

DAILY WORD

(Week 22 February 2021 – 28 February 2021)

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

Monday, 22nd February 2021

Having An Eternal Perspective.

Philemon 1: 19 – 20 ¹⁹ I, Paul, am writing with my own hand. I will repay—not to mention to you that you owe me even your own self besides. ²⁰ Yes, brother, let me have joy from you in the Lord; refresh my heart in the Lord.

Paul writes and hopes to rejoice in the forgiving nature of Philemon. As a believer in the Lord, there is a significant difference in the response by a believer compared to an unbeliever with regards to every situation that is faced in life. A believer in the Lord will have an eternal perspective whereas the other will only see things as it is. Eternal perspective will help us to escape the strong earthly distraction and see things with a perspective that is imputed by the Holy Spirit. We remove bitterness, unforgiveness, jealousy and all other works of the flesh and be filled with the fruit of the Holy Spirit. Our reaction are different because of love and patience. Therefore we need to always check and remind ourselves that we are not just living for the present but also preparing for eternity.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, help me to remember that You have bought me with a price and I belong to You. Therefore I need to have an eternal perspective and not react with a carnal mindset. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen.

Galatians 5: 22 – 23

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

(Contributed by Rev. Ebenezer David)

Read The Bible In One Year

Morning Mark 3:20-35

Evening Numbers 3-4

Tuesday, 23rd February 2021

Jesus Brought Light Into Darkness.

Isaiah 9: 2 The people who walked in darkness Have seen a great light; Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, Upon them a light has shined.

Jesus was the first and only person to display total obedience by living a life without sin. He inspired many to come back to God by being devoted to God's word and prayer. Hope and love are once again revived. Today as we look at Jesus we don't only see our inadequacies and our sinfulness but we also see a way that is provided for us to come out. At the same time we are also comforted to know that God is very concern with all that we are facing daily in life. His comfort is extra ordinary because He brings relief to our spirit, soul and body. The most common struggle that every human being go through is the fear of death but thank God that He has brought peace to the troubled mind to know that He has prepared a better place for us. Truly His light has brought more clarity and meaning to our life.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, I thank You for Your light that reveals all things and helps me to know the truth. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen.

2 Corinthians 4: 6 For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

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Morning Mark 4:1-20
Evening Numbers 5-7

Wednesday, 24th February 2021

Do not be negligent in doing God's work.

2 Chronicles 29:11 My sons, do not be negligent now, for the LORD has chosen you to stand before Him, to serve Him, and that you should minister to Him and burn incense.”

Now, in the time of his distress King Ahaz became increasingly unfaithful to the Lord. He started to sacrifice to other gods, so that they could help him. He gathered the articles of the house of God, cut in pieces the articles of the house of God and shut up the doors of the house of the Lord (2 Chronicles 28:22-24).

After his death, his son Hezekiah became king. In the first year of his reign, Hezekiah opened the doors of the house of the Lord and repaired them. Then, he told the priests and the Levites not to be negligent in doing God's work, for it was God

who had chosen them to stand before Him, to serve Him and to minister to Him.

None of us must think that it is our own ability and strength which makes us to do the ministry for God. We must always remember that it is God who has called us and chosen us to stand before Him, to serve Him and to minister to Him. So, let us not take God's work lightly. Ask God the Holy Spirit to help us to remove the spirit of negligence from our lives.

Jeremiah 48:10

Cursed *is* he who does the work of the LORD deceitfully,
And cursed *is* he who keeps back his sword from blood.

(Contributed by Regina Ebenezer – church worker)

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Morning Mark 4:21-41
Evening Numbers 8-11

Thursday 25th February 2021

Their protection has departed from them and the Lord is with us.

Numbers 14:6-9 ⁶But Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, *who were* among those who had spied out the land, tore their clothes;⁷ and they spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying: “The land we passed through to spy out *is* an exceedingly good land. ⁸If the LORD delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, ‘a land which flows with milk and honey.’ ⁹Only do not rebel against the LORD, nor fear the people of the land,

for they *are* our bread; their protection has departed from them, and the LORD *is* with us. Do not fear them.”

God told Moses to send men to spy the land of Canaan which He was going to give to the children of Israel. So they went out and spied out the land, and they returned after forty days. All the men brought a very bad report about the land. They said the land was a good land, flowing with milk and honey but the people there were stronger than they. So, they refused to go up and conquer the land. But Caleb and Joshua encouraged them and said, “If the Lord delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, only do not rebel against the Lord nor fear the people of the land for they are our bread and their protection has departed from them but the Lord is with us”.

As long as we are with the Lord, His protection is always with us. We do not need to fear anyone or anything. His protection envelopes us. But let us not rebel against the Lord and do anything to hurt Him.

Psalm 121:3-8

³ He will not allow your foot to be moved;
He who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴ Behold, He who keeps Israel
Shall neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵ The LORD *is* your keeper;
The LORD *is* your shade at your right hand.

⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day,
Nor the moon by night.

⁷ The LORD shall preserve you from all evil;
He shall preserve your soul.

⁸ The LORD shall preserve your going out and your coming in
From this time forth, and even forevermore.

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Morning Mark 5:1-20

Evening Numbers 12-14

Friday, 26th February 2021

Set your love upon God and He will deliver you.

Psalm 91:1-3

He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High
Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

² I will say of the LORD, “*He is* my refuge and my fortress;
My God, in Him I will trust.”

³ Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler
And from the perilous pestilence.

Verses one and two tell us about a believer’s intimacy with God, that, he loves to dwell in the secret place and in the shadow of the Almighty, And his mouth’s confession proclaims God as his “refuge and fortress”. When we set our love upon God Almighty, He will ‘deliver us’ from the snares of the fowler and from perilous pestilence. Why does God Almighty do all these ‘good things for us? Because the ‘believer’ has set his love upon God Almighty (**Psalm 91:14-16**). How much love have you set upon God? May God the Holy Spirit be with you as you enjoy God’s deliverance daily in your life.

Psalm 91:14-16

¹⁴ “Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will

deliver him;
I will set him on high, because he has known My name.
¹⁵ He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him;
I *will be* with him in trouble;
I will deliver him and honor him.
¹⁶ With long life I will satisfy him,
And show him My salvation.”

(Contributed by Rev. Johnathan)

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Morning Mark 5:21-43
Evening Numbers 15-16

Saturday, 27th February 2021
Power in the message of the Cross.

1 Corinthians 1:18 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Before Jesus, the message that the cross gave, was fear, punishment and death. But Jesus, by His death on the cross changed the message of fear and death to power and life. How was this possible? When anyone repents, and believes in Jesus Christ, that person is saved. Those who are perishing in their sins will make fun of the message of the cross, and at you. Do not get angry and curse them, but pray fervently for them, that they will be saved. The death of Jesus on the cross is the daily ‘power’ to cross hurdles that occur in our daily lives. Because, Jesus is alive and God the Holy Spirit is with us, guiding and

leading us all the way. May God the Holy Spirit be with you throughout the week, and lead you in the ‘Power of God’.

Acts 2:37-38 ³⁷ Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?” ³⁸ Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

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Morning Mark 6:1-29
Evening Numbers 17-19

Sunday, 28th February 2021
Do not rebel against the Lord.

Numbers 14 :36-38 ³⁶ Now the men whom Moses sent to spy out the land, who returned and made all the congregation complain against him by bringing a bad report of the land, ³⁷ those very men who brought the evil report about the land, died by the plague before the LORD. ³⁸ But Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh remained alive, of the men who went to spy out the land.

Now, the whole Israelite community listened to the bad report and wanted to stone Caleb and Joshua. They refused to enter the Canaan land. The whole congregation complained against Moses and Aaron. They did not believe all the great

miracle the Lord has done for them. And the Lord heard their complaints and He was grieved.

Now the men whom Moses sent to spy out the land, who returned and made all the congregation complain against him by bringing a bad report of the land, those very men who brought the evil report about the land, died by the plague before the LORD. But Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh remained alive, of the men who went to spy out the land.

Besides that the people went to Moses and said that they wanted to go up to the place which the Lord has promised. But Moses said to them, “Do not go up lest you be defeated by your enemies for the Lord is not among you.” But they did not listen and arrogantly went up to the mountaintop without Moses and the presence of the Lord. But their enemies came and attacked them and drove them back.

Those who brought the bad report and those who believed their report had to face the consequences of their acts. Let us not fall into their traps.

Numbers 14:41-45 ⁴¹And Moses said, “Now why do you transgress the command of the LORD? For this will not succeed. ⁴²Do not go up, lest you be defeated by your enemies, for the LORD *is* not among you. ⁴³For the Amalekites and the Canaanites *are* there before you, and you shall fall by the sword; because you have turned away from the LORD, the LORD will not be with you.” ⁴⁴But they presumed to go up to the mountaintop. Nevertheless, neither the ark of the covenant of the LORD nor Moses departed from the camp. ⁴⁵Then the Amalekites and the Canaanites who dwelt in that

mountain came down and attacked them, and drove them back as far as Hormah.

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Morning Mark 6:30-56

Evening Numbers 20-22

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