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How to walk on water

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God knows that despite the many miracles He has done for us, we're always going to face something that shakes our faith.

He therefore tests our faith from time to time so that we can become people who please him for Hebrews 11:6 says without faith it is impossible to please God. Dwelling on our fears can easily fill our minds with unbelief that causes us to doubt and thus abandon God's promises over our lives. That's why Paul reminds us not to be absorbed with the things right in front of us but to instead look up to Christ for that's where the action is. (Colossians 3:1-2 MSG)

Even when we lose focus, God does not give up on us. That is why when Peter got his eyes off Jesus and started to sink, Jesus was quick to save him.

Similarly, our shortcomings don't push us away from God but rather they attract God's perfection, strength and salvation for us.

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Forgiven to forgive

WRITTEN BY DANIELLA BIDORHO

Forgiveness a deliberate decision to release feelings of resentment or vengeance toward a person who has wronged you, regardless of whether they deserve your forgiveness or not. Forgiveness is first of all a sign of surrender and obedience to God because God forgave us first and commands us to do the same. We have to remember that we all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God(Romans 3:23). In other words, we all need God's grace. Secondly, we may also need to forgive ourselves from past mistakes and live without condemnation.(Romans 8:1).

One of the ways God gives us deliverance to serve Him without fear is through giving us the grace to forgive.(Luke 1:74). Forgiveness also improves our health physically and promotes better relationships in the society.

Forgiving becomes difficult when we've experienced deep hurt but we need to remember that God wants us to forgive and since he always wants the best for His children, we can trust in his wisdom.

Reflection:

Is there anyone in your life you need to forgive, choose to let go of any form of resentment today and allow the peace and joy of God to dwell in your heart.

Praise report

We thank God that the Muyingo tree which was being worshipped by witch doctors was cut down. We also thank God for the Kalangala mission which saw many souls saved and joy come to many as they received generous gifts from the Redeemed life family and the student fellowship from St Peter's SS Naalya

Praising in the storm

WRITTEN BY FRANK LUTWAMA

"I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth"

"Psalms 34:1

Many of us can praise when everything is doing great, but how about when you are being attacked by the enemy? Is it still possible to lift up your hands to God while being battered by depression, addictions, financial struggles, and many other imperfections.

For a long time, it didn't seem fair to me that someone who is going through a difficult time in their life should praise God. Until I read 1 Thessalonians 5:16 which says "Rejoice always". As short as it is, this verse has been the answer to many of my questions. Now I decide to sing a hallelujah even in the dark times because I acknowledge God as my sure hope for those who trust in Him will never be put to shame.(Romans 10:11) When the storms come, I remember that God has been so faithful and so good to me and if He is not worried then I have no reason to be. God has given us the assurance that no matter the situation, he has good plans for us and all things will work out together for our good." (Romans 8:28)

Declaring God's promises over our lives, will make us more than conquerors in any situation regardless of the imperfections we may be having.

Quote of the month

"Living for Christ is good; living with Christ is better"

David Murray



Love above all

WRITTEN BY JOSHUA MUWANGUZI

Galatians 5:22 talks of the nine fruits of the spirit which are love, joy, peace, patience, faithfulness, goodness, self-control, kindness and gentleness. Paul furthermore tells us that love is the greatest of them all. (1 Corinthians 13:13)

By way of illustration, love is like a tree stem holding the fruits of the spirit on the branches. Love holds everything else together. It is love that sinners appear before the holy one because love covers a multitude of sins (1 Peter 4:8). Where everything else fails, love never will.

God our comforter

WRITTEN BY TRACY NANYONGA

It is true that our God is a healer and deliverer, but another important attribute he has is that he is a comforter. (2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

He is with us in affliction, trouble, sickness, financial difficulties, unemployment, troubled marriage, or even wayward children. It doesn't matter what condition we may be facing in our lives, we can be encouraged because God promises to be a very present help in time of need. (Psalm 46:1).

Even when we need to offer comfort to others, the Holy Spirit living on the inside of us, gives us the ability to draw from that which he has so eagerly given to us.

Upcoming events

30 days of prayer and fasting with a daily evening prayer service starting 1st July.
Miracle offering Sunday 29th October

Worshipping from the heart

WRITTEN BY WINNIE KYAKUWADDE

Worship to many is simply the slow song sung at the beginning of service. The truth is, worship is much more than just a song. It is the way we live our lives.

It is a deliberate choice to honor God in everything. God made it clear that worship is, first and foremost about the heart. The pharisees in Jesus' day did and said things that seemed like worship, but in reality their hearts were not set on God. All their efforts did not please God because they were not love motivated. Pride was the reigning member in their hearts. (Matthew 23:3-7). God is calling us to be different. He says that whatever we do whether it be eating or drinking let it be done to the glory of God." (1 Cor 10:31). To God, this is the nature of worship he desires, one characterised not only by how much we talk about God but also by how generously we love, give and serve. Paul says this is our true and proper worship (Rom 12:1).

We need to remember that we are not on our own in this great endeavor. The Holy Spirit is ready to teach us through prayer and the word how to worship the father in spirit and in truth.

Reflection;

Is there anything in your life you have given priority over God? Ask the Holy Spirit to awaken your heart to always keep God first place.

We would love to hear from you!

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