



Live in the Spirit

Seed For Living

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Live Today! But Plan for Eternity

We live in moments. But our actions – whether good or bad – cause ripples that run right through eternity. The Bible says whatever you bind on earth is bound in heaven (Matthew 18:18). That is why we must measure everything we do and say. Before doing or saying anything, always remind yourself: “I am doing this for eternity. This is forever.” Don’t tell someone you love them unless you are sure that you will love them for eternity. If you are doing things just because you are caught in the moment, you are wasting your time and efforts. Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal. (Matthew 6:19)

We are the people of Kingdom of God. We are not people of culture, of tradition, of rituals, preference, etc. We follow God alone, and our primary purpose is to extend the Kingdom. That is our call.

Remember Caleb? When Moses sent out twelve scouts to survey the Promised Land, ten of them came back with a negative report. They said the land was full of giants and conquering the land was impossible. Joshua and Caleb, however, brought a positive report. They said, “The land is good. Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.” However, the Israelites wanted to stone them. As a result, God was displeased and caused that entire generation to wander in the desert for 40 years. Joshua and Caleb were the only ones who entered the Promised Land.

When the Israelites finally entered the Promised Land, Caleb went up to Joshua and said, “Moses swore to me, ‘The

land on which your feet have walked will be your inheritance and that of your children forever, because you have followed the Lord my God wholeheartedly.’ Now then, just as the Lord promised, he has kept me alive for forty-five years since the time he said this to Moses. So here I am today, eighty-five years old! I am still as strong today as the day Moses sent me out; I’m just as vigorous to go out to battle now as I was then. Now give me this hill country that the Lord promised me that day. You yourself heard then that the giants were there and their cities were large and fortified, but, the Lord helping me, I will drive them out just as he said.”

So, Joshua blessed Caleb and gave him Hebron as his inheritance. And Caleb defeated the giants and occupied their land.

Caleb serves as a lesson for us to never release God’s promises; never retire from serving God; and never retreat from the enemy! Caleb had been promised a piece of property forty five years earlier. Since that promise, he spent forty years wandering in the wilderness with a bunch of dissatisfied, unfaithful, whining people. Then under Joshua’s leadership, Caleb spent five years fighting as a soldier against the Canaanite kingdoms. Yet, even after 45 years, he still held onto God’s promise. And in the end, he did receive what God had promised him.

Moral of the story: God’s promises are for eternity. And when He gives you a promise, you should never release it!

— Bro. Manuel Mergulhao

THE DIARIES OF AN INBETWEEN

As kids we became grumpy, had our tantrums and moaned and whined about the stupidest things that irked us. But the beauty of those moments was we truly felt and expressed. There wasn't a time we dishonestly represented our own feelings.

Growing up, well, you have no idea whom you land up meeting and what you have to deal with.

The accuracy of expressing what we feel just keeps waning out, and the reason for everyone to do this: to deviate from true expression – the truth – is simply because we think we are protecting ourselves. Tell me, what ever came out of ignorance, pretending or lying?

Recently, I very curiously landed up in an uncomfortable situation with contrasting people around me. I never was truly exposed to regular society where you had the need to forcefully smile even if you didn't want to... forcefully engage in chatter when you least felt like it... or pretend to lie about the situation in front of your eyes... denying the truth and not confront with the inner conflict.

So, I was very flabbergasted when I confronted someone who was pretending to live in loloo land when I could see right through it!!!

Patience, Prayer, Time and Space – four ingredients that saw me through these inner battles I dealt with alone. I say alone but not Lonely.

PATIENCE is needed to remain silent, to keep calm, to hold that confrontational aggression – the heat that boils in our young veins at bay, to gather ourselves, to bear, to look past the grime in front of us. Patience is our strength.

PRAYER, our tool, our practice – something that is constantly muttered at the back of our heads, something that keeps our faith hope and truth in check, something that pushes the hands of our moral compass, something that supplies us fortitude in our patience.

TIME, most often the road we traverse on. It's the relief walk we need to mentally keep walking to a better distance from the present, a better place in the future, and look back and introspect on our situation from afar. Time is what gives us the better perspective, the alternative we look past when we are pumped with rage!

SPACE, personal space... sometimes we take for granted, sometimes we grasp at whatever we are offered. Space is that area where u can stand bare and face your demons without judgement, the place where u can breathe, meditate, dance like Elvis in front of the mirror, sing along with all the highs and lows of a Bruno Mars song... But space for alone-time is the spot you need to set yourself free, step out of the mess and just exist. The honest prayer can be made here....

Well, my room was high jacked and everywhere I considered running too was bound by distractions or an inconvenience where I couldn't breathe and say my much needed prayer...

Well, when all else fails (in my Rajnikanth voice), "Take a shower, I say!!!"

The bathroom is one space that worked for me. The smell of the soap, the act of cleaning the body, the prayer I made cleaned my mind, added a little carefree song with my bathroom singer voice, and voila, guess who is ready to face the world again??? A clear mind and refreshed as ever. "This too shall pass," that's all I claimed in my head.

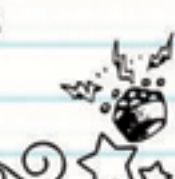
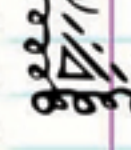
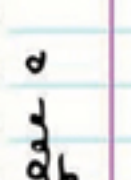
And I confronted my problem, the right words fell out of my mouth like a symphony, all anger erased from its tone, not solving the issue like magic. But maybe giving it a path to move forward, to see hope, atleast to learn something new and to see a better day.


So, when the going gets tough, and if the tough don't get going, just take a shower!!!

Until next time! Have an awesome bath!! Whoops! I mean an awesome month!!

– B.M.M Youth

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about
**BATHROOM
SINGING!**





The richness of the life that flows in and from the 'Word of God' is amazing! It is available and at hand. Would it not be foolishness not to get hold of it and use it? Here are some precious promises that I urge you to memorize and use for various circumstances like:

Transformed by *God's Promises* Part -7

➤ **When faced with Danger**

“Do not fear, for I am with you. Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you. Surely I will help you. Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand. Look! All those who are angered at you will be shamed and dishonored. Those who contend with you will be as nothing, and will perish. You will seek those who quarrel with you, but will not find them. Those who war with you will be as nothing, and non-existent, for I am YHWH your God, who upholds your right hand, who says to you, do not fear, I will help you.” (Isaiah 41:10-13)

➤ **When you are worn-out**

“Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Everlasting God, YHWH, the creator of the ends of the earth does not become weary, or tired His understanding is inscrutable. He gives strength to the weary, and to him who lacks might He increases power. Though youths grow weary and tired, and vigorous young men stumble badly, yet those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; they will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary.” (Isaiah 40:28-31)

➤ **When you are faced with a severe trial**

“When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they will not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, nor will the flame burn you.” (Isaiah 43:2)

➤ **When you are unjustly persecuted**

“And therefore will the Lord wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the Lord is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait for him.” (Isaiah 30:18)

➤ **When you are Forsaken**

“Can a woman forget her nursing child, and have no

compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, but I will not forget you. Behold, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands. Your walls are continually before Me.” (Isaiah 49:15-16)

➤ **When in financially need or any need**

“And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:19)

And here are some more promises of:

God's Absolute Control

“And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.” (Romans 8:28)

Being with the Heavenly Master

“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.” (John 14:3)

“For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain. But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not. For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better.” (Philippians 1:21-23)

Ultimate and Eternal Joy

“And He shall wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there shall no longer be any death; there shall no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away.” (Revelation 21:4)

“And there shall no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His bond-servants shall serve Him; and they shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads.” (Revelation 22:3-4)

“Surely goodness and loving kindness will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of YHWH forever.” (Psalms 23:6)

Mighty things

“Call to Me, and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know,” says YHWH. (Jeremiah 33:3)

The WORD does it! Get hold of the WORD!!!

– Sis. Lynette Mergulhao

Are you a **Lover** or a Luster?



Consider this: You test drive cars and try on clothes before you buy them. Surely then it is alright to try different people too before you tie the big knot, right?

WRONG!

You try things before you buy them because they were not tailor-made for you; they were made for mass consumption. So, you really need to know which one fits you the best. Second, these products were manufactured by humans and therefore may not always be perfect.

Marriage, however, is a God thing. The perfect God, in His divine and perfect wisdom, created and pre-selected the perfect spouse, tailor-made especially for you. So, you don't need to "check out the goods" and try on people like you try on clothes. The reason divorce rates are climbing is because people bring a "let's try and see if this works" attitude to marriage. Also, many marriages these days are founded on lust instead of love. Well, guess what? If you don't really love the person you are marrying, sooner or later, you'll get tired of the looks, the money, the fancy car, etc. Lust always runs out. Love, on the other hand, is eternal.

So, the real question you should be asking is: Are you a lover or a luster? And if you claim to be a lover, why are you not preserving yourself for the perfect one God has already chosen for you? If you don't want a second-hand used piece, why are you becoming one yourself? Are you a lover or a luster?

– Editorial Desk



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HEAVEN
CROSS
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TRINITY

*All things happen
in His Time*

In a particular time, there's a new arrival on this earth,
At the same time, there's a departure from this earth too.
In a small town, there's a new marriage happening,
At the same time, there's a new divorce too.
In some corner of this earth, there's a flood that arises,
At the same time, there's a drought too.
Anything happens, anytime and anywhere,
But no man can stop it; no man can change it too.
God alone has the full control over TIME.
For everything happens in His Own Right Time.
ECC 3:11 He has made everything beautiful in its time.



TESTIMONIES

T E S T I M O N I E S



I want to testify that after walking the Vasai land, God has done great things in my life. Bro. Ivan was speaking to us about how the walls of Jericho came tumbling down only after the shout of victory. Till 6th round, we had to walk silently. On 7th round, we shouted God's praises for victory which He has already given us. And I believe God was present there. After we walked the 7th round, it was like the walls of Jericho just came tumbling down and we got our victory that day. I believe everybody who walked the land has received God's superabundant blessings. After walking on the Vasai land, the next day, my mother informed me that you are selected for India Under-19. This happened after I walked the Vasai land. I claimed that India cap and God gave me the victory. And this is just the beginning of God's mighty work in my life.

– Jemimah Rodrigues



I only go to Vasai because I get my strength back. People who did not come, it was a hot, sunny day. Those who were on the land walked with absolute energy. I wanted to do more than 7 rounds. We were not hungry at all. We could have walked and on, it is that kind of energy we found in ourselves. Every Wednesday I come to the prayer meeting and I go back charged. People who go to Vasai, when they come back, they just feel absolutely charged. I have been blessed abundantly. When I was walking on the Vasai land, God reminded me about the best blessings in my life – my wife and my sons. We ask God to bless us, but sometimes we forget to acknowledge the blessings He has already bestowed on us. We search for the miracle outside the house, when in reality it is inside the house. Once we start realizing that, people will actually come more closer to God.

– Vinesh Paperwala



I had a small lump on my left thigh, near my joints. On the first Wednesday when brother was in the US, I got my healing. I want to thank Jesus for helping me secure 78% in my HSC exam. I thank everyone who prayed for me, and for Brother's prayer. When I was studying I just had God's anointing on me. I could remember everything; He gave me the grace to remember everything and write the paper. Thank you, Jesus!

– Enoch Rodrigues



Last Wednesday, when I came for the prayer meeting, there was a voice that spoke to me to just go out and sow. Bro. Manuel was teaching about obedience and willingness. So I was obedient to the voice. But I didn't know how I would get the money to sow. I messaged Bro. Manuel that I don't have money to sow for the Vasai land. Brother told me to continue praying and God will provide. And that's what happened. On Sunday, I walked the ground and on Monday I got the news that some funds were transferred into my account. And today I sowed the amount.

– Marcelino Mendonca

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