organization discussed the war in Ukraine and its impact on the people. It was decided that the threat of using nuclear weapons in this war should never be accepted. They discussed the need to take constructive steps to bring justice to Ukraine and return to peace, subject to the rules set by international organizations including the UN. A country's sovereignty, territorial integrity, transparency and peaceful settlement of disputes were emphasized in accordance with international law.

Also, as China's continued aggressive activities are a cause for concern, a detailed analysis of the Indo-Pacific situation has been undertaken. Actions will be taken to support the region by increasing cooperation on health care, climate change, clean energy transition, emerging technologies and infrastructure.

CHINA CONDEMNED THE JOINT STATEMENT!

China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs spokesman Mao Ning met with reporters in Beijing to strongly condemn the joint statement of the Quad foreign ministers, saying, "Each country should take extra steps to contribute to the region's mutual trust, peace and regional stability. "But the Quad organization tries to uphold its uniqueness rather than the stability of the region. QUAD acts as a personal deterrent to China's growth," he condemned.

- Dhinakaran, 4 March 2023

ACHIEVERS 2023

A meeting for exam going students!

By the amazing grace of God, we were able to conduct 'Achievers' meet in the months of January, February and March in Chittoor, Jebamalai, Kovilpatti, Perambalur, Theni, Trichy, Valparai, Kanchipuram and Vellore, for students who were preparing to write their examination. More than 3000 students participated in these meetings. God encountered each and every student, who came with the fear of exam, hopelessness and suicidal ideation, and they got rid of their fears, freed from wrong thoughts and left with the confidence that "We will succeed in our examination". God used each one of His servants powerfully. Praise be to God!



Youth Revival Meetings!

In Kanchipuram...

April 14,
Saturday

Timings: 4 PM to 7 PM

Venue: S.S. Mahal,
Orikkai Road,
Kanchipuram

Message and Prayer:

Bro. Avinash

Contact :

9488475315 | 8903635315

In Salem...

April 22,
Saturday

Timings: 5 PM to 8 PM

Venue: Susan Ammal Hall,
Apsara irakkam, Fort

Message and Prayer:

Bro. Avinash

Contact : 99620 85523

94421 31315 | 8300019710

In Erode...

April 23,
Sunday

Timings: 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Venue: Silver Jubilee stage
CSI Brough Memorial Church,
Brough Road.

Message and Prayer:

Bro. Avinash

Contact :

9750722000 | 9442885315

In Dharapuram...

April 14,
Friday

Timings: 9 AM to 1 PM

Venue: Sivaranjani Mahal,
Udumalai Road.

Message and Prayer:

Bro. Sathish kumar

Contact : 9442082200

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In Kodaikanal...

April 15,
Saturday

Timings: 10 AM to 2 PM

Venue:
CSI. Christ Church (Town)

Message and Prayer:

Bro. Sathish kumar

Contact :

98422 95081 | 63823 92446

In Trichy...

April 16,
Sunday

Timings: 3 PM to 6 PM

Venue: TELC Good Shepherd
Church, Parish Hall,
Opp., Bishop Heber College, Puthur.

Message and Prayer:

Bro. Sathish kumar

Contact : 9489775075



Bro. Avinash



Bro. Sathish kumar



Bro. Caleb

In Arakkonam...

May 28,
Sunday

Timings: 3 PM to 6 PM

Venue: Bethel Prayer House,
Railway Station Road,
S.R. Gate.

Message and Prayer:

Bro. Caleb

Contact : 97905 48057