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For Early Readers



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Welcome to the month of

# DECEMBER

Hello there and welcome to another great and exciting month with your favourite devotional, ***Rhapsody of Realities for Early Readers***. I trust you've been having a great time with the inspirational messages in it.

This edition is packed with a whole lot for you like *The Message of Love*, *Jesus Won For You!*, *Jesus Is The King of kings*, *Your One True Friend*, *A Season of Giving* and so much more.

What's more? There're fun-filled, thrilling games and puzzles for you. There's also a special Titbit on "***What You Need To Know About Prophecy - Part 3.***" All these are in this edition of your inspirational daily devotional, ***Rhapsody of Realities for Early Readers***. Remember to take the confessions and prayers at the end of every article. God bless you.

Sunday

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# The Message of Love

1 John 4:10

In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.



Christmas is the biggest holiday in the whole world but a lot of people still celebrate it without knowing what it's all about.

It's about the message of love; the love of God which made Him send Jesus Christ to the world to die for the sins of everyone.

The Lord wants you to let those around you know that Christ has paid the full price for their sins and all they have to do is receive Him into their hearts as their Lord and Saviour. This is the best gift to give to anyone this season: the message of God's love. Hallelujah!

Let's  
Pray

Scripture Reading-Romans 1:16

Thank you, dear Father, for sending Jesus to die for the world; I'm proud to share this message with everyone I meet today, in Jesus' precious Name. Amen.

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# Receive God's Gift of Love

John 3:16

Monday

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For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.



It's December and many people are already planning on how to spend the Christmas which is the biggest and most celebrated holiday in the world.

It's that special time in the year when we celebrate God's gift of love to the world—Jesus! God gave His only Son for the salvation of the whole world. What manner of love! It's time to receive this God's gift into your life if you haven't done so.

Therefore, if you want to make Jesus the Lord of your life, say the prayer of salvation on **page 48** to become born again and you'll receive God's gift of love - eternal life.

## Scripture Reading-John 1:10-14

Thank you, dear Father, for your wonderful gift of love—the Lord Jesus, given to the whole world. I celebrate Jesus by telling others about Him, Amen.

Let's  
Pray

Tuesday

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# The Greatest Gift For All!

**Romans 5:8**

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.



Have you ever had to search for a gift to buy for a loved one? You probably took a trip to several shops, and finally, when you made a choice, you felt convinced your gift was exactly what the person would love to receive.

The Bible says that God sent His Son, Jesus, to die for our sins, and through His death, He brought eternal life to us. His gift to us is good, perfect and it's the greatest gift of all (James 1:17).

Take out time today and thank God for His gift of eternal life that He's given you through Jesus Christ our Lord. Also, invite your friends to make Jesus the Lord of their lives so they'll receive the free gift from God.

**Scripture Reading-James 1:17,  
John 3:16**

**Let's  
Pray**

Dear heavenly Father, I thank you, for the wonderful gift of love that you gave me. Thank you for giving me Jesus and life abundantly. Hallelujah!

# Jesus: The Only Way To Salvation

Wednesday

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Acts 4:12 CEV

Only Jesus has the power to save! His name is the only one in all the world that can save anyone.



There's no other way for anyone to receive salvation except through the Lord Jesus.

The Bible tells us of a man named Cornelius. He was a Roman centurion, who was kind and generous, but, he wasn't saved (Acts 10:2). His giving and good works were not enough to get him saved. But God sent an angel to him, who told him to send for Peter. When Peter came, he preached to Cornelius and his entire house the message of Christ, and they were saved. Hallelujah!

The Lord Jesus is the only Way to salvation. He is "...the Way; the Truth and the Life..." (John 14:6). Get your friends who aren't saved to say the prayer of Salvation on **page 48** after you.



Scan to Learn More!

## Scripture Reading-John 14:6

The Lord Jesus is the only Way to salvation and no one can come to the Lord except through Him; therefore, I'm committed to telling my friends about Him every day!

Say This

Thursday

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# The Living Word!

John 1:1

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.



Jesus is the living Word of God. To believe the Word is to believe in Jesus. And if you act on the Word of God that you hear, it shows that you believe what it says.

Jesus said, "...If you love me, you will do as I command" (John 14:15 CEV). When you do the Word, you'll receive the blessings in it, and make the Word come alive in you!

For example, the Word says, "Give, and you will receive..." (Luke 6:38 GW). So all you have to do is believe, and act on what the Word says. You'll be blessed for it.

Let's Pray

Scripture Reading-James 1:25

Dear Father, thank you, for showing me the blessings in believing, and doing your Word, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# Jesus Won For You!

Friday

6

**Colossians 2:15**

Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.



The Lord Jesus won a great victory for you when He died on the Cross. The Bible says He laid down His own life and went to hell. When He got there, He wrestled against principalities and powers, and He won!

Jesus won this great victory for you. That's why you can never be defeated or disadvantaged in life.

Therefore, live every day in victory through your faith-filled words of confession and fellowshiping with the Word.

**Scripture Reading-Romans 8:37**

Thank you, dear Lord Jesus,  
for giving me the victory over  
principalities, powers and every  
challenge I face, Amen.

**Let's  
Pray**

Saturday

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# Jesus is The King of kings!

1 Timothy 6:15 TLB

For in due season Christ will be revealed from heaven by the blessed and only Almighty God, the King of kings and Lord of lords.



In the history books, we read stories of great kings who ruled kingdoms both far and near. But, all these kings have come and gone. However, there's one King who's greater than them all, whom death couldn't hold down—His Name is Jesus!

He's our King who has outlived the history books and all kings that ever lived. He's alive today for you and me. Glory to God!

As you celebrate His birthday in this special month, tell someone about Him today, so they can experience His love and salvation too.

Let's  
Pray

Scripture Reading-Matthew 2:1-2

Lord Jesus, you are King of kings and Lord of lords. All glory, honour and power belong to you now and forever. Amen.

# Jesus Is Alive!

Sunday

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Revelation 1:18

I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen.



Isn't it great to know that when the Lord Jesus laid down His life for you on the Cross, He didn't stay dead? The Bible says on the third day He rose from the dead in victory, and today, He's alive forevermore! Hallelujah!

Jesus lives! Tell your friends, classmates, neighbours and family that Jesus is alive. And because Jesus is alive, they don't have to go through pain and difficulty anymore. The Lord Jesus went through all that for them.

All they need to do is to accept Him as their Lord and Saviour. You can use the prayer on **page 48** to lead them to Christ.

Scripture Reading-John 3:17

Jesus is alive and He reigns as Lord over all!

Say This

Monday

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# The Same Yesterday, Today and Forever

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.



Jesus doesn't change. He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. The wonderful things you read about Him in the Bible are all true, and He hasn't stopped doing them. All He desires is that you trust Him completely and He'll perform the same miracles in your life.

Simon Peter and his crew trusted the word of Jesus to cast their empty fish nets into the sea for a great catch. They did, and they caught so many fishes their net broke.

Like Simon, put your trust in the Lord, He's never failed and He isn't about to. Glory to God!

Say  
This

Scripture Reading-Romans 10:11

I trust in Jesus for He is the same yesterday, today, and forever!

# Jesus Cares For Little Children

Tuesday

10

**Matthew 19:14-15 TLB**

But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and don't prevent them. For of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." And He put His hands on their heads and blessed them before He left.



One day, some children were brought to the Lord Jesus, so that He would pray for them, but His disciples stopped them from coming close to the Master. Jesus immediately corrected His disciples when He saw what they were doing. Jesus loves children and that includes you!

No matter the colour of your skin or where you're from, He loves you just the same.

So, celebrate the love of Jesus today and make sure you tell your friends, neighbours and everyone around you about it.



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**Scripture Reading-Matthew 6:28-30**

I refuse to worry about anything because Jesus loves me, and He's big enough to take care of me! Hallelujah!

**Say This**

Wednesday

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# Jesus Fills Your Heart With Peace

John 14:27

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.



Today's memory verse is one of my favourite scriptures. It says that the Lord Jesus has given us His peace. Isn't that great?

His peace will keep you free from fear and worry. The Bible calls it 'perfect peace.' It isn't like the world's peace, and the great thing about it is that no one can take His peace away from you. Glory to God!

Therefore, be at rest and let nothing, and no one, make you sad or worried, because Jesus has given you His peace. Hallelujah!

Let's Pray

Scripture Reading-Philippians 4:6-7

Thank you, Lord Jesus, for filling my heart with your peace, Amen.

# Life In Its Fullest!

Thursday

# 12

**John 10:10b CEV**

...I came so that everyone would have life, and have it in its fullest.



The Lord Jesus died for everyone in the world, and His purpose was to give us “life in its fullest.”

This life is eternal life and the same life the Lord has. It’s a life full of strength, success, victory and blessings. This life can’t be destroyed and it’s supernatural. Hallelujah! This is the life you received the moment you were born again.

Therefore, share this life with everyone around you today, by inviting them to make Jesus the Lord of their lives. This way they too can enjoy life to its fullest. Hallelujah!



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**Scripture Reading-John 3:16**

Thank you, Lord Jesus, for the precious gift of eternal life,  
Amen.

**Let's Pray**

# BIBLE FACTS

On  
THE BIRTH OF JESUS

1. Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea (Matthew 2:1).
2. Joseph and Mary were the earthly parents of Jesus (Matthew 1:18 -19, Luke 1:27).
3. Jesus was conceived of the Holy Spirit in Mary's womb (Matthew 1:20, Luke 1:30-31).
4. The birth of Jesus was foretold by Angel Gabriel (Luke 1:26-33).

# BIBLE FACTS

5. At Jesus' birth, He was also called "Immanuel" which means, "God with us" (Matthew 1:23).
6. When Jesus was born, He was laid in a manger because there was no room at the inn (Luke 2:6-7).
7. When Jesus was born, wise men from the East came to worship, and present gifts to Him (Matthew 2:1-2, 11).
8. Jesus was circumcised eight days after He was born (Luke 2:21).

Friday

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# He's Loving And Kind

**Psalm 78:52-53**

But He made His own people go forth like sheep, and guided them in the wilderness like a flock; and He led them on safely, so that they did not fear...

When God led the children of Israel through the wilderness to the Promised Land, all through their journey, their shoes didn't wear out neither were they hungry (Deuteronomy 29:5). He took care of them. What a loving and kind God we serve.

Our heavenly Father is full of love and kindness (Psalm 145:8). He can take care of you, so don't fret about the things you need now or about your future. Remember, He loves and cares for you more than you can ever imagine.

Therefore, rest on His unfailing Word, and He'll fill your heart with peace and joy knowing all your needs have been taken care of.

**Scripture Reading-Philippians 4:6-7,  
1 Peter 5:7**

**Let's  
Pray**

**Thank you, Father, for loving  
me so much and taking care of  
all my needs, in Jesus' Name.  
Amen.**

# Jesus Is Your "Big Brother"

Saturday

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**John 20:17**

Jesus said to her... go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.



The moment you were born again, you became God's child. Just like Jesus, you're a member of God's family. Jesus is the firstborn, and He's made you joint heirs together with Him (Romans 8:17). This means He's not only your Lord and Saviour, He's also your "Big brother." Isn't that great?

You see why you should never be afraid of the devil? You've got a "big brother" who already defeated him publicly (Colossians 2:15). Glory to God!

So, enjoy your life in Christ and the victory He's won for you as you tell others about Him.

**Scripture Reading-Revelation 1:5-6**

Dear Father, thank you for bringing me into your wonderful family, where I'm bold to call you my heavenly Father, and Jesus my big brother, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

**Let's Pray**

Sunday

15

# Your One True Friend

John 15:13-14 TLB

...the greatest love is shown when a person lays down his life for his friends; and you are my friends...

You may have a lot of friends and even best friends, but the Lord Jesus is your one true Friend who will never disappoint, leave or let you down. It really doesn't matter the time of the day or the season, He's always there for you. Isn't that great?

And guess what? You don't need to go looking for Him, because He lives in you! Would you like to get to know Him better? It's easy! Just spend more time reading about Him in your Bible and talking with Him. He's the best and dearest friend you could ever have.

Scripture Reading-Proverbs 18:24

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The Lord Jesus is my one true Friend, and I love Him very dearly!

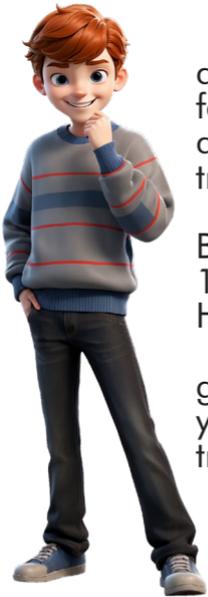
# Our Great Shepherd

John 10:11 TLB

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I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.



A shepherd is the one with the job of leading, and guiding the sheep to green pastures to feed, and fresh water to drink. The shepherd also protects the sheep, and if they get into trouble, it's his job to rescue them from harm.

The Lord Jesus is your great Shepherd. The Bible calls you the sheep of His pasture (Psalm 100:3). That means you're dear and special to Him.

As your Shepherd, it's the Lord's job to lead, guide and protect you. Isn't that great? So, all you need to do is follow His lead, and keep trusting His Word by acting on its instructions.

Scripture Reading-John 10:14

Thank you, Lord Jesus, for being my Shepherd who leads, guides and protects me in all I do, Amen.

Let's Pray

Tuesday

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# God Wants You Well!

3 John 1:2

Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.



According to today's memory verse, it's God's will and delight that all His children are strong, and in perfect health. In other words, He doesn't want you sick or weak.

One day, a leper came to Jesus and said, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean." When Jesus saw him, He had compassion on him and said, "I am willing; be cleansed" (Matthew 8:3). Immediately, he was healed. Glory to God!

If you're sick or feeling weak, lay your hands on your body now and boldly say, "God wants me well; therefore, sickness can't stay in me, in Jesus' Name!" And you'll be well! Hallelujah!

Let's Pray

## Scripture Reading-Matthew 8:1-3

Thank you, Lord for your Word, to me today. I refuse to allow sickness stay in my body any longer, because it's your will for me to be healthy and strong always, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# The Name of Jesus!

Wednesday

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**Acts 3:6**

Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."



One day, as Peter and John were going into the temple for prayer, they met a lame man begging at the gate. When they saw the man, they stopped, and Peter asked him to look at them.

The man did, expecting something from Peter who said, "I don't have any silver or gold! But I'll give you what I do have. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, get up and start walking." Immediately, the man received strength in his feet and started walking. Peter had something more than money; he had the Name of Jesus!

And guess what? You do too! Be bold to use His Name anywhere and anytime, and you'll see results just like Peter and John did. Hallelujah!

**Scripture Reading-Mark 16:17-18**

Dear Father, thank you, for showing me from your Word the power in the Name of Jesus. I use this power for the benefit of my world, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Let's Pray

Thursday

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# Pray In The Name of Jesus

John 16:26

In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I shall pray the Father for you...



The Bible lets us know that as God's child, you can pray for and by yourself, and the Lord will hear and answer you. All you need to do for the Lord to hear you is to use the Name of Jesus.

Every time you pray in Jesus' Name, you can expect an answer. Isn't that great? So, have confidence in your prayers today, as you pray in the Name of Jesus.

Let's Pray

Scripture Reading-Hebrews 1:4-6

Thank you Lord for teaching me the right way to pray, and receive answers in Jesus' Name.

# The Best Foundation!

1 Corinthians 3:11 TLB

Friday

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And no one can ever lay any other real foundation than that one we already have-Jesus Christ.

Every building you see has a foundation. Without it, no building can stand. If the foundation of a building is very good, the building will stand no matter the strength of the wind blowing against it.

Our lives are like buildings too. They have foundations. The type of foundation you have is very important. The Bible tells us of only one foundation and this is the best foundation there is. That foundation is the Lord Jesus. The moment you were born again, the Lord Jesus became the foundation of your life.

Now, you have to build your life on Him. How? By simply doing the Word and giving Him first place in your life. When your life is built on Jesus, nothing will shake you.



Scripture Reading-Matthew 7:24-27

My life is built on Jesus, the Solid Rock; therefore, I can't be shaken nor moved by any challenge I may face! Hallelujah!

Say This

Saturday

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# Jesus Has Done It All!

John 19:30 NIV

When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Just before Jesus died on the cross, He said, "It is finished." That means He's done everything He needed to do to give you a beautiful life. Isn't that great?

So, you don't have to suffer or be in pain anymore. The Lord Jesus has done it all! That's why the Bible says He "...has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue" (2 Peter 1:3).

Therefore, enjoy the good life He's given you and live in victory over sickness, pains and failure. Hallelujah!



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## Scripture Reading-2 Peter 1:3

Dear Jesus, thank you, so much for the price you paid for me on the cross that bought me my salvation. Amen.

# Build Your Life With Jesus!

Psalm 127:1 CEV

Sunday

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Without the help of the LORD it is useless to build a home or to guard a city...

When a builder wants to build, he wouldn't just use any material. Rather, he'd use only the best materials, so the house would be strong and safe for people to live in it.

It's the same with your life as a child of God. To have the best life, and enjoy all the wonderful blessings of the Lord, you must build your life with the Word of God. Jesus is the Word of God in flesh to all mankind. He knows all about you, and how to get you to where you need to be.

Therefore, let Him help you build your life as you spend more time with His Word, studying and meditating on it every day.



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Scripture Reading-Acts 20:32

I build my life with God's Word every day as I study and meditate on it! Hallelujah!

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# Your Fellowship With The Lord

1 Corinthians 1:9

God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.



As a child of God, you've been called into a glorious fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ. That means you're one with Him. Hallelujah!

Can you now see why you shouldn't let anything bother you or make you sad? You're in a glorious fellowship with the Lord Jesus where He watches over you and takes care of all your needs. He knows where you are and what's best for you, for you're always on His mind.

Therefore, let your prayers be full of praise and thanksgiving for the Lord Jesus already knows what you need because you're one with Him through fellowship.

Say This

Scripture Reading-1 John 1:3-4

I'm in a glorious and joyous fellowship with the Lord Jesus; therefore, I'm one with the Lord. Hallelujah!

# A Season Of Celebration

Tuesday

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**Luke 12:19**

And I will say to my soul, "...take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry."



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Christmas time is a season of celebration. We're celebrating our triumphant victory over sin, sickness, failure and death.

Above all, we're celebrating God's divine life in us, which makes us overcomers in all things. Glory to God!

So, as you celebrate with your family and friends this season, I encourage you to tell someone about Jesus today that they might be saved. You can use the prayer of salvation on **page 48** to lead them to the Lord.

## Scripture Reading-John 3:16

My heart is full of joy and rejoicing as I celebrate and tell others about Jesus today.  
Hallelujah!

**Say This**



# Word Puzzle!

## JESUS' BIRTH

In the story of the birth of Jesus, the following places were mentioned. Find them in the word puzzle box below.

- Bethlehem
- Galilee
- Jerusalem
- Judea
- Nazareth
- Egypt
- Judah

D	G	A	L	I	L	E	E	T	D	X
J	N	A	Z	A	R	E	T	H	B	X
U	H	K	R	J	R	J	U	E	Y	V
D	A	F	S	G	G	G	T	H	T	J
E	G	D	A	V	G	H	T	F	S	K
A	E	S	R	S	L	S	E	C	S	J
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# Fill In The Blanks

## WHAT'S MISSING?



Fill in the blank spaces with the correct word.  
The hint provided will guide you.  
(Hint: 1 Timothy 1:15)

This is a ..... saying and .....

of all ....., that ..... .....

came into the world to .....

sinner, of whom I ..... chief.

Wednesday

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# A Season Of Giving

John 3:16

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Merry Christmas! I trust you've said that to someone today. If you haven't, make sure you wish someone a Merry Christmas before the day is over.

One of the beautiful things about Christmas is that it's a season of giving, people exchanging gifts and expressing love. However, there's one gift given that outweighs them all. That's the gift given by God the Father—the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ, for the salvation of the world (John 3:16). Glory to God!

Therefore, as you celebrate this season of giving and receiving gifts, also share this important and precious gift of salvation with others. You can use the prayer of salvation on **page 48** to win them for Christ, and make it a very Merry Christmas for them.



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## Scripture Reading-Luke 6:38

Thank you, Father, for giving me this precious gift of salvation. I share it with others as I lead them to Christ, making today a merry one for them, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# Celebrate!

Thursday

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**Psalm 149:5**

Let the Saints be joyful in glory; Let them sing aloud on their beds.

Are you ready to celebrate today? It doesn't have to be Christmas or your birthday for you to celebrate. As a child of God, you ought to celebrate the wonderful life you have in Christ; the eternal life, every day. Celebrate the life of God in you and all that God has done for you, and you'll never be sad or unhappy.

Our Lord Jesus knew how to celebrate. When He arose from the dead, the first thing He told His disciples was, "Rejoice!" (Matthew 28:9). The Bible also recorded "*In that hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit and said, "I thank you Father..."*" (Luke 10:21).

So, like our Lord Jesus Christ, rejoice, celebrate, be merry and give thanks always.

**Scripture Reading-1 Thessalonians 5:16; Philippians 3:1**

I celebrate the life of God in me.  
I celebrate the victory that Christ has brought to me. I celebrate His love for me! Hallelujah!

**Say This**

Friday

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# You've Been With Jesus

Acts 4:13

Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus.



Today's memory verse is an account of the encounter Peter and John had with the councils in Jerusalem. Though they hadn't been to any school, they spoke boldly and intelligently because they were with Jesus while He was on earth. In fact, they spoke exactly like the Master, Jesus Christ.

It's the same with you as a child of God; you're not ordinary. You may look like everyone else, but on the inside, you're different.

This is what happens when you spend time with the Lord Jesus in prayer. As you do, He is revealed in and through you, and everyone who sees or hears you will know for sure that you've been with Jesus!



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## Scripture Reading-1 John 1:1-3

Say This

As I commit myself to prayer, the Lord Jesus is revealed in my words, deeds and actions more and more each day.

# Pray Like Jesus Did

Saturday

# 28

**Mark 1:35**

Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed.



Today's memory verse is talking about our Lord Jesus. He had a lifestyle of prayer. In summary, Jesus prayed a lot. He always took out time to pray.

Prayer is important and compulsory for all God's children. It's communication with God; you talking to God and God talking to you. I'm talking about spending time with the Lord in fellowship as you take out time to study the Word, especially as you begin your preparations for the coming year.

Don't wait for only special times of prayers; rather, make it a constant habit to pray. This is how to live the kind of life God wants for you now and in the coming years.



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**Scripture Reading-1 Timothy 2:1**

Dear Father, I love you and I enjoy talking with you. Thank you for always hearing and answering my prayers, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

**Let's Pray**

Sunday

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# Add Fasting

Joel 2:15

Blow the trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast,  
call a sacred assembly

Yesterday, I showed you how important prayer is in your preparations for the coming year. Another important virtue you need to add to your prayer life, especially at this time, is 'fasting.'

Fasting is more than just staying away from food; it's an act of worship to the Lord. It's a time to focus on the Lord and stay away from everything that could distract you from Him like, the T.V, video games, etc. Abstaining from food is only a part of fasting. You should also take out time to study God's Word and pray.

When you fast, your spirit becomes more attentive and sensitive to what the Lord is saying to you. Therefore, as we approach the end of the year, take out time to fast and pray!



## Scripture Reading-Isaiah 58:6-8

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Thank you, Lord, for teaching me about fasting today. As I take time out to fast, my mind is focused on you and I receive all you have for me, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# Give With Joy!

Monday

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2 Corinthians 9:7 TLB

...Don't force anyone to give more than he really wants to, for cheerful givers are the ones God prizes.



There's a right attitude to giving. That's the attitude of joy, excitement and gladness. I'm sure you won't be happy to receive a gift from an angry person? Would you? No, you wouldn't!

In the same way, you should always be happy and excited when you're giving to the Lord. Your attitude when you give is so important. Why? Because it'll determine how you receive. When you give to the Lord, do it with joy, gladness, gratitude and pleasure.

Remember, He sees your heart and knows when you're truly excited about what you're doing. When you have the right attitude as a giver, you'll always be blessed with bountiful harvests.

Scripture Reading-2 Corinthians 9:7-10

Dear heavenly Father, I thank you, for teaching me how to give with the right attitude; I do so with joy and I receive a bountiful harvest, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Let's Pray

Tuesday

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# Think Big!

**Philippians 4:8 CEV**

Finally, my friends, keep your minds on whatever is true, pure, right, holy, friendly, and proper. Don't ever stop thinking about what is truly worthwhile and worthy of praise.



God is big and does big things. He's delighted when you think big. When I say 'think big,' I'm talking about using your mind to think of how you can be better than you are today and do great things for the Lord.

Perhaps you've been getting the second spot in your grade, think of how you can become number one. And, if you've been number one, think of how you can be the overall best in the school. This also applies to your sports and games activity in school. Think of yourself as someone who'll always make your team win in all competitions. That's how to think big.

Remember, God is big and He does big things. As His child, you have the ability to do big things too. So, think big!



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**Scripture Reading-Philippians 4:13**

**Say  
This**

**I'm like my heavenly Father;  
therefore, I think big and do  
great things! Hallelujah!**

# World Scramble

## SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES



Below are some words mentioned in the Bible but can only be identified when they're unscrambled. Kindly unscramble them with the help of the hint, and let us know what they are.

(Hint: Matthew 2:1-11)

1. SENCEKNINAFR

Ans: .....

2. GLOD

Ans: .....

3. HYRRM

Ans: .....

4. MEHTOR

Ans: .....

5. SROWPIHPED

Ans: .....

6. SREUSTAER

Ans: .....

7. HICDL

Ans: .....

8. THMEEBELH

Ans: .....

9. PORPEHT

Ans: .....

# Titbits

## What You Need To Know About Prophecy - Part 3

I trust you've learnt a lot already in our last two editions on the special series on "What You Need To Know About Prophecy." In this edition, we'll take our study further as we look at the "Words of Power" and "Prophecy In The Last Days." Let's begin.

### **WORDS OF POWER - Ecclesiastes 8:4.**

This is another very important point about prophecy: it's a word of power spoken to either foretell events or bring forth God's Word into a situation and cause changes.

To prophesy, therefore, would mean to speak words of power, words filled with the ability of God to cause changes and make things to happen.

Whether you're foretelling events or speaking forth God's

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mind concerning issues, persons, places or events, as long as it comes to pass, it's a word of power.

## **PROPHECY IN THE LAST DAYS – Joel 2:28; Acts 2:16 -18.**

God promised that He would pour out His Spirit upon all flesh and they shall prophesy in the last days (Joel 2:28). That promise has since been fulfilled when the Holy Spirit filled the 120 disciples of Jesus gathered together in the upper room (Acts 2:4). In the same way, the same Holy Spirit lives in us today to enable us prophesy.

Therefore, when we prophesy, we're speaking words of power that can affect our bodies, families, academics and world. So, speak them forth now to order the course of your live today and shape your future.



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# ANSWERS

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## WORD PUZZLE! JESUS' BIRTH

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## WHAT'S MISSING?

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.

1 Timothy 1:15

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## WORD SCRAMBLE SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

1. Ans: FRANKINCENSE
2. Ans: GOLD
3. Ans: MYRRH
4. Ans: MOTHER
5. Ans: WORSHIPPED
6. Ans: TREASURES
7. Ans: CHILD
8. Ans: BETHLEHEM
9. Ans: PROPHET

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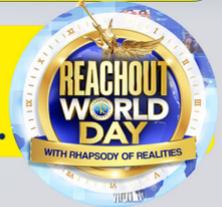
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# PRAYER OF SALVATION

Say this: “O Lord God, I believe with all my heart in Jesus Christ, Son of the living God. I believe He died for me and God raised Him from the dead. I believe He’s alive today. I confess with my mouth that Jesus Christ is the Lord of my life from this day. Through Him and in His Name, I have eternal life; I’m born again. Thank you Lord, for saving my soul! I’m now a child of God. Hallelujah!”

**48** Congratulations! You are now a child of God!