New Life



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Psalm 33:1
Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise Him.

Praise of God is the acknowledging of His perfections, works, and benefits

Ezra 3:11

With praise and thanksgiving they sang to the LORD: "He is good; His love to Israel endures forever." And all the people gave a great shout of praise to the LORD...

No matter what may be ahead of us...
our go to proclamation will be...
"God is good and His love for this
family endures forever"

01/27/2019

Embrace His Word

Embrace:

welcome and take advantage of something eagerly and willingly

Not just knowing the Word, but embracing the Word

Psalm 33:4-11

The Word of God

- is right and true
- is powerful and productive
- >is organizational (chaos killer)
- has authority
- >carries victory

02/10/2019

1 Peter 2:9 But you are a Chosen People

Chosen to be a people who have been sealed with the Spirit

Chosen to receive power when the Spirit comes on you

Chosen to be a people that stand in victory

Chosen to be a people that have been handed a shield of victory

Chosen to be a people who carry the Sword of the Spirit

Chosen to be a people who have been given the armor of God

Chosen to be a people who go from strength to strength

Chosen to carry the treasure

Chosen to be at times hard pressed on every side, but not crushed

Chosen to be at times perplexed, but not in despair

Chosen to be at times persecuted, but not abandoned

Chosen to be at times struck down, but not destroyed

Chosen to have great authority

Chosen to stand in the gap between God and people

Chosen to have access to the throne room of God

Chosen to have access to the Very Presence of God

Chosen to bring our worship, thanksgiving, praise, and needs to God

Chosen to touch heaven and bring heaven to earth

Chosen to be purchased and become the private property of God

Chosen to be a proclaimer of God Himself

Chosen to know that light defeats darkness

02/17/2019

Do we want to Know His Power?

Am I an Observer?

Am I a Knower?

Ephesians 1:13

And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in Him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit...

Acts 1:8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Spirit comes through being in Christ

The power comes from the Spirit

No relationship with Jesus no Spirit

No Spirit no power

Acts 8:29-30 Power to leave our place and join Jesus in His place

An observer will want Jesus to join them a knower will join Jesus

Acts 16:22-25 Power to experience great trial and injustice and stay in the Walk

An Observer will succumb to the hardship, the Knower will be steadfast

Luke 8:45-46 Power that heals and restores

The Observer will hear stories of healing and restoration; the Knower will experience healing and restoration

Acts 4:31 Power that enables one to speak the Word boldly

The Observer will talk about the Word and the Knower will speak the Word

Acts 6:8 Power to demonstrate wonders and miraculous signs

The Observers will only be told of the stories; the Knower will be the story writers

Romans 15:13 Power to overflow with hope

The Observer will wish the Knower will hope

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Colossians 3:12

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

Patience "long to get riled"

The ability to take a great deal of provoking without becoming irritated and angry, or without taking vengeance

The ability to bear pain or trials without complaint

The ability to stand up under severe aggravation, annoyance, frustration, and/or irritation without lashing out

Signs of soul-decay are:

- ✓ Losing our temper in the presence of frustration
- ✓ Becoming irritated by the hardship
- ✓ Taking vengeance in the face of conflict
- ✓ Losing my capacity to bear pain or trials
- ✓ The inability to restrain yourself under annoyance
- ✓ Lashing out when provoked

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Fear

- •No storm is strong enough to keep Jesus from showing up
- •God will not be conquered, thus either will I be conquered
- •The enemy will be defeated at the hands of God
- •God created you strong
- •God takes care of our past and our future

06/16/2019

Colossians 3:18-25

Family Maxims

Maxim – rule – guiding principle

- ✓FM1 We will each know our position and play it well
- ✓FM2 We will love first and continually
- ✓FM3 Parents parent and kids follow
- ✓FM4 We will have open and honest communication
- ✓FM5 We will honor God in our work and play

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2 Peter 1:5

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith

There is something beyond the new birth....We must grow

This demands diligence and effort

> A Lazy Christian does not grow

A Casual Christian will be powerless

An Indifferent Christian will be weak

A Distracted Christian will be ineffective

Goodness this unbridled moral muscles; a passionate and fiery preference of right to wrong

Knowledge this deeper and enlarged knowing of a holy, righteous, loving, just, all powerful, all knowing, and living God

Self-control this ability to stay on course in the face of internal resistance and conflicts

Perseverance this ability to stay on course in the face of external resistance and conflicts

Godliness this capability and privilege to be like God

Brotherly-kindness this life changing affection for brothers and sisters in Christ

Love this affection and passion that compels one to move toward and connect to

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For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ

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When the Grinch experienced a growth of his heart – perhaps three times the sizes in just one day