

THE SPEAKING LIFE

Monthly newsletter of Redeemed Life church

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GOD'S UNFAILING GRACE

Written by Shiloh Ayesiga

Often times we place limitations on God's grace because of our limited understanding and faith, But the Bible says 'For it is by God's Grace that you have been saved through faith. It is not the result of your own efforts , but God's gift so that no one can boast about it.'(Ephesians 2:8-9).

GRACE; God's Redemption At Christ's Expense. God's ultimate expression of grace was when He sent His Son so that we might be redeemed from our sins. Grace is God's infinite and undeserved mercy and love for us. We have received countless gifts in our journey of salvation but none can compare with Grace ; in fact God's Grace is the ultimate gift, and we owe Him unceasing thanks because of it.

'Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us hold on to Grace. By it, we may serve God acceptably, with reverence and awe'.(Hebrews 12:28). How wonderful it feels serving God with the very grace He has given you! Even our praise to God finds its fullest expression when drawn from God's grace. Finally, always remember that God's Grace is enough and He promises that it is sufficient for all your needs.



THE POWER OF PRAYER

Written by Joshua Muwanguzi

Prayer is communication with GOD, a form of communion with our creator. Prayer is central and fundamental in every Christian's life. You and I are commanded to pray "continually" (1 Thess 5:17). Prayer is the means through which we draw near and grow in intimacy with God. If you're finding it hard to grasp the importance of prayer, here are some fundamental truths you should know.

1. God calls us to pray in every situation, without giving up (Luke 18:1). God is calling us to talk to Him regularly, just as we do to our beloved ones in our daily lives. Will you answer His lovely call today?

2. Our master Jesus prioritized prayer while on earth. Jesus clearly demonstrated that intentionality and discipline are fundamental attitudes to have towards prayer (Mark 1:35). If Christ did so, how much more should we?

3. Prayer strengthens us against temptations (Matthew 26:41). When going through times of trial, our response should be steadfast prayer (Romans 12:12).

Numerous times in scripture, God calls us to a life of prayer. His desire is for us to continue in prayer in both the good times and the bad. As a result we will be able to stand and overcome all the tricks of the enemy.

Highlight of the month



Church wide Water Baptism at Kaazi, 23rd May 2023

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. II Corinthians 5:17

THE WAY OF FAITH

Written by Tracy Nanyonga

The Bible gives us a clear definition of faith in Hebrews 11:1 "Faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see". As born again Christians, we are encouraged to walk by faith and not by sight. (2 Corinthians 5:7)

If we are to walk by faith, we need to have an eternal perspective about situations. This means we don't see the end of this life as a full stop but a coma.

Martin Luther said "Faith is taking the first step even when you do not see the whole staircase" Walking by faith and not by sight means that even though we may not see a way right now, we trust and believe that he is preparing us for blessings and relief from what we are facing in our currently.

When we walk by faith we live today according to God's promises even though we can not see them. Hebrews 11:6 tells us that without faith no one can please God, we must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who diligently seek him.

As believers we ought to keep on moving even if we are not sure about how certain things will work out, simply because His word says He is faithful, He who called us.

(1 Thessalonians 5:24)

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WHY WE HAVE TO HONOR OTHERS

Written by Frank Lutwama

Honor is the act of showing great respect and esteem towards someone. It is the giving of utmost regard to a person or a group of people as an expression of gratitude for the great value they add onto your life. Our parents or guardians are the first people we get to demonstrate high respect to because of all the sacrifices they made for us. The fifth commandment says, "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you" (Exodus 20:12). It's truly paramount that we put these heroes above ourselves. On the other hand, I see it important for parents to give the favor back to their children because honor goes along with being down to earth as a leader.

Another important area where honor is key is at the workplace. It's particularly challenging when the work environment is not ideal due to issues such as disrespect and abuse from bosses or peers. The Bible says it's important to honor such bosses. "You who are servants who are owned by someone, obey your owners. Work hard for them all the time, not just when they are watching you. Work for them as you would for the Lord because you honor God." (Colossians 3:22-24). When we obey the authority figures in our work places, we are ultimately serving God. While we do this we stage ourselves up for God's lifting for the Bible says He lifts up the humble. (James 4:10)

Lastly, we should decide day by day to honor those who are less privileged than we are. (Romans 12:10) In this way we will imitate our Master Jesus who dedicated His whole life honoring His heavenly father and those He came to save.

PRAISE REPORT

This June, Pastor Mark Kiyaga Tendo, senior Pastor and founder of Redeemed Life ministries celebrates 40 years of walking with Jesus. We can truly say Ebenezer, This far the Lord has brought us!



A CHRISTIAN'S GREATEST TREASURE

Written by Jeremiah Afaayo

Our relationship with the father is the greatest treasure a Christian has. It is a gift from God rooted and grounded in love (John 3:16). This treasure contains the peace, hope and joy that the world is looking for.

Here are 3 amazing promises concerning this wonderful and indescribable gift.

"For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:38-39

"But now, thus says the Lord, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine." Isaiah 43:1

"The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together." Romans 8:16-17

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GOD'S GIFT OF DIVINE HEALING

Written by Daniella Bidorho

"For she said, "if I touch even his garment, I will be made well." And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease." Mark 5:28-29

The term divine healing refers to the restoration of health through the direct intervention of God in response to faith. It is a supernatural act of God that resolves a physical, emotional, or spiritual sickness.

There are many cases of healing in the Bible but the story of the woman with the issue of blood is among the outstanding ones portraying how we often go through circumstances that are beyond human control and the only way to overcome them is by Divine intervention. I can imagine all kinds of opinions that were suggested to this woman throughout the 12 years period after trying all the possible solutions, visiting the best physicians in town but to no avail.

Divine healing is a great mystery beyond science and human understanding which happened in the early church, and is still happening today. Jesus is willing and interested in taking away our infirmities and giving us rest as the Bible says in Isaiah 53:5 that by "His stripes we are healed". Every other intervention may fail but Jesus never fails.

It is important not to downplay the value of seeking medical care because God has blessed us with doctors but it is also crucial to know deep in our hearts that the doctor treats but only God heals, therefore even while we receive treatment we should submit to God in prayer.

"Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers." 3 John 1:2. The Bible tells us to pray for healing from God, and we will be blessed with health and strength to overcome whatever pain we face. Every person who is in emotional darkness or physical pain can come with assurance to the throne of grace and find strength, comfort and help from God.

Jesus used different methods in His healing ministry, but on several occasions the faith of the individual was an important factor for the healing to happen. "Your faith has made you well," is a common statement in Jesus' healing ministry. (Mark 5:34; Matthew 9:29). The Bible talks about the centurion who was a man of power and influence yet when his servant became ill he sought help from Jesus. His faith in the power of Jesus' word and authority caused an instant healing for his servant (occurring with no delay). The same can happen for us today, if we stand in faith and believe for our healing.

THE FRUIT OF PATIENCE

Written by Winnie

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Patience is not simply waiting. It's the ability to keep a good attitude while waiting.

From the lives of Moses and Saul we see how a lack of patience can make us lose out on God's promises. On the other hand the lives of people such as Joseph and Ruth teach us that if we wait patiently, we will receive what was promised. Here are some benefits of patience you should know.

1. Patience brings maturity. "Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature" (James 1:4). The only way a man can be brought to completion fully alive like Christ, is through patience.

2. Patience produces hope. "....patience brings character, and character, hope" (Romans 5:4-5). Glory be to God who because of this fruit keeps us believing that there are better days ahead.

3. Patience affirms our faith. James 1:3-4 says, the only way our faith is made firm is by perseverance. In other words patience comes to faith's aid and enables it to stand.

2 Peter 3:9 tells us that our God is not slow in judgement as some may count slowness, but He desires that no man perish. We too have to be patient with others who might be taking long to change, since God was also patient with us.