

EAT · BREATHE · & PRAY



JOURNAL

Prioritise your day around God's word and His presence



VOLUME 9

This Journal Belongs To...

'This book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for Yahweh your God is with you wherever you go.' Joshua 1:8-9

Welcome

To your Thematic Journey Through The Bible In One Year
Journal!

I'm so excited to be bringing this Eat Breathe & Pray Journal to
you!

You are about to embark on an exciting journey into a much
greater understanding of, and familiarity with the Word of God,
and a deeper awareness of His presence, both with you and in
you.

I've designed this journal to help you prioritise the time You
spend in God's Word and in His presence, as you read through
God's Word in one year; and to help you keep a record of the
focus of your prayer life from day to day, and throughout the
year, so you can see how that focus changes as you spend
more time in His word and in His presence; and begin to co-
labour with Abba Father in prayer.

I love and appreciate you so much!
Be blessed, and be a blessing!

Jenner

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Undated Planner

This planner has been left undated so that you can start your Thematic Journey Through The Bible In One Year at any time. You can pick up wherever we're at with the live broadcasts, or start from the beginning, and listen along with the recordings.

The year is broken up into 4 quarters of 3 Journals: 31 days, 30 days and 30 days; Journal 12 will have 30 days +1 to make up 365 calendar days.

When starting at the beginning, the date that you start your journey on becomes Day 1 in your journal.

There are five **The Week Of** pages at the end of each journal; these give you the week-in-view on one side and an I Get To Do list on the other, and can be placed at the beginning of each calendar week throughout the journal.

Day 1 – Genesis 1-3

Daily Planner *Satur day: July 19*

You will need to fill in the **Year**-in View and **Month**-in-View based on the Year and month that you start.

Month *July* Year *2026*

Many of the journals will need to incorporate dates from two months, either starting with a few days from the previous month, or ending with days from the next month.

Start your thematic journey through the Bible whenever you are ready!

How To Use

24-Hour Planner

The 24-Hour Day Planner is to help you prioritize your day around spending time in God's Word and in His presence; and to provide a place for you to record the times God calls you to pray with Him, no matter what the time, day or night.

Use your planner to schedule the journal elements you want to include in your day.

Start slowly with as many as you're comfortable with, and build from there.

The more time you spend in God's word and in His presence, the more elements you will want to incorporate into your day.

Prayer Focus

A Prayer Focus is the conversation that is going on throughout the day between your spirit and the Spirit of God. This conversation occurs in the background as we go about our day, but by intentionally bringing that conversation to the forefront of our attention, we start to actively co-labor with Yahweh to pray what is on His heart for that day.

There are two pages at the end of each day to record the focus of your prayers, so that over the year, as you spend more time in God's word and His presence, you can see how the focus of your prayers change from being needs/requests focused to praying from the heart of the Father God.

Bible Reading

This is a daily thematic journey through the Bible in one year. These readings are divided up into seven themed groups; the books of the Law, The books of History, the Psalms, The Books of Poetry, The books of Prophecy, the Gospels, and The Epistles. Read the daily passages from Scripture in your own time or join us online on the Eat Breathe & Pray Journal YouTube Channel, Facebook page, or Podcast.

Memory Verse

There is a memory verse provided for each day; You choose how many you want to memorize. One per week equals 52 verses by the end of the year; one per day will be 364 verses. You choose what works for you.

Bible Study

These Bible studies are not designed to spoon-feed you what we want you to know about the Word of God, but rather to stimulate a hunger for the Word, and encourage you to delve into the study of the Word for yourself. Each Bible study gives you the opportunity to delve deeper into the readings for that day. Please give yourself time to make notes of what Yahweh highlights to you, and to read the verses that are mentioned in each study, as well as researching and answering the questions for each day.

Daily Devotion

Make time for the Devotional when you can still yourself in God's presence and meditate on His word. There are scripture references in each devotion that you will need to look up and read for yourself; these are key verses for gaining understanding in each devotion.

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Day 244 – John 10-12

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*The mountains melt
like wax at the presence of YHWH, at the
presence of the Lord of all
the earth.' Psalm 97:5*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"And Jesus answered them, saying, The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it to life eternal. If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also: if anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him." John 12:23-26

Daily Devotion

"If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; but if I do them, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, so that you may know and continue knowing that the Father is in Me, and I in the Father." John 10:37-38

The tenth chapter of the book of John focuses on Jesus as the Good Shepherd, and a shepherd is judged, not by his words, but by his works (John 10:37-38).

Jesus declares Himself to be the Good Shepherd (John 10:1-4), not just to the people of Israel but to all peoples (John 10:14-18, John 11:51-52).

Jesus declares that His works testify of Him, that He is one with God (John 19:24-30).

What do our works testify of us?

Prayer:

Abba Father, may my works testify to those who see them, that I am Your child. Thank You, that Jesus' testimony was true, that His testimony was confirmed by His works and by Your testimony of Him. I ask that You would continue to work in me until the day that my works testify that I am Yours. Amen.

Bible Study

"Jesus wept" (John 11:35).

We very often hear messages based on Luke 10:38-42, comparing Mary and Martha; Martha who is worried and bothered by so many things, and Mary who chose to sit at Jesus' feet, who chose the better part.

But how often do we see the comparison between Martha and Mary when Lazarus dies, that is not coloured by the account in Luke?

Martha and Mary are two very different people, but they balance each other out:

Martha had the greater comprehension of and faith in Jesus. They both say the same thing when they meet Jesus but Martha goes on to declare her knowledge of who He is and her faith in His ability to save her brother even now, and her sincere desire for Him to grow her faith (John 11:20-27). But she is ultimately practical and this is at war with her faith (John 11:39-40).

Mary, on the other hand, does not have the faith to believe that Jesus can raise her brother from the dead. All she can do is weep, and it is her grief, and her passion and love for Him in the midst of her grief, that moves Jesus' heart (John 11:32-38). And afterwards, she has no words to express her thanks, so she worships Him with her actions (John 12:1-3).

Martha's knowledge and faith are powerful, and she has a teachable heart, so Jesus grows her knowledge and faith, but Mary's worship is what moves His heart.

Discuss:

Questions:

1. What is more important, faith or love?
2. What Scripture confirms your answer?

Answers:

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Day 245 – 2 Timothy 1-2

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"One thing I have asked from YHWH, that I shall seek That I may dwell in the house of YHWH all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of YHWH and to inquire in His temple." Psalm 27:4

Notes:

Memory Verse:

*'Nevertheless, the firm foundation of God stands, having this seal,
'The Lord knows those who are His,' and, 'Everyone who names the name of
YHWH is to depart from wickedness.' 2 Timothy 2:19*

Daily Devotion

"You therefore, my child, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also." 2 Timothy 2:1-2

In these verses, we see the pattern of discipleship clearly portrayed. Paul disciplined and taught Timothy; Timothy is to entrust what he's been taught to faithful men; those men will teach others, and a part of that teaching is teaching them to pass on what they have learned.

Don't be a headhunter for Christ; don't think about how many "notches" you can make in your belt. The gospel of the kingdom is not about ticking off the number of decisions for Christ you've achieved; it's about discipling others, about passing on what you have learned, and teaching them to do the same. It is better to disciple only one or two people who will grow to maturity in Christ Jesus, than to win a thousand decisions for Christ who all fall away or never grow to maturity.

There are many great evangelists who led thousands of people at a time to decisions for Christ, but the ones who made the biggest impact were those who worked with local churches to have discipleship programs set up before their meetings, so that those who gave their lives to the Lord would have places they could go to be disciplined and taught in the ways of God.

Prayer: Abba Father, help me not to be so concerned with saving souls that I forget to make disciples, to get so focused on the gospel of repentance for the forgiveness of sins that I fail in the gospel of the kingdom, the gospel of Your Son Yeshuah. Abba, bring across my path those who I am to disciple, those who will then disciple others. Teach me to not just make disciples but to make disciplers. Amen.

Bible Study

"Guard, through the Holy Spirit who dwells in us, the treasure which has been entrusted to you. " 2 Timothy 1:14

What is this treasure that Paul is speaking of? The gift that Timothy is to kindle afresh (2 Timothy 1:6-8)? In Philippians, Paul calls it the prize (Philippians 3:13-14).

In Romans, Paul states that the gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ (Romans 6:23). If the gift of God is eternal life, how can it also be our calling? It is because they are one and the same. It is the salvation and calling of God, the holy calling that can only be fulfilled by the power of the Spirit of God (2 Timothy 1:9). Our calling is to walk out the eternal life that God has given to us. Walking in holiness, even as He is holy (1 Peter 1:15-16), trusting that it is God who will do the work through you, by the power of His Spirit (Philippians 2:13, 1 Thessalonians 5:24), walking by faith and not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7). And in so doing, we will do those good works that God has prepared for us to walk in (Ephesians 2:10). Our calling is to live abundantly the eternal life that God has given to us as a gift here and now on this mortal plane (John 10:10). This is the treasure, the prize of our calling!

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Questions:

1. How often do we think of God's calling on our lives as a gift, a treasure, a prize?
2. Are you ready to walk in the abundance of eternal life, right now?

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Day 246 – Numbers 10–12

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*The plans of God are
only revealed in the presence of God.
Mark Batterson*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"And He said, 'Hear now my words: If there is a prophet among you, I, YHWH, shall make Myself known to him in a vision. I shall speak with him in a dream. Not so, with my servant Moses, he is faithful in all My household: with him I speak mouth to mouth, indeed clearly, and not in riddles, and he beholds the form of YHWH. Why then were you not afraid to speak against My servant, against Moses?'" Numbers 12:6-8

Daily Devotion

"Now when you go out to war in your land against the adversary who attacks you, then you shall sound an alarm with the trumpets, that you may be remembered before YHWH your God and saved from your enemies. Also in the day of your gladness and in your appointed feasts, and on the first days of your months, you shall blow the trumpets over your burnt offerings and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; and they shall be as a remembrance of you before your God. I am YHWH your God. " Numbers 10:9-10

Moses was commanded by YHWH to make two silver trumpets to be used for the gathering together of the people of Israel and to send them out (Numbers 10:1-8). But the most fascinating part of their use we see in the verse highlighted for the Devotion; it is to remind YHWH of the people of Israel, to bring them to His remembrance, both when they go out to war and when they are celebrating. This was the final detail of all the commands and ordinances that YHWH gave to Moses before the people of Israel set out from the wilderness of Sinai, the final detail in forming the people of Israel into the nation of Israel.

How often do we only turn to God when things are difficult, only bring ourselves to His remembrance when we're in trouble? But like the Israelites, we need to bring ourselves to YHWH's remembrance when we go out to war, and also in the day of our gladness. And like the people of Israel, we are being made into a nation, a kingdom of priests to YHWH, and need to be listening for the sound of the trumpet call, the call to set out, the call to assemble to Him.

Prayer: Abba Father, thank You, that You want to be a part of both my warfare, so that You can bring me success; and also my celebrations, so that they can be a remembrance of me before You, and that thought is more wonderful than I can bear, that You want to keep remembrances of Your people, Your children, of me. I want to live my life dressed in readiness for the sound of Your trumpet blast, when You will gather Your people to Yourself.

Amen.

Bible Study

"But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of YHWH were prophets, that YHWH would put His Spirit upon them!'"
Numbers 11:29

The people of Israel are weeping and complaining because all they have to eat is manna, and are saying how much better things were in Egypt. Moses has had enough, and asks YHWH to take his life rather than allow him to suffer these people any longer. The response that Moses gets is to gather together seventy men whom he knows to be elders of the people and bring them to the tent of meeting, and YHWH will take some of His Spirit from Moses and place it upon the seventy men (Numbers 11:16-17).

There are some who would have gotten upset at the thought of their power and authority being shared with others, but Moses was glad to have others to help share the burden (Numbers 11:24-28). And this is where we came in: Moses' response to Joshua's concern shows just why he was called more humble than any man (Numbers 12:3). "Would that all the people of YHWH were prophets, that YHWH would put His Spirit upon them!" Here Moses is speaking prophetically about the time of the pouring out of the Spirit of YHWH upon Jesus' disciples in the upper room, and the subsequent baptism in the Holy Spirit that spread throughout the church and was seen as a sign of being a disciple of Jesus (Acts 1:5, 2:1-4, 38, 8:15-18, 10:44-45).

It is also a prophecy that would be restated by the prophet Joel, speaking of the end times, "...before the great and awesome day of YHWH comes" (Joel 2:28-32).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Are the giving of the Spirit at Pentecost, and the outpouring of the Spirit prophesied by Joel, the same event?
2. How does Moses' attitude differ from many church leaders?

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Day 247 – 1 Chronicles 20–24

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Notes:

Memory Verse:

"Now, my son, YHWH be with you that you may be successful, and build the house of YHWH your God just as He has spoken concerning you. Only YHWH give you insight and understanding, and give you command over Israel, so that you may keep the law of YHWH your God. Then you will succeed, if you are careful to do the statutes and the judgements which YHWH commanded Moses concerning Israel. Be strong and courageous, do not fear nor be dismayed." 1 Chronicles 22:11-13

Daily Devotion

"Then the angel of YHWH said to Gad to say to David, that David should go up and erect an altar to YHWH on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite." 1 Chronicles 21:18

The angel of the Lord has just passed through the people of Israel and destroyed 70,000 because of David's sin, when Satan stood up against Jerusalem (1 Chronicles 21:1). When David looks out and sees the angel standing at the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite, with his sword stretched out over Jerusalem (1 Chronicles 21:16-18).

This is where we see Jerusalem about to be established as the place where YHWH places His name; this is the beginning. It starts with YHWH's command to build an altar (1 Chronicles 21:18); then when David sees that YHWH answered him in that place, he sacrifices there (1 Chronicles 21:28). David recognises that this place, and the city of Jerusalem are favoured by YHWH, and realises that this is the place to build the house of YHWH (1 Chronicles 22:1-5).

However there are two things of interest that occur in the midst of these events, that form and inform them. The first we see in 1 Chronicles 21:18-24. David refuses to give anything to YHWH that does not belong to him, or sacrifice anything that has not cost him (v. 24). The site of the Temple was legitimately purchased for the true value of the land. And second: Although the tent of meeting, the tabernacle that Moses had made in the wilderness was at the high place in Gibeon, David was not willing to go there to sacrifice because of the sword of the angel of YHWH (1 Chronicles 21:16, 29-30).

So, why was it important for the place to be legally and legitimately owned? Why was David afraid of the sword of the angel of YHWH? And how did YHWH redeem David's sin?

Prayer: Abba Father, thank You that even the gravest error in judgement on our part can be redeemed by You when we act faithfully toward You. That when the enemy stands against a place or a person, that is when You are about to establish Your kingdom there. Amen

Bible Study

"Then Satan stood up against Israel and incited David to number Israel. " 1 Chronicles 21:1

When Satan stands against a person or a people to incite them to sin, it is usually just before YHWH is about to move on their behalf, fulfill His word, or reveal to them His will or His way. And this occasion is no exception.

King David succumbed to the temptation, despite the objections of Joab (1 Chronicles 21:5-6) and brought YHWH's judgement on the people of Israel (1 Chronicles 21:7). And things could have gone very badly for David and Israel at this point. But David's response is one of immediate repentance and placing Himself and the people in YHWH's hands (1 Chronicles 21:8-15). And then, when he sees the extent and severity of the judgement, it becomes one of intercession for the people (1 Chronicles 21:16-17). And this is so important, because in doing so, in coming before YHWH in humility and repentance, and in intercession for the people, the defeat was turned into a victory; because in this moment, YHWH reveals to David the place where He has chosen to place His name, fulfilling the word He spoke to the people of Israel, just before they crossed over the Jordan to enter the promised land (Deuteronomy 12:5-9, 1 Chronicles 21:18, 22:1-2).

It is far better that we don't succumb to temptation, particularly when God is about to move and fulfill His word to us; but if we do, our response in that moment is vitally important.

YHWH is able to redeem our errors in judgement if we come to Him in repentance and humility, placing ourselves in His hands for His kindness and severity, He will transform our defeat into His victory.

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Who is our advocate with the Father
2. What is the Scripture reference to back that up?

Answers:

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Day 248 – Psalms 105–107

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*Be still in YHWH and
wait patiently for Him do not fret because of
him who prospers in his way, because of the
man who carries out schemes of wickedness.*

Psalms 37:7

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"O give thanks to YHWH, for He is good, for His lovingkindness endures forever. Let the redeemed of YHWH say so, whom He has redeemed from the hand of the adversary and gathered from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south." Psalm 107:1-3

Daily Devotion

"And He remembered for them His covenant, and relented according to the abundance of His lovingkindness." Psalm 106:45

How often, when you are going through the midst of a difficult or trying time, are you unable to remember YHWH's promises to you, and everything else that you're going through is occupying your full attention? It is at those times that the abundance of YHWH's lovingkindness and compassion is shown to us, and YHWH Himself remembers for us His covenant, His promises to us (Psalm 106:44-46).

One of the best examples of this is the rainbow that YHWH set in the sky, so that no matter how depraved mankind became, He would see the rainbow and remember His promise to never again destroy all living creatures with flood waters (Genesis 9:11-16).

Prayer: Abba Father, thank You that all of Your promises are yes and amen! And that when I am not able to remember your promises, You remember them for me, and act towards me in faithfulness to Your word and Your character, declaring Your, "Yes!", until I am able to add my, "Amen!". Amen.

Bible Study

"O give thanks to YHWH, call upon His name; make known His acts among the peoples. Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; muse on all His wondrous deeds. Boast in His holy name; let the heart of those who seek YHWH be glad. " Psalm 105:1-3

How are we, as believers, to walk out our salvation in the abundance of the eternal life that He has given us in Christ Jesus?

By giving thanks to YHWH (2 Chronicles 31:2, Psalm 118:1, Colossians 3:17)

Calling upon His name (Genesis 4:26, Joel 2:32, Zephaniah 3:9, Romans 10:13)

Making known His acts among the people (Genesis 18:17-19, Deuteronomy 4:9-10, Joel 1:3, Psalm 105:1, 145:11-12)

Singing praises to Him (Ezra 3:11, Colossians 3:16, Hebrews 13:15)

Musing on His wondrous deeds (Psalm 143:5, 145:5)

Boasting in His holy name (Jeremiah 9:23-24, 1 Corinthians 1:31, 2 Corinthians 10:17)

Being glad in Him (Nehemiah 8:10, Psalm 32:11, 118:24, Isaiah 61:10, Habakkuk 3:18, Philippians 4:4, 1 Peter 1:8-9)

The life of everyone who seeks YHWH ought to be marked by praising and calling upon His name, boasting on Him and gladness in Him; as well as giving thanks for and making known His acts, and musing on His wondrous deeds.

Discuss:

Questions:

1. How does the picture of those who seek YHWH, as seen in Psalm 105:1-3, compare with the image of the average Christian today?
2. How does it add up with the image you see when you look in the mirror?

Answers:

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Day 249 – Proverbs 22

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*'But Moses said to the people: 'Do not fear! Stand by and see the salvation of YHWH which He will accomplish for you today.'
Exodus 14:13a*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"A good name is to be chosen over great wealth, favor is better than silver and gold. The rich and the poor meet together in this - YHWH is the maker of them all." Proverbs 22:1-2

Daily Devotion

"The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is the slave of the lender."
Proverb 22:7

In our society, credit has taken on such a significance that it has become a central pillar of everything in our lives. From a young age, people are taught to take on debt so that they can gain a 'credit' score, because almost everything we do requires a credit check. As an adult, we are expected to take on and maintain a constant level of debt, debt that is incentivized and encouraged. But the Scriptures tell us to be a debtor to no one, except to love one another (Romans 13:8). So why is debt pushed on every citizen in our country? Why has a 'credit' score become so all-important? Why do people make life choices based on how it will affect their 'credit' score?

The answer is here in Proverbs 22:7: "The borrower is the slave of the lender." The United States used to be called "the land of the free", but the American people have not been free for a very long time; not since they became enslaved to systemized debt that keeps the people controllable and willing to do what ever is needed to maintain their 'credit' score. This area of systemic debt is one where we, as believers, need to be in the world but not of the world (Matthew 6:25-34, John 15:18-19, Romans 12:2)

Prayer: Abba Father, set me free from slavery to debt so that I am free to serve You fully, without any encumbrance, being required only to love You with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind and all my strength, and to love others as I love myself. Amen.

Bible Study

"Do you see a man skilled in his work? He will stand before kings; he will not stand before obscure men. He who loves purity of heart and grace on his lips, the king is his friend. " Proverbs 22:29,11

These verses from Proverbs seem so outdated, so contrary to the reality of today's social media driven society, where self-promotion and uninformed opinion seem to hold more weight than skill or character. To start a business these days, you are taught to sell yourself, to grow your following, to not even think about content or product offering until you have enough people following you that you can be an 'influencer'. And then you can spend some time, not much of course, throwing together a product offering, speaking engagements or online courses, about whatever you feel like; it doesn't matter as long as you have enough people following you. To spend time becoming skilled, a craftsman at what you do, is seen as a waste of time and energy, and the knowledge in your area of expertise is easily overruled by the opinion of another who has no knowledge but a significant following. The Scriptures tell us that these things will happen (1 Corinthians 1:19-20, 3:19-21, 2 Timothy 2:15-17a).

Yet there is One who still seeks the presence of those skilled in their work, and who is the friend of those who love purity of heart and gracious speech (Genesis 31:1-6, 2 Chronicles 16:1-9, 2 Timothy 2:15, Colossians 3:17).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. How do these Scriptures highlight how far we, as a society, have departed from God's truth?
2. How are these Scriptures still valid, even in our society today?

Answers:

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Day 250 – Joel 1–3

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Find yourself in the embrace of God's heart ...held and yet reaching out to know His goodness even more.
Milly Bennett (Review of 'Overshadowed' by Virginia Sullivent Killingworth)

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"Yet even now," declares YHWH, "Return to Me with all your heart and with fasting, weeping, and wailing; and tear your heart and not your garments." Now return to YHWH your God, for He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness, and relenting concerning evil. Who knows whether He will not turn and relent and leave a blessing behind Him, even a grain offering for YHWH your God?" Joel 2:12-14

Daily Devotion

"Hear this, O elders, and give ear, all inhabitants of the land. Has anything like this happened in your days or in your fathers' days? Recount about it to your sons, and let your sons recount about it to their sons, and their sons to the next generation." Joel 1:2-3

Does this admonition in Joel sound familiar? It is very similar to Paul's admonition to Timothy in 2 Timothy 2:1-2. The admonition to recount what you have seen, heard, experienced, or learned to others, and to the next generation and to the generation yet to come. Moses made the same admonition to the people of Israel at the giving of the Law (Deuteronomy 4:9, 6:1-9, 11:18-20), and the Psalmist also declares it (Psalm 71:17-18, 78:4-7).

Jesus taught His disciples what He had seen the Father doing and said that they would do greater things than these (John 14:10-12), and then commanded them to teach others to do likewise (Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-18).

For as long as there has been a people set apart as holy to YHWH, this admonition has gone out. We would do well to heed it and act upon it.

Prayer: Abba Father, give me a teachable heart and the ability to pass on what I have learned, and am learning, to the next generation. To declare Your mighty deeds and Your great love and compassion, even to generations yet to be born. Amen.

Bible Study

"Send in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe. Come, tread, for the wine press is full; the vats overflow, for their evil is great. Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of YHWH is near in the valley of decision." Joel 3:13-14

Three times in Joel chapter three, the Valley of Jehoshaphat, or Valley of Decision, is mentioned; three times, he says that the nations will be gathered together there for judgement (Joel 3:1-2, 9-12). The nations will think they are coming to war but they are being summoned by YHWH God, to be judged in the place, the valley of decision.

There are two things to take note of in these passages:

There is only one decision. They are not being gathered to the valley of decisions, but the Valley of Decision. There is one decision the nations of the world need to make: Are they for Israel, or against her? Those nations that are against Israel will gather together in the Valley of Jehoshaphat, the Valley of Decision, to wage war against her, but they are actually being drawn together into one place to be judged by YHWH.

There is only one criteria for judgement on that day. The one thing that the nations will be judged for is their treatment of the people of Israel (YHWH's people) and the land of Israel (YHWH's inheritance). And His judgement will be terrible for those nations that come against Israel, but it will be a day of rejoicing for the sons of Israel, for His people (Joel 3:15-21).

Discuss:

Question:

1. What is the one decision that the nations are making at this time?

Answer:

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Day 251 – John 13–15

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'The most holy and important practice in the spiritual life is the presence of God - that is, every moment to take great pleasure that God is with you.'
Brother Lawrence

Notes:

Memory Verse:

This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends. You are My friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you. John 15:12-15

Daily Devotion

"Now before the Feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that His hour had come that He would depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end. And during supper, the devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon, to betray Him, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come forth from God and was going back to God, got up from supper, and laid aside His garments; and taking a towel, He tied it around Himself. "
John 13:1-4

Why is it that Jesus, though fully man, was tempted in every way as we are, and yet did not sin? What gave Him the strength to overcome, and to go through all that He endured on our behalf?

It was what He knew! Even as a child, Jesus knew who His Father was, and therefore who He was and His purpose on the earth (Luke 2:49, John 4:34). In the above verses, there are several things that we are told Jesus knows: He knows that His hour has come to depart out of this world to the Father. He knows that He has loved His own in the world, to the end. He knows who is going to betray Him. He knows that the Father has given all things into His hands. He knows that He has come from God, and is going back to God. How well do you know who your Father is (Psalm 68:5, Isaiah 64:8, Malachi 2:10, Matthew 6:9, 23:9, Luke 11:2, Galatians 3:26, 1 John 3:1)? How well do you know that all things have been given into your hands (1 Corinthians 3:21-23, 2 Peter 1:3-4)? How well do you know where you have come from and where you are going (John 1:12-13, 3:5-8, Romans 11:36, 1 John 4:4)?

Prayer: Abba Father, cause my relationship with You to continue to grow in intimacy with You, and knowledge of You, so that I will know both who I am, and Whose I am. Teach me. Amen.

Bible Study

"And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate, that He may be with you forever; the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him. You know Him because He abides with you and will be in you." John 14:16-17

We have talked about three different ways that the Spirit of God has been given: 1) the breath of YHWH, when God breathed into man the spirit of life and he became a living being; 2) the anointing of the Spirit of YHWH, the Spirit settling on a person so that they prophecy and are anointed for service or kingship; and 3) the giving of the Spirit at Shavuot(Pentecost), when the Spirit of YHWH came upon the disciples and took up residence in them. This is the Spirit of power that Jesus returned from the desert with, after the temptation in the wilderness. The first two anyone can receive - in fact, everyone needs the first one just to live, and it returns to the Father when they pass away (Genesis 2:7, 3:19, 6:3, Ecclesiastes 12:7). The second one, God places the anointing of His spirit on specific people for a specific purpose. This anointing was temporary while they fill the role of priest, high priest, Judge, king or prophet, but it could be lifted from them at any time due to sin (Judges 14:6, 1 Samuel 11:6, 16:13-14, 1 Kings 18:46, Mathew 3:16). But the last is only for those who know and love Jesus, and the Father; He is the Advocate, the Spirit of truth, the One who will teach us all things and will bear witness of Jesus, bringing to remembrance all that He said. The Advocate sent from the Father will be with us forever (John 14:26, 15:26, Luke 4:1-14).

Dicuss:

Questions:

1. What are the two ways we see the Spirit move Jesus?
2. Did Jesus receive both the anointing of the spirit, and the infilling?

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Day 252 - 2 Timothy 3-4

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*I am as sure as I live that no
thing is so near to me as God. God is nearer
to me than I am to myself. my existence
depends on the nearness and presence of God.
Meister Eckhart*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"Indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. But evil men and imposters will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. But you, continue in the things that you learned and became convinced of, knowing from whom you learned them." 2 Timothy 3:12-14

Daily Devotion

"But know this, that in the last days difficult times will come. For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, without gentleness, without love for good, treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, holding to a form of godliness, but having denied its power. Keep away from such men as these. . . . Always learning and never able to come to a full knowledge of the truth." 2 Timothy 3:1-5,7

Does any of this sound familiar? Although we have seen these behaviours before throughout history, in individuals, or in a nation or society before it comes to ruin, this is the first time in history that we're seeing this on a global level. The last days began with Jesus' death and resurrection and we in our generation may be seeing the last days come to an end (Matthew 24:42-44, Luke 17:24-37, 21:25-28). Our task in these last days is to keep our eyes on Jesus, to seek His face, and listen for His voice continually, so that we can be expressing the heart of compassion of the Father to those who do not yet know Him. While we are in the world, the world will hate us for walking in the way of Christ but we are to respond to them with compassion, speaking the truth in love (2 Timothy 3:12-13, 4:2-5).

Prayer: Abba Father, fill me with Your heart of compassion for the lost, so that when I am reviled for Your name's sake, I respond with love, speaking the words that You give me to speak and handling Your word correctly. The time is short, help me make the most of that time for Your glory. Amen.

Bible Study

"All Scripture is God-breathed and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be equipped, having been thoroughly equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17

The first thing we need to recognise about this passage is that the Scripture

Paul is referring to is what we call the Old Testament: the books of the Law, the books of History, the books of Poetry, and the books of Prophecy. This is what Jesus was referring to when speaking of Himself to both the Pharisees and to His disciples (John 5:39-40, Luke 24:44). If we are not reading and studying the Old Testament Scriptures then we do not know the word of God. And will not be able to accurately handle it (2 Timothy 2:15, 4:2-5).

The second thing we need to recognise is that the Scriptures we have are incomplete. How do we know this? Because there are certain Biblical authors who state that they were commanded to seal up some of their writings until the end (Isaiah 29:11, Daniel 8:26, 12:4,9, Revelation 5:1, 10:4). The other way we know this is that there are many places in the New Testament where writings are referenced but that are not found in the Old Testament. Some of those are found in the apocryphal books but some are from unknown sources. I won't go into the detail of those verses here but encourage you to search them out for yourself.

We cannot limit ourselves to the New Testament and expect to have a working knowledge of YHWH or His word; and certainly will not be able to fully comprehend what Jesus or the apostles were speaking about if we don't know the Scriptures that they are referring to.

Discuss:

Question:

1. Why is so much of the worldwide church biblically illiterate?

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Day 253 – Numbers 13–15

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*The Christian life is to
live all of your life in the presence of God.
R. C. Sproul*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

'Surely all the men who have seen My glory and My signs which I have done in Egypt and in the wilderness, yet have put Me to the test these ten times and have not listened to My voice, shall by no means see the land which I swore to their fathers, nor shall any of those who spurned Me see it. But My servant Caleb, because he has had a different spirit and has followed Me fully, I will bring into the land which he entered, and his seed shall take possession of it.' Numbers 14:22-24

Daily Devotion

"And Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, of those who had spied out the land, tore their clothes; and they spoke to all the congregation of the sons of Israel, saying, 'The land which we passed through to spy out is an exceedingly good land. If YHWH is pleased with us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us — a land which flows with milk and honey. But as for you, only do not rebel against YHWH; and do not fear the people of the land, for they are our bread. Their protection has been removed from them, and YHWH is with us; do not fear them.' " Numbers 14:6-9

The people of Israel are afraid to go in to take possession of the land that YHWH has brought them to because ten of the men who went in to spy out the land became afraid and brought a bad report of the land (Numbers 13:30-33). Their fear spread to the whole congregation, and became so great that they were planning to return to Egypt (Numbers 14:1-5); and when Joshua and Caleb tried to exhort them not to rebel but to believe YHWH, the lie had become so set in their hearts and minds that they were about to stone Caleb and Joshua (Numbers 14:10). To this day, the enemy continues to use fear-based lies to deter the people of YHWH, to keep them from entering into the fullness of what He has for them. We need to be willing, like Caleb and Joshua, to stand up for the truth and for YHWH's word, even at the risk of our own lives, to implore people not to rebel against YHWH but to believe His word.

Prayer: Abba Father, give me the courage and faithfulness of Caleb and Joshua, the courage to stand up and declare the truth when everyone else is turning away. Fill me to overflowing with Your perfect love that casts out all fear so that there is no place for fear in me. Amen.

Bible Study

"YHWH said to Moses, 'How long will this people spurn Me? And how long will they not believe in Me, despite all the signs which I have done in their midst? I will strike them with pestilence and dispossess them, and I will make you into a nation greater and mightier than they.' " Numbers 14:11-12

Once again, Moses is standing in the gap for the people of Israel because of their sin and rebellion. We have no better example of intercessory prayer than Moses' intercession for the people of Israel (Numbers 14:13-19). As a result of Moses' intercession, YHWH relents from destroying them all and pardons their sin, but they do not go without consequences; by their own words, the people will be judged (Numbers 14:28-38).

When Moses spoke these words to the people, they mourned greatly and in the morning decide to try to take the land (Numbers 39-40). The people thought they were being repentant, but instead they were once again rebelling against YHWH. Rather than recognising His kindness and compassion in the judgement He had brought against them, they decided to do in their own strength and their own time what they had refused to do in His.

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Is procrastination a form of rebellion?
2. How often is our "repentance" actually a form of rebellion?

Answers:

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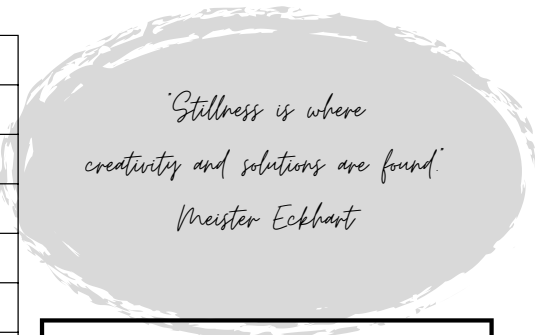
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Day 254 – 1 Chronicles 23–29

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Memory Verse:

'So now, in the sight of all Israel, the assembly of YHWH, and in the hearing of our God, keep and seek after all the commandments of YHWH your God so that you may possess the good land cause your sons after you inherit it forever. As for you, my son Solomon, know the God of your father, and serve Him with a whole heart and a delighted soul; for YHWH searches all hearts, and understands every intent of the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found; but if you forsake Him, He will reject you forever.' 1 Chronicles

28:1-9

Daily Devotion

"Then David said to his son Solomon, 'Be strong and courageous, and act; do not fear nor be dismayed, for YHWH God, my God, is with you. He will not fail you nor forsake you until all the work for the service of the house of YHWH is completed.' " 1 Chronicles 28:20

Over and over in Scripture we see this exhortation, "Be strong and courageous" (Deuteronomy 31:6, Joshua 1:6-9, 2 Chronicles 32:7, Isaiah 35:4, 41:10, Daniel 10:19, Haggai 2:4, John 14:27, Ephesians 6:10). How much more do we need to take this admonition to heart now, in these days that we are walking through, so that we are prepared and ready to speak the word of truth at any time and in any place (2 Timothy 4:1-5)?

Prayer: Abba Father, prepare my heart to be able to be strong and courageous, so that whatever You call me to do I am prepared and willing to do Your will, without hesitation and without thought for myself. Amen.

Bible Study

"Then the people were glad because they had offered so willingly, for they made their freewill offering to YHWH with a whole heart, and King David also was exceedingly glad. " 1 Chronicles 29:9

Extraordinary things happen when God's people give willingly and cheerfully, recognising that all that they have comes from the hand of YHWH, and is being given back to Him for His purposes (1 Chronicles 29:14, 16-18, 2 Corinthians 9:7). But too often we get caught up in how little we have and withhold our giving or give with a grieving heart, focusing on our lack rather than YHWH's abundance. But Scripture shows us that if we give the little we have to YHWH willingly and with a cheerful heart, He will multiply it to our good and His glory (1 Kings 17:7-16, John 6:5-14). It is not the amount that we give but the heart attitude with which we give that invites the power of YHWH into our giving, and that's when He is glorified, and that is what moves Him to act on our behalf (Luke 21:1-4).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Is it easier to give from a place of lack or plenty?
2. Are lack and abundance, physical states or attitudes?

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Day 255 – Psalms 108–110

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*Guard your heart with
all diligence, for from it flow the
springs of life.
Proverbs 4:23*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

My heart is set, O God: I will sing, I will sing praises, even with my glory. Awake, harp and lyre: I will awaken the dawn! I will give thanks to You, O YHWH, among the peoples, and I will sing praises to You among the nations. For Your lovingkindness is great above the heavens, and Your truth reaches to the skies. Be exalted above the heavens, O God, and Your glory above all the earth. Psalm 108:1-5

Daily Devotion

"O God of my praise, do not be silent! For they have opened a wicked mouth and a deceitful mouth against me; they have spoken to me with a lying tongue." Psalm 109:1-2

These are just the first two verses of Psalm 109, which is a prayer for Israel and against her enemies. I can't help but think of the kindness and compassion that Israel showed to Yahya Sinwar and how he has repaid them. Join me in praying this Psalm over Israel and her enemies (Psalm 109:1-31).

Prayer: Abba Father, bless those who bless Israel and curse those who curse her, act according to Your great name, so that all people and nations will know that You are YHWH, the one true and living God. Amen.

Bible Study

"YHWH says to my Lord: 'Sit at My right hand until I put Your enemies as a footstool for Your feet.' YHWH will stretch forth Your strong sceptre from Zion, saying, 'Have dominion in the midst of Your enemies.' " Psalm 110:1-2

Psalm 110 is one of the messianic Psalms that describe the Anointed One, YHWH's anointed king that He will set on His throne in Zion, the Messiah, Mashiach Ben David, the Son of David (Psalm 110 1-7). This is the Messiah that the people of Israel were expecting when Jesus came at the appointed time. This is the same Messiah that we see in Psalm 2, the Messiah that the people of Israel are still waiting for. And this is the same Messiah that will come at any time, to defeat the enemies of Israel and to take His place on the throne of David. This is also the Messiah that Jesus hints to the Pharisees that He is (Matthew 22:41-46).

When Jesus came, He came as the suffering servant, the Messiah, Mashiach Ben Joseph, the Son of Joseph (Isaiah 53:1-12). These are the two "types" of the Messiah that are found in Scripture. Many of the people of Israel did not recognise Jesus as their Messiah because they were expecting Him to come as their victorious king, to defeat their earthly enemies and establish the throne of David. Many in the church are in danger of missing the signs of His coming again, as they are looking for him to return as the suffering servant, who did not come to judge the world but to save it (John 3:17, 12:47). But when Jesus returns, the time of the Gentiles will be complete and He will come to save Israel and judge the nations (Joel 3:1-2, 12-14).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Who are you expecting to come, "Gentle Jesus, meek and mild"? or "the Lion of the Tribe of Judah"?
2. Will there be the opportunity to choose to follow Jesus once He comes again?

Answers:

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Day 256 – Proverbs 23–24

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*'Be still in YHWH and
wait patiently for Him.'
Psalm 37:7a*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

YHWH always. Surely there is a future, and your hope will not be cut off.
You, my son, listen and be wise, and direct your heart in the way:

Proverbs 23:17-19

Daily Devotion

"Deliver those who are being taken away to death, and those who are stumbling to the slaughter, Oh hold them back. If you say, 'Behold, we did not know this,' does not He who weighs the hearts understand? And does not He who guards your soul know? And will not He render to man according to his work?" Proverbs 24:11-12

We tend to think of the Great Commission as being a New Testament concept, but this sounds a whole lot like the Great Commission to me. But what do you think of as the Great Commission? We tend to think of the Great Commission as being Jesus' last instructions to His disciples before His ascension (Matthew 28:16-20, Mark 16:14-18, Luke 24:44-49, John 20:19-23). But in truth, the Great Commission began to be fulfilled when Jesus returned from the wilderness in the power of the Holy Spirit, and entered the temple and was given the scroll, and read in the hearing of all present Isaiah 61:1-2, at the beginning of His public ministry (Luke 4:14-21). And this is what Jesus was teaching His disciples throughout His ministry (Matthew 10:5-9, Luke 9:1-6, 10:1-16). But its origins go back long before that, even to the foundation of the world (1 Peter 1:17-21, Revelation 5:6-10, 13:8, 17:8). The Great Commission has been on going since YHWH knew that mankind would sin, choosing the curse and death over the blessing and life.

Prayer: Abba Father, I declare with the prophet Isaiah, and with Jesus our Messiah, "The Spirit of Lord YHWH is upon me because YHWH anointed me to bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim the release of captives and freedom to prisoners, to proclaim the favourable year of YHWH and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn". Thank You that You have equipped me with all that I need to fulfill this Great Commission. Amen.

Bible Study

"Do not move the ancient boundary and do not come into the fields of the orphans, for their Redeemer is strong; He will plead their case against you. " Proverbs 23:10-11

At this time, the rulers of the nations are trying desperately to tell Israel that the land must be divided up and even more of their land given to those who are seeking to destroy them. But YHWH declares over and over in Scripture that the ancient boundaries are not to be moved (Deuteronomy 19:14, Proverbs 22:28). YHWH makes clear the boundaries of the land He is giving to the people of Israel; that this land is His possession and inheritance, and that there is a curse upon those who move those boundaries (Exodus 23:31, Deuteronomy 27:17). And yet the enemies of Israel seek to take the land for themselves and the nations plan and devise ways to divide up YHWH's inheritance. Even some in Israel have given up portions of the land in the hope of buying peace from their neighbours, and in so doing brought on themselves the displeasure of God by despising their birthright, just as Esau did (Genesis 25:27-34, Hebrews 12:16). One of the things that the nations will be judged for is that they divided up the land of YHWH's inheritance (Joel 3:1-2)

Discuss:

Questions:

1. What are the ancient boundaries of the land YHWH gave to Israel?
2. How do they compare to Israel's borders today?

Answers:

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Day 257 – Amos 1-4

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*'Surely wait in silence for God. O my
soul, for my hope is from Him.'
Psalm 62:5*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"Therefore thus I will do to you, O Israel: because I will do this to you, prepare to meet your God, O Israel! For behold, He who forms mountains and creates the wind and declares to man what are His thoughts, He who makes dawn into gloom and treads on the high places of the earth, YHWH God of hosts is His name." Amos 4:12-13

Daily Devotion

"The words of Amos, who was among the shepherders from Tekoa, which he beheld in visions concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam son of Joash, king of Israel, two years before the earthquake." Amos 1:1

The first thing we notice about Amos is that he is not a prophet, he is not of any of the schools of the prophets and he is not a Levite or priest. Amos is a shepherd, and later we learn that he is a grower of sycamore figs (Amos 7:14-15). When YHWH spoke to Amos, he was obedient to speak what YHWH showed him, in fact in Amos' own words, "Lord YHWH has spoken! Who can but prophesy?" (Amos 3:8).

When YHWH speaks to you, don't let your background or lack thereof keep you from doing what He has told you. Like Amos, and Elijah and Elisha before him, know that your authority to speak the word of YHWH comes from YHWH Himself, before Whom you stand (1 Kings 17:1, 18:15, 2 Kings 3:14, 5:16). YHWH's ability to speak through you is not dependent on the courses you've taken, or your role at church, or if you've been ordained or anointed to serve by others; it is dependent on how you position yourself before Him.

Prayer: Abba Father, thank You that You are not looking for those with degrees, or the favour of man; but You are looking for those who love You and Your word; who delight themselves in Your presence and listen for Your voice; who love You enough to be obedient when You speak, and declare with Amos, "YHWH has spoken! Who can but prophecy?" Amen.

Bible Study

“Surely Lord YHWH does nothing unless He reveals His secret counsel to His slaves the prophets. A lion has roared! Who will not fear? Lord YHWH has spoken! Who can but prophecy?” Amos 3:7-8

So often in the church we hear Amos 3:7 used as an encouragement to God’s people, that YHWH will not do anything that He hasn’t already revealed to His prophets; that we have the edge on the rest of the world because we know the end of the story; and while this is true, it is not the focus of what Amos is saying. To get a better idea of what he is saying, we need to look back at Amos 2:11-12. This is a part of YHWH’s rebuke against Israel, who have tried to silence the voice of the prophets so that they will not hear YHWH’s rebuke, or the things He has prepared to punish them for their rebellion and feigned obedience to His Law and statutes (Amos 4:4-5, 11-13). Amos is declaring that because they did not listen to the voice of YHWH through the prophets, repent of their sins and turn back to Him, they have no excuse, because the voice of YHWH has gone out, even through a shepherd and farmer of sycamore figs. YHWH has made His voice heard and His judgements known (Amos 1:1, 7:14-15).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Does anyone have the excuse that they have not heard the voice of YHWH?

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'These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.' John 16:33

Notes:

Memory Verse:

'Therefore you too have sorrow now but I will see you again, and your heart will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you. And on that day you will not question Me about anything. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you. Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made complete.' John 16:22-24

Daily Devotion

"These things I have spoken to you so that you may be kept from stumbling These things I have spoken to you, so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you of them . . . These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world." John 16:1, 4a, 33

Jesus is preparing His disciples, not just the ones who are walking with Him at that time but all those who will come afterwards through their testimony, for the task and the tribulations that are ahead of them (John 17:16-20). He is giving them what they will need to keep from stumbling, to remember and to have peace in the midst of tribulation. Many in today's church are expecting Jesus to come and take them out of the world before the great tribulation begins, but what the Scriptures tell us is that just as the last days began when Jesus died and rose again; so too, the tribulation began with Jesus' death on the cross. Even though almost all of Jesus' remaining disciples died violent deaths at the hands of either the religious Jews or the Romans, He states in His prayer that not one of them perished except the son of perdition (John 17:12). He also prayed that the Father would not take us out of the world, but that He would keep us from the evil one (John 17:15). Jesus has given us all that we need to fight the good fight, but to do that we need to be aware that we are in the midst of a war. One of the enemies' tactics to keep us from the fight is to convince us that we are still waiting for the war to begin. The tribulation is not coming, it already is.

Prayer: Abba Father, open our eyes to see the battle that is raging around us, not so we become fearful but so that we will not stumble; remembering all that Jesus has done on our behalf, all that He has given to us and for us; knowing that in the world we will have tribulation, we will recognise that we are not of this world and take courage, knowing that Jesus has overcome it, and in Him we will have peace.

Amen.

Bible Study

"Truly, truly, I say to you, that you will cry and lament but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will be turned into joy. Whenever a woman is in labour she has sorrow, because her hour has come; but when she gives birth to the child, she no longer remembers the suffering because of the joy that a child has been born into the world. Therefore you too have sorrow now; but I will see you again, and your heart will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you." John 16:20-22

Like many of the things that Jesus spoke, these verses have applications on several levels: The immediate, natural level of what the disciples are about to go through, and their joy when Jesus reveals Himself to them after His resurrection. Also the spiritual application, as it applies to the grief of sin and the joy of new life in Christ. And lastly, the prophetic end times application.

When Jesus is talking about the signs of His return, He says, "These are just the beginning of birth pains" (Matthew 24:3-14). If they are the beginning of birth pains, then those birth pains will continue, they will grow stronger and closer together and much more painful before Jesus' return. It is at this time that we need to remember all that Jesus said, and all the He did for us, so that we can endure to the end, and when those birth pains are strongest we can look up, knowing that our salvation is near (Luke 21:20-28).

When birth pangs begin, you don't just keep going about life as usual, you get ready to give birth, you put aside everything else and focus on only one thing. On the arrival of the child. Our attention as believers needs to be focused on this one thing, the imminent arrival of our Redeemer. There will be grief, and tears, things will be tough as the time draws near, but that we endure for the joy set before us (Hebrews 12:2).

Discuss:

Questions:

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1. Why is the example of childbirth and labor such an apt description for us today?

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Day 259 – Titus 1-3

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*Learning to be quiet before the Lord
is one of the greatest challenges we face
today in our quest to enter in and
experience true intimacy with Him.*

James Goll

Notes:

Memory Verse

"For we ourselves also once were foolish, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, despicable, hating one another. But when the kindness and affection of God our Saviour appeared, He saved us, not by works which we did in righteousness, but according to His mercy, through the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that having been justified by His grace, we would become heirs according to the hope of eternal life." Titus 3:3-7

Daily Devotion

"Older men are to be temperate, dignified, sensible, sound in faith, in love, in perseverance." Titus 2:2

These words Paul is speaking to older men, but they are words that each of us should be looking to attain to. Don't get me wrong, temperate, dignified, and sensible doesn't mean we can't enjoy ourselves or be adventurous; quite the contrary, when we are walking out these attributes, our enjoyment and adventure are that much richer because we don't need outside stimuli to enjoy ourselves, and we don't need to take unnecessary risks in our adventures to feel fulfilled. But these last three, we should all be working towards attaining. These attributes are the hallmarks of our faith and the mark of those who are the disciples of Christ. Would that all those who call themselves by the name of Christ displayed these attributes in every aspect of their lives.

Prayer: : Abba Father, let my everyday life be an example of soundness in faith, in love and in perseverance; and my adventures and enjoyment be marked by temperance, dignity and good sense. So that in all I do and say, my life is glorifying to You and a testimony to new life in Christ. Amen.

Bible Study

"To the pure, all things are pure, but to those who are defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure, but both their mind and their conscience are defiled." Titus 1:15

To the pure, all things are pure.

The first time in Scripture that we see this clearly is when Adam and Eve first sinned. Up to that point, they had been naked and unashamed (Genesis 2:25), but once they had given way to temptation and eaten of the forbidden fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, suddenly they were aware of their nakedness and were ashamed (Genesis 3:1-10). Their circumstances hadn't changed but their perception of them had. Sin corrupts the way we see everything and hinders our ability to believe; it corrupts both our conscience and our mind (Ephesians 4:25-27, 1 Peter 5:8, James 4:7).

We are pure for we have been cleansed by the blood of Messiah, and clothed in His righteousness (Psalm 51:7, Isaiah 1:18, Matthew 26:28, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Hebrews 9:14,22, 1 John 1:7, Revelation 1:5). Let's walk in purity of heart, soul, mind and body (Mark 12:30).

To the pure, all things are pure.

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Does “to the pure all things are pure” mean that we can do whatever we want and call it pure before God?

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Day 260 – Numbers 16–18

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*Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden,
and I will give you rest. Take a yoke upon you
and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble
in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.*

Matthew 11:28-30

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"Then YHWH said to Aaron, 'You shall have no inheritance in their land nor own any portion among them: I am your portion and your inheritance among the sons of Israel.'" Numbers 18:20

Daily Devotion

"Out of all your gifts you shall raise up every contribution offering due to YHWH, from all the best of them, the sacred part from them." Numbers 18:29

The contributions to YHWH were: For Aaron and his sons, all the best that the people of Israel offered before YHWH (Numbers 18:8-13). To the rest of the sons of Levi went the tithe offered by the people of Israel, and out of that, the very best was given by the Levites to Aaron and his sons, the tithe of the tithe (Numbers 18:21, 25-31). All of the offerings that were given to Aaron as his inheritance were the best of what the people had. The tithe, however, was random: Of the sheep, goats and cattle, every tenth animal that passed under the rod was given as the tithe, the tenth part of the harvest, of grain, oil, produce and wine, but out of the very best of that, the Levites were to bring their own tithe (Malachi 3:10). How often do we think to give the very best of what we have or have produced to YHWH? We are comfortable with offering a tithe of what we earn for the service of the church, but our High Priest deserves the very best we have to offer. How often, in our spiritual accounting, do we remember to give Him our very best?

Prayer: Abba Father, help me to remember that as my High Priest, Jesus deserves the very best I have to offer, the very best I can produce. Help me to never neglect the tithe, or the promise You attached to it, but let that be the minimum, the baseline of my giving. Shift my thinking so that I delight in giving You the very best of what I have and what I produce. Amen.

Bible Study

“Then they assembled together against Moses and Aaron, and said to them, ‘You have gone far enough, for all the congregation are holy, every one of them, and YHWH is in their midst; so why do you exalt yourselves above the assembly of YHWH?’” Numbers 16:3

I don’t know about you but if I was in Moses’ and Aaron’s position, I would be very tempted to just throw my hands in the air and say, “I’ve had enough! Do what You want with these people!” But Moses once again humbles himself (Numbers 16:4–5). The people are speaking against Aaron and Moses and wanting to be where they are and accusing them falsely, and blaming them for the consequences of their own sins (Numbers 16:3, 12–14). Moses’ response is to place himself and Aaron in YHWH’s hands and to let Him decide (Numbers 16:8–11), and even though Moses gets angry with the people, he and Aaron still stand in the gap for them when YHWH says He will destroy them all instantly (Numbers 16:20–24, 31–33). You would think that that would put an end to the grumbling, but the very next day the people were at it again (Numbers 16:41) and this time YHWH acts swiftly, and it is only Moses and Aaron’s quick intervention that saves any of them (Numbers 16:45–50).

The sin of the peoples of all nations has grown to such an extent that we, as YHWH’s holy people, His kingdom of priests, must be willing to stand in the gap, to intercede on behalf of the peoples, entrusting ourselves into His hands to defend and deliver us, as false accusations or blame are leveled at us, simply because we are His. The people of Israel are enduring that same fate at this time – false accusations and false blame being leveled at them from those who seek to destroy them, and also by the international community. We can be interceding for them also, that they will, as a nation, come to the place where they, like Moses, humbly place themselves in YHWH’s hands. We have two great examples of intercession in Moses and Aaron: Moses took His stand before YHWH, Aaron took his stand between the living and the dead; these are the two places that we, as His servants, need to take our stand also.

Discuss:

Questions:

1. How do you know when to take your stand before the face of YHWH, and when to run into the mist of the people and stand between the living and the dead?

Answers:

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Day 261 – 2 Chronicles 1-5

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*YHWH your God is in
your midst, a mighty one who will save. He
will be joyful over you with gladness. He will
be quiet in His love. He will rejoice over you
with joyful singing. Zephaniah 3:17*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

'Now the house which I am about to build will be great, for greater is our God than all the gods. But who is able to build a house for Him, for the heavens and the highest heavens cannot contain Him? So who am I, that I should build a house for Him, except to burn incense before Him?' 2

Chronicles 2:5-6

Daily Devotion

"Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the leaders of the fathers' households of the sons of Israel to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of YHWH from the city of David, which is Zion. And all the men of Israel assembled themselves to the king at the feast, that is in the seventh month." 2 Chronicles 5:2-3

There are so many things that are coming together in these verses that it's hard to know where to start. They are gathering together to bring the ark of the covenant from the city of Jerusalem to the temple Solomon has built on Mount Moriah, the place that David prepared for it on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite (2 Chronicles 3:1). The ark of the covenant is finally being restored to the place of worship and meeting, in the place that YHWH chose (Deuteronomy 12:5-7, 1 Chronicles 21:18-22:1). And it is being done during the Feast of Tabernacles, the time when Israel remembers that they dwelt in tents in the wilderness, and more importantly, that YHWH dwelt among them, God dwelt among man (Leviticus 23:33-34, 41-44). There is one last thing of significance to take into account: The only thing that was in the ark of the covenant was the stone tablets with the ten commandments inscribed on them by the hand of YHWH (2 Chronicles 5:10). The presence of YHWH is being restored to the place of meeting and worship, in the place YHWH chose, at the time the people of Israel remember that YHWH dwelt with them in the wilderness. The "heart of stone" is returned to the place where YHWH chooses to dwell and meet with His people (Ezekiel 36:26-28).

Prayer: Abba, thank You that You have chosen to write Your law on my heart and dwell with me and in me. Thank You for the fullness of the image You have given us in these Scriptures, of the image of how You choose to dwell with man, and how You will fulfill Your word to Israel. Amen.

Bible Study

"Then Solomon and all the assembly with him went to the high place which was at Gibeon, for God's tent of meeting was there, which Moses the servant of YHWH had made in the wilderness. However, David had brought up the the ark of God from Kiriath-jearim to the place he had prepared for it, for he had pitched a tent for it in Jerusalem. Now the bronze altar, which Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had made, was there before the tabernacle of YHWH, and Solomon and the assembly sought it out. "

2 Chronicles 1:3-5

The places where we choose to meet with YHWH are important because the presence of YHWH will bring to light what is in that place. The tent of meeting, the tabernacle that Moses had made in the wilderness, was originally at Gilgal.

This was the place that Joshua placed it and governed the people of Israel from there when they first entered the land. But Gilgal wasn't convenient for everyone to gather to, so the people of Israel decided to pick a spot that was central and convenient for all. The place they chose was Shiloh. But moral corruption became evident amongst the people who settled in that region almost immediately, and continued to grow until the time of Eli as high priest, when the Philistines defeated Israel and stole the ark of the covenant. At that time, the tabernacle was moved by Samuel back to Gilgal, and that is where he led Israel from, and restored the Aaronic priesthood. After Samuel's death, Saul, in His fallen state, moved the tabernacle, first to Nob and he installed his own priests. Then, after killing all the priests of Nob he moved it again, this time to the high place at Gibeon, where the people offered sacrifices to other gods. This is the place that Solomon and all the assembly went to seek out God's tent of meeting and sacrifice to YHWH; and YHWH met Solomon there (2 Chronicles 1:6-7).

Solomon was appointed by YHWH, and tasked by his father to build a house for YHWH at the place that YHWH chose for Himself (Deuteronomy 12:5-7, 1 Chronicles 17:1-15, 21:18-22:1). So in the fourth year of His reign, Solomon began to build the house of YHWH (2 Chronicles 3:1), and when it was completed, reunited the ark of the covenant with the place of meeting in the place YHWH chose (2 Chronicles 5:5-6).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Why are the temple and ark of the covenant no longer in the place that YHWH chose to place His name?
2. Where is Zion?
3. Why is Zion so important to YHWH?

Answers:

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Day 262 – Psalms 111–113

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*To hunger and thirst
for righteousness is when nothing in the
world can fascinate us
so much as being near God.
Smith Wigglesworth*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"He has made His wondrous deeds to be remembered: YHWH is gracious and compassionate. He has given food to those who fear Him. He will remember His covenant forever. He has declared to His people the power of His works, in giving them an inheritance of the nations." Psalm 111:4-6

Daily Devotion

"Praise Yah! How blessed is the man who fears YHWH, who greatly delights in His commandments." Psalm 112:1

How indeed? His children and children's children will be mighty, he is upright and blessed, wealth and riches are in his house, he is righteous before YHWH, his way is illuminated, he is

gracious, compassionate and righteous (Psalm 112:2-4). That's a lot of blessing!

So why don't we see more of this sort of blessing in the church? Maybe it's because we have forgotten to delight in YHWH's commandments, or maybe it's because righteousness and uprightness are no longer integral to everything we do.

Jesus said to seek first, before anything else, YHWH's kingdom and His righteousness, and then all these things will be added to you (Matthew 6:32-33).

Prayer: Abba Father, create in me a delight for Your commandments, and a hunger for Your righteousness, that can only compare to my thirst for You and Your presence. Bring Your kingdom to bear, both in me and through me. Free me from the constraints of this worldly system so that I can walk in the reality of the life of Christ in me. Amen.

Bible Study

"Praise Yah! Praise, O slaves of YHWH, praise the name of YHWH. May the name of YHWH be blessed from now until forever. From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of YHWH is to be praised. YHWH is high above all nations; His glory is above the heavens." Psalm 113:1-4

This is not a suggestion, it's an imperative.

Why is it so important to praise Him continually? Why should His praise be continually on our lips?

To answer this, let's start with the fact that praise defeats the enemy (2 Chronicles 20:20-25). This is a Biblical principle that still applies today.

But why does it work?

Because when we praise YHWH, we enthrone Him in our midst (Psalm 22:3). YHWH is enthroned on the praises of Israel, and we as those who believe in Yeshua HaMashiach, Jesus the Messiah, have been grafted into the promises of Israel; so yes, He is enthroned on our praises (Romans 11:17-18) and therefore, when we praise Him in the midst of whatever we are going through, YHWH becomes the centre and focus of that situation, and everything is transformed (Psalm 71:8, Isaiah 25:1, Jeremiah 17:14, Hebrews 13:15).

Discuss:

Question:

1. How does YHWH's presence in our circumstances transform them?

Answer:

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Day 263 – Proverbs 25

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"But YHWH is in His holy temple. Let all the earth be silent before Him." Habakkuk 2:20

Notes:

Memory Verse:

'Like apples of gold in settings of silver is a word spoken in right circumstances. Like an earring of gold and an ornament of fine gold is a wise reproof to a listening ear. Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest is a faithful envoy to those who send him, for he refreshes the soul of his masters.'

Proverbs 25:11-13

Daily Devotion

"Have you found honey? Eat only enough for you, lest you have more than your fill and vomit it. " Proverbs 25:16

Honey is good. Honey is nutritious, restorative, health giving, and healing. We see in the account of Saul's foolish oath, that even a little honey restored Jonathan's vigour and energy (1 Samuel 14:24-30, Proverbs 24:13-14, Matthew 3:4). But too much honey will make you sick, your body will not be able to cope with it and will vomit it out. So, what has honey got to do with us? What is its significance to us? Honey is compared to pleasant words, the statutes and commandments of God, wisdom, and acclaim, renown and respect (glory) (Psalm 19:9-10, 119:102-103, Proverbs 16:24, 25:27). Acclaim, renown and respect are good things in small doses; only receiving enough for yourself. If you accept too much of them, they are damaging to the soul and you will end up vomiting them out. If they find you, take only a little, enough to brighten your eye, and leave the rest for others; and do not go searching them out for yourself. Do not be greedy for them. They may be sweet to the soul, but excess will make you sick.

Prayer: Abba Father, thank You for all the good things You pour out upon Your children. Help us to use self-control with those things that are good in moderation but harmful in excess, so that we do not make ourselves sick in body or soul through greed, gluttony or seeking after glory for ourselves. Rather, let us enjoy Your bounty in moderation and give all glory to You.
Amen.

Bible Study

"If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat; and if he is thirsty, give him water to drink; for you will heap burning coals on his head, and YHWH will repay you. " Proverbs 25:21-22

We see a classic example of this in practice when the king of Aram tries to go up against the king of Israel, but keeps having his plans foiled; when he finds out it is because the prophet Elisha keeps telling the king of Israel his plans, he sends an army to take Elisha (2 Kings 6:11-23).

Jesus preached a very similar message at the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:38-48), and the apostle Paul quotes both the Sermon on the Mount and Proverbs 25:21-22 in his letter to the Romans (Romans 12:1-2, 9-21).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. How does feeding our enemies or blessing those who curse you “heap burning coals on their head”?
2. Query: Could this be the fuel that burns in the lake of fire reserved for Satan and his followers?

Answers:

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Day 264 – Amos 5-9

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*'Open my eyes, that I
may behold wonderful things from Your law.
I am a sojourner in the earth do not hide
Your commandments from me.'
Psalm 119:18-19*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

'Seek good and not evil, in order that you may live; and thus may YHWH God of hosts be with you, just as you have said! Hate evil, love good, and set justice at the gate! Perhaps YHWH God of hosts may be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.' Amos 5:14-15

Daily Devotion

"Therefore at such a time the one with insight keeps silent, for it is an evil time." Amos 5:13

It is vitally important to know when we are to keep silent. If we are to speak when we hear the Father speaking, then that means that when He is silent, we should remain silent (Ecclesiastes 3:7b, Matthew 10:19-20, John 12:49-50, 16:13). There are several occasions in Scripture where Jesus does not speak but still gets His message across clearly (John 8:1-11, Matthew 15:21-28, Mark 15:1-5, 1 Peter 2:21-23). It shows great wisdom to know when to be silent, and there are times when wisdom is imputed simply by doing so (Proverbs 10:19, 17:27-28). Now more than ever, we need to know when to speak and when to keep silent, for it is an evil time (Psalms 141:3, Proverbs 15:4, 21:23, Matthew 15:11, Colossians 4:6, James 1:19)

Prayer: Abba Father, help me to know when to speak and when to remain silent, to trust Your silence enough to do likewise, and not try to fill the silence with my own foolish words. Just as Your words do not return to You without performing that which You have sent them to perform, help me to trust that Your silence also has a task to perform, and to join my silence with Your own. Amen.

Bible Study

“Woe, you who are longing for the day of YHWH, for what purpose will the day of YHWH be to you? It will be darkness and not light; as when a man flees from a lion and a bear meets him; or he goes home, leans his hand against a wall, and a snake bites him. Will not the day of YHWH be darkness instead of light, even thick darkness with no brightness in it?” Amos 5:18-20

There are many in the church who are looking forward to the day that Jesus returns; believing that it will be a day of light and joy and celebration. But the Scriptures tell us that it will be a day of bloodshed and judgement. Just like the people in Amos’ day, many in the church have been deceived by false prophecies that do not align with God’s word.

The Israelites believed that YHWH would not remove them from the land of Israel, but would save them from their enemies, just as He had before; that there was no reason to repent or change their ways, and that any prophecies that said otherwise could be ignored, or denounced along with the prophet that spoke them. So much so that YHWH has called Amos, who is not a prophet or from the schools of the prophets, but YHWH spoke, so who can but prophecy (Amos 3:8b).

We are once again expecting the day of YHWH, the day of Jesus’ return; and although throughout His ministry Jesus told us repeatedly, through both parables and teachings, that we need to be prepared to persevere to the end (Matthew 20:1-16, 24:12-13, 25:1-13, Mark 4:2-9, 13:19-23), and even asked the Father that He would not take us out of the world, but to keep us from the evil one. Unfortunately, that is exactly what many in the church still believe will happen: That we will be taken out of the world, and will not have to endure to the end.

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Where does Jesus say, "I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but to keep them from the evil one"?
2. Which prophet is Amos' contemporary?

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*'Surely my soul waits in
silence for God: from
Him is my salvation.'
Psalm 62:1*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

'And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors having been shut, and stood in their midst and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then He said to Thomas, 'Bring your finger here, and see My hands; and bring your hand here and put it into my side; and do not be unbelieving, but believing.' Thomas answered and said to Him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Because you have seen Me, have you believed?' Blessed are those who did not see, and yet believed.'" John 20:26-29

Daily Devotion

"So Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you. ' And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, their sins have been forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they have been retained. '"
John 20:21-23

There are three very significant things that happen in this passage. There are three things that the Father gave to Jesus, that He is now giving to His disciples.

The first is His commission. Just as the Father sent Jesus into the world, He is now sending His disciples (John 17:18-20).

The second is His anointing. Just as the Father sent the Spirit in the form of a dove to descend upon Jesus, He is now breathing on them the Holy Spirit (Luke 3:22, John 1:32-33).

The third is His authority. Just as the Father gave Jesus the authority to forgive sins, so He has given His disciples the authority to forgive or to retain sins (Matthew 9:2-8).

As a disciple of Jesus, you have His commission, His anointing, and His authority. Walk in it.

Prayer: Abba Father, I am overawed at what You have done for me, and given to me, so that I can be Your child, being about my Father's business.
Amen.

Bible Study

"Pilate then took Jesus and flogged Him. And when the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and put a purple robe on Him; and they were coming to Him and saying, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' and were giving Him slaps in the face. And Pilate came out again and said to them, 'Behold, I am bringing Him out to you so that you may know that I find no guilt in Him. ' Jesus then came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, 'Behold, the man!'"

John 19:1-5

How often are we willing to behold the Man? To look upon Jesus in His beaten and bloodied state, and see the beauty and the love and the hope in that image? To allow ourselves to take in and comprehend all that He went through on our behalf? To weep and grieve for the suffering He endured, all because of the love He has for us? The hope set before Him (Hebrews 12:2-3).

When we take communion, this is what we are remembering. Are we, like the majority of His disciples, going to turn away from His suffering, or will we be counted among those who stood at the foot of the cross (Matthew 26:31, John 19:25-27)?

The Gospel of John begins with the cry, "Behold the Lamb of God!", and comes to an end with , "Behold the man!" Then in Revelation the theme continues with, "Behold the Lion of Judah, and I saw a Lamb as if slain" (John 1:35-36, John 19:5, Revelation 5:5). If we can take communion without being brought to tears, then we need to ask ourselves, "Am I truly beholding the Man?"

Dicuss:

Question:

1. Have you been able to sit through and watch "The Passion of the Christ"?

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Day 266 – Philemon 1

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*'Start by doing what is
necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly
by you are doing the impossible.'
Francis of Assisi*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"I thank my God, always making mention of you in my prayers, because I hear of your love and of the faith which you have toward the Lord Jesus and toward all the saints; and I pray that the fellowship of your faith may become effective through the full knowledge of every good thing which is in you for the sake of Christ." Philemon 1:4-6

Daily Devotion

"For perhaps he was for this reason separated from you for a while, that you would have him back forever, no longer as a slave, but more than a slave, a beloved brother, especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord." Philemon 1:15-16

There are times in relationships when separation, even though it may seem like a defeat at the time, can be the very thing that is needed to restore the relationship to a healthy place. In the letter to Philemon, Paul is writing to him regarding Onesimus, his once 'useless' slave, who had run away from him. Onesimus had met up with Paul, in his chains, and had become a disciple of Christ and a beloved child to him. Onesimus' life has been transformed and he was now returning to Philemon, and is now useful to both he and Paul. This transformation took place because while he was separated for a time from his circumstances, and was able to see things from a different perspective; he was able to encounter Jesus Christ and his life was transformed. Sometimes to receive what God has for us, we need a change of perspective that only separation can give us, so that at the right time we can return, in the right way.

Prayer: Abba Father, thank You that You are the God who restores relationships, Who transforms lives, and changes the way we see and are seen. Help us to recognise that sometimes, for a relationship to be restored, it first needs a time of separation so that both parties can focus on You and what You want to do in their lives individually, before You will reunite them in a new and better way. Thank You for the example of Philemon and Onesimus, who You transformed from a contentious slave and master into brothers in Christ, serving Him together. Amen.

Bible Study

"I plead with you for my child Onesimus, of whom I became a father in my chains, who formerly was useless to you, but now is useful both to you and to me." Philemon 1:10-11

Our God is a God of transformation! Paul is writing to Philemon about the transformation that has occurred in Onesimus; he has been transformed by Christ, from a formerly useless slave into a brother, and useful co-labourer in Christ Jesus. Paul knows only too well the transformative power of an encounter with Jesus, as his whole trajectory in life was transformed (Acts 9:1-31, Romans 12:2, 2 Corinthians 5:17).

Why does YHWH go to such lengths to transform the lives of those who turn to Him?

Because He is preparing for Himself a pure and spotless bride (Ephesians 5:25-27).

The bride of Christ had her beginning as the discarded child left to die, and she became the nation of Israel. Her journey culminates in the new Jerusalem coming down out of heaven, the gates being the twelve tribes of Israel, and the foundation stones, the twelve apostles of Jesus Christ. The people of Israel and the church of Christ being joined together as one (Ezekiel 16:1-14, 36:22-28, Isaiah 62:5, Revelation 19:7-9, 21:2, 9-14, 17-27). A bride worthy of her Bridegroom; holy, even as He is holy. (Leviticus 11:44-45, 19:2, 20:7,26, Ephesians 1:4, Hebrews 12:14, 1 Peter 1:14-16, 2:9).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. What does it mean, “the washing of water with the word”?
2. How do these qualities compare with the fruit of the Spirit?

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Day 267 – Numbers 19–21

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*'I had a secret satisfaction
in the greatness of the difficulties which were
in the way. So far from being cast down on
account of them, they delighted my soul.'
George Muller*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

'And from there they continued to Beer, that is the well where YHWH said to Moses, 'Assemble the people, that I may give them water.' Then Israel sang this song: 'Spring up, O well! Sing to it! The well, which the leaders dug, which the nobles of the people carved out, with the sceptre and with their staffs.' And from the wilderness they continued to Mattanah.'

Numbers 21:16-18

Daily Devotion

"Why then have you brought the assembly of YHWH into this wilderness, for us and our beasts to die here? And why have you made us come up from Egypt, to bring us into this evil place? It is not a place of grain or figs or vines or pomegranates, nor is there water to drink. '" Numbers 20:4-5

When YHWH calls us to go from where we are to a place that he will show us (Genesis 12:1-3), sometimes we end up in a place where we have to rely completely on Him, to trust Him that He will get us where He wants us to be (Exodus 14:10-14). These places are places of testing, to see if we will trust Him despite our circumstances, and what we see in the natural. And like the people of Israel, we will fail some of these tests, but He will continue to grow our faith and bring us back to that place of testing, until we do not fail. Until our relationship with Him and love for Him has grown to the point that we know that He will provide all that we need to get where He has called us to (Matthew 6:25-34, Philippians 4:19). Like the people of Israel, His presence goes with us wherever we go, in all of our wanderings (Exodus 29:45-46, Deuteronomy 31:6, 1 Kings 6:13, Ezekiel 37:27, Zechariah 2:11, John 1:14, Revelation 21:3).

Prayer: Abba Father, thank You that You know what I need before I do; and that You have promised in Your word that You will never leave me nor forsake me; that as I seek Your kingdom and Your righteousness, first above all else, You will cause everything I need to continually be laid beside me, according to Your riches and glory. Amen.

Bible Study

"And a clean person shall take hyssop and dip it in the water and sprinkle it on the tent and on all the furnishings and on the persons who were there and on the one who touched the bone or the one slain or the one dying naturally or the grave. Then the clean person shall sprinkle on the unclean on the third day and on the seventh day; and on the seventh day he shall purify him from uncleanness, and he shall wash his clothes and bathe himself in water and shall be clean by evening. " Numbers 19:18-19

The one who is clean is to sprinkle the one who is unclean with the water of impurity, then they will be clean. The clean person is to purify the unclean with hyssop dipped in the water; then they will be clean. This, like many of the laws and rituals God gave to the people of Israel, is a type of Christ. David declares, "Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I will be whiter than snow" (Psalm 51:5-9). Again, like many of the Psalms of David, this one points to the Messiah. So where do we see this type of Messiah fulfilled in Scripture? The best example that I know of is in Ephesians 5:25-27: Jesus, our Bridegroom, cleanses us "with the washing of water by the word".

Discuss:

Questions:

1. What other Scriptures can you think of that show Jesus as the fulfillment of this “type” of the Messiah ?

Answers:

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Day 268 – 2 Chronicles 6–10

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*'Don't be afraid of
change, because it is leading you to a
new beginning.'
Joyce Meyer*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

mouth to my father David and has fulfilled it by His hands, saying, 'Since the day that I brought My people from the land of Egypt, I did not choose a city out of all the tribes of Israel in which to build a house that My name might be there, nor did I choose any man for a ruler over My people Israel; but I have chosen Jerusalem that My name might be there, and I have chosen David to be over My people Israel.'" 2 Chronicles 6:4-6

Daily Devotion

"So the king did not listen to the people, for it was a turn of events from God, that YHWH might establish His word, which He spoke through Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat. " 2 Chronicles 10:15

In Proverbs 21:1 we read, "The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of YHWH; He turns it wherever He pleases. "

There are times when YHWH raises up a ruler who acts foolishly or stirs up trouble for their nation so that YHWH's plans and purposes will be fulfilled. God's plans are good, but the process may be messy or troublesome. An example of this is Samson, who YHWH raised up to judge Israel. He was an impetuous womanizer with poor impulse control, but that was exactly who YHWH needed to stir up trouble between the Philistines and the people of Israel, who had become complacent and comfortable under the Philistines' rule. Samson does not seem like the sort of person you'd want ruling the country but YHWH used him to achieve His purpose of bringing the people of Israel out from under Philistine control (Judges 14:1-4). Here, YHWH has allowed Rehoboam to act foolishly by not taking the counsel of the elders so that the prophecy spoken by the prophet Ahijah regarding Jeroboam would be fulfilled (1 Kings 11:26-39). It is YHWH who removes kings and establishes kings (Daniel 2:20-23, John 19:11, Romans 13:1-2, 1 Peter 2:13-14)

Prayer: Abba Father, help me to recognise that it is You who raises up rulers and You who bring them down, all so that Your purpose and plans will be fulfilled. Help me to trust that when things seem to be going wrong, in my nation or in the world, You are actually bringing things to pass according to the prophecies that are found in Your Word. Amen.

Bible Study

"But will God truly dwell with mankind on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain You; how much less this house which I have built. Yet have regard to the prayer of Your slave and to his supplication, O YHWH my God, to listen to the cry and to the prayer which Your slave prays before You; that Your eyes may be open toward this house day and night, toward the place of which You have said that You would place Your name there, to listen to the prayer which Your slave shall pray toward this place. And listen to the supplications of Your slave and of Your people Israel, when they pray toward this place; listen from Your dwelling place, from heaven; listen and forgive. " 2 Chronicles 6:18-21

Solomon recognises that YHWH cannot be contained in any house built by the hands of man but he makes a very specific request to YHWH in his prayer to dedicate the Temple he has built: That if anyone prays toward the place where the temple was built, the place YHWH chose to place His name, that YHWH would hear their prayer and answer them (2 Chronicles 6:22-42). YHWH's response is to appear to Solomon again, and grant his request (2 Chronicles 7:12-16). Even today, people come from all over the world to pray at what is now known as the Western Wall, or Wailing Wall; all that remains of the site where the temple once stood. Trusting that although the temple of Solomon is long gone, that the word of YHWH remains true (Matthew 24:35). And even today, the promise of YHWH is declared and prayed over the church and the nation of Israel, "If My people, who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their evil ways, then I will listen from heaven, I will forgive their sin, and I will heal their land." (2 Chronicles 7:14).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. How would you sum up this study in one sentence?

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*Therefore humble yourselves
under the mighty hand of God, that He may
exalt you at the proper time, casting all your
anxiety on Him, because He cares for you. 1
Peter 5:6-7, Psalm 55:22*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"O Israel, trust in YHWH. He is their help and their shield. O house of Aaron, trust in YHWH. He is their help and their shield. You who fear YHWH, trust in YHWH. He is their help and their shield. YHWH remembered us; He will bless! He will bless the house of Israel. He will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless those who fear YHWH, the small together with the great. May YHWH give you increase, you and your children. May you be blessed of YHWH, who made heaven and earth." Psalm 115: 1-15

Daily Devotion

"Not to us, O YHWH, not to us, but to Your name give glory because of Your lovingkindness, because of Your truth. Why should the nations say, 'Where, now, is their God?'" Psalm 115:1-2

When we are praying for YHWH to do something powerful on our behalf, or are praying for another for healing or deliverance, how often is this the cry of our heart, as we put it all on the line, believing God to act? How often are our prayers so that He will be glorified, and His name to be held in high esteem among the nations? YHWH hears our voice, He inclines His ear to us and He knows the intention of our hearts. We can fool others about our intentions, we may even be able to fool ourselves, but we can't fool Abba God (1 Samuel 16:7).

"I love YHWH, because He hears my voice and my supplications. Because He has inclined His ear to me, so I shall call upon Him in all my days." Psalm 116:1-2

Prayer: Abba Father, bring me to the place where self is nailed to the cross of Christ, and the intention of my heart and the cry of my mouth align with seeking Your glory, for the sake of Your great name. Amen.

Bible Study

“Tremble, O earth, before the Lord, before the God of Jacob, who turned the rock into a pool of water, the flint into a spring of water.” Psalm 114:7-8

Psalm 114 is referring to the miracles that YHWH performed when He brought the Israelites out of Egypt; one of which was the miracle of producing water from the rock (Exodus 17:1-7, Numbers 20:9-13). You may have noticed that in both of these accounts, Moses gives it the same name. This is one of the only indications we have in our Scriptures that support Paul’s claim in 1 Corinthians 10:1-4; that the rock travelled with them through the wilderness, as Moses calls it the same name because it is the same rock. This was commonly understood in the Hebrew oral tradition, as seen in the Tosefta, a 2nd century AD document recording earlier Jewish oral tradition. Tosefta Sukkah 3:11 says, “And so the well which was with the Israelites in the wilderness was a rock, the size of a large round vessel, surging and gurgling upward, as from the mouth of this little flask, rising with them up onto the mountains, and going down with them in the valleys. Wherever the Israelites would encamp, it made camp, it made camp with them, on a high place opposite the entry of the tent of meeting.” A similar account is found in later writings dated between the eleventh and twelfth century.

And that the rock is YHWH; It is Moses himself that declares that YHWH is the Rock (Deuteronomy 32:1-4, 18), and later Hannah makes the same declaration (1 Samuel 2:1-2), and then the Psalmist (Psalm 18:30-32, 46). Jesus refers to Himself as the Rock (Matthew 7:24-27, 16:18). Peter also, in his first letter (1 Peter 2:4).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. What do the declarations of Moses, Hannah and the Psalmist have in common?
2. Although the OT Scriptures do not directly state that the rock followed the people of Israel through the wilderness, can we infer from the rest of Scripture that the oral tradition Paul refers to is true?

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Day 270 – Proverbs 26–27

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*'We never grow closer
to God when we just live life. It takes
deliberate pursuit and attentiveness.'
Francis Chan*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

'With no wood the fire goes out, and where there is no whisperer, strife quiets down. Like charcoal to hot embers and wood to fire, so is a contentious man to kindle strife. The words of a whisperer are like dainty morsels, and they go down into the innermost parts of the stomach.'

Proverbs 26:20-22

Daily Devotion

"As in water face reflects face, so the heart of man reflects man. "

Proverbs 27:19

When we look into a pool of still water, our face is reflected back to us and we see ourselves as we are. So when we look into our heart, what we see there is a true reflection of who we are. We can try to put on a facade or mask or present to others the image that we want them to see, but YHWH sees the heart of man and judges us accordingly (1 Samuel 16:7, Jeremiah 17:10). Let's search our hearts and be vigilant to keep them pure (Psalm 51:10, Proverbs 4:23, Matthew 5:8)

Prayer: Abba Father, I can't say it any better than what has already been said: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Help me to guard my heart, so that springs of living water would flow from me; let me be pure in heart, for my greatest desire is to see YOU.
Amen.

Bible Study

"Know well the condition of your flocks, and pay attention to your herds; for wealth is not forever, neither is a crown from generation to generation. When the grass disappears and the vegetation appears, and the herbs of the mountains are gathered in, the lambs will be for your clothing, and the goats will bring the price of a field, and there will be enough goats' milk for your food, for the food of your household, and sustenance for your maidens. " Proverbs 27:23-27

Of all the wisdom of Solomon, I think this may be the greatest.

Read this through a few times let it sink in

What is it that Solomon is trying to tell us?

Solomon is telling us to pay attention to the things that are really important; prioritise the simple things like maintaining the ability to feed and cloth ourselves, and our household. Riches and honour and glory are fleeting, they are not guaranteed from one day to the next, let alone one generation to another. Don't entrust your ability to feed and clothe yourself to others, even if you are wealthy enough to have others working for you. Don't lose touch with those things that matter: Food, clothing and shelter; these are the consistent things that we will always need, no matter our station in life. These basic needs are what we all have in common.

Discuss:

Questions:

1. How can we reclaim the ability to provide for ourselves the basic necessities in our industrialized, consumer-oriented society?

Answers:

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Day 271 – Obadiah

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*I live in the spirit of
prayer. I pray as I walk about, when I
lie down and when I rise up. And the
answers are always coming.*
George Muller

Notes:

Memory Verse:

"Now do not look on your brother's day with triumph, the day of his misfortune. And do not be glad over the sons of Judah in the day when they perish; and do not let your mouth speak great things in the day of their distress." Obadiah 1:12

Daily Devotion

"Because of violence to your brother Jacob, you will be covered with shame, and you will be cut off forever. On the day that you stood aloof, on the day that strangers took his wealth captive and foreigners entered his gate and cast lots for Jerusalem — you too were as one of them." Obadiah 1:10-11

Recently, Saudi Arabia officially announced an international coalition to establish a Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capitol. The nations, in their frenzy to create a "two state solution" and divide up the land of Israel, have now cast lots for Jerusalem. If we have learned anything from Scripture, and history, it is that YHWH deals very harshly with those who try to claim His inheritance for themselves.

Obadiah's prophecy is to the people and the land of Edom, the descendants of Jacob's brother, Esau. The accusation against Edom is that when strangers entered the land of Jacob (Israel), Edom stood aloof when they should have come to Israel's aid; and in so doing became guilty of the same sin, but their judgement was greater. Edom thought they could not be touched, but today the people and land of Edom no longer exist (Obadiah 1:1-9). Obadiah is not just a prophetic word for Edom in its day. It is also a prophetic word for the nations today, especially those who would stand aloof while other nations seek to divide the land of Israel and claim Jerusalem for themselves.

Prayer: Abba Father, I lift the people and the land of Israel before You, Your people and the land of Your inheritance. I pray Your blessing and protection over them and the fulfillment of all Your prophecies regarding their future. I pray for every nation that claims to be a Christian nation and yet stands aloof from their brothers and sisters in Israel; for every "church" that declares Your name and yet has turned their back on Your people, that has gloated over their suffering or accused them falsely. In Your mercy, open their eyes to see the truth, and the judgement that is coming upon them if they don't repent. Amen.

Bible Study

"For the day of YHWH draws near on all the nations. As you have done, it will be done to you. Your dealings will return on your own head. " Obadiah 1:15

This idea of being judged based on how we treat the people of Israel, the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, is a thread which runs throughout Scripture. It starts with YHWH's promise to Abraham (Genesis 12:3), and continued through to Jesus' teachings (Matthew 25:31-46). We often take Jesus' teaching to mean that we should be kind to everyone because what we do for others we do for Him, and there is certainly an element of truth in that. But more specifically, Jesus is reaffirming what is spoken elsewhere in Scripture: That the nations will be judged according to their treatment of Israel (Ecclesiastes 12:14, Isaiah 34:1-2,8, 60:10-14, Joel 3:1-2, 12-17, Zechariah 2:6-10, 14:1-16). All those who seek to possess Israel, will be possessed by them (Obadiah 1:19-21).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. How have we in the church come to think about the day of judgement as being devoid of our treatment of the people and land of Israel?

Answers:

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Day 272 – Acts 1-2

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*Above all the grace
and gifts that Christ gives to His beloved
is that of overcoming self.
Francis of Assisi*

Notes:

Memory Verse:

'And as they were gazing intently into the sky while He was going, behold, two men in white clothing stood beside them. They also said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven.' Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath's day journey away." Acts 1:10-12

Daily Devotion

"And Peter said to them, 'Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself.' " Acts 2:38-39

There are some in the church who believe that the baptism in the Holy Spirit was only for the Apostles and early disciples, that it was a symbolic sign of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, given once upon the Jews and upon the disciples of John and once upon the Gentiles, and has not been needed since then (Acts 2:1-4, 10:44-48, 19:1-7). But our highlighted verses for today tell a different story: The gift of the baptism in the Holy Spirit (Matthew 3:11, Luke 3:16, 24:49, John 14:16-17, 26, 15:26, Acts 1:4-5, 8) is for "as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself." We have spoken often about the last days beginning when Jesus died and rose again, and here is further proof – the baptism of the Holy Spirit being poured out is the fulfillment of the last days prophecy of Joel (Joel 2:28-32, Acts 2:14-21). "For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself."

Prayer: Abba Father, thank You, that Your Holy Spirit has been poured out so that I may be Your witness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. I pray with the disciples for boldness to speak Your word, while You extend Your hand to heal, and signs and wonders take place through the name of Your holy servant, Yeshua. Fill me afresh with Your Holy Spirit so that I can speak Your word with all confidence. Amen.

Bible Study

"The first account, O Theophilus, I composed, about all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when He was taken up to heaven, after He had by the Holy Spirit given orders to the apostles whom He had chosen, to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over forty days and speaking about the things concerning the kingdom of God. " Acts 1:1-3

In the short time Jesus had with His disciples after His resurrection and before His ascension, He spoke to His disciples about one thing. It would seem that that one thing is important to Him, and is something we, as His disciples, should be focusing our time and attention on.

It was not evangelism, it was not a billion-soul harvest, it was not the establishing of monuments or buildings in His name.

It was preaching the good news (gospel) of the kingdom of God and making disciples (Matthew 28:16-20, Mark 1:14-15, 16:14-18).

If our gospel is any gospel other than the gospel of the kingdom of God, and our time is spent engaged in any activity other than the making of disciples, we have to ask ourselves, of what value is that to Christ and to eternity?

Discuss:

Questions:

1. Is the gospel of the kingdom, the gospel of repentance for the forgiveness of sins?
2. What is the kingdom of God?
3. What does discipleship entail?

Answers:

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Day 273 – Hebrews 1-4

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*'Go sing! The song
of rejoicing softens hard hearts. It makes
tears of godly sorrow flow from them. Singing
summons the Holy Spirit. Happy praises, offered in
simplicity and love, lead the faithful to complete
harmony, without discord. Don't stop singing.'
Hildegard of Bingen*

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Memory Verse:

"God, having spoken long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, in these last days spoke to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds, who is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power: who, having accomplished cleansing for sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become so much better than the angels, as He has inherited a more excellent name than they." Hebrews 1:1-4

Daily Devotion

"Therefore, holy brothers, partakers of a heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession — Jesus." Hebrews 3:1

How often do we consider Jesus as the Apostle and High Priest of our confession? When we consider all that God has done for us in the person of Jesus Christ (Yeshua HaMashiach), we come to realise that we have been called for far greater things than an ordinary life (2 Corinthians 5:21, Hebrews 2:14-18, Ephesians 2:8-10). We have been set free from the fear of death, and made the righteousness of God in Jesus; and He now advocates for us, knowing our weakness, and how to strengthen us and help us in our need (Hebrews 4:14-16, 7:25-26).

Prayer: Abba Father, help me to consider daily all that You have done for me, and given to me, so that I can serve You fully. Cause me to run the race set before me without fear, knowing that You have, and will, provide all that I need to be who You have created me to be. Amen.

Bible Study

"See to it brothers, that there not be in any one of you an evil, unbelieving heart that falls away from the living God. But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is still called "TODAY," so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. " Hebrews 3:12-13

There are people out there who will tell you, "Once saved, always saved". But you will not find that in the Word; in fact, what you will find are warnings not to become weary (Isaiah 40:31, Galatians 6:9, 2 Thessalonians 3:13, Hebrews 12:3, Revelation 2:3), not to become complacent (Proverbs 1:32, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, Hebrews 2:1, 2 Peter 3:17, Revelation 3:15-16), to persevere to the end, to endure (Matthew 10:22, Romans 5:3-5, Ephesians 6:13, Colossians 1:11, James 1:12, Hebrews 10:36, 12:2, 2 Timothy 2:12); to not let your heart become hardened and so miss out on the promise (Psalm 95:6-11, Hebrews 3:7-13, 4:1-2, 4:6-7), and warnings that some peoples' love will grow cold (Matthew 24:4-13).

Discuss:

Questions:

1. How can the “once saved, always saved” ideology lead to an “evil and unbelieving heart that falls away from the Living God”?
2. Where does it say to “work out our salvation with fear and trembling”?
3. How do we do that?

Answers:

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