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Welcome to the month of FEBRUARY

Hello there and welcome to another great and exciting month with your favourite devotional, ***Rhapsody of Realities for Early Readers!*** This month's edition is packed with a whole lot of inspiring messages like *Beauty And Glory*, *Create And Recreate*, *Love Forgives and Forgets, You're In Charge*, and so much more.

Fun isn't left out as we have thrilling games and puzzles for you. There's also a special Titbit titled ***"What You Need To Know About Sacraments - Part 2."*** All these and so much more are in this month's edition of your favourite daily devotional, ***Rhapsody of Realities for Early Readers***.

Beauty And Glory

Thursday
1

Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

James 1:18

After God created everything in the world, the birds, trees, sea, sky and so on, He said, "It was good" (Genesis 1:4- 25). But when He created man, He said, "...it was very good..." (Genesis 1:31). The reason is that man is the best of all His creations, the crown of all He's made (James 1:18).

The moment you were born again, you began to live a life of beauty and glory because you're the best of God's creation. Hallelujah!

So, as God's child, you shouldn't be sick, weak, or fail. You're too beautiful to be frail and sickly because God created you for a life of glory, beauty and excellence. Glory to God!

Scripture Reading-Genesis 1:26

Say This

I was created for a life of beauty and glory; therefore, I live the life of success, prosperity, excellence, miracles, signs, and wonders every day. Hallelujah!

Friday

2

Create And Recreate

By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

Hebrews 11:3

Yesterday, I showed you that you're the best of God's creation: you were made in His likeness! That means you're just like your heavenly Father (Genesis 1:26), who recreated the world with His Words (Hebrews 11:3). This also means that with faith, you too can create and recreate with words! Hallelujah!

Therefore, if there's any situation in your life you'd like to change, you can change it with your words! How? Check your Bible for what the Lord has said about it, and begin to declare what God's Word says about the matter. Soon, there'll be the change you desire.

Scripture Reading-Ecclesiastes 8:4

With my words of faith, I create a life of beauty, excellence, glory and blessings. Hallelujah!

Say This

No Lack Here!

Saturday
3

Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'...For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.

Matthew 6:31-32

The words in our memory scripture are the Words of Jesus. You can bank on them because the Lord keeps His Word!

If He could take care of the lilies of the field and the birds of the air, then He's more than able to take care of you.

No wonder David said, *"Because the Lord is my Shepherd, I have everything I need"* (Psalm 23:1 TLB). What a confession! So, like David, this should be your confession too. Then thank the Lord for His provisions!

Scripture Reading-Philippians 4:19

Let's Pray

Thank you, Father, for supplying everything I need according to Your riches in glory. I therefore refuse lack, for all things are mine, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Sunday

4

Love Forgives And Forgets

Love is patient. Love is kind. Love isn't jealous. It doesn't sing its own praises. It isn't arrogant. It isn't rude. It doesn't think about itself. It isn't irritable. It doesn't keep track of wrongs.

1 Corinthians 13:4-5

As God's child, love is a fruit of your recreated human spirit (Galatians 5:22), and one wonderful quality of love is that it's quick to forgive no matter how terrible it may be. Love is more powerful than any offence.

Remember the story of Joseph and his brothers? Though they sold him to slavery, he forgave them when they needed him during famine. He didn't pay them evil for evil; rather, God used him to preserve their lives and their families (Genesis 45:1-8). That's love!

Like Joseph, express God's love the way he did with his brothers. Remember, God's love is in you (Romans 5:5); so, be quick to forgive and forget.

Scripture Reading-Proverbs 10:12

Let's Pray

Thank you, dear Father, for filling my heart with your love, which overlooks every wrong and forgives easily, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Secret To Greatness

Monday

5

All of you young people should obey your elders. In fact, everyone should be humble toward everyone else. The Scriptures say, "God opposes proud people, but he helps everyone who is humble."

1 Peter 5:5 CEV

Humility is the secret to greatness. God loves and lifts up humble people; however, He resists those who are proud.

David is a good example for us to follow. He was humble. This was one of the qualities God saw in him and He chose him to be king over Israel. As the anointed and chosen king, David never spoke badly of or acted against King Saul even when he knew he was going to replace him on the throne. No wonder David became Israel's greatest king. His humility positioned him for greatness.

Like David, learn to be humble; speak politely, be gracious and respectful to those around you.

Scripture Reading-Matthew 18:4, Proverbs 29:23

Say This

I'm humble, gracious, respectful, kind and full of God's love. Hallelujah!

Tuesday

6

The Word; Our Weapon

For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds

2 Corinthians 10:4

If you've been to an arsenal, what you would find there are weapons. These weapons are used in combats.

As Christians we have weapons too; they aren't physical weapons but spiritual. This means you can't see them with your eyes.

Our weapon as God's children is His Word (Ephesians 6:10-17). God's Word is a mighty weapon for the child of God. You can get rid of evil thoughts and turn situations around by speaking His Word in faith. Always remember that God's Word is, *"...living and active. It is sharper than any two-edged sword...* (Hebrews 4:12 GW). Hallelujah!

Scripture Reading-Isaiah 55:11; Ephesians 6:10-17

Let's Pray

Dear Father, thank you for giving me your Word as a mighty weapon with which I can change any situation, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

You're In Charge

Wednesday

7

But He said to them, "Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?" Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm.

Matthew 8:26

As God's child, nothing happens to you by accident. God has given you all authority. That means the situation around you don't matter because you're always in charge.

The Lord Jesus was always in charge of every situation; He was never caught by surprise. No matter what the situation was, if He didn't like it, He spoke the Word and changed things.

So, refuse to let any situation make you perplexed. Rather, use faith-filled words to reorganize things. Keep speaking God's Word; this is how to stay in charge and be victorious every day.

Scripture Reading-Romans 8:37

Say This

By the power of God's Word, I take charge of every situation around me and command them to turn around in my favour, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Thursday

8

Are You Living For Jesus?

...and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.

2 Corinthians 5:15

The Lord Jesus gave up His life so you could receive and enjoy the precious gift of eternal life. So, your responsibility to Him today is to live for Him.

To live for Jesus means you live to please Him in all things, and ensure that your life points others to Him. From the way you dress, to the way you talk, to the things you do, let those around you see Jesus in you.

So, live for Jesus as you shine brightly for your world to see His light in you.

Scripture Reading-
Mark 16:15; Philippians 1:27

I live for you Lord Jesus, to serve you and bring many to you today. Hallelujah!

Say This

God's Favourite

Friday

9

You bless righteous people, O Lord. Like a large shield, you surround them with your favor.

Psalm 5:12 GW

The word ''favourite'' is derived from the word ''favour''. To favour means to 'delight in' or 'to be fond of'. Hence, when I say you're God's favourite, it means that God is delighted with and fond of you. Isn't that awesome?

Isaac in the Bible was a favoured man. He sowed in a dry land during famine and in the same year, reaped a hundred-fold harvest, and lived in plenty whilst others lacked (Genesis 26:12-13). That's the effect of God's favour on his life.

Scripture Reading-Psalm 102:13

Say This

I'm highly favoured of God and positioned by His grace for a life of fruitfulness and prosperity. Glory to God!

Saturday

10

He's Got It All Sorted

I know the plans that I have for you, declares the LORD. They are plans for peace and not disaster, plans to give you a future filled with hope.

Jeremiah 29:11 GW

As a child, you don't need to worry about things like your school fees, what you're going to eat, how you're going to get to school and so on. Why? Because your parents or guardians have got them sorted.

In the same way, God doesn't want you worrying about anything because He's got it all sorted. The Bible says that the Lord knows the end of everything from its beginning (Isaiah 46:10). That means before anything happens, He already knows about it, and how it's going to end.

Therefore, put your trust in Him for He's got great and wonderful plans for your life.

Scripture Reading-Jeremiah 1:5

Let's Pray

Dear Father, my trust is in you and your unfailing Word which fills me with comfort and joy, knowing` that my future is all sorted, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Learn From The Ants

Sunday
11

The ants are a people not strong, yet they prepare their food in the summer

Proverbs 30:25

Have you ever taken some time to observe ants? They may be small but very hardworking. From sunup to sundown, you'd see them working to fill their storage with food.

If the ants, as little as they are, prepare and work ahead of time, you ought to too. The Bible encourages us to be hardworking, because hard work is one of the ingredients of success and excellence in life.

So, work hard, give attention to studying your books and doing your assignments diligently.

Scripture Reading-Proverbs 12:24 CEV

Let's Pray

Thank you, dear Father, for teaching me the importance of hard work, and for granting me wisdom and understanding as I put what I've learnt to work today, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Monday

12

Strong Faith

And because his faith was strong, he didn't worry about the fact that he was too old to be a father at the age of one hundred, and that Sarah his wife, at ninety, was also much too old to have a baby.

Romans 4:19 TLB

It would be almost impossible to talk about faith without mentioning Abraham (Romans 4:11). He had strong faith (Hebrews 11:17). He believed the Lord for a son, refusing to consider his and his wife's aged body or her barrenness. The Bible says He was strong in faith, always giving glory to God. In due time, his wife became pregnant and gave birth to a son. Hallelujah!

Remember, God has given all of His children the measure of faith (Romans 12:3). But it's your responsibility to grow and strengthen yours so you can do great things. How? By studying the Word and doing whatever it says.

Scripture Reading-Romans 4:19-22

Say This

My faith grows everyday as I study the Word, and it's strengthened as I do everything it says. Therefore, I live a life that's full of miracles and victories every day. Hallelujah!

BIBLE FACTS

On

HOW MOSES SPLIT THE RED SEA.

1. As the children of Israel left Egypt, the Lord took them through the path leading to the Red Sea (Exodus 13:18).

2. They camped by the Red Sea before crossing over (Exodus 14:2).

3. The Lord commanded Moses to lift his rod, and stretch his hand over the Red Sea and divide it (Exodus 14:16).

4. A strong east wind from the Lord blew into the Red Sea and parted it to the right and to the left (Exodus 14:21).

5. It took all night to divide the Red Sea (Exodus 14:21).

BIBLE FACTS

6. The waters of the Red Sea were like a wall on the left and on the right showing a path of dry ground (Exodus 14:22).

7. The children of Israel marched through the Red Sea on dry ground (Exodus 14:22).

8. The Egyptian army pursued the children of Israel through the Red Sea (Exodus 14:23).

9. Again, the Lord commanded Moses to stretch his hands over the Red Sea and cause it to come back (Exodus 14:26).

10. The waters of the Red Sea covered the chariots and the army of Pharaoh, and not one was left (Exodus 14:28).

It's A Law!

Tuesday
13

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

Galatians 6:7

A farmer who sowed only orange seeds will not have a harvest of mangos, will he? No! He'll only get a harvest of oranges. Sowing and reaping is a law; you reap what you sow!

In the same way, as God's child, if you sow seeds of kindness, obedience, and love, you'll get a harvest of all these. Hallelujah!

So, if you'd like to receive more love, kindness and lovely things in your life, sow them as seeds by doing it to others. As you do, you'll reap a mighty harvest of all you've sown.

Scripture Reading-2 Corinthians 9:6

Say This

As I make up my mind today to sow seeds of righteousness in kind acts, I am reaping a multiplied harvest of goodness and favour everywhere I go. Hallelujah!

Wednesday

14

Divine Wisdom

...and of Christ; in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Colossians 2:2-3

Divine wisdom is a precious gift from God to you. It is what makes you say and do the right things all the time. This kind of wisdom isn't gotten from reading school textbooks and dictionaries; rather, it comes from God through His Word.

While on earth, the Lord Jesus walked in divine wisdom. No wonder the people always marveled at Him (Mark 6:2).

You have this same wisdom working in you today (1 Corinthians 1:30). Therefore, walk in wisdom and excellence at school, home, everywhere and in all things.

Scripture Reading-Ecclesiastes 10:10

I'm walking in the wisdom of God in all areas of my life.

Say This

What Can You See?

Thursday
15

While we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

2 Corinthians 4:18

If you feel the symptom of fever in your body, do you at once see yourself in the hospital or missing classes in school? Or do you keep in mind the picture of your healing and wholeness, regardless of how you may be feeling?

When Moses sent twelve men to spy out Canaan, only Joshua and Caleb saw victory; the remaining ten could only see problems and defeat (Numbers 14:9). Joshua and Caleb looked with the eyes of faith and saw possibilities.

Learn to see with the eyes of faith, no matter how tough the situation may seem. Remember, *"…If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes"* (Mark 9:23). So, train yourself to only see possibilities; see success, healing, and victory.

Scripture Reading-1 John 5:4

Say This

Through the eyes of faith, I see possibilities success, healing, and victory. Hallelujah!

Friday

16

There's Safety In Christ

A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand; but it shall not come near you.

Psalm 91:7

There's so much going on around the world that could make people live in fear. But as God's child, you're blessed and well-protected. Therefore, keep yourself within God's provision and protection by refusing to talk fear or doubt.

Job was a righteous man and had been blessed by God. He however broke the hedge of protection around him with his careless talk (Job 3:25). He began talking his fears, and this gave the devil the opportunity to destroy all he had.

Don't talk carelessly. Instead of talking fear and lack, keep declaring God's Word over your life. Declare that you're protected everywhere, and that angels are all around you to keep you safe.

Scripture Reading-Psalm 91:2-6

I declare that I dwell in total safety and security, for I abide under the shadow of the Almighty and He is my refuge. Hallelujah!

Say This

Everyone Is Valuable

Saturday
17

For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

In God's eyes, everyone on earth has value. It doesn't matter who they are, where they come from or what they've done; everyone is valuable to God. That's why He sent Jesus to die for 'all'; no one was excluded in His sacrifice on the Cross (John 3:16).

So you see, even that person everyone treats differently in class is precious and valuable; Jesus died for that person too.

So, always let the love of God flow through you to everyone; treat others with kindness and respect as the Lord treats them.

Scripture Reading-Romans 13:8

Say This

I'm mindful of God's love that fills my heart; therefore, I'm inspired to treat others kindly and with compassion. Hallelujah!

Sunday

18

The Sacrifice Of Praise

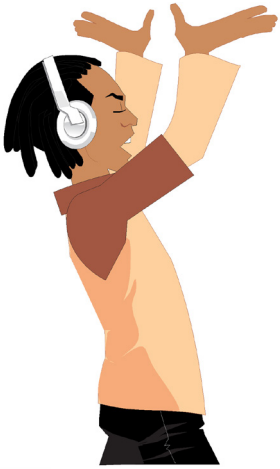
Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.

Hebrews 13:15

When you come before God in praise and thanksgiving, your praise is actually a sacrifice. This is different from the sacrifices offered in the Old Testament; this is a sacrifice of your lips.

Every time you lift up your beautiful hands and raise your voice to worship and praise Him, your praises come up to Him as a sweet-smelling aroma. No need to offer bulls and sheep to the Lord as a sacrifice anymore. All you need to do is praise Him by yourself and with your own voice. Hallelujah!

So, be excited at every opportunity to offer your sacrifice of praise to the Lord.



Scripture Reading-Psalm 141:2

Say This

Most high God, I offer to you my sacrifice of praise as I sing and give glory to your Name today. Hallelujah!

You're His Headquarters

Monday
19

God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands.

Acts 17:24

In the Old Testament, King Solomon built a magnificent temple for the Lord. As nice as the temple was, God didn't stay there. Instead, He chose an even more beautiful place to live— your heart (1 Corinthians 3:16).

God has made your heart His temple, home and headquarters. That means you carry Him in you everywhere you go. More so, He works through you! Isn't that great? God lives in you with all His power, glory and blessings. Hallelujah!

Scripture Reading-1 Corinthians 6:19

Let's Pray

Thank you, dear Father, for coming to live in me and making your home in the quarters of my heart where you abide always, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Tuesday

20

There's Power In The Word

He sent His word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

Psalm 107:20

God's Word is full of power and ability to cause changes! Every time it's spoken in faith, no matter the situation, something miraculous occurs.

One day, a government official met the Lord Jesus. He asked the Master to come to his house to heal his son. The Lord simply spoke words declaring that his son had been healed. The man had faith in what Jesus said; he went home to meet his son healed (John 4:49-52).

God's Word is alive, and full of power (Hebrews 4:12). It can heal, save and deliver. All you have to do is believe it, and you'd have a miracle!

Scripture Reading-Hebrews 4:12

Say This

Thank you Father, for your Word is full of power. As I put it to work in faith, I begin to see what it talks about in my life. Hallelujah!

Be A Cheerful Giver

Wednesday
21

...And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

Acts 20:35

Givers receive more blessings. Today's memory scripture says "... *It is more blessed to give than to receive*" (Acts 20:35). That means every time you give, you receive more blessings!

Therefore, get excited at every opportunity to give, and give really big. Remember, such opportunities are opportunities to receive more blessings from the Lord, for "... *God loves a cheerful giver*" (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Scripture Reading-Luke 6:38

Say This

As I give cheerfully, God's blessings increase in my life and I give even bigger. Hallelujah!

Thursday

22

A Godly Character

Honesty can keep you safe, but if you can't be trusted, you trap yourself.

Proverbs 11:6 CEV

Today, some children might be tempted to be dishonest. Refuse to fall into that trap. Honesty is an excellent and godly character every child of God should imbibe.

Imagine you came across an item you like but isn't yours, what do you do? The right thing to do is to take it to the 'Lost but Found' center or to a responsible adult. It would be dishonest to keep it to yourself even if no one claims it.

I encourage you to exhibit the right character everywhere you go. Be known as an honest boy or girl. Display this godly and excellent character always.

Scripture Reading-Proverbs 28:18 CEV

I am upright, honest, excellent, and godly, for the Spirit of God lives in me, and Christ's nature is seen in me everywhere I go. Hallelujah!

Say This

Keep Making Progress

Friday 23

But the path of the just is like the shining sun, that shines ever brighter unto the perfect day.

Proverbs 4:18

It's God's desire that you live a great life, making progress every day. Not up today and down tomorrow but upward and forward always. Hallelujah!

This is the life you've been called into as God's child. Therefore, refuse anything that's below the best. In school, work hard as you study your books and do your assignments diligently. This way, you'll make continuous progress in school and remain the best.

Scripture Reading-Psalm 92:12

Say This

I'm making progress daily in my studies and everything that concerns me. Hallelujah!

Saturday

24

God Speaks Through His Word

Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," Whenever you turn to the right hand or whenever you turn to the left.

Isaiah 30:21

Some children are waiting to hear a voice speak to them just like God spoke to Moses or called out Samuel. But you don't need to wait for an audible voice.

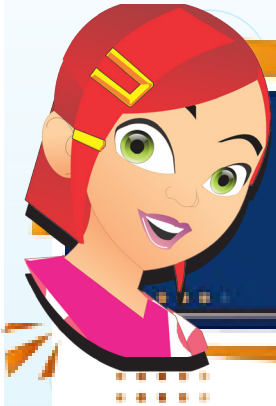
God speaks to His children all the time through His Word. God and His Word are one (John 1:1). His Word is His voice and your sure guide in life. As you study His Word each day, you're exercising your spirit to hear Him talk to you.

I encourage you to keep spending quality time to study and meditate on the Word of God. As you do, you'll receive God's guidance and direction for a life of greatness, excellence and victory.

Scripture Reading-John 1:1

Say This

Thank you, dear Father, for teaching me to recognise your voice through your Word. As I diligently study and meditate on it, I hear you clearly, in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Search The Scriptures

SCRIPTURES AND MATHS

1. When God told Abraham he would have a son, he was 75 years old. Abraham was 100 years old when his son Isaac was born. How many years did he have to wait before Isaac's birth?
(Hints: Genesis 21:1-7, 12:1-7)
(a) 35 years
(b) 25 years
(c) 15 years

2. If Abraham was 10 years older than his wife Sarah, and he was 75 years old when they left Haran. How old was Sarah when they left Haran? (Hint: Genesis 17; 12:4)
(a) 60 years old
(b) 75 years old
(c) 65 years old

3. Sarah lived for a hundred and twenty-seven (127) years, how old was Abraham at that time? Remember the age difference between them was 10 years. (Hints: Genesis 23:1; 25:7-8)
(a) He was 117 years old
(b) He was 127 years old
(c) He was 137 years old

4. If all the days of Enoch were 365 years, and he fathered Methuselah for 300 years, how old was he when Methuselah was born? (Hint: Genesis 5:21-24)
(a) 75 years old
(b) 55 years old
(c) 65 years old

WHO SAID THIS?

Underline the correct name from the options given to match 'who' said 'what'.

1. "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" (Hint: Genesis 22:7).
   a. Jacob
   b. Abraham
   c. Isaac

2. "Please let there be no strife between you and me..." (Hint: Genesis 13:8).
   a. Isaac
   b. Lot
   c. Abraham

3. "No, but you did laugh!" (Hint: Genesis 18:14-15).
   a. The Lord
   b. Abraham
   c. Moses

4. "God has made me laugh and all who hear will laugh with me" (Hint: Genesis 21:6).
   a. Hagar
   b. Sarah
   c. Mary

Have An Attitude Of Gratitude

Sunday 25

In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

In the story of the ten lepers the Lord Jesus healed, only one returned to express his gratitude. The Bible says, *"And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks…"* (Luke 17:15-16).

The Lord was so impressed by his attitude that He restored him to complete, perfect health. As God's child, it's important you maintain a grateful heart. When some kind of good is done for you; either a miracle from God or a kind gesture from someone, be quick to show gratitude. It's a godly attitude to have.

Scripture Reading-Colossians 3:15

Let's Pray

Thank you, dear Father, for teaching me through your Word to always express my gratitude, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Monday

26

Be Wise And Do The Right Thing

Don't let anyone look down on you for being young. Instead, make your speech, behavior, love, faith, and purity an example for other believers.

1 Timothy 4:12 GW

Saul, the king of Israel, hated David and tried to kill him. One day, as he journeyed with three thousand men, they stopped to rest in a cave. They didn't realise David and his men where in that same cave. In excitement, David's men advised him to strike Saul. But David didn't, he knew that would be the wrong thing to do (1 Samuel 24:4- 6). How wise! If ever you find yourself in a situation everyone expects you to do the wrong thing, don't listen to them. Rather, be wise and do the right thing even if no one is watching.

Scripture Reading-Matthew 5:14

I'm a child of God and an example to the world of a true believer!

Say This

Be Generous

Tuesday 27

But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

Hebrews 13:16

Generosity is one of the hallmarks of Christianity. Our God is gracious and kind.

You never lose out by giving to others. Rather, when you give, you're blessed (Luke 6:38). The Bible says *"When you give to the poor, it's like lending to the LORD, and the LORD will pay you back"* (Proverbs 19:17 TLB).

Therefore, at every opportunity be prompt to give. In church, you have several opportunities to give and help others. You can ask your parents or Sunday school teacher more about this.

Scripture Reading-2 Corinthians 9:6

Say This

I'm a generous giver; and as I give, I'm blessed. Hallelujah!

Wednesday

28

Be Contented

...Be happy with what you have because God has said, "I will never abandon you or leave you."

Hebrews 13:5 GW

There're people who have so much, yet they're unhappy. Because they're never contented. But there are those who may not have as much, yet they're always thankful and happy. To be contented simply means to be satisfied and happy with what you have.

Therefore, learn to be thankful for what you have. When you live each day full of gratitude, you'll always be happy and full of joy!

Scripture Reading-Matthew 6:30-32

Let's Pray

Thank you, dear Father for all your blessings in my life. I live every day full of gratitude and joy, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Pray For God's People

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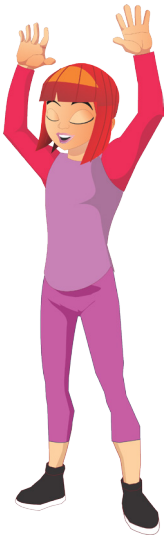
Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

1 Timothy 2:1-2



It's God's desire that you pray for others. As a child of God who's full of the Holy Spirit, you have power in you (Acts 1:8). And when you pray, you can create enough power to change a person's life or situation.

Therefore, at every opportunity to pray for God's people, either during a church meeting or during your personal prayer time, be passionate about it.

Pray for their health, safety and protection. As you pray for them, you're also strengthened, kept safe; for what you make happen for others, God will also make happen for you.

Scripture Reading-Luke 18:1

Let's Pray

Dear Father, I thank you for your people all over the world. I declare that they're kept safe, healthy and protected always, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

The Faith Puzzle

This is an exciting puzzle! Start from the first letter in the blue boxes, but follow the spiral right-ward while in the coloured boxes to discover the words of Elijah to Ahab.

(Hint: 1 Kings 18:41)

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David Defeats Goliath

To answer these questions, first read the story of David and Goliath in 1 Samuel 17. As you read through the verses, you'll find the missing word to each question with the help of the hints provided. Have fun!

1. The people were greatly ..... of Goliath (Hint: 1 Samuel 17:11).
2. The name of the king who gave David permission to fight was ..... (Hint: 1 Samuel 17:37).
3. David chose ..... number of stones (Hint: 1 Samuel 17:40).
4. King Saul put on David a ..... of mail (Hint: 1 Samuel 17:38).
5. David was in charge of keeping his father's ..... safe (Hint: 1 Samuel 17:34).
6. ..... was David's oldest brother (Hint: 1 Samuel 17:28).
7. While David kept his father's sheep, he had killed both a ..... and a bear to protect them (Hint: 1 Samuel 7:36).
8. David ..... the stone and struck the Philistine (Hint: 1 Samuel 17:49).
9. David refused to wear an ..... because he could not walk in them (Hint: 1 Samuel 17:39).
10. There was no sword in the ..... of David (Hint: 1 Samuel 17:50).

Word Search

Some words are written in blue in the Bible verse below. Identify the words in the Word Search box and strike them.

"I am the Lord God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and your descendants."

(Genesis 28:13)

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Titbits

What You Need To Know About Sacraments - Part 2

Last month, we began our special series on What you Need to Know About Sacraments. We learnt what sacraments are and the types we have in the Bible. In this edition, we'd begin looking at them one after the other. Let's begin with Water Baptism.

This will help you understand why you must be baptized in water as a Christian.

WHAT IS BAPTISM?

1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 4:4-5; Romans 6:3-5; 1 Peter 3:21.

The word 'baptise' is derived from the Greek word 'baptizo', which means to 'immerse completely into'.

Titbits

TYPES OF BAPTISM

- **Water Baptism:** Romans 6:3-5; 1 Peter 3:21

- **Baptism by immersion in water:** This is one of the Sacraments of the Church. It is the complete immersion of someone into water. It's an outward manifestation of what happens to someone when he is born again, and baptised into Christ.

It was commanded by the Lord Himself as a sign of faith, showing the world that you have believed, and identified with His death, burial and resurrection.

Have you been baptized by immersion? If your answer is, 'no', see your Children's Church teacher or Church Pastor, they will guide you on what to do.

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SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

1. (b) 25 years
2. (c) 65 years old
3. (c) 137 years old
4. (c) 65 years old

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WHO SAID THIS?

1. (c) Isaac
2. (c) Abraham
3. (a) The Lord
4. (b) Sarah

ANSWERS

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THE FAITH PUZZLE

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Then Elijah said to Ahab, "Go up, eat and drink; for there is the sound of abundance of rain."

1 Kings 18:41

ANSWERS

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DAVID DEFEATS GOLIATH

1. Afraid
2. Saul
3. Five
4. Coat
5. Sheep
6. Eliab
7. Lion
8. Slung
9. Armor
10. Hand

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WORD SEARCH

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(Genesis 28:13)

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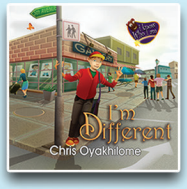

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