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FOREWORD

*Beloved young people!
Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ.*

Though it feels like 2024 just began, December has already arrived. Take a moment to praise the God who has kept you as the apple of His eye throughout these past eleven months.

December often stirs two emotions in everyone's hearts: on the one hand, the joy of Christ's birth, and on the other, the excitement of Christmas celebrations and festive gatherings. But as young individuals chosen for revival, the burning desire in your hearts should be this: "This is the month to proclaim the Good News of Christ's birth—not just on Christmas Day but throughout the entire month of December!"

Let this be your mission.

In line with God's guidance, this year we are embarking on a mission to prepare and prayerfully distribute 10 million packs of tracts. Your role and dedication as young people are indispensable to this mission. Every one of you must labour with prayerful persistence, driven by a deep passion to see others experience the joy of salvation that you have received.

Today, many youths still struggle under the weight of sin, trapped in bondage, desperately seeking freedom.

- ◀ Approximately 160 million people in India are enslaved by alcohol addiction.
- ◀ Around 17.8% of India's population are smokers.
- ◀ About 15.7 million people are entangled in drug use.
- ◀ Every year, India witnesses approximately 412,000 road accidents, leading to 137,000 fatalities.
- ◀ Over 3 billion people worldwide suffer from video game addiction, and excessive gaming has been associated with seizure disorders, isolation, the loss of friendships, and setbacks in education, career, and finances.



The grip of sin is strong in our nation, while labourers for the gospel are few!
My dear young people, India needs your commitment and sacrifice.
This Christmas season, if you act with zeal and dedication, countless lives can be saved and drawn to the feet of the King.
Rise with the strength within you, for God is with you!

In Christ's Mission
Mohan C. Lazarus





Driven by the dream of becoming a software engineer, Rachel Eunice relied on her father's income to pursue her education. However, a sudden and shocking incident altered her life, leading her down a path of hardship and humiliation. Despite these challenges, she persevered and, through God's grace, achieved her dream. Let's hear her story in her own words.



Life's Anchor:

Rooted in Earth or Anchored in Heaven?



Can you tell us about your family?

I was born and raised in Bangalore in a traditional Christian family. We were a family of four—my father, mother, younger brother, and me. Although we identified as Christians, our spiritual practices were superficial. I went to church on Sundays and participated in Sunday school, but I had no personal connection with Jesus. Our household was worldly—we watched movies and serials, living life like everyone else.

What was your childhood like?

As the eldest daughter, I faced rejection from my mother simply because of my gender. When I was born, my mother refused to even look at me for the first three to four hours. It was only after my grandmother consoled her that she began to nurse me. My father, however, showered me with love. I was a lively and energetic child, excelling in sports and dance. I was also known for my stubbornness. My ambition was to become a renowned



athlete and a software engineer. However, despite being born into a Christian family, my relationship with Jesus was nonexistent. I read the Bible only for church quiz competitions and had no habit of personal prayer. I lived under the label of a Christian without truly knowing Jesus.

How did you come to know Jesus personally?

While I was in middle school, some friends invited me to a teens' fellowship. Initially, I resisted, arguing with them and refusing to go. After receiving several invitations, I reluctantly agreed to attend, despite wearing a shabby outfit. During the session, as I listened to the Word, I felt a profound voice in my heart saying, "I need you; I love you deeply. Why haven't you sought me or spoken to me all these years?" This broke my heart. That night, I went home, knelt in prayer, and surrendered myself to Jesus. I cried, saying, "Lord, I've lived without knowing You all these years. From now on, I will live for You. I will never let a day pass without speaking to You." From that moment on, my life changed. Jesus became my everything; because, at home, I had no one else who truly showed me love. My mother still kept her distance, and I turned to Jesus for comfort in every situation.

What happened after you started following Jesus?

I had a strong desire to excel academically. Things were going well during my high school years. I was a top performer in both academics and sports. However, one day, my father lost his job due to unforeseen circumstances, and our world turned upside down. He was the sole breadwinner, and his unemployment left us in severe financial distress. My father, unable to cope, sank into depression and behaved erratically. It was a difficult time for our family, and my dream of becoming a software engineer seemed shattered. I was heartbroken, questioning who would support me now that my father couldn't.

How did you continue your studies in such difficult circumstances?

I somehow managed to complete my 10th grade. But the question of how to pursue further studies loomed large. There were days when I felt it would be better for our family to end our lives rather than continue in such misery. Even my mother in despair would say we should all just die together. Relatives didn't bother to check on us. In this hopeless situation, Jesus spoke to me.



For my higher secondary education, a church I had never attended stepped in to help. They supported my education, and every time I worried about how to pay the fees, God miraculously provided through different people. After high school, I prayed for a way to pursue a degree. When I approached a college and showed my certificates to the principal, he granted me a 50% fee concession. For three years, God used that principal to help me with my fees. By His grace, I graduated as an outstanding student, a testimony of His faithfulness.

Did you find a job immediately after graduation?

The job hunt was another test of faith. I would pray, saying, "Lord, where can I go? Who will help me?" Miraculously, a company approached me with a job offer. Out of 100 candidates, only five were selected, and I was one of them. Today, I work as a senior Software Analyst, earning a good salary and even training junior employees. God has also helped me support my brother's education, allowing him to pursue a B.Com degree.

How do you serve God now?

God has also brought significant changes to my spiritual life. From a young age, I had a desire to sing for Jesus, but I never thought it would happen. Now, by His grace, I lead

worship among youth and conduct motivational sessions in colleges and churches. I share my testimony to encourage others and glorify God.

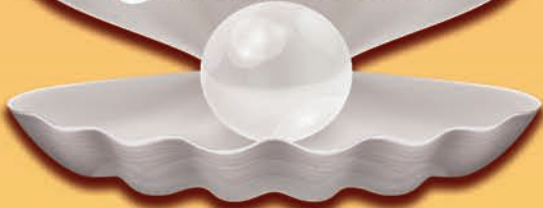
What message do you have for the youth?

"In the midst of our own people who told me, 'You can't study beyond this; you can't go to a good college,' God prepared a path for me. Where I once stood with my head hung low, today He has lifted me to greater heights. Among those who humiliated me by saying, "The daughter of a madman will never be able to study, and even if she does, she won't get a job," today I stand as a senior software analyst. This elevation is only possible because I trusted in Jesus, who, through my tears and prayers, accepted me and guided me according to His will. If you find yourself in a similar situation, hold firmly to Jesus. God will help you too.

Dear young people! If Sister Rachel could achieve her childhood dream with no one's help, solely by trusting in Jesus, why are you now wavering, thinking, 'This is impossible for me'? Hold on to Jesus as your hope, and strive with determination! The same Jesus who helped Rachel will also help you" ■



Gems to be Cherished



Bezalel

Name: Bezalel (Exodus 31:2-5; 36:2).

Tribe: From the tribe of Judah, son of Uri.

Name Meaning: "In the shadow of God."



Who Was Bezalel?

Bezalel was one of the Israelites whom God delivered from Egypt and led toward the promised land of Canaan. While in Egypt, Bezalel worked as a slave, toiling in the harsh labour of brick-making. However, once freed from bondage, he was called to a higher purpose—to craft the Tabernacle and execute intricate works of craftsmanship in service to the Almighty God on their journey to Canaan.

Bezalel's Characteristics (Exodus 31:2-5):

1. Called by Name: God personally identified and called him for His divine work.
2. Skilled in Creativity: An expert in devising and executing intricate crafts.
3. Endowed with Wisdom and Understanding: Filled with knowledge and discernment.
4. Obedient to God: Followed divine instructions meticulously.
5. Filled with the Spirit of God: Empowered by the Holy Spirit to accomplish God's work.
6. Faithful to God's Blueprint: Precisely executed the tasks as instructed to Moses.

Bezalel's Dedication

Bezalel likely witnessed God's mighty acts—the plagues in Egypt, the parting of the Red Sea, and God speaking to Moses through fire. These awe-inspiring events must have deepened his faith and commitment to God's service. When Moses shared God's instructions, Bezalel did not rely on his own wisdom or boast of his talents. Instead, he humbly acknowledged that his wisdom came from God (Exodus 36:2). Instead of seeking personal glory or showcasing his skills, his work served as a testament to God's greatness. Bezalel lived up to his name, working as though under the very shadow of God.

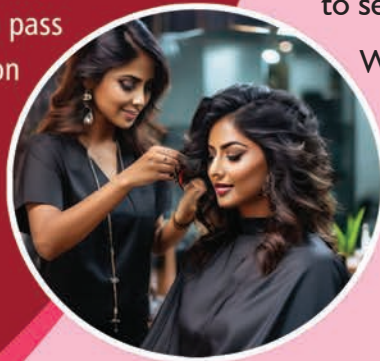
Lessons We Can Learn

We should not rely on our own understanding or talents in our ministry. Instead, like Bezalel, we must seek wisdom from God and faithfully carry out His instructions. With wholehearted dedication and enthusiasm, we should strive to bring glory to God's name in every task entrusted to us. Like Bezalel, let us serve as conduits for the fulfilment of God's will! ■



Counsel: Avi

Education meets Passion



I am currently studying in 10th grade, but academics don't really excite me. I attend school mostly due to my parents' insistence. My true dream is to become a beautician, but my parents don't seem to approve. When I pick up a textbook, I lack the motivation to study, yet my thoughts often drift to all the things I could accomplish in the world of beauty. My parents are determined for me to pass 10th grade, so they send me to tuition classes. However, with my heart set on becoming a beautician, none of my studies seem to stick. I feel torn—should I pursue my parents' dreams for me or follow my own passion?

– Lavanya, Krishnagiri.

Dear Sister,

I understand the struggle you're facing in choosing between your dream and your parents' wishes for your future.

Lavanya, your parents aren't trying to crush your dream; rather, they may lack sufficient information about the beauty industry.

They encourage your studies not to limit you but to ensure you don't miss opportunities for success. Parents always want the best for their children, and they hope to see you succeed and thrive.

While you aspire to take up a beautician course, basic education is essential.

Passing 10th grade is foundational for further studies and most career paths, including beauty.

Fulfilling this fundamental educational requirement provides a solid foundation for pursuing professional training in beauty.

Don't let frustration with studies hold you back or make you the obstacle to your own dreams. Often, what seems challenging initially becomes more manageable when you start.



Right now, your dream is within your reach. Will you pursue it and reach your goal—or risk losing it?

Ways to achieve your dream

Completing 10th grade will not only please your parents but also strengthen your position in the future.

Be patient and help your parents understand the scope of the beauty field, the opportunities it provides, and even how it can be a viable business.

Show examples of people who began as beauticians and built successful businesses from it.

More than just an art, beauty is also a source of income and social recognition. Explain this to them to build their confidence in your choice.

If you pass 10th grade, both you and your parents will be happy—a win-win for both.

Consequences of avoiding this

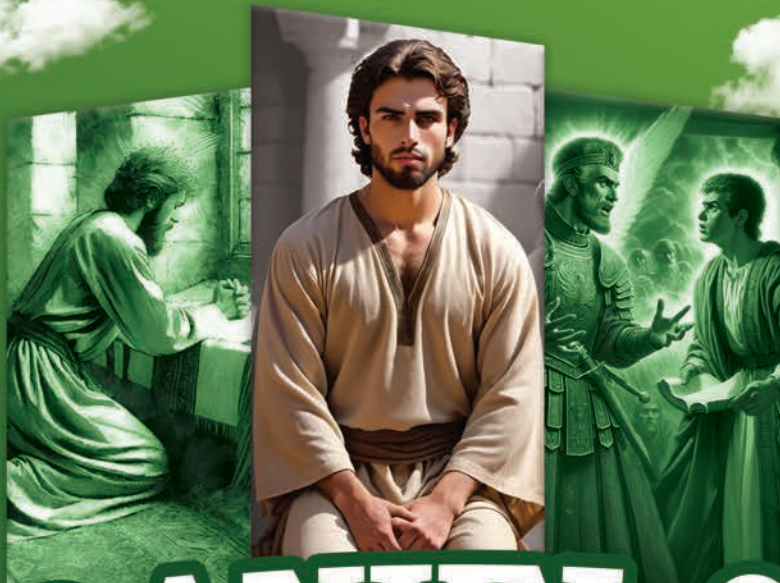
- ▶ Without passing 10th grade, you may lack the basic education required to qualify for a beautician course.
- ▶ Lack of education can also weaken your self-confidence, as fear and shyness might hinder your dreams in a field that requires communication and interaction with clients.
- ▶ Think carefully and act wisely. A clear decision now will shape your future path.

Above all, read the Bible and pray, surrendering your plans to God's will. Seek His guidance to determine if this dream aligns with His purpose.

When you devote time to prayer, God will provide the counsel you need.



The Bible says, “Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, ‘This is the way; walk in it’ (Isaiah 30:21).” Learn to listen to that voice, and He will guide you for good. All the Best!



DANIEL'S Prayer

Part - 3



Message: Mohan.C. Lazarus

Greetings in the name of Jesus to all the dear young people! In our last issue, we reflected on Daniel's powerful prayer life. We saw how Daniel remained unblemished in character by praying three times a day and how his faith-driven prayers disrupted the powers of idolatry around him. We also observed that Daniel had friends who prayed with him, helping him gain victory during times of testing. Because of his prayers, demonic forces were unable to operate within the Babylonian territory.

In this issue, we'll explore how Daniel fasted and prayed fervently for his nation. We will also look at how Daniel's prayers brought forth answers from the Lord and why he was regarded as "beloved" by God. What were the secrets behind his powerful prayers?

1. Praying with Prophetic Understanding

Daniel wrote, "I, Daniel, understood from the Scriptures, according to the word of the Lord given to Jeremiah the prophet that the desolation of Jerusalem would last seventy years" (Daniel 9:2).

Daniel was deeply aware of his homeland and his people, understanding with clarity

the prophecy spoken by Jeremiah that his people, Israel, would serve the king of Babylon for seventy years (***Jeremiah 25:11***). Knowing this, Daniel took it to prayer. With faith, he proclaimed, "A time of deliverance is coming! This is the year of liberation! A transformation is on its way!" With this revelation, he began to intercede earnestly.

Just as Daniel prayed with insight into prophecy, we too should stand before God for our nation, inspired by prophetic words spoken over it. We should wait in God's presence, asking, "What are Your plans for our nation? What are Your plans for my life?" As you remain in God's presence, He will speak to you, revealing aspects of His heart for the nation and guiding you to intercede for them.

Many servants of God have spoken prophecies over our nation, India. Let's hold these promises in our hearts and pray fervently for a mighty awakening. Let's seek to understand the times we're in, discern God's purpose for the nation, and gain fresh revelation about His work in our land—so that we may pray with vision and purpose for our nation.

2. Praying with Repentance

"I turned to the Lord God and pleaded with him in prayer and petition, in fasting, and in sackcloth and ashes... I prayed...and presented my plea before the Lord my God" (Daniel 9:3, 4, 20).

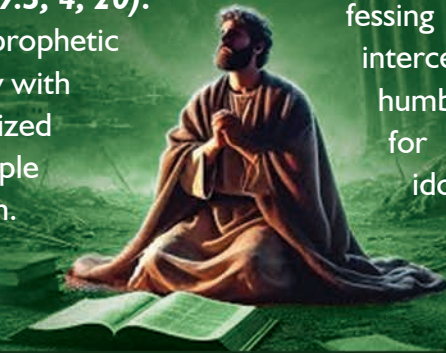
As Daniel reflected on the prophetic visions, he didn't merely pray with understanding; he recognized that it was the sins of his people that provoked God's wrath. Daniel realized that only the atonement for these sins

could release his people from their captivity in Babylon and allow them to return to Israel.

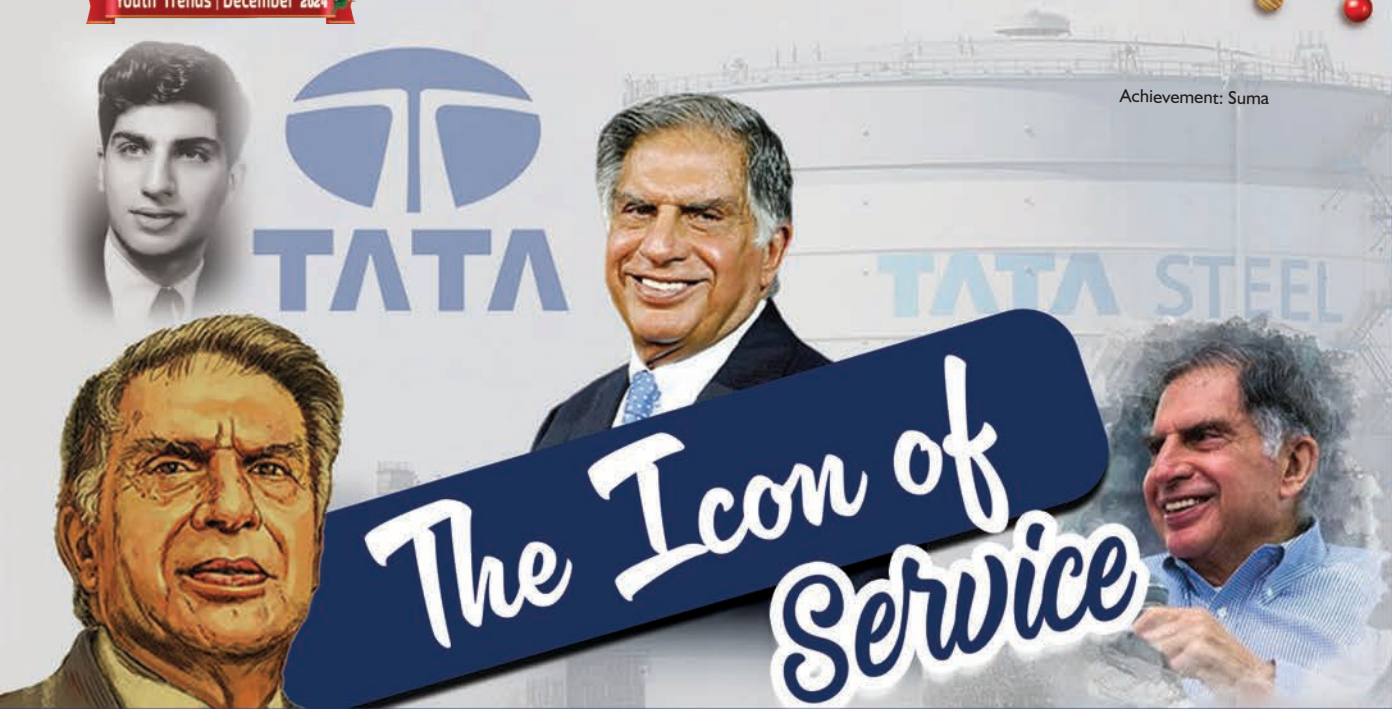
Thus, Daniel humbled himself, fasting, wearing sackcloth, and sitting in ashes. This gesture, sitting in sackcloth and ashes, signifies a deep humbling of oneself before God. Sackcloth, a coarse garment, was worn in the Old Testament by kings and prophets to express repentance and humility before the Lord, often accompanied by sitting in ashes. In the same way, we too must strip away pride, humble ourselves before God in prayer, and seek His face. When we approach God in such humility, He will draw near to us.

Daniel was a man of holiness, praying three times a day, known as one beloved by the Lord. Yet, when he prayed for his nation, he identified himself with the sins of his people, confessing as though he, too, had shared in their wrongdoing.

In the same way, we, too, must stand in solidarity with our fellow Indians, confessing their sins as our own and interceding on their behalf. As we humble ourselves and intercede for our nation—tarnished by idolatry and immorality—God will respond by sending peace and healing upon our land.



When Daniel lifted his supplications to God's holy mountain, the angel Gabriel came from heaven with a message: "You are highly esteemed; as soon as you began to pray, a command was given, and I have come to tell you" (Daniel 9:23). Likewise, as we pray for our nation, pleading for God's forgiveness and seeking His vision, He will surely listen and respond. Our prayers must draw heaven's attention, so that even as we call upon the Lord, the answer begins to descend. May the Lord raise you up to be a mighty prayer warrior, leading you into the kind of prayer experience Daniel knew. Surrender to God with the prayer, "Make me a Daniel." He will work great things through you in our nation! ■



Achievement: Suma

To the aspiring young achievers, my heartfelt wishes to you! Life is indeed for living, yet true success lies in how we make our single life count—how beneficial we are to others. Here, let's journey through the remarkable life of Ratan Tata, an iconic achiever who dedicated every moment of his life to service.

Born on December 28, 1937, to Naval Tata and Sonu Tata, Ratan Tata faced hardships early on; his parents separated when he was just ten.

His peers ridiculed him due to this difficult situation and his parents' subsequent remarriages. Raised by his grandmother, Navajbai Tata, he completed his schooling with distinction and went on to pursue the Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School in 1975. Driven by a desire to grow, he started his career with the renowned IBM.

Returning to India, Ratan Tata joined the family business in 1962. Though Tata Group was his family's legacy, he began his career humbly, working as a shopfloor worker in a blue-collar role. Over time, he meticulously learned the ins and outs of the organization, and in 1991, he became chairman of the Tata Group. Under his leadership, Tata saw incredible growth in the global market, acquiring major foreign companies like Corus, Jaguar, and Land Rover.

Observing a struggling middle-class family on a motorcycle once inspired Ratan Tata to





create an affordable car, leading to the launch of the Tata Indica. Furthermore, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) pioneered India's IT landscape, providing thousands of jobs. Ratan Tata's ventures didn't stop there; his footprint extended into steel, where Tata Steel has grown significantly, and automotive industries, transforming India's industrial landscape. From the salt in our food to tea, watches, jewellery, Tata Power, Tata Telecommunications, and even hotels like the Taj, his contributions are omnipresent.

Money was never his only priority; his heart for helping others defined him. Through his charitable trusts, he has supported countless underprivileged children, differently-abled individuals, and orphans. During the COVID-19 crisis, he contributed 1,500 crore rupees for relief efforts, making Tata Trusts one of India's largest charitable organizations. His estimated net worth by 2022 was 3,800 crores, placing him 421st on the IIFL Wealth Hurun India Rich List. In addition, Tata Group donates 66% of its revenue to charity, with a current market capitalization of \$300 billion across its 29 companies as of July 31, 2023. Despite his wealth, Ratan Tata remains humble and grounded.

Ratan Tata's generosity and compassion have earned him the Pad-

ma Bhushan, Padma Vibhushan, Carnegie Medal, honorary citizenship from Singapore, and the honorary title of Knight Commander of the British Empire. He is also an advocate for animal welfare, and his actions have won the hearts of people across all sections of society. Among the celebrated entrepreneurs in India's 1.4 billion population, he stands out prominently.

Dear readers, life is no easy journey, and only those who face it steadfastly achieve success as Ratan Tata did. His triumph was not just in business but in his giving nature, which secured a place in everyone's hearts. Giving, more than achieving, brought him joy. For India to become a superpower, we need many more individuals like Ratan Tata. Who knows? You may be one of them! ■



SHARE WITH

EMPATHY!



Cover Story: Sathish

As Christmas draws near each year, it's quite natural for thoughts to fill our minds with plans—buying new clothes, decorating our homes with beautiful lights, putting up vibrant garlands, and organising grand Christmas processions. We eagerly look forward to sharing gifts and sweets with friends and family, making each moment more festive and bright.

But, beyond celebrating with those close to us, how

much more meaningful would it be to extend Christ's love to those less fortunate, those who may not have the same comforts and luxuries? When we choose to share this joy with those in need, it brings a unique sense of fulfilment and happiness that no earthly possession can provide.

Jesus said, ***“But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although***

they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.” (Luke 14:13-14). This Christmas, let's carry His love beyond our circles and truly live the message of giving.

Share what you have

Christmas is the day when those who have share with those who have not. Is this yearly celebration about our own happiness, or is it



others? Jesus was compassionate toward the poor, the abandoned children, and widows. He said, **“Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me” (Matthew 25:40).** God wants us to feed the hungry, clothe the needy, and help the distressed with what we have. Yet many of us fall short in doing this. When we overlook those in need and close our hearts toward them, the love of God fails to shine through us. **“If a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,’ but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?” (James 2:15–16).** This Christmas, let’s share what we have with the poor and vulnerable, revealing the love of Christ through our actions. We will undoubtedly glorify Christ in us when we do this!

Share the good news

Christmas is a wonderful season to proclaim the gospel and share the love of Christ. It’s an opportunity to boldly communicate His love to everyone you meet—be it



friends, colleagues, or even strangers. Embrace this calling as an ambassador of the gospel without hesitation. Winning souls for the kingdom is the greatest investment you can make, bringing immense joy and blessings in heaven.

Every blessing we enjoy is a gift from God, and using these blessings to lead others to Him fills heaven with rejoicing because of you.

As Jesus said, “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven” (Matthew 6:19-20).

This December, make it your mission to share the love of Christ with as many souls as possible. Each soul you reach adds to the treasure that awaits you in heaven. Let your life be a beacon of hope and love, reflecting the true essence of Christmas.

My beloved young warriors, we entered this world empty-handed, and we’ll leave it the same way. Yet, how tirelessly we chase after the fleeting treasures of this world! This December, let’s shift our focus—let’s work even harder to store up eternal treasures in heaven. Go the extra mile to share the love of Jesus with the poor, the broken, the widows, and those wandering in darkness without the light of God. While you have the strength and opportunity, sow seeds of goodness. Let your life radiate His love, bringing hope where there is despair and light where there is shadow! ■



MOUNT SINAI 2024

(One day Youth Fasting Prayer)

By the grace of God, the "Mount Sinai" youth fasting meet successfully took place across 30 locations in Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, and Maharashtra on Diwali day (October 31), in accordance with the eternal plan of the Lord.

The sessions revolved around the themes of "How to live a holy life for God?" in the morning and "You must rise for the Lord" in the evening. The Lord empowered His servants mightily, delivering His messages with power. Many attendees, moved by the truth, fully dedicated their lives to Jesus Christ. Numerous participants received a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Around 9,814 people came together in these gatherings to intercede for the nation and for revival. Furthermore, every single participant is gearing up to share the gospel during the Christmas season. They've taken home packs containing three different types of tracts, with a total distribution in the millions, ready to spread the love of Jesus far and wide.

All glory to God!





Brave Timothy

Part - 11



Hi friends! How are you all doing? I'm thrilled to meet you again through this series! Wishing you all a Merry Christmas. So far, we've explored Timothy's early years, his youth, the challenges he faced, and his ministry work.

I truly hope this series has been meaningful to you.



This month, we arrive at a significant chapter—yes, it's the final chapter of our series. Are you excited to see what we'll cover this time? I think some of you may have already guessed it. That's right! We're going to look at the last days of our hero, Timothy. Let's dive right in!

Timothy's Final Ministry

Timothy was imprisoned in the city of Corinth for proclaiming Jesus. After his release, Apostle Barnabas invited him to join in renewing the church in Rome.

However, Timothy felt a firm calling to stay in Ephesus, where he believed God had assigned him. Once Barnabas returned to Cyprus, Timothy resumed his work in Ephesus and eventually became the bishop of that church.

See, friends, even when Barnabas called him elsewhere, Timothy remained steadfast in his divine calling. He clearly identified his field of ministry and fulfilled God's will faithfully.

Today, while we are all serving, it's essential to ask ourselves whether we are serving in the place God has specifically assigned to us.

Now, pause for a moment... The Timothy we were studying as a youth is no longer young. He's 80 years old now.

Ephesus: The Centre of Idolatry and Superstition

In Ephesus, there stood the grand temple of Diana, a deity worshipped by the people for many years. Diana was considered a goddess of fertility, as well as the patroness of nature, the moon, and hunting. Her temple was one of the world's wonders, boasting 127 marble pillars, each 60 feet tall, with an area spanning 423 by 220 feet. The statue of Diana, crafted in silver, was sold to many who came from around the world, bringing substantial profit to the temple priests. Ephesus was known for "Ephesian charms," or talismans, which people believed granted blessings like fertility and wealth. These charms were sold for high prices, and people travelled far and wide to acquire them.

It was in this city, deeply rooted in idolatry and superstition that Paul ministered for about three years. His ministry led many people to accept Jesus, causing concern among the temple priests, who feared people would abandon Diana. This tension often resulted in religious uprisings.

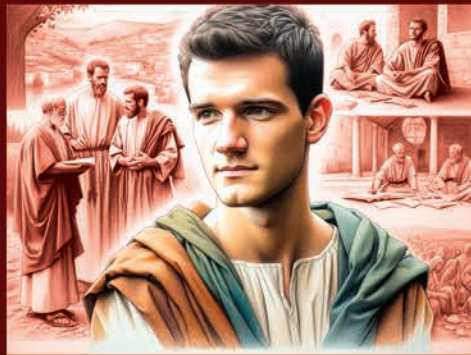
In such a challenging environment, ministry was difficult. Some deserted Paul due to the hardships. However, Timothy alone remained at Paul's side, serving faithfully, and, after Paul's departure, continued the ministry in Ephesus.

The Martyrdom of Timothy

In 97 AD, while preaching near the temple of Diana, Timothy was threatened by those

who opposed his message. But he continued to preach about Jesus fearlessly. Angered, the people seized him, beat him until he bled, dragged him through the streets, and finally stoned him to death. Timothy was 80 years old when he died a martyr.

Prepared for this significant work, Timothy remained faithful to the end. He fought the good fight and ran the race set before him. Not only Paul, but Jesus Himself trusted him to carry out the mission he had been given. To this day, Timothy's legacy endures, inspiring countless believers. The seeds he planted continue to bear fruit.



In the face of intense opposition, Timothy served tirelessly until the end of his life. Isn't he truly a man of bravery? When God calls us to minister in challenging places like Ephesus, do we shrink back? With the help of the Holy Spirit, let's overcome fear and rise with courage like Timothy. May God use us to shake the strongholds in those places. Timothy's transformation from a timid young man into a courageous servant of God remains a powerful testimony to this day.

- *The brave epoch ends here* ■

December 2024

Prayer Guide

Prayer : Esther

SEXUAL VIOLENCE

According to UNICEF, more than 370 million girls and women globally experience sexual violence or abuse before reaching the age of 18. This disturbing statistic reveals that one in every eight women suffers sexual violence during childhood or adolescence, with girls between the ages of 14 and 17 being particularly vulnerable. Similarly, sexual violence affects men as well, with one in every eleven men aged 24–75, or approximately 310 million men, reporting such experiences. The scale of this issue highlights a pervasive global crisis that impacts millions across both genders. Efforts to address and prevent sexual violence are urgently needed on a worldwide scale.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray for an end to sexual violence against children.
2. Pray for divine protection over children vulnerable to abuse.
3. Pray that God will restore hope and a future to women and girls who have endured sexual violence.
4. Pray for the transformation of those who perpetuate sexual violence.

ALCOHOL ADDICTION

In India, alcohol addiction is a pervasive issue, affecting 3 million youth aged 10 to 17 and 151 million adults aged 18 to 75. This alarming epidemic impacts one in three individuals, with 3 million deaths attributed to alcohol-related causes every year—equating to six lives lost every minute. The World Health Organization (WHO) reports that 18% of addicts attempt suicide, and 27% are involved in serious accidents due to their addiction. Among the youth, the prevalence of alcohol addiction has increased fivefold in recent years. In Tamil Nadu alone, 22 million people are grappling with the devastating consequences of this crisis.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray fervently that God will deliver people from the grip of addiction, sparing them from its devastating effects on their bodies and souls.
2. Pray that God would prevent accidents and fatalities due to alcohol-induced negligence.
3. Pray that God should deliver school- and college-going students and youths who are addicted to drugs and are taking their own lives.
4. Pray that the government will take a stand to restrict the sale of alcohol and drugs.

MONSOON RAINS AND FLOODS

Due to the ongoing effects of climate change, India experienced an unusually high amount of rainfall this year. Between June 1 and September 30, 2024,




,the country recorded a total of 934.8 mm of rainfall, far exceeding the usual seasonal average. This excessive precipitation triggered catastrophic floods and landslides in several states, with Assam, Gujarat, and Andhra Pradesh bearing the brunt of the devastation. These areas saw widespread flooding, displacing thousands of people and causing severe infrastructure damage. In addition to the floods, a particularly severe landslide in Wayanad, Kerala, wreaked havoc in the local communities. The region's agricultural production suffered significantly due to the destruction of many roads and homes.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray that India will be spared further devastation from floods and landslides.
2. Pray for the thousands of families who have lost their homes and loved ones to these natural disasters.
3. As December is the peak monsoon time, many states in India face heavy rains. Pray that no region in India suffers any calamities.
4. Pray for beneficial rains that bless the land, not causing any harm or loss of life.

AIR POLLUTION



India is one of the most polluted nations in the world, with its capital, Delhi, consistently ranked as the most polluted major city globally. Air pollution is a significant public health issue, contributing to one in every eight deaths worldwide. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), air pollution claims the lives of seven million people each year. Shockingly, out of the 30 cities with the worst air quality in the world, 21 are located in India, highlighting the severe environmental crisis in the country. The situation is particularly devastating for children, with UNICEF reporting that approximately 2,000 children under the age of five die every day due to health complications stemming from air pollution.

PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray for an end to deaths caused by pollution-related illnesses.
2. Pray for God's intervention to provide the country with clean air and to eradicate pollutants.
3. Pray for the eradication of harmful microorganisms and the protection of children from air pollution.
4. Pray that the government issues strict measures for factories to manage waste safely, protecting public health.

NISUIN BERIYTH

(Marriage Covenant) **Part - 11**

For the past ten months, we have been reflecting on “NISUIN BERIYTH,” which means “Marriage Covenant” in Hebrew. Today, we will conclude with godly counsel for those who have entered into this sacred covenant of marriage.

Expectations

Whether as a husband, wife, parent, or sibling, each person entering a new season of married life has certain expectations. With God's guidance, make an effort to understand the key expectations of your spouse and their family. As you fulfill these expectations through God's grace, the family will witness the fullness of love.

The Virtue of Silence

As you take the time to understand all the new family members, it is essential to adopt the qualities of a wise woman who “talks with wisdom.” As the book of Ecclesiastes suggests, there is a time to remain silent. Therefore, take this season to remain calm, observing and understanding those around you.

The Importance of Communication

At times, misunderstandings may arise within the family. In these moments, open dialogue is crucial. Keeping in mind the wisdom of Proverbs, “A gentle answer turns away wrath, but harsh words stir up anger,”

choose gentle and kind words to communicate. By addressing minor issues calmly and tactfully, you can prevent them from growing and eliminate them at the root.

Diligence in household responsibilities

The Bible teaches that “diligent hands bring wealth.” Rising early and avoiding the temptation to delay or linger in bed is essential to accomplishing daily responsibilities on time. It's beneficial for family members to understand one another's needs and share tasks accordingly. Planning and completing possible tasks within their appointed time is crucial.



However, many people, driven by pride, often neglect small tasks they can do themselves, instead relying on hired help, often at the expense of large sums. Some, though capable,



prefer a life of luxury and avoid even basic cooking, opting instead for daily food orders from services like Zomato or Swiggy. Rather than yielding to laziness, it's essential for women, for the sake of family well-being, to learn the art of cooking and household responsibilities, managing them efficiently and with skill.

Income

Whether the family income comes from a monthly salary or a business, both husband and wife should pray together, calculate the tithe (one-tenth portion), and offer it faithfully to the Lord. After giving the tithe, it is wise to prioritise essential expenses from the remaining income. Setting aside a portion for savings is also crucial.

The Family Triangle

A triangle has three points. Here, the primary point should represent Christ, with the husband and wife as the other two points. Both husband and wife must maintain a steady and committed prayer life individually. No one should compromise or diminish their relationship with God for the sake of others. It is vital



for both to start each day together in prayer, hand in hand. This practice will bring a unified mind and spirit to both. Whatever concerns or issues arise within the family, it is important to bring them to God rather than sharing them with others.

Consider Abraham, who presented his concern about being childless to God and waited patiently. Yet his wife Sarah, unable to wait with patience, sought a solution through human means, leading to a situation where she felt diminished by the actions of her maid-servant. Later, after Isaac was born in fulfillment of God's promise, Ismael—born of the flesh—mocked him, creating further conflict.

In contrast, look at Isaac. He prayed earnestly to the Lord on behalf of his barren wife, Rebekah. He was forty years old at the time of



their marriage and sixty by the time they had children (Genesis 25:20–26), meaning he waited almost twenty years. During this time, he didn't share the family's concerns with his father or ask others to pray for his wife. Instead, he shared the problem solely with God, resulting in the blessing of twins.

It is crucial to prioritize the family triangle by consistently practicing daily Bible reading and prayer. Neither husband nor wife should allow anything to weaken or break this bond. As the Bible says, "A cord of three strands is not quickly broken." When the husband and wife are united with God as a threefold cord, no one can hinder the joyful and victorious life they share.

Dear beloved children of God, we extend our heartfelt blessings in the gracious name of Jesus, wishing you a marriage filled with love and peace. Thank you for joining us in Nisuin Beriyyh..

NISUIN BERIYTH concludes here ■



Igniters Youth Fellowship is a place where young people ignite their spiritual lives, discover the profound truths of the Bible, and find strength in praying for the country as a group. You are welcome to join in on this fellowship and grow stronger. Come on! Strengthen yourself, and get ready to fortify others!

EVERY 1ST SUNDAY (1ST DEC.)

MUMBAI – DHARAVI (5PM – 7:30PM)

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

VELLORE (3PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Ajantha Mahal, # 3,
6th West Cross Road, Gandhi Nagar
9442885315 | 9442979556

TIRUPUR (4PM – 6:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
#62, 2nd Floor,
Benny Kumaran Main Road.
9442885315

TUTICORIN (3PM – 5:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Jehovah Jireh Towers, 51/8D/3,
1st Floor, Tiruchendur Road,
Muniasampuram
LAND MARK: SOUTH POLICE STATION TO KAMARAJ COLLEGE RD.
9442885315 | 9786212103

TIRUPATI (3PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Unlimited Show Room (Opp.)
7989295442 | 9488938305

EVERY 2ND SATURDAY (14TH DEC.)

BANGALORE (3PM-5PM)

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

MADURAI (3PM -5:30PM)

Devanukae Mahimai Church,
Nearby MGM Plaza, [Theekadir
Busstop] 41, K.Salai pudur Bypass
Road, Madurai
9750955548

EVERY 2ND SUNDAY (8TH DEC.)

SANKARANKOIL (2:30PM – 5PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Sekihnah Mahal, Mullai Nagar.
9750955548 | 8344949555

AMBUR (3PM-6PM)

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

POLLACHI (3PM TO 6PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Grace Auto 1st floor, 163,
raja mill road, Pollachi,
9486037586 | 9487856205

THANE (5PM - 7:30PM)

R.P. Mangala High School
(Near Railway Station),
Room No.10,
Opp. Bank of Maharashtra,
Thane (East)
9004882470

THANJAVUR (3PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Near Balaji Nagar Bus Stop,
18B, TPS Nagar, MC Road
9489775075 | 9444381971

KOVILPATTI (2:30PM -5:30PM)

St. Paul's Matriculation School
(Parking area Building)
9677858766 | 9787322334

ALANGULAM (2:30PM)

D. No. 5/2, Vaanjinathan Street,
North side of TPV Mill,
Thuththikulam Road,
9750955548 | 9965377427

THENI (2:30PM – 5PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
#203, Madurai Road,
Opp. Anantham Silk
Dr. Kamaraj Hospital,
1st Floor
9750955548 | 9976766422

SURANDAI (2:00PM)

Jawaharlal Middle School
9443962141 | 9750955548

SIVAKASI (3PM -5PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
HOREB Complex,
1st Floor, P K N Road,
(Near Rathna vilas Bus Stop)
9677858766 | 9442906567

SATHANKULAM (3PM -5:30PM)

Hendry Matric
Higher Secondary School,
Mela Sathankulam.
9442885315 | 9786212103

NAMAKKAL (3PM -5:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
16B Naveen Nest Apartment,
Podhigai Nagar, 1st street,
Salem Road, Namakkal-637001
9962085523 | 94886 18305

CHENGALPET (3PM – 5:30PM)

Reheboth Church,
Near old bus stand,
9710809626 | 9488475315

VILLUPURAM (3PM – 5:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
HH Complex,
Namnadu Textiles
Opp., Shanthi Theater Rd
8870517324 | 834411022

ERODE (4PM – 6:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre, #216,
1st Floor, Near Fire Service,
Gandhiji Road
9750722000

EVERY 3RD SUNDAY (15TH DEC.)**TIRUNELVELI (2:30 PM)**

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Shah Complex, #43/R4,
Rajendra Nagar, Trivandrum Road
9750955548 | 9047480484

COIMBATORE (4 PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
#90, 1st Floor, Arts College Road,
Near Charan Tower,
9894399599 | 9442885315

TRICHY (3 PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
22A, 1st Floor,
Thennur High Road,
Near KMC Bus Stop, Thennur.
9489775075 | 8344119000

JEBAMALAI (2 PM)

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

CHENNAI (3 PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Prince Kushal Towers, 7th Floor
B-Wing, Adjacent to LIC Metro,
Mount Road,
9488475315

NALUMAVADI (3PM -5:30PM)

Tabernacle of God, Nalumavadi
9442885315

TIRUVARUR (3:30PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
I.S.A. Rice Mill Complex, TTP Main Rd,
9976766322 | 7373374733

RANIPET (3PM-6PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Railway Station Road, Zion Nagar,
Near Scudder Memorial Hospital
9500283179 | 9442885315

NAGERCOIL (3PM TO 6PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
NO: 1055 K.P ROAD,
Milk Depot Junction, Nagercoil
7598155503 | 9442885315

PONDICHERRY (3PM TO 6PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Kottupalayam Lawspet, opp. Latha
Steel, E C R Road.
8344433800 | 9442885315

CHITTOOR (3PM TO 6PM)

World Revival Prayer Centre
Kamlambal Street, Readspet,
Kangareddy palli,
9487734603

EVERY 4TH SATURDAY (28TH DEC.)**PERAMBALUR (5PM -8PM)**

World Revival Prayer Centre,
M K Complex, 71, Venkatesapuram,
Near Bank of Baroda,
Trichy Main Road.
9788788512

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY (22ND DEC.)**THIRUVALLUR (3PM -5:30PM)**

World Revival Prayer Centre
H S R Tower, 2nd Floor,
Near CSI Gowdi Church
9488475315

KARUR (3PM-5:30PM)

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

MUMBAI-MALAD (4PM – 6PM)

Bethel Ground Floor
305/E, Mith Chauky, Marve Road,
Malad (W)
9664050567 | 9619996976

PERNAMPET (3PM TO 6PM)

Revival Prayer centre, VK Road.
9442885315

DHARAPURAM (3:30PM – 6PM)

2nd Floor, MK Arcade,
Near Bus Stand,
8248283373 | 9442885315

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Ticket to HELL!

Part - 11

Hello, friends! Sin is the trap that Satan sets to lead us to hell. Over the past 10 months, we've learned about various things that can pull us toward hell and how to escape from them. This month, in the final part of our series, we'll be looking at yet another of Satan's snares—the mark of the Antichrist.

666

Two types of preparations are unfolding in the world today. On one side, the Holy Spirit is preparing people and churches for the coming revival. On the other hand, Satan is setting the stage for the rule of the Antichrist. The times we live in are the last days. According to the Bible's description of end-time events, there is a sequence: the end-time revival, the secret coming of Jesus, the rule of the Antichrist, the Second Coming of Jesus, the battle of Armageddon, the thousand-year reign, the Great White Throne Judgement, and finally, the new heaven and new earth. Following the secret coming of Jesus, the rule of the Antichrist will begin.

WHO IS THE ANTICHRIST?

The Antichrist is portrayed in Scripture as one who acts under the influence of Satan, directly opposing Christ. The Bible describes him as a deceiver, an opposer, and one who exalts himself, even sitting in the temple of God, presenting himself as God. The Bible also refers to him as the “man of sin,” the “son of perdition,” and “the lawless one” (2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4, 9, 10). While the true Antichrist has yet to be revealed, the spirit of the Antichrist is already at work in the world, as seen through individuals described in the Bible as “antichrists” (1 John 2:18).

WHAT ARE THE SIGNS OF THE ANTI-CHRIST'S COMING?

The Bible reveals that Satan's power, displaying all kinds of counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders, and deceptive works, will mark the coming of the Antichrist (2 Thessalonians 2:9, 10). When he appears, many will be led astray by his deceptions. In certain places today, we witness the shadows of this deception: the purported transformation of water into wine, the casting out of demons through DVDs, or teachings that disregard prayer or fasting, asserting that Jesus has already accomplished everything. Some

even promote “powerful” activities like dancing instead of fasting, misleading many with such false promises of power.

HOW IS SATAN PREPARING THE WORLD FOR THE ARRIVAL OF THE ANTICHRIST?

One World Government

In today's world, we often hear phrases like one world, one government, one card, one ration, one currency, and one religion. These ideas are spreading across nations, signaling a shift toward unity under a single system. Satan is using this movement to prepare the world for the Antichrist, who will seek to bring all humanity under his sole authority.

The Red Heifer

Nearly 3,000 years ago, the Temple in Jerusalem was constructed, but it has been destroyed twice since then. Today, an Islamic mosque





stands on its former site. However, prophecy indicates that the Antichrist will rule the world for seven years, with Jerusalem as his center of power. To establish himself as the Messiah in the eyes of the Jewish people, he will initiate the construction of a Third Temple and, as a significant sign, will sacrifice a red heifer before entering. This red heifer, a breed lost for 2,000 years, has now been recreated through modern technology, allowing Satan to make every preparation necessary for the Antichrist’s dominion over the world.

THE MARK OF 666

While English is widely regarded as the common language of the world, not everyone



understands it. However, there’s a universal language that nearly everyone recognizes and comprehends: numbers. Even those who are uneducated can usually grasp basic numerals. Today, as our world becomes increasingly digital, transactions are frequently conducted through QR codes.

When the Antichrist rises to power and seeks to control the world, he will establish a mark, requiring every individual—regardless of age—to bear it either on their right hand or forehead. This mark is the infamous number 666. Without this mark, people will be unable to buy or sell goods in the marketplace (Revelation 13:15–18). In a prelude to this prophecy, Elon Musk, CEO of Tesla, has invented a tiny chip, smaller than a grain of rice, capable of storing over two million units of data. After the lockdown restrictions eased during the COVID era, whenever we entered places like shopping complexes, malls, or hospitals, we found ourselves instinctively offering our hands or foreheads when someone pointed a device resembling a gun at us for screening. This seemingly insignificant



habit was a tactic used by the enemy to prepare people for the upcoming challenges. A popular American company has now invited its employees to voluntarily embed this chip, emphasizing its optional nature at first. However, there’s reason to believe that, eventually, this practice could become mandatory.

Although this is not yet the Antichrist’s mark, it signals how preparations are rapidly unfolding for his future rule over the world.

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

The mark of the beast will be introduced under the guise of convenience and security. People will be told that adopting this mark will save them time in shopping queues, protect children from abductions, locate missing soldiers, and allow individuals with disabilities or limited literacy to access information through a simple chip. This agenda will be marketed to create hype and gain acceptance among the masses. However, under the Antichrist’s rule, anyone who takes this mark will face torment in the fire and sulphur, with no rest day or night, and they will lose the blessings of heaven (Revelation 14:9-11). In contrast, those who refuse to accept the mark will inherit the kingdom of heaven and reign on earth with Jesus for a thousand years (Revelation 20:4).

Some may ask, “Can the mark be removed once it’s taken?” The answer is no. Once em





bedded, it becomes undetectable within the body and is impossible to remove. So, how can we escape the Antichrist's reign? There's no need for fear. Before the seven-year tribulation period, Jesus will come in a secret rapture. All those who are saved, living holy lives, and fulfilling His will will be taken up to avoid the Antichrist's reign. Those left behind can only enter heaven by resisting the mark and becoming martyrs for their faith.

Dear young readers, as we live in these last days, the enemy is working harder than ever to deceive and slyly lead us into hell. Let us stay spiritually alert, seeking the heavenly blessings God has prepared for us.


Ticket to Hell series ends here ■

Loose the Knots



FOR UNTO US A SON IS GIVEN

Match each Messianic prophecy to the Old Testament Scripture where it was foretold




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| <p>___ 1. The Messiah would be born of a virgin.</p> <p>___ 2. He'd be a direct descendant of David.</p> <p>___ 3. The Christ would be born in Bethlehem.</p> <p>___ 4. He would spend time in Egypt.</p> <p>___ 5. He'd give hearing to the deaf and sight to the blind.</p> <p>___ 6. He would ride on the back of a donkey.</p> <p>___ 7. The Messiah would be despised and rejected.</p> <p>___ 8. He would be numbered with criminals.</p> <p>___ 9. He would sacrifice Himself for our sin.</p> <p>___ 10. None of His bones would be broken.</p> <p>___ 11. He wouldn't undergo decay but be resurrected.</p> <p>___ 12. Christ would rule over the house of David forever.</p> | <p>a. Isaiah 9:7</p> <p>b. Hosea 11:1</p> <p>c. Isaiah 7:14</p> <p>d. Micah 5:2</p> <p>e. Psalm 34:20</p> <p>f. Isaiah 53:3</p> <p>g. Zechariah 9:9</p> <p>h. Isaiah 29:18</p> <p>i. 2 Samuel 7:12</p> <p>j. Isaiah 53:5-7</p> <p>k. Psalm 16:10</p> <p>l. Isaiah 53:12</p> |
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November Answers

1. Rocks
2. Rooms
3. Roman
4. Robes
5. Roast
6. Roots
7. Rouse
8. Rough
9. Royal
10. Ropes

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WINNER
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Compilation: Joyline John

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Your answers are expected to reach us on or before 15th of Every Month

Tech info: Godwin

Handle your phones sensibly

TECH - 11

Hello, friends! A warm welcome back to this segment of Tech Insights. As we step into the final month of the year, many of us start thinking about New Year's resolutions. Among the various commitments we make, staying physically fit often takes priority. So, as we head into the New Year, let's explore two mobile apps that can assist in taking care of our bodies.



Google Fit

As a leading force in technology, Google offers various features for its users, including Google Fit. This app provides a central platform for all your fitness data. From tracking your daily steps, body fat, and calories burnt to recording your runs and walks, Google Fit offers it all.

You can download the app from the Google Play Store, and after a quick login, record details like height and weight to help you monitor your progress consistently.

Calorie Counter - My Fitness pal

While exercise is essential, maintaining a balanced diet is equally crucial for a healthy body. With MyFitnessPal, you can monitor your food intake alongside your fitness goals. Whether you aim to lose weight, gain it, or maintain your current physique, this app helps track if your diet and exercise align with your goals. It can also integrate with other apps like Fitbit and allow you to connect with friends, creating a supportive community for fitness enthusiasts.

Dear young readers, as we grow spiritually, let's also strive to honour God by taking care of our physical bodies. Our bodies are His temple; may we nurture and uplift them to shine for Him in the coming year! ■



Google Fit
DATA EXTRACTION



Personalize goals
on your dashboard



Steps

Trans Fat

Scan a Meal Scan a Barcode



Mixed nuts

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|---------------------|-------|
| Calories | 170 |
| Total Fat | 15 g |
| Cholesterol | 0 mg |
| Sodium | 80 mg |
| Total Carbohydrates | 6 g |
| Protein | 6 g |
| Calcium | 4% |
| Iron | 6% |



Lahore: The World's Most Polluted City, Six Times Worse Than Delhi

Similar to North India, Pakistan experiences severe air pollution during the winter months. The primary contributors include emissions from vehicles and industries using low-quality fuels, smoke from burning waste and crop residue, and dust from construction activities.

The Air Quality Index (AQI) categorizes air quality as follows:

0-50: Good

51-100: Satisfactory

101-200: Moderate

201-300: Poor

301-400: Very Poor

401-450: Severe

Above 450: Extremely hazardous.



In a shocking development, Lahore's AQI soared to an unprecedented 1,900, far surpassing previous records. This figure is six times higher than the safety thresholds defined by the World Health Organization (WHO). Home to 14 million residents, Lahore now ranks as the most polluted city in the world. In comparison, Delhi recorded an AQI of 276 on the same day, making Lahore's pollution six times worse. In response to the crisis, Punjab Minister Maryam Aurangzeb urged citizens to remain indoors, seal windows, and avoid unnecessary travel. The government also imposed a ban on rickshaw operations and temporarily halted construction activities in certain areas to mitigate air pollution.

Pakistan attributed the dire situation partly to polluted air drifting in from neighboring India. Raja Jahangir Anwar, Pakistan's Secretary for Environment and Climate Change, remarked, "Easterly winds carrying pollution from India have exacerbated Lahore's situation. While we do not assign blame to anyone, this is a natural phenomenon. However, we are keen to engage in dialogue with India on this issue and plan to address it through formal correspondence."

The alarming smog blanketing Lahore has left its residents, including children and the elderly, struggling with its health impacts. The government's environmental agencies continue to express serious concerns over the unprecedented pollution levels.

- Hindu Tamil Thisai, November 5.

Polluted air in Lahore causes panic among residents: blame directed at India, says Pakistan Official

Lahore, the capital of Pakistan's Punjab province and the country's second-largest city, is grappling with unprecedented levels of air pollution. The air quality index has skyrocketed to a staggering 280, marking an all-time high. Furthermore, the concentration of particulate matter in the air has increased to 450, creating a dense, smoke-filled haze that envelops the entire city in a sickly yellowish-brown tint. This environmental crisis has severely impacted thousands of residents, particularly children and the elderly, raising significant concern from the Punjab Environment Protection Department.

As the pollution intensifies, Asma Bokhari, the Information Minister of Punjab, has accused India of contributing to the situation, claiming that winds blowing from India are carrying a substantial amount of toxic pollutants into Pakistan. She further criticized the Indian government for its negligence in addressing the issue. In response to the escalating health risks, the provincial government has announced the temporary closure of all primary schools in Lahore for the next week.

- Dhinakaran, November 5

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Special Prayer for Students appearing for Exams

In Cuddalore...

Date: **January 11** (Saturday)
Time: 10:00 AM
to 1:00 PM

Venue:

World Revival Prayer Centre,
Opposite Clock Tower,
Manjakuppam.

Message: **Bro. Avinash**

Contact: 99651 44000

In Sankarankovil...

Date: **January 12** (Sunday)
Time: 4:00 PM
to 7:00 PM

Venue: St. Paul's School
for Mentally Challenged,
Sankarankovil.

Message: **Bro. Avinash**

Contact: 96778 58766 | 75503 05278

In Salem...

Date: **January 12** (Sunday)
Time: 4:00 PM
to 7:00 PM

Venue: Community Hall,
Saradha College Road,
Adaikala Nagar, Asthampatti.

Message: **Bro. Sathish Kumar**

Contact: 97914 44788

In Ranipet...

Date: **February 1** (Saturday)
Time: 10:00 AM
to 1:00 PM

Venue: World Revival Prayer Centre,
Railway Station Road,
Behind SMH, Zion Nagar

Message: **Bro. Sam Jebaraj**

Contact: 95002 83179 | 97912 95663

In Ambur...

Date: **February 2** (Sunday)
Time: 3:00 PM
to 6:00 PM

Venue: Concordia Higher
Secondary School, Ambur.

Message: **Bro. Sam Jebaraj**

Contact: 95979 27799

In Jebamalai...

Date: **February 2** (Sunday)
Time: 3:00 PM
to 6:00 PM

Venue: Keelamathapuram,
Jebamalai.

Message: **Bro. Avinash**

Contact: 97509 55548



Bro. Sam Jebaraj



Bro. Avinash



Bro. Sathish Kumar

In Nalumavadi...

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Sunday

Special Prayer for Students appearing for Exams

Venue:

**Tabernacle of God,
Nalumavadi**

Time:

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Counsel and Prayer by:

Bro. Mohan C. Lazarus

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