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TODAY'S BIBLE READING: John 1

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: John 1:21 (KJV)

The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

TODAY'S TOPIC: BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD.

The words that echo in my heart are from the days of Abraham. When he was on his way to offer his only son Isaac as an offering to God, he responded prophetically to Isaac's question. Abraham's response was 'God will provide himself a lamb'. Coming back to our scripture for today that focuses on John the Baptist's reference to Jesus as the "lamb God has provided". Under the Mosaic Law, individuals had the responsibility to provide lambs to cover their sins. These sacrifices had to be repeated over and over again. Man had to provide himself a lamb or lambs. God decided to step in and provide for himself a lamb whose sacrifice will not need to be repeated yearly or a second time. Jesus Christ is God's lamb. The difference between the lambs of men and the Lamb of God is that God's lamb has done once and forever what the lambs of men were trying to do.

The lambs of men could not take away sins; it only temporarily covered sin. The Lamb of God permanently took away sin. It dealt the winning stroke over sin. The Lamb of God took away your sin; the nature and acts of sin have been dealt with. Your sins are forgiven because of Jesus Christ the Lamb of God. You must see and receive him as God's substitutionary sacrifice for you. Jesus was led as a lamb to the slaughter in your place. He has paid the price for your

freedom; you have been cleared of any debt you owed justice. Justice was served when the Lamb was slain. You are cleared, discharged and acquitted!

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I see Jesus Christ as the Lamb of God that took away my sin. I am forgiven, cleared, discharged and acquitted from every accusation of Satan. I owe Justice nothing, Jesus paid it all. The lamb was slain for me. I am forever settled.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **Jonh 2**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 2:17 (AMP)**

And His disciples remembered that it is written [in the Holy Scriptures], Zeal (the fervor of love) for Your house will eat Me up. [I will be consumed with jealousy for the honor of Your house.]

TODAY'S TOPIC:

JESUS CHRIST IS STILL ZEALOUS FOR YOU.

The deeds of Jesus reminded his disciples of prophecies from scripture. One of the remarkable attributes that will be used to identify the Christ is his zeal for the house of God. In this particular instance where he threw out the money changers and their tables, his disciples remembered what was said about the zeal of the messiah. Zeal is defined here as the fervor of love. Jesus had a burning passion for the temple and whatever was going on in it. The physical temple in Jerusalem was simply a type of the real temple of God. Are you aware that, you are God's temple today? Salvation and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit have made you the current temple of the living God, the house of God. Jesus is consumed with jealousy for you.

His response towards whatever is going on with you is exactly how he responded towards the physical temple in Jerusalem. The love of Jesus has not waxed cold; He is still zealous for you today. He wouldn't sit still and see anything going contrary to the Father's plan for you. Through his word and the power of his Spirit, he is still throwing out everything inconsistent with his word from your life.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Salvation and the indwelling of the Spirit have made me the current temple and house of God. Jesus Christ is still zealous for me. Through his word and the power of his Spirit, he is still throwing out everything inconsistent with his word from my life.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 3**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 3:27 (MSG)**

John answered, "It's not possible for a person to succeed—I'm talking about eternal success—without heaven's help.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

ETERNAL SUCCESS AND HEAVEN'S HELP

Humanity was never designed to function without divine help or support. The self-help ideology many attempt to practice has its roots in the human effort to live without God. In the same way that the earth is dependent on the sun and the rain from the heavens, so is humanity dependent on divinity. Jesus Christ through salvation came to give man a higher purpose for living. Success is not what the world says it is. Our scripture for today is giving us an insight into what true success is. True success is beyond material acquisitions and earthly accolades. True success is eternal, and cannot be attained without heaven's help. Receiving Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour is the entry phase of accepting heaven's help. Eternal success is possible and available through faith in Christ Jesus.

The primary role of the Holy Spirit in your life is to constantly provide you with divine support. Heaven's help is supplied to you by the Spirit of God, who is permanently resident in you. Every time you pray, you are demonstrating your dependence on heaven's help. You cannot separate heaven's help from eternal success; you cannot have one without the other.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Eternal success and heaven's help are priorities to me. I cannot, and will not function on earth without heaven's help. Eternal success is possible, available and accessible to me through the Holy Spirit.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 4**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 4:25 (MSG)**

The woman said, "I don't know about that. I do know that the Messiah is coming. When he arrives, we'll get the whole story."

TODAY'S TOPIC:

WHAT IS THE WHOLE STORY?

There is so much to get from the brief statement made by the woman at the well of Samaria. Whatever she had heard or knew about the Messiah was also the general expectation others had at that time. She said "I do know that the Messiah is coming. When he arrives, we'll get the whole story". Have you ever wondered what the whole story is? This means all the prophecies of scripture from the Old Testament only gave a part of the whole story. The law, psalms and prophets provided pieces of revelatory information about the Messiah that could only be fully understood at his coming. The Messiah finally came as "God manifest in flesh". His birth, life on earth, death, burial and resurrection has brought all the provided pieces of revelatory information into focus. Now you can get the whole story-why he came and what he came to do.

The whole story of who the Messiah is and what he came to do has produced salvation in you who have believed. The gospel is simply a summary of the whole story of the Messiah and why he came. The whole world can now be told the whole story. Jesus Christ is the complete story that the Almighty God wanted humanity to hear and believe. Anyone who has heard and believed the whole story ought to tell others about it. Let the whole world hear the whole story of the Messiah from you.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

The whole story of who the Messiah is and why he came has produced salvation in me. I have heard and believed the whole story. It is my life assignment to help others hear the whole story. I agree that the whole story is for the whole world.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: John 5

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: John 5:39 (MSG)

"You have your heads in your Bibles constantly because you think you'll find eternal life there. But you miss the forest for the trees. These Scriptures are all about me!"

TODAY'S TOPIC:

THE SCRIPTURES ARE ALL ABOUT HIM

At the time Jesus was speaking, the scriptures were the law (the writings of Moses), the psalms and the prophets. Those Jesus was referring to, missed the core purpose of the Holy Scriptures. They missed the forest for the trees. This still applies to many today who are busy looking for gifts rather than the giver. The giver is more important than his gifts because you can't have the giver without all of his gifts, but you can have some gifts without the giver. Why strive for the resources when you can have the "source" that provides the resources.

The scriptures are all about Jesus Christ. The blessings and benefits of the Holy Scriptures are not more important than the "blesser" and the "benefactor". Focus on the person the scriptures point to rather than the things offered by the person. In all of the rich history and life changing principles found in scripture, don't miss 'HIS STORY' and the life changing 'PRINCIPAL'. His name is JESUS CHRIST; true God and Saviour of mankind.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

The blessings and benefits of the Holy Scriptures are not more important than the "blesser" and the "benefactor". My focus is on the person the scriptures point to rather than the things offered. His name is Jesus Christ, my Lord and Saviour.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 6**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 6:33 (NLT)**

The true bread of God is the One who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

TODAY'S TOPIC: THE TRUE BREAD

There is a void in the heart of man that nothing physical in this world can permanently fill. All attempts made to physically satisfy that emptiness will only lead to deep frustration. Some folks are trying to use temporary things to address the deep longings of their soul. Nothing tangible can permanently quench the intangible quest of the human heart. The manna in the wilderness temporarily satisfied the physical hunger of the Israelites. The manna is a type of the law, which was a temporary provision before Grace was revealed. After partaking of the manna, they got hungry and dissatisfied again, it created within them a hunger for the true bread. Jesus Christ is the true bread of God that every man is meant to partake of. Through the preaching of the gospel, this true bread is offered to you. This bread gives life; it satisfies and fills the void in the heart of man. Jesus Christ, the true bread from heaven is your sustenance. Keep partaking from his death, burial and resurrection.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Jesus Christ is the true bread from heaven that I am meant to partake of. He is my sustenance day by day. I keep partaking of his death, burial and resurrection.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 7**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 7:28 (MSG)**

That provoked Jesus, who was teaching in the Temple, to cry out, "Yes, you think you know me and where I'm from, but that's not where I'm from. I didn't set myself up in business. My true origin is in the One who sent me, and you don't know him at all.

TODAY'S TOPIC: YOUR TRUE IDENTITY

Jesus Christ was very conscious of his identity; his authority was definitely tied to his identity. Jesus said "I didn't set myself up in business. My true origin is in the One who sent me".

Believers in Christ should also come to that place where they are living conscious of their divine identity. No believer can fully express his authority without a deep conviction of his identity in Christ. Some believers are more conscious of their biological or ethnic identity than their spiritual identity. Circumstances of life and devils don't have any regard for any other identity apart from the one they cannot defy. Sickness, disease and death have no regard for your earthly identity or origin. Your true origin and identity is in Christ; from the moment you got born again your ancestry was altered. You are a new person, former identities are nullified, and every spiritual document concerning you carries your new identity. This new identity is not physical or earthly, it is spiritual and heavenly. You can now boldly say "My true identity is in Christ".

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I am born again. My true identity is in Christ. I am living in the consciousness of my divine identity.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 8**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 8:36 (MSG)**

So if the Son sets you free, you are free through and through.

TODAY'S TOPIC: YOU ARE FREE.

The believer in Christ is a beneficiary of the freedom purchased by the blood of Christ. God owes no one any outstanding debts concerning you. You were bought with a price, not partially but fully paid for. You are not about to be free or almost free, you are already free and totally free. You are not subservient to Satan, sin, the law or the world. You are only submissive to God. In the same manner in which God delivered the Israelites from Egypt to serve him only, you have also been made free from everything to worship and serve him only. If I was given the liberty for a moment to paraphrase this verse of scripture in my own words, it will be read this way "If Jesus Christ was the one that handled the transaction for your freedom, then consider it done. You are absolutely free". Your freedom was not outsourced to any agency or some angel somewhere. Jesus himself bore our sins in his own body on the cross. Jesus took personal responsibility for your freedom; he saw it through from start to finish. You are free through and through!

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Jesus Christ took personal responsibility for my freedom. He handled the transaction for my freedom from start to finish. I am free from Satan, sin, the law and the world. I am free through and through.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 9**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 9:3 (AMP)**

Jesus answered, It was not that this man or his parents sinned, but he was born blind in order that the workings of God should be manifested (displayed and illustrated) in him.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

THE CAUSE IS NOT MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE SOLUTION

There are many questions in this world that can only be answered by the revelation of the Spirit of God. Certain things can never be figured out mentally. The disciples of Jesus had assumed that this man was born blind because of his sin or that of his parents. I don't think anyone thought otherwise until Jesus spoke. Without revelation knowledge you can continue to live with assumptions, looking for the cause of a circumstance in your life. Every problem in life is not necessarily caused by what you did or didn't do. What Jesus demonstrated in this case proves that regardless of the cause, there could be a solution.

The workings of God can be manifested in any situation. You might have had reasons to ask yourself why certain things happened to you or around you. What if it is for the workings of God to be displayed or illustrated in your life? Stop channeling all of your energy on why and how it happened; open your heart to receive the solution. What is important is that there is a solution in God. The cause of the problem is not more important than the solution. See your circumstance or situation as an opportunity for a miracle.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I see my circumstances and situations as opportunities for miracles. I receive solutions today by the workings of God in my life.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 10**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 10:18 (NLT)**

No one can take My life from Me. I sacrifice it voluntarily. For I have the authority to lay it down when I want to and also to take it up again. For this is what My Father has commanded.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

POWER TO LAY IT DOWN AND TAKE IT AGAIN

Jesus said "No one can take My life from Me. I sacrifice it voluntarily", which means Jesus Christ voluntarily sacrificed himself for you and the rest of mankind. Though commanded of the father, he had a choice and he chose you. In his estimation, you were worth the sacrifice. His sacrifice has made you an asset to God and not a liability. You are loved and of great value. The life of Jesus was not forcefully taken against his own will. He willingly offered himself as a lamb led to the slaughter without any resistance. Jesus was given authority to lay down his life when he wants to, and to take it up again. The aspect of laying down his life is something our natural minds can relate with; but taking his life again is definitely a sign and a wonder.

It is a declaration that he is Deity. It agrees with what he said to a lady called Martha "I am the resurrection and the life". Now, he is the one that lives and was dead. He is alive forever more, never to die again. There is no greater demonstration of power than that which Christ has shown. He laid down his life (willingly died) and took it up again unhindered. He is indeed master over death and devils, and has also made you same.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Jesus Christ voluntarily sacrificed himself for me. I am an asset to God and not a liability. My Lord Jesus is indeed master over death and devils, and has made me same.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 11**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 11:40 (KJV)**

Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?

TODAY'S TOPIC:

YOU CAN SEE THE GLORY OF GOD TODAY

The glory of God is the visible or tangible manifestation of the presence or power of God. One of the consequences of sin is that it made man come short of the glory of God. This means it has always been God's desire for humanity to bask in his glory, never falling short of it. Jesus Christ is the restorer of this lost glory to humanity. In his sacrifice, he dealt with sin which was the reason man fell short of the glory of God. Whatever debt you owed had been paid in his death on the cross, you are no more falling short in any way. The access to the manifestation of the glory of God in your life is by believing in Jesus Christ.

Any time you believe you will see the glory of God. In your day to day experiences there might be occasions that seem contrary to the prophecy you received from God. In Martha's case Jesus had told her earlier, this sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God. The death of her brother Lazarus didn't seem to look like the word she received from the Lord. Jesus still insisted, if you believe you will see the glory of God. 'Believe' is an active present hour response to word of God. Believe today and see the tangible manifestation of the presence and power of God in your circumstances.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Jesus Christ had paid the debt I owed on the cross; I am no more falling short or lacking the glory of God. I believe to see the tangible manifestation of the presence and power of God in my personal affairs today.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: John 12

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: John 12:47(AMP)

If anyone hears My teachings and fails to observe them [does not keep them, but disregards them], it is not I who judges him. For I have not come to judge and to condemn and to pass sentence and to inflict penalty on the world, but to save the world.

TODAY'S TOPIC: THE MISSION TO SAVE THE WORLD

Jesus stated his mission to the earth clearly on several occasions. It is exciting to know that he didn't fail in that mission. His incarnation and vicarious death was not in vain. It is important to remember that sin was already in the world before the law was given. The scripture says 'sin is not counted when there is no law'. The penalty for sin, judgement and condemnation was introduced by the Law of Moses. At this point humanity was stuck, and couldn't help itself. Jesus didn't come to judge or condemn anyone.

He also didn't come to pass sentence or to inflict penalty on the world. The law had already passed a sentence. Jesus came to receive the penalty for the sentence from the law, taking our place. He came to save the world; he came to save you and me. The mission to save the world succeeded. He earned the title 'Saviour of the world'. However, the salvation offer to mankind has a time limit. It must be received before he returns the second time. You have a responsibility to let everyone around you know about the available salvation offer. Your mission is to announce the mission of the Saviour.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Jesus came to receive the penalty for the sins of the world, and he took my place. His mission was to save the world with me in it. My mission is to announce the mission of my Saviour to all.

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TODAY'S BIBLE READING: John 13

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: John 13:34 (KJV)

A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

TODAY'S TOPIC: THE COMMANDMENT OF JESUS

Jesus was speaking to a group of people that knew about all the laws of Moses, and the accompanying commandments. No other Prophet before or after Moses had attempted to add to or subtract from the commandments already given. Moses got these commandments directly from God. Jesus was making an indirect statement by adding a new commandment to the commandments that were already given. This was another way of saying he is greater than any Prophet including Moses. It also means he is claiming to be the initiator and source of all the commandments; the one who actually gave the commandments to Moses. What is this new commandment? It is a commandment to love. Jesus Christ is the standard of measure for this love. You are to love others as he had loved you. It will be impossible to fulfill this commandment if you haven't first experienced the love of Jesus.

There is no greater love that anyone can extend to another beyond what Jesus extended to you and I. It is a self sacrificing love that found fulfillment in our success and well being. The good news for the believer in Christ is that you have the Jesus kind of love already installed in your spirit. You have the ability to fulfill this new commandment. Use that ability today in all your interactions with others.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I have the ability to fulfill the commandment of Jesus. I have the Jesus kind of love installed in my Spirit. I choose to love others, the way Jesus loves me.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 14**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 14:17 (AMP)**

The Spirit of Truth, Whom the world cannot receive (welcome, take to its heart), because it does not see Him or know and recognize Him. But you know and recognize Him, for He lives with you [constantly] and will be in you.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

The Holy Spirit is also referred to as the Spirit of Truth. The unbelieving cannot receive him because they can't see him, know him or even recognize him. Anyone who has received Christ is not in the category of the unbelieving. The ability to see, know and recognize him is received at Salvation. When an individual gets born again, he/she begins to see and recognize the supernatural. The Spirit of Truth doesn't visit you occasionally or meet with you at conferences or conventions.

He lives with and in you constantly. You are not his amusement park, you are his home. If the scripture clearly states that you know him, then you should agree with the scripture and say "I know him". You have received, can see, and also know the one that the unbeliever cannot receive, see or recognize. The Spirit of Truth guides you into the truth of scripture and makes it real to your spirit. He keeps you in the truth of scripture, away from the contamination of error.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

My heart is the dwelling place for the Spirit of Truth. I know him and can recognize him. He guides and keeps me in the truth of scripture.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: John 15

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: John 15:26 (KJV)

But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

TODAY'S TOPIC:

THE VITAL ROLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN YOUR LIFE

Jesus wanted the ministry of the Holy Spirit to be clearly understood and beneficial. At different times he mentioned the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of the recipient. The pronouncements of Jesus have been fulfilled today; he said "when the comforter is come". The Comforter has arrived from the Father; he is resident and functional in the life of the believer in Christ. If you have received Christ as your Lord and Saviour, you should also ask to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Every Believer in Christ is eligible to receive the Holy Spirit. He is also referred to as the Spirit of truth, which means he is the real deal that makes our experience in Christ a reality to us. The Comforter which is the Spirit of truth proceeds from the Father and testifies of Jesus. He speaks of, and speaks about Jesus Christ and not himself.

The Spirit of truth exalts and re-echoes the finished works of Christ in our lives. The legal work of Christ's redemption which was about two thousand years ago is made a present day experience by the vital work of the Holy Spirit. Without the ministry of the Holy Spirit in your life, the experience of redemption will be incomplete. The Holy Spirit is the bridge between what happened on the cross two thousand years ago and today. He is the animator of all the pictures of redemption painted in scripture. He is the "live wire" of our faith.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

The Holy Spirit is resident and functional in my life. I recognize him as the real deal that makes my experience in Christ a reality to me. I yield to the vital work of the Spirit of the truth in my life today.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: John 16

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: John 16:33 (AMP)

I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have [perfect] peace and confidence. In the world you have tribulation and trials and distress and frustration; but be of good cheer [take courage; be confident, certain, undaunted]! For I have overcome the world. [I have deprived it of power to harm you and have conquered it for you.]

TODAY'S TOPIC: THE PRESCRIBED ATTITUDE

The wisdom from the Holy Scriptures prepares the believer for the various experiences of daily living. The world you live in will bring to you tribulations, trials, distress and frustration. You have already been fortified against whatever the world will throw at you. Jesus in his death, burial and resurrection has overcome the world for you. Jesus Christ has deprived the world of its power to harm you. He has conquered the world for you. Give attention to what you have in him, rather than what the world is throwing at you. In him and from him you have perfect peace and confidence. The dominant experience or influence in your life should be from the perfect peace and confidence that comes from the Lord Jesus. Living in the consciousness of the truth that the world has been conquered for you should make you courageous and undaunted without any sense of defeat or weakness.

The prescribed attitude towards the tribulations, trials, distress and frustration of the world, is to be of good cheer. Be of good cheer means be happy inside out, in a merry making and feasting mood. Remember Jesus didn't say I will make you of good cheer. He demands you take the responsibility to be of good cheer, therefore be of good cheer.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

The world has been deprived of power to harm me because Jesus Christ has conquered it for me. I choose to be courageous and undaunted without any sense of defeat or weakness. I take responsibility to be of good cheer.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 17**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 17:3 (KJV)**

And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

THIS IS LIFE ETERNAL

Being born again is more than adopting Christian values and following a set of rules. It is the infusion of a superior quality of life into your human spirit. It is the Impartation of life eternal. Every one could claim to "know about" God because they have heard someone else talk about a supreme being called God. Life eternal brings an individual into a personal experience of "knowing" the only true God. Jesus Christ is no more a myth or a fairy tale, he is a real person with whom you now have a loving relationship. This is deeper than being acquainted, you know him as he should be known. Jesus Christ is the only true God.

You are not trying to live out of a book; you are literally under the influence of the person you now know. Jesus Christ is no more a story you were told, or something you are fighting to believe. He is not a personality that once lived sometime in history, or someone to come in the future. Life eternal has made Jesus Christ a present hour personality to you. Life eternal is the spark of divinity that brought you out of darkness into light and eternal reality.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Life eternal has brought me into a personal experience of "knowing" the only true God. I have been infused with a superior quality of life. Jesus Christ is not a myth or fairy tale to me, he is a present hour personality.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 18**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 18:4 (KJV)**

Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek ye?

TODAY'S TOPIC:

JESUS WAS FULLY BRIEFED ABOUT HIS DEATH

It is important to remember that Jesus gave himself up willingly, his life wasn't taken forcefully. He had the opportunity to opt out, but chose to stay the course. He was oppressed and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter and a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth. Jesus was not ignorant in any way of what was about to befall him. Our scripture says "knowing all things that should come upon him". There is a difference between having a hint, and knowing everything. Jesus had the details of the shame and sufferings to come, and still yielded himself. You could say, he was fully briefed about the cruelty of his death.

He made himself of no reputation and took upon himself the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men. Going beyond the humiliation of being human, he went further to humble himself by being obedient to the point of death. He died a criminal's death on the cross. This means whatever he was dying for was worth the shame and pain. He did all of that for you. Jesus wasn't taken unaware, he knew what was coming. He still made his choice for you. You cost him everything.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I see myself the way Jesus sees me. I am of great value, I was worth the sacrifice. It cost Jesus everything to save me.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 19**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 19:36 (AMP)**

For these things took place, that the Scripture might be fulfilled (verified, carried out), Not one of His bones shall be broken;

TODAY'S TOPIC:

NOT ONE OF HIS BONES SHALL BE BROKEN

It is amazing to see how things in the natural fall in place to align with a prophecy. All the details surrounding the crucifixion of Jesus were playing out one after the other, from the soldiers parting his garments, to piercing his side and giving him vinegar to drink. One of the Psalms had already revealed that, none of his bones shall be broken. Our scripture text for today says "For these things took place, that the Scripture might be fulfilled (verified, carried out), Not one of His bones shall be broken.

What many would have assumed was that an independent thought or action was actually orchestrated by prophecy. The events couldn't be acted outside the written script. The prophecies of scripture were so detailed and executed with such awe-inspiring precision. Your salvation through Christ Jesus is founded on such accuracy, precision and integrity of scriptural prophecy. He that kept all his bones from being broken will keep your soul and all that concerns you. There are things written specifically about you in that same "script". Your faith in Jesus Christ activates the details concerning you in the script. Your experience will also be that none of the 'bones' were broken.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

My faith is in the Lord Jesus Christ. The details concerning me in the written script are being executed with accuracy and precision. The one who kept his bones is keeping all that concerns me.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 20**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 20:17 (KJV)**

Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

THE MOMENT GOD ALSO BECAME OUR FATHER

Something changed for all of humanity after Jesus died and rose again. Mary saw him just before he ascended and heard words of incomparable glory. It had never been strange for Jesus to refer to God as his Father. It was new and exciting for Jesus to say "I ascend unto my father, and your father; and to my God, and your God". It was never like that before; it wasn't even like that just three days earlier. Jesus in his death, burial and resurrection didn't only forgive our sins; he also brought us into sonship with the Father.

There was a change both in our relationship and access to the Almighty God. The former order which was based on the Mosaic covenant had been terminated, and a new order was instituted by Jesus Christ. You are a partaker of the new. There was a time Jesus was the "only begotten" son of God. After his sacrifice, he became the "first begotten" of God. This simply means the door had been opened for 'many begotten'. Everyone who believes in Jesus Christ as Lord and saviour is now a legitimate begotten of God. The creator of all things is no more just God to you; he is now your Father. Being brought under the fatherhood of God through Jesus Christ is the greatest blessing of all time.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Jesus Christ the first begotten of God has made me one of the begotten also. I have been brought under the fatherhood of God almighty.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 21**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 21:7(KJV)**

Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt his fisher's coat unto him, (for he was naked,) and did cast himself into the sea.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

YOU ARE THE BELIEVER THAT JESUS LOVES

John referred to himself as the "disciple whom Jesus loved". He didn't refer to himself as, the disciple who loves Jesus. John seemed to have an understanding of God's love for him. God's love for you is more important and also precedes your love for him. You can only boast of your love for him, because of his love for you. You love him because he first loved you. God's love for you birthed your love for him. You also are the believer that Jesus loves. You can also refer to yourself as the believer that Jesus loves.

We are scripturally instructed in the New Testament to know and believe God's love for us. Knowing and believing his love for you should make you see yourself as the believer that Jesus loves. There is no greater love that anyone can express for another than what Jesus did for you in his substitutionary death. He took your death and gave you his life. He took your sins and gave you his righteousness. Jesus Christ has done for you what no one can ever do for you. He crowned it with the gift of the Holy Spirit to abide with you forever. Truly, you are the believer that Jesus loves.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I love my Lord Jesus because he first loved me. I believe in his unchanging love for me. I am the believer that Jesus loves.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 1**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 1:16 (AMP)**

For out of His fullness (abundance) we have all received [all had a share and we were all supplied with] one grace after another and spiritual blessing upon spiritual blessing and even favor upon favor and gift [heaped] upon gift.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

YOU HAVE RECEIVED OUT OF HIS ABUNDANCE.

There is a story in the Bible about a widow who gave her two (2) mites as an offering to God. Jesus said out of her penury (insufficiency and lack) she had given her all. Jesus Christ did not give to us out of his penury; he has given to us out of his abundance. The blessings, favours and gifts have been lavished generously upon us without any sense or thought of shortage. In the Old Covenant the Jews and Patriarchs had some of God's blessings upon them; in our covenant today (the new covenant) we have "ALL" of God's blessings upon us. You partake from his fullness one grace after another, spiritual blessing upon spiritual blessing, favour upon favour and gift heaped upon gift. God's idea of blessing you is not just to wet your tongue with a drop of blessing and leave you thirsty for more. His idea is to drop you in the ocean of his goodness to drink and swim in blessings.

The New Living Translation says "From His abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after another". It is one gracious blessing after another. If you are blessed out of abundance, then you are blessed with abundance. God is not supplying to you or meeting your needs from a "recessed" economy. Your needs are supplied according to his inexhaustible riches in glory. The scriptures say "God is

light, in him is no darkness at all". In the same tone, I say "God is rich; in him is no lack at all". God is so big that even the small things from him are big. Enjoy your heavenly Father's unmatched benevolence.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I have received out of his abundance and it is in full manifestation. I also received in abundance one spiritual blessing after another, favour upon favour, gift heaped upon gift. It is Blessing galore for me and my family.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: John

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: John 2:5 (NLT)

But His mother told the servants, "Do whatever He tells you."

TODAY'S TOPIC:

DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU

Miracles and the supernatural are available and accessible to man. Every human consciously or unconsciously desires the supernatural. The human experience wasn't designed without room for the supernatural. The supernatural is a deliberately provided and necessary support system for the human experience. God didn't expect man to live on earth without the supernatural. The supernatural helps us rise above our natural limitations. When the wedding in Cana of Galilee needed a miracle, Mary the mother of Jesus helped them access the supernatural. She might not have known how to command the supernatural herself, but she knew who could. She also knew something about the attitude that activates the supernatural. She said to the servants "Do whatever he tells you".

This idea has not changed even today. Jesus is still speaking and releasing the supernatural into personal circumstances. If you do whatever he had told you through his written word (scriptures) or whatever he is telling you through the Holy Spirit, you will enjoy the supernatural. Whenever you find yourself in a situation where you need a miracle or supernatural intervention, just do whatever he has told you from his revealed word or whatever he is telling you at that moment through the Holy Spirit.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Jesus Christ is my access to miracles and the supernatural. I yield to whatever he tells me to do. I rise above my human limitations today through the help of the supernatural that is always available to me.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 3**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 3:18 (KJV)**

He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

BELIEVING IS YOUR EXEMPTION FROM CONDEMNATION

Being condemned or free from condemnation is now a choice. All of humanity had been eternally condemned due to Adam's transgression. For by one man sin entered into the world and condemnation by sin; and so condemnation passed upon all men, for all have sinned. Jesus came and gave humanity a choice, an opportunity to be exempted from eternal condemnation. There are no individuals specifically set aside by God for condemnation or no condemnation. Jesus Christ is the only ticket out of hell for humanity. Believing in Jesus Christ is the exemption plan from condemnation.

The one who believes is not condemned; the one who does not believe is condemned already. It doesn't say the one who doesn't believe is going to be condemned; it says he is condemned already. In the same way, the one who believes is not in the process to be free from condemnation. The one who believes is free from condemnation already. You are free instantly, completely and eternally from condemnation.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I believe in Jesus Christ, my ticket to hell has been cancelled. I have been exempted completely and eternally from condemnation.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: John 4

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Jhn 4:25 (MSG)

The woman said, "I don't know about that. I do know that the Messiah is coming. When he arrives, we'll get the whole story."

TODAY'S TOPIC: GET THE WHOLE STORY

The Woman Jesus met at the well of Samaria already had an impression about Jesus Christ also referred to as the Messiah. When Jesus got into the matters of Worship with her, she admitted she had no idea about that. She said "I don't know about that. I do know that the Messiah is coming. When he arrives, we'll get the whole story". What she knew was correct, she was only ignorant about the information that the Messiah had already come. Yes! The Messiah has come. This is the reason for Christmas, the celebration of the arrival or coming of the Messiah. He came so he could die for you, he would never have died if he didn't first come. Thanks to the Father that Jesus Christ came, According to the statement of the Samaritan Woman, "when the Messiah arrives, we'll get the whole story". The story of man's redemption had been predicted and foreshadowed for over three thousand years. A Child will be born, a Son will be given; A Virgin shall conceive and bear a son and his name shall be called Immanuel. All these statements gave hints of the coming of Jesus Christ the Messiah. His birth was the beginning of the Story that has life changing power.

Jesus Christ is the main Character in the story of redemption. He is the whole story. Jesus Christ is God's story of Salvation, restoration and hope to all of mankind. The story has

changed the world and will continue to change the life of everyone who believes. All over the world we celebrate the first coming of the Messiah on Christmas day knowing that there will be a second coming.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I believe God's Story. A Child was born, a son was given, and his name is Jesus the Christ. He came to die for me and he did. The Messiah brought Joy, Peace and goodwill to the world. I celebrate Jesus Christ today and always.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 5**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 5:46(KJV)**

For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

THE ONE MOSES WROTE ABOUT

God, who had at various times and in different ways spoken to the Jewish fathers through the Prophets, had spoken to mankind through his son Jesus Christ. This means Jesus Christ is the message God wanted to give all along. Moses is perhaps one of the most revered persons in Jewish history, yet the scriptures reveal that Jesus Christ is greater. Moses also, like every other prophet of old wrote about Jesus Christ, testifying of his greatness.

The writings of Moses known as the "Pentateuch" are a collection of the first five books of the Old Testament. These writings in symbols and figures spoke consistently about Jesus Christ. It wasn't clear to the Jews at that time, because it was concealed until an appointed time. During the earthly ministry of Jesus, he began to point them to the writings about himself contained in the scriptures of the prophets. He was the "one" Moses wrote about. The essence of all prophecy of scripture is to give a clear witness of Jesus Christ. May your eyes and ears, see and hear Jesus Christ throughout the scriptures.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

Jesus Christ is the message God wanted to give all along. I have received the message. Now, my eyes see him and my ears hear him throughout the scriptures.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: John 6

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: John 6:68 (MSG)

Peter replied, "Master, to whom would we go? You have the words of real life, eternal life.

TODAY'S TOPIC: TO WHOM WOULD WE GO?

This portion of scripture focuses on a statement Peter made for himself, and the eleven other disciples who decided to remain with Jesus after many other disciples had left him. Jesus gave these twelve the option of also leaving with the others. No one was required to follow Jesus unwillingly then, and that hasn't changed today. God's will has made salvation through Christ available to you; it takes your will to follow and stay with God's will. Life in Christ begins with a decision, but continues with many decisions along the way. The Holy Spirit graciously provides the strength and inner persuasion to make the right decisions, but the choice is still yours to make. The "p-r-i-c-e" of following God's will is nothing compared with the "p-r-i-z-e". In life you can leave a job and get a better job, you can even leave a relationship and get a better one.

When it comes to your salvation and eternal destiny, to whom shall you go? From reality to what? From life to what? You have found the way, you have discovered the truth, and you have experienced the life. His name is Jesus Christ, the custodian and giver of real life, eternal life. Let him be your choice today, tomorrow and forever.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I have found the way, I have discovered the truth, I have experienced the life. Jesus Christ is my decision today, tomorrow and forever.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 28**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 7:46 (KJV)**

The police answered, "Have you heard the way he talks? We've never heard anyone speak like this man."

TODAY'S TOPIC:

THEY CAN SAY THE SAME THING ABOUT YOU.

The Chief Priests and Pharisees were expecting the Temple guards (Police) to have a reason to arrest him and bring him in. The response of the temple guards must have surprised them. They asked the Pharisees and Chief Priests "Have you heard the way he talks? We have never heard anyone speak like this man". This experience was consistent with everyone that heard Jesus. His words had an irresistible effect on anyone who heard it.

His words were with power. You can imagine how folks who were sent to arrest him returned as believers or followers of his message. It was not just about the content of his words, but also the manner in which he said them; there was just a wonder about his words. Every believer ought to be a mouthpiece for Jesus in his neighbourhood. Your words also ought to have an irresistible effect on those who hear you. When you speak the words of Jesus under the influence of the Spirit of God, the same testimonies should be told. The gospel on your lips has the same effect. Preach it.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I am a mouthpiece and a representative of Jesus Christ in my vicinity. The gospel on my lips is irresistible and full of power.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 8**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 8:12 (KJV)**

Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

TODAY'S TOPIC:

YOU NO MORE WALK IN DARKNESS.

Education is a light, but the true light that lights all of mankind is Jesus Christ. Education might bring light to a man's mind, but Salvation is the only light that can lighten the human spirit. Jesus boldly announced himself as the light of the world, this witness is true. When a man receives Jesus, he no more walks in darkness. The path of the believer is lit, no more stumbling in sin and uncertainty. Walking in the light that Christ has brought into your life is walking in wisdom, taking sure steps in your decisions and actions today and every other day.

When you follow his guidance through the revealed word of God and the inward leading of the Holy Spirit, you will never walk in darkness. You have no reason to walk in darkness, it is not the God ordained path for you. His Word is available as a lamp to your feet and a light to your path. This means concerning your immediate and future plans, you will not walk in darkness. You are a recipient and possessor of the light of life.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I am a recipient and possessor of the light of life. I do not walk in darkness. I am taking sure steps to close this year - and start the New Year in the light that Christ has brought to me.

TODAY'S BIBLE READING: **John 9**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: **John 9:4 (AMP)**

We must work the works of Him Who sent Me and be busy with His business while it is daylight; night is coming on, when no man can work.

TODAY'S TOPIC: BEFORE NIGHT COMES

There is urgency towards the "works of God". The decision to serve Christ fervently with your time, abilities and resources, should not be seasonal or occasional. The work of God is not just demanding for your involvement only, it also requires your immediate attention and continuous focus. 'Sometime later' is never the plan of God for you as a believer to apply yourself to kingdom responsibilities. There is something you can do here and now. Get busy with reaching and raising people with the gospel of Christ while it is day.

The night is coming when no one can work. The opportunity and capacity you have now might not always be available to you. Let your youthfulness and energy be poured into the work of the kingdom. The day is coming when your physical energy might not match the passion in your heart. Many other eternally unprofitable activities might clamour for your attention today. Choose to occupy your thoughts and actions with kingdom responsibilities. The night will surely come, do what is required of you before night comes.

TODAY'S CONFESSION

I choose to work the works of him that sent me while it is day. I choose to serve Christ fervently with my time, abilities and resources now and always.

PRAYER OF Salvation

You can take a step right now that will forever transform you. You can respond to God's invitation to you, it is an invitation to life. You can accept Jesus Christ as the Lord and Saviour of your life.

The summary of the gospel of Christ is that Jesus Christ died, was buried and resurrected for you. This means your sins have been paid for and forgiven, God has no qualms with you.

The question now is what do you have to do? The Scriptures have an answer as stated below.

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved.

Rom 10:9-10 New Living Translation

Please join me and pray this prayer right now.

My God and Creator, I believe you exist. I call on you today from my heart. I confess with my mouth that Jesus Christ is my Lord and Saviour from this day forward. I believe in my heart that Jesus Christ was raised from the dead by the Father for my sake. I receive

Congratulations!
You are now saved.

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