

DAILY WORD

(Week 23 March 2020 – 29 March 2020)

All Bible references are taken from New King James Version (NKJV) of the Holy Bible.

Monday, 23rd March 2020

A Good And Faithful Servant.

2 Timothy 4: 5 But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

In the midst of a generation that pursues fame and glamour, we must learn to be watchful in the way we speak and in the way we do things. Our work must reflect Jesus at all times. Even in hardship, we must not lose heart and focus on the goal of our ministry. The enemy wants to stop the work of God and will offer all types of inducements, such as wealth, glory and so on. No matter what types of ministry we are involved in, we must never forget that we are firstly called to evangelism. Continue to reach out in whatever methods that are available whether it is old fashioned or latest technology. Be a good and faithful servant.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, help me to be good and faithful servant to You. I want to share about You in all situation and circumstances. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen.

Colossians 3: 16 – 17 ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. ¹⁷ And whatever you do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

(Contributed by Rev. Ebenezer David)

Read The Bible In One Year

Morning Luke 1:57-80

Evening Joshua 13-15

Tuesday, 24th March 2020

Let Wisdom Supersede Wrath.

Proverbs 29: 8 ⁸ Scoffers set a city aflame, But wise *men* turn away wrath.

A scoffer is a person who mocks and taunts other people's ideas and actions. Their arrogance and defiant nature will cause more problems rather than solving them. They can stir up a mob and cause much damage to the city. They are not mindful of their error and have no desire to put things right. Destruction is their only goal. However they are not only harming others but they also bring harm to themselves. Do not follow their path. Wisdom will supersede all spirits of vengeance and bring about healing and harmony. This is what we need and this is what we need to pray for in our nation. We need wise leaders who are not driven by emotions and affiliation to a chosen group.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, teach me to allow wisdom to supersede my feelings and sentiments. I want truth and fairness to continue. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen.

James 3: 17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.

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Morning Luke 2:1-24

Evening Joshua 16-18

Wednesday, 25th March 2020

Worship is an incredible privilege not a religious duty.

John 4:10-13 ¹⁰ Jesus answered and said to her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, ‘Give Me a drink,’ you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water.” ¹¹ The woman said to Him, “Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? ¹² Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?” ¹³ Jesus answered and said to her, “Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”

When Jesus encountered the Samaritan woman at the well, He started the conversation by asking her for a drink. Then Jesus spoke to her about the gift of God – the living water and finally offering her everlasting life. The Samaritan woman recognized that Jesus was not an ordinary person. She acknowledged Him as a prophet. She started to speak to Him about worship. For this Jesus said to her, “But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.”

What is worship to us? Are we seeing and experiencing worship as an incredible privilege given to us by God or are we just worshipping just to fulfill a religious duty? Worship must be our lifestyle. No matter where, no matter what our circumstances are, if worship is an incredible privilege, we will worship God at all times.

John 4:21-24 ²¹ Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. ²² You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. ²³ But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship

Him. ²⁴ God *is* Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

(Contributed by Regina Ebenezer – church worker)

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Morning Luke 2:25-52
Evening Joshua 19-21

Thursday 26th March 2020

What do we confess?

Ephesians 1:19-23 ¹⁹ and what *is* the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power ²⁰ which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated *Him* at His right hand in the heavenly *places*, ²¹ far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. ²² And He put all *things* under His feet, and gave Him *to be* head over all *things* to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

At this moment, a very well known name that we can hear globally through Whatsapp, Facebook, through media, from the oldest to the youngest we can hear them mentioning this name – Corona Virus (Covid-19). People talk how to prevent it, what to eat, what to avoid eating, where to go, where not to go, wash your hands regularly, etc....etc.... Some even make jokes about the virus. As Christians we have to face all these things. Instead of confessing the name of Covid-19, let us start to confess the Name of Jesus. Speak and declare the Name of Jesus as many times as we can. There is power in the Name of Jesus. The Name of Jesus is above every other name. Everything has to bow down to the Name of Jesus.

Philippians 2:9-11 ⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹ and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
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Morning Luke 3
Evening Joshua 22-24

Friday, 27th March 2020

Premature death because of constant complaining.

Numbers 14:26-29 ²⁶ And the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, ²⁷ “How long *shall I bear with* this evil congregation who complain against Me? I have heard the complaints which the children of Israel make against Me. ²⁸ Say to them, ‘As I live,’ says the LORD, ‘just as you have spoken in My hearing, so I will do to you: ²⁹ The carcasses of you who have complained against Me shall fall in this wilderness, all of you who were numbered, according to your entire number, from twenty years old and above.

The Israelites continued to complain against God, who wanted to take them to Canaan (**Numbers 13:1-2**). Because of their complain, all of them died in the wilderness, except the ones below twenty years and Caleb and Joshua (**Numbers 26:63-65**). Complaining against God brings more bad, than good for us, and it destroys our relationship with God. Jude tells us that judgement will be executed on the ungodly who are grumblers and complainers (**Jude 14-16**). Dear child of God, be careful when you speak, even when you do not understand and know, why God is doing certain things, just, tell God in prayer about the issues, but do not complain. May God the Holy Spirit be with you throughout the week and bless you tremendously.

Numbers 13:1-2 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ² “Send men to spy out the land of Canaan, which I am giving to the children of Israel; from each tribe of their fathers you shall send a man, every one a leader among them.”

Numbers 26:63-65 ⁶³ These *are* those who were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who numbered the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan, *across from* Jericho. ⁶⁴ But among these there was not a man of those who were numbered by Moses and Aaron the priest when they numbered the children of Israel in the Wilderness of Sinai. ⁶⁵ For the LORD had

said of them, “They shall surely die in the wilderness.” So there was not left a man of them, except Caleb the son of Jephunneh and Joshua the son of Nun.

Jude 14-16 ¹⁴ Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, “Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, ¹⁵ to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.” ¹⁶ These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling *words*, flattering people to gain advantage.

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Morning Luke 4:1-30
Evening Judges 1-3

Saturday, 28th March 2020

The charitable deeds of Tabitha.

Acts 9:36-38 ³⁶ At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did. ³⁷ But it happened in those days that she became sick and died. When they had washed her, they laid *her* in an upper room. ³⁸ And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring *him* not to delay in coming to them.

As we continue reading the verses, we see that God uses Peter, and a miracle happens, Tabitha (Dorcas) is raised from the dead. What I want to share here is her ministry of good works and charitable deeds. Is this ministry important? Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ tells a parable in Matthew Chapter twenty five, verse thirty one to verse forty of the separation of the sheep and the goats. Jesus tells us that the king will say to those on His right hand, that they will inherit the kingdom, because of all the good works and charitable deeds that they did, for the least of the brethren. Dear brother / sister in Jesus Christ, when we take care of the less fortunate, like what Tabitha (Dorcas) did, it pleases God,

and, that is the right thing to do. May God the Holy Spirit be with you throughout the week and bless you tremendously.

Matthew 25:31-40 ³¹ “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. ³² All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides *his* sheep from the goats. ³³ And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on His right hand, ‘Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: ³⁵ for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.’ ³⁷ “Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed *You*, or thirsty and give *You* drink? ³⁸ When did we see You a stranger and take *You* in, or naked and clothe *You*? ³⁹ Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?’ ⁴⁰ And the King will answer and say to them, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did *it* to one of the least of these My brethren, you did *it* to Me.’

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Morning Luke 4:31-44

Evening Judges 4-6

Sunday, 29th March 2020

God can speak through dreams.

Matthew 1:20-21 ²⁰ But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. ²¹ And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins.”

God sent His angel in a dream and spoke to Joseph not to be afraid to take Mary as his wife. God told him what name he should name the Child. God gave instructions and warnings to Joseph through dreams. Joseph obeyed to every instructions God gave. Joseph was a righteous and an obedient man. God loved Joseph and Mary. So he wanted to protect them.

God also can speak to us through dreams. He can give us instructions and warnings. He can reveal to us our sin, our mistakes in a dream. God loves us. He does not want anything bad happen to us. He gives us instructions and warnings so that we will not take the wrong way or wrong decisions in our life.

Matthew 2:13 Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, “Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him.”

Matthew 2:19-23 ¹⁹ Now when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, ²⁰ saying, “Arise, take the young Child and His mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the young Child’s life are dead.” ²¹ Then he arose, took the young Child and His mother, and came into the land of Israel. ²² But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea instead of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And being warned by God in a dream, he turned aside into the region of Galilee. ²³ And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, “He shall be called a Nazarene.”

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Morning Luke 5:1-16

Evening Judges 7-8

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