



# THE SPEAKING LIFE

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## THE NEW CREATION

**Written by Tracy Nanyonga**

Every human being was designed by God and is loved by Him, but you can only become God's child when you believe in His Son Jesus Christ.

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name"

(John 1:12)

Jesus taught that to become a child of God, you must experience the new birth (John 3:3). This simply means that our old sinful nature is replaced with a nature that wants to please the Lord. Being a child of God comes with many rich and precious promises. First of all, as children of God, our sins are completely paid for and our fellowship with God has been restored. Secondly, we have access to the "throne of grace" through prayer anytime and anywhere with a promise to receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.(Hebrews 4:16). Last but not least, A child of God has an eternity in heaven guaranteed.( Ephesians 1:13-14). Jesus has already paid the entry fee for every person who trusts in His death and resurrection .



# A LIFE BUILT ON GOD'S WORD

Written by Peace Muganire

The Bible is God's word written to us and is profitable or useful to teach us what is true and make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right (2 Timothy 3:16). The WORD prepares us to do life God's way at the workplace, in our personal lives or our relationships. It is a pillar upon which we must build our lives.

Meditating on God's word, day and night and observing to do all that is written, is the only way we can be prosperous and have good success (Joshua 1:8).

As a man thinks so is he; what we constantly think about is manifested in our actions and our thoughts are a direct result of what we feed our mind on.

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think, that is renewing your mind. (Romans 12:2). Our minds can only be renewed by constantly and intentionally building a culture of reading, meditating and acting upon God's word.

Many times you will stumble upon Christians who are complaining and grumbling "Oh I have prayed but God seems not to work for me", "these Christian things seem not to be working". Do not fall prey to deceit. What will actually make a difference is how deep you are grounded in God's word, let all others be liars and our God be true. God's word is living and powerful and sharper than any double edged sword piercing even to the division of soul and spirit. (Hebrews 4:12). This clearly shows that God has put power in his word to do what no man can do. If we are to live victorious Christian lives and see God at work in our lives, then we will have to hold Him by His word.

In addition, every time we quote and confess scripture loudly, angels are quick to heed or respond and perform that which God said. We therefore have to make it a practice to quote scripture out loudly. Question: What will we quote out loudly if we don't have it inscribed on the walls of our hearts?

Let's imagine in the face of temptation, I often think about how the saints in the Bible times were able to stand amidst heavy persecution. I'm not talking about an expulsion from school, I'm talking about someone actually being put in a den of lions. David said, "Your word have I hidden in my heart that I might not sin against You....I will delight in Your principles and not forget Your word.....deal bountifully with Your servant that I may live and keep Your word. (Psalms 119:11-17)

May God give us the grace to build our lives on His word such that our lives will be speaking lives.



## THE GRACE TO REST

Written by Joshua Muwanguzi

It is important to allow yourself to rest for various reasons such as bringing renewed energy to the work you do so that you may serve others well.

Secondly, rest is an avenue through which we can hear God's voice especially when we have to make an important decision. Here are some Bible verses about rest.

Exodus 34:21

'You shall work six days, but on the seventh day you shall rest; even during plowing time and harvest you shall rest.'

Ecclesiastes 4:6

'One hand full of rest is better than two fists full of labour and striving after wind.'

Matthew 6:34

'Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.'

Psalms 127:2

'It is vain for you to rise up early, To retire late, To eat the bread of painful labours; For He gives to His beloved even in his sleep.'

Here are some of the reasons why we should speak words of hope and encouragement; First of all, we help point people to God's promises that assure them that all they face is under God's control. Perhaps they have a hard time seeing His power because life is full of storms and threatening moments. Our words of hope remind them to worry no more for a House built on the Solid Rock is secure. Secondly as children of God, we are the light of the world. By speaking words of Hope, we mend the broken hearts and lift up the downtrodden. This is how we shine God's light into all the world. Furthermore, there is a time for everything and everything on earth has its special season. There is a time to be silent and a time to speak (Ecc 3:7). While there is definitely a time to be silent and listen when walking beside the weak and wounded, there is also time to speak words of encouragement.



## THE POWER OF WORDS

Written by Shiloh Ayesiga

Grief visits all of us who live long and love deeply. When we experience a profound loss, darkness overwhelms us for a while, and it seems as if our purpose for living has vanished.

We're in a world where bad news travels at light speed and good news doesn't; but we also have every reason to live courageously after all, God has promised to love and protect us.

Encouragement is shared with hopes that it will lift someone's heart towards the Lord.

Words of comfort, skillfully administered are the oldest therapy known to man. You might be experiencing the intense pain of a recent loss, If so, be mindful of this fact, as a wounded survivor, you will have countless opportunities to serve others. And by serving others, you will bring purpose and meaning to the suffering you have endured.





# THE POWER TO MAKE WEALTH

Written by **Daniella Bidorho**

But you shall remember the LORD your God: for it is He that gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day."

Deuteronomy 8:18

The power to make wealth comes from us recognising that God is the source of all our possessions. A job or business is only a channel through which we receive, but God is the source. The Bible tells us that the earth and all its fullness is the LORD's and therefore from him, through him and for him are all things. Psalm 24:1, Romans 11:36.

Tithing is the number one way for us to be blessed financially. In Malachi 3, God gives the following promises if we tithe.

Opening the floodgates of heaven - Blessings.

Pouring out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it - Overflow.

Preventing pests from devouring our crops - Protection.

Vines in our fields not dropping their fruit before it is ripe - Sustenance.

All the nations calling us blessed - Visibility of our work.

Unlike tithing which has a specific amount required to give, offerings are a free will. Offerings are generous gifts that we give with a cheerful heart.

Besides Tithes and Offerings, The Word of God also urges us to contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality which implies sharing what we have with those in need and He commands us to do this secretly so as not to take away the dignity of our brothers and sisters.

It is important to emphasise that when giving do not expect to receive back from the same place or person. Disappointments from such expectations have shuttered many people who were cheerful givers. The word of God doesn't say that wherever you sow you shall reap but it gives us an assurance that whatsoever you sow you shall reap, It is possible to sow in the South and you reap from the East. Give for the sake of God's name and as a way to extend God's love to humanity. Therefore the Key aspect for our sacrifice to be pleasant and acceptable to God is having the right intentions and motives



# VICTORIOUS ENDURANCE

Written by **Jeremiah Afaayo**

Whenever we come into times of trial, we need to consider carefully how Jesus faced such intense opposition from sinners who opposed their own souls, so that we won't become worn down and cave in under life's pressures. Some of our trials are the disciplining and training of the Lord. We should always remember that the Lord's training of our lives is the evidence of his faithful love. We should fully embrace God's correction as part of our training, for he is doing what any loving father does for his children.

This we know that God comforts us in our tribulation so that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted of God. If troubles weigh us down, that just means that we will receive even more comfort to pass on to others for their deliverance! For the comfort pouring into us empowers us to bring comfort to others. And with this comfort upholding us, they too can endure victoriously the same suffering that we experience. One thing we should always remind ourselves in trials is we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul. (Hebrews 10:39)



# PRAISE REPORT

Compiled by **Frank Lutwama**

Praise God Redeemed Life family, My name is Mercy. Last year I cried to God for a new job because my current one then made me get into loss after loss. I had to work for free so that I could pay up the losses and this became an endless cycle. But God remembered me during that time and I got connected for a job according to my profession. Now I feel fulfilled because not only are my finances better, but my relationship with God is growing stronger.