

# Faith Talk

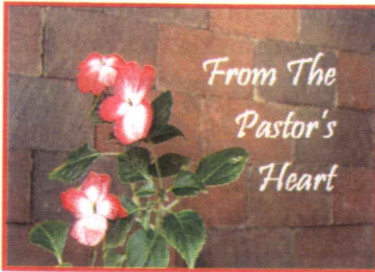
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## Ascended!

By [Richard De Haan](#)



Joseph Parker (1830-1902) was a beloved English preacher. When his wife died, he didn't have the customary wording inscribed on her gravestone. Instead of the word *died* followed by the date of her death, he chose the word *ascended*.

Parker found great comfort in being reminded that though his wife's body had been placed in the grave, the "real" Mrs. Parker had been transported to heaven and into the presence of her Savior. When Parker himself died, his friends made sure that his gravestone read:

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When a believing loved one dies, or when we ourselves face the process of dying, there's great comfort in the fact that "to be absent from the body" is "to be present with the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:8)

Death for us is not a dark journey into the unknown. It is not a lonely walk into a strange and friendless place. Rather, it is a glorious transition from the trials of earth into the joys of heaven, where we will be reunited with our loved ones in Christ who have gone before. Best of all, we will enjoy the presence of our Lord forever.

"Yes, when a believer dies, the body is buried but not the soul. It has ascended!"  
- Richard De Haan

Oh, how blessed is the promise  
When our spirit is set free:  
To be absent from the body  
Means to live, O Lord, with Thee!  
—Bosch

***For the Christian, death is the doorway to Glory.***

-In the Wonderful Name of Jesus, Pastor Bob and Susan Tilton

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## Youth Talk

### “Losing Our Focus with ‘Faultfinding’ ”

We would like to start off by thanking all of you who supported and attended our Youth Service! What a great time of sharing the Gospel and allowing our Youth to spread their wings and use their talents for God's glory! The DVD will be available soon...

Let's dive into this article on 'Losing Our Focus with Faultfinding.' Prophets in the scriptures warn us that finding fault, pointing fingers, and judging others—whether occurring in a single relationship, a family, a church, or a tight-knit neighborhood can be spiritually hazardous. Faultfinding distorts our perception in a number of ways.

First, we inaccurately see ourselves as superior. When we become preoccupied with the weaknesses of others, our attention is distracted from our own faults. We develop a kind of spiritual farsightedness, focusing our vision on faults of others, and our spiritual eyes may begin to play tricks on us as we see right through things that are much closer—**our own faults**. Matthew 7:3 describes this curious condition, “Why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?” If we find ourselves feeling superior to our neighbor, we likely have forgotten that we also have “sinned, and come short of the glory of God” -Romans 3:23.

In finding fault with others, we are liable to mistake appearance for substance. Unable to discern the thoughts and intents of our neighbors' hearts, it is all too easy to base our judgments solely on what we can see or erroneously infer. Thinking we 'know' what others thoughts and intents are is only deceiving ourselves. Being led by fleshly eyes and one's own ulterior motives, instead of being led by the Spirit, can distort one's ability to discern correctly.

The second hazard of faultfinding is that our personal and spiritual progress is stalled. Focusing on the faults of others distracts us from drawing closer to God and allowing Him to shine the light on our own shortcomings. In other words, the danger in the practice of judging others lies not only in what it keeps us from **seeing**—our own faults—but also in what it keeps us from **doing**—working to correct those faults.

Additionally, if you're dealing with someone who just can't see the possible value or meaning in your point of view, then you're dealing with someone who cannot empathize well and who is focused on finding faults. People who cannot empathize cannot view things from another's vantage point. They cannot mentally step into someone's shoes in order to understand that person's thoughts and emotions. If they could, they'd easily be able to see the reasons why their point of view is not the **only** valid one and stop claiming that everyone else is just “wrong.” People with low or no empathy also have a difficult time understanding or caring about the fact that insisting your thinking and your way is wrong and valueless will hurt your feelings.

Our Youth are in need of some positive encouragement... not faultfinding... They need to know that they are special and that they have great things on the inside of them just waiting to manifest. Empathize with them. When they are interested in learning, encourage them to use their talents and to grow up into something awesome! Don't shut them out with a 'business' relationship at home. They are a vital part of the family and should be considered vital. This positive reinforcement goes a llllooonnggg way and will help shape what our Youth will be in the future...

(Some material taken from lds.org and lighthouse.org)

-fLoYd & Michele Dotter



## A Word of Wisdom

**The biggest communication problem is we do not listen to understand...  
We listen to reply.**

## Church Sign

**People in power need the power of prayer.**

**(Remember when you vote on Nov. 4 to vote for people  
who stand for Biblical principles.)**

## Recipe of the Month Pumpkin-Parmesan Biscuits

### Ingredients:

2 cups all-purpose flour, plus more for dusting  
1 tablespoon sugar  
1/4 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg  
1 stick cold unsalted butter, diced,  
plus melted butter for brushing

1 tablespoon baking powder  
1 teaspoon kosher salt  
2 tablespoons finely grated parmesan cheese  
1/2 cup canned pure pumpkin  
1/4 cup heavy cream

### Directions:

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F; line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Whisk the flour, baking powder, sugar, salt and nutmeg in a large bowl. Whisk in 1 tablespoon parmesan. Add the diced butter and work it in with your fingertips until the mixture looks like coarse crumbs. Mix the pumpkin and cream in a small bowl and pour over the flour mixture. Mix with your hands or a fork to make a soft dough.

Turn the dough out onto a lightly floured surface and roll out into a 3/4-inch-thick rectangle using a floured rolling pin. Cut out biscuits using a 2-inch-round cutter and arrange about 2 inches apart on the prepared baking sheet. Brush the tops with melted butter and sprinkle with the remaining 1 tablespoon parmesan. Bake until golden, 15 to 20 minutes. Transfer the baking sheet to a rack and let the biscuits cool slightly before serving or cool completely and freeze (see below).

**MAKE IT AHEAD** Let the biscuits cool completely, then freeze in a re-sealable plastic bag for up to 1 month. To reheat, arrange on a baking sheet, cover with foil and bake at 350 degrees F until warmed through, about 10 minutes.

Read more at: <http://www.foodnetwork.com/recipes/food-network-kitchens/pumpkin-parmesan-biscuits-recipe.html?oc=linkback>



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## Chillie's Corner "The Talking Dog Course"

A teenaged boy went off to university, but about a third of the way through the semester, he had foolishly squandered the money his parents had given him. Desperate to get more money out of his father, he came up with a cunning plan.

Phoning home one weekend, he said, "Dad, you won't believe the educational opportunities that are available at this university! Why, they've even got a course here that will teach Fido how to talk!"

That's "incredible", said the gullible father. "How do I enroll him in the course?"

"Just send him down here with \$1,000, and I'll make sure he gets in the course," said the son. So the father sent the dog and \$1,000, but about two-thirds of the way through the semester, that money had also run out.

The boy called his father again. "How's Fido doing?" asked the father.

"Awesome Dad, he's talking brilliantly. But, you just won't believe this. They've had such great results with the talking dog course that they're starting up a new one to teach the animals how to read!"

"Read," echoed his father. "No kidding! What do I have to do to get him in that course?"

"Just send \$2,500. I'll get him in the course," said the son. His father duly sent the money, but at the end of the semester, the boy was faced with a problem; how to conceal from his father the fact that the dog could not talk nor read. So the boy decided to take drastic action and shot the dog.

When he arrived home, his father was waiting expectantly. "Where's Fido?" asked the father. "I just can't wait to hear him talk or listen to him reading something."

"Dad," said the boy solemnly, "I've got some bad news. This morning, when I got out of the shower, Fido was in the living room reading the morning paper, like he usually does, when suddenly he turned to me and asked, 'So, is your Dad still messing around with that little blonde at number 44?'"

The father's face turned red with rage and he shouted. "I hope you shot that lying dog!" "I sure did, Dad." "That's my boy!"

### **Bible Trivia—I Didn't Know That!**

- A) Where was Job from?
- B) In the beginning of his story, Job had what?
- C) Who stole Job's oxen and donkeys?
- D) What struck the corners of Job's eldest son's house?
- E) After being struck with boils, Job scraped himself with *what*?
- F) Job's wife told him to *what*?
- G) What did God tell Job's friends to sacrifice?
- H) The Lord restored Job's losses when he *what*?
- I) After God's restoration, Job had more daughters, the eldest of whom was named *what*?

**(See page 6 for answers)**



### He's Always Saying 'Yes'

I have been walking with God long enough to know that many times God has said no because He had a greater yes in store for me.

I have been walking with God long enough to know that even if I don't like His answer, I can respond to Him with expectation, hope and joy.

I have been walking with God long enough to know He's good and although He doesn't always give me what I want, He always gives me what He knows I need.

In some way, shape or form, He's always saying, "Yes."

*-Chrystal Evans Hurst*

### Jokes and Riddles

**What did the Martian say to the gardener?**

*"Take me to your weeder!"*

**What do you call a stop watch on the moon?**

*A lunar tick*

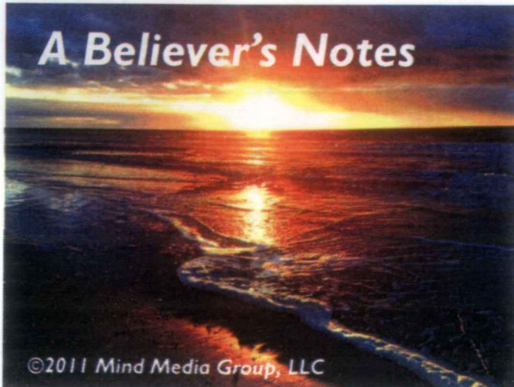
**What is the most dangerous city in the whole world?**

*Electri - city*

**What would you use to cut the sea in half?**

*A sea saw*

## The Lord is Good to ALL!



*“Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you].”*  
 —Romans 12:2

When the devil lies to you and tells you that God is not listening to your prayers, that you won't receive your healing or get that new job, don't listen to him.

Instead, begin to tell him about God's mercy. Tell him that the Lord is good to ALL. He is full of compassion. His tender mercy is over all of His works—that includes ME! I'm one of God's favorites!

If you have been afraid to come to God with your needs, afraid to expect His blessings to come your way, start meditating on His mercy today. Spend time thinking about the ocean of goodness He's longing to pour into your life. Then, open the door of faith and let it in! Take a crash course in His word and let the blessings flow until you have reached the limit of your expectations. Then expect more... Experience the good life that God has prepared for you. Speak the Word. "I am not conformed to this world. I am transformed as I renew my mind to God's Word. I experience the good and acceptable and perfect will of God." - Romans 12:2

### **Bible Trivia** **-I Didn't Know That!** (From Page 4)

- |   |                                       |   |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| A) Uz<br>Job 1:1                                | D) A Mighty Wind<br>Job 1:18-19       | G) Seven Bulls and Seven Rams<br>Job 42:8 |
| B) Seven Sons and<br>Three Daughters<br>Job 1:2 | E) Potsherd/Broken Pottery<br>Job 2:8 | H) Prayed For His Friends<br>Job 42:10    |
| C) Sabeans<br>Job 1:14-15                       | F) Curse God and Die<br>Job 2:9       | I) Jemimah<br>Job 42:14                   |



## Why Thanksgiving Matters

Jesus commands our thankfulness... Here's why.

One day Jesus encountered thanklessness while traversing what Puritan commentator Matthew Henry calls "the frontier-country, the marches that lay between Samaria and Galilee." The story is found in Luke 17.

*Now on His way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As He was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met Him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"*

Jesus is called aside by the plaintive shouts of men afflicted with a serious skin condition that present-day translators render as *leprosy*. Surely, they must have thought, if Jesus could cure the blind, heal the lame, and raise the dead, he had the power to help them too. They were already outcasts and had nothing to lose, so they raised their voices in desperate hope.

*When He saw them, He said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests."*

The Master simply tells them to go to the priests, who were the first-century referees as to whether a healing had taken place. Any cure, according to the Book of Leviticus, would need the equivalent of a "Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval" so that the formerly unclean could be ritually restored to the community.

Will they go? How can they, since Jesus has done nothing outwardly to assure them of a cure? "This," Henry notes, "was a trial of their obedience." How would they respond to the Lord's ambiguous command? Something in the reputation of Jesus, or perhaps in the way he looked them in the eye, encouraged them that they had met not divine indifference, but God's mercy, on the road.

*And as they went, they were cleansed..*

Note the progression: "*as they went, they were cleansed.*" The obedience precedes the healing.

*One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked Him—and he was a Samaritan.*

Until this point, the 10 lepers had acted in concert: they had lived together, they had cried out together, they had gone off together, and they had been cleansed together. Now, however, one peels off like a jet leaving formation and heads for Jesus. Whatever has happened, the man knows he has been blessed, and the blessing requires a response. First he sees, then he turns, then he praises.

And then, with the Samaritan still humbly at Jesus' feet, come three pointed, rapid-fire questions, which cast a shadow over the celebration.

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*Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?"*

I must confess: these questions have always bothered me. At first blush they seem to reflect a childish need for praise and recognition on the part of Jesus. Why did He need to be thanked?

Though He already had rewarded their obedience, He wanted something more. He sought their *gratitude*. "Gratefulness," Richard Emmons notes,

"is a knowing awareness that we are the recipients of goodness."<sup>[1]</sup> Didn't these nine men *know* what God had done for them?

The nine who did not give thanks were not only rude, they were ignorant, misaligned with the truth of the universe; we are the recipients, not the creators, of goodness. In acknowledging this simple truth we ennoble ourselves. "God," John Piper says, "is the one Being in all the universe for whom seeking His own praise is the ultimately loving act."

Given that fact, praise is not an option. It is a joyful inevitability in a world designed and upheld by God. The only question is whether we will add our voices to the choir.

*Then He said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."*

I wonder how the nine felt when the man, rising from his worship, finally caught up with them, telling of his grateful exchange with Jesus. They had missed the opportunity to deepen their elation by giving thanks. Matthew Henry says that the grateful man received more than the other nine because "he had his cure confirmed particularly with an encomium: *Thy faith hath made thee whole* .... Temporal mercies are *then* doubled and sweetened to us when they are *fetch*ed in by the prayers of faith, and *return*ed by the praises of faith."

Gratitude brings benefits in this world and in the world to come. The nine had their cure; the one who gave thanks had his cure, *plus* a relationship with Jesus. This Thanksgiving, let's remember that we are all the recipients of God's goodness.

Stan Guthrie is a CT editor at large. This article is adapted from his book, [All That Jesus Asks: How His Questions Can Teach and Transform Us](#) (Baker Books, 2010). All rights reserved. Stan is also author of [Missions in the Third Millennium](#) and co-author of [The Sacrament of Evangelism](#).



Kids' Corner



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### “The Bible is So Important!”

#### **Amplified Bible (AMP)**

##### **2 Timothy 3**

Every Scripture is God-breathed (given by His inspiration) and profitable for instruction, for reproof *and* conviction of sin, for correction of error *and* discipline in obedience, [and] for training in righteousness (in holy living, in conformity to God's will in thought, purpose, and action), So that the man of God may be complete *and* proficient, well fitted *and* thoroughly equipped for every good work.

#### **English Standard Version**

##### **Psalms 119:105**

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

##### **Matthew 4:4**

But He answered, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God'."

##### **Joshua 1:8**

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

##### **Romans 15:4**

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

##### **Hebrews 4:12**

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

##### **1 Timothy 4:13**

Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.

##### **Psalms 119:10-11**

With my whole heart I seek You; let me not wander from Your commandments! I have stored up Your word in my heart, that I might not sin against You.

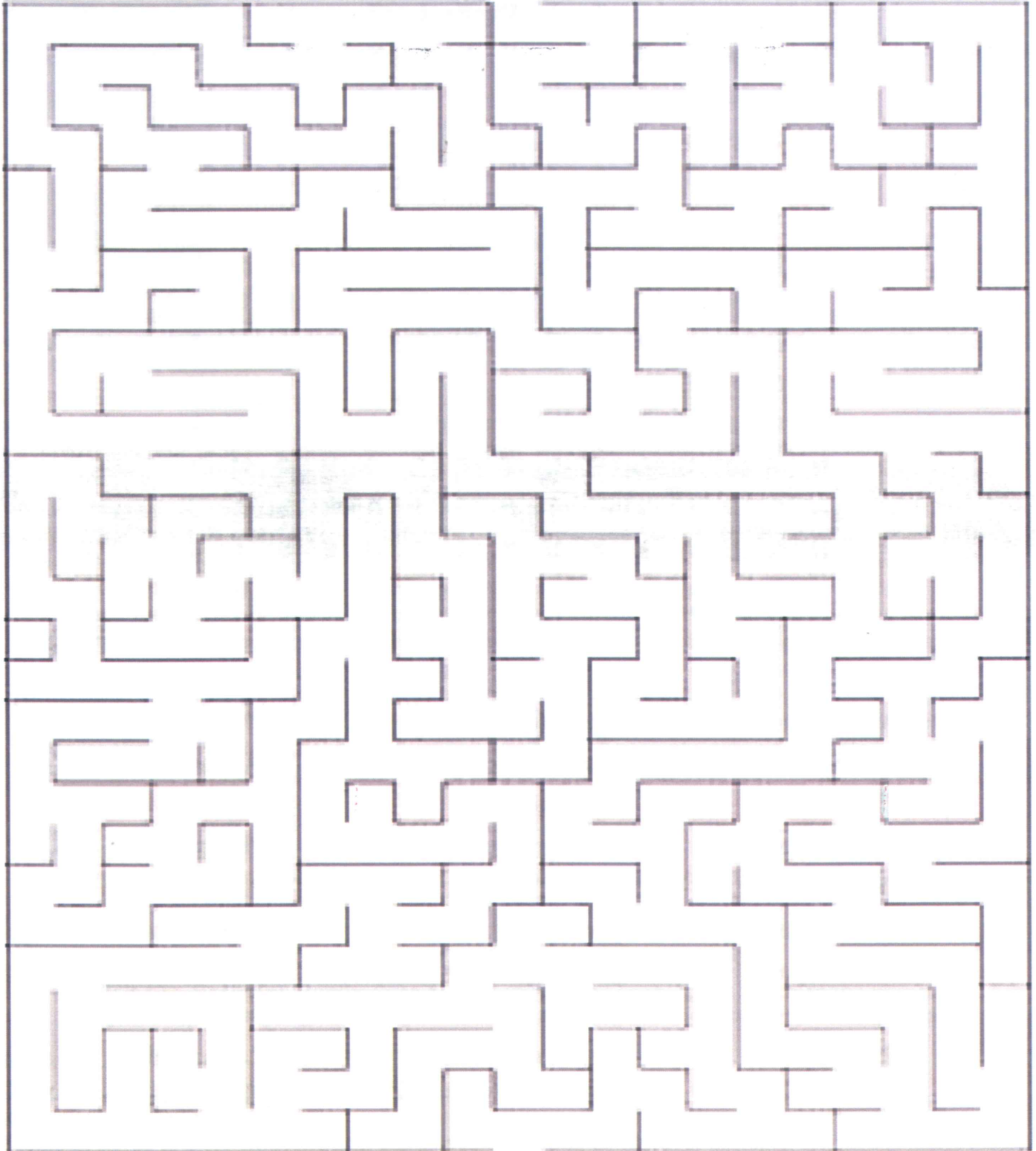
##### **Psalms 1:2**

But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on His law he meditates day and night.



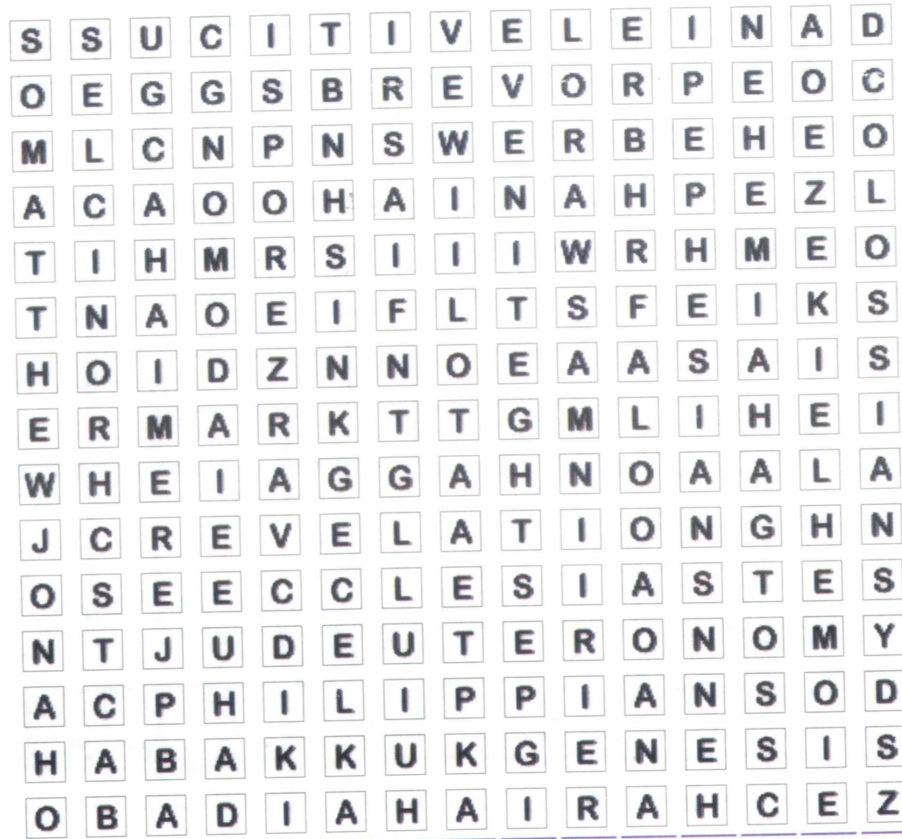
**Kids' Corner**  
**"Seek And You Will Find"**

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**Kids Corner**  
**“Books of the Bible”**



**Acts**

**Amos**

**Chronicles**

**Colossians**

**Corinthians**

**Daniel**

**Deuteronomy**

**Ecclesiastes**

**Ephesians**

**Ezekiel**

**Ezra**

**Galatians**

**Genesis**

**Habakkuk**

**Haggai**

**Hebrews**

**Isaiah**

**Jeremiah**

**Jonah**

**Jude**

**Lamentations**

**Leviticus**

**Mark**

**Matthew**

**Nehemiah**

**Obadiah**

**Philemon**

**Philippians**

**Proverbs**

**Revelation**

**Song of Songs**

**Zechariah**

**Zephaniah**



## Health Check



*“Be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord God, my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the Lord is finished.”*

—1 Chronicles 28:20

**Over 50 million Americans are recognized this month during National Family Caregivers Month. The estimated value of the "free" services provided by these family members caring for loved ones who are frail, chronically ill or disabled is conservatively estimated to be \$306 billion annually.**

Sponsored each year by the National Family Caregivers Association (NFCA), NFC Month focuses on the challenges facing family caregivers. Family caregivers provide a vast array of emotional, financial, nursing, social, homemaking and other services on a daily or on an intermittent basis. While some family caregivers provide 24/7 care for loved ones who require assistance for all daily living activities, others may provide care on a part-time basis. Family caregiving can extend for a few years or a lifetime.

"NFC Month provides an opportunity to advocate for stronger public policies to address family caregiving issues," said **Suzanne Mintz**, president of the National Family Caregivers Association. "And it is a time to thank, support, educate, and celebrate family caregivers who are literally America's primary long-term care providers. Eighty percent of long-term care is provided by families or friends."

### **Top 10 Ways to Celebrate National Family Caregiver Month**

1. Offer a few hours of respite time to a family caregiver so they can spend time with friends, or simply relax.
2. Send a card of appreciation or a bouquet of flowers to brighten a family caregiver's day.
3. Encourage businesses to offer a free service for family caregivers through the month of November.
4. Help a family caregiver decorate their home for the holidays or offer to address envelopes for their holiday cards.
5. Offer comic relief! Give a family caregiver your favorite funny movie to view.
6. Find 12 different photos of the caregiver's family and friends. Have a copy center create a 2015 calendar that the family caregiver can use to keep track of appointments and events.
7. Offer to prepare Thanksgiving dinner for a caregiving family in your community, so they can just relax and enjoy the holiday.
8. Take a few minutes to write a letter. Encourage your faith community to ask for prayers not only for those who are ill, but also those who care for them.
9. Encourage family caregivers to become a part of the [National Family Caregiver Story Project](#). It's a great place to not only share but read about others in like situations.
10. Help a family caregiver find new educational materials and support through family caregiving web sites or by calling local social service agencies for help.

**Visit the [National Family Caregiver Association website](#) to learn more about National Family Caregiving Month and for additional resources and information.**

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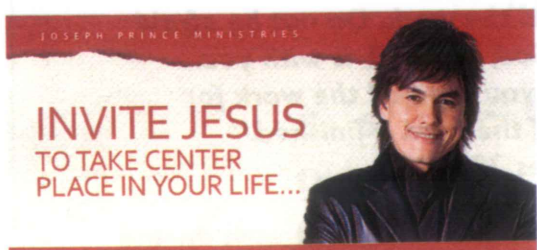
<http://www.caringnews.com/pub.59/issue.605/article.2552/>

<http://www.caregiveraction.org/>

**\*These articles are for information purposes only and, as always, consult with your doctor before assuming you have any condition.**

- Alisa Wetzig

## Joseph Prince



### “See Your Giants As Bread”

*“...do not...fear the people [giants] of the land, for they are our bread; their protection has departed from them, and the Lord is with us.*

*Do not fear them.”*

*-Numbers 14:9*

The 12 men whom Moses sent out to spy on the promised land all saw the same thing. They all saw the same big houses, the same huge grapes and yes, the same giants standing in their way! But unlike the others, Joshua and Caleb saw the giants as *bread*. The rest saw the giants as insurmountable, impossible obstacles. As a result, Joshua and Caleb were the only ones of their generation to enter the promised land.

When you see a “giant” today in your business, health or ministry, I challenge you to see it as *bread* that will only make you *stronger*. Don’t run away in fear, but face your giant head-on—knowing that you are armed with the Lord’s unmerited favor and the powerful promises of your faithful God!

Beloved, meditate on today’s verse. Let God’s Word drive out all timidity and give you the same spirit of faith that Joshua and Caleb had. Let it change the way you see yourself—not as a tiny grasshopper, but a giant-killer—and step into your promised land!

### “The Windows of Heaven”

**“For with stammering lips and another tongue He will speak to this people, to whom He said, ‘This is the rest with which You may cause the weary to rest,’ and, ‘This is the refreshing’...”**

***-Isaiah 28:11-12***

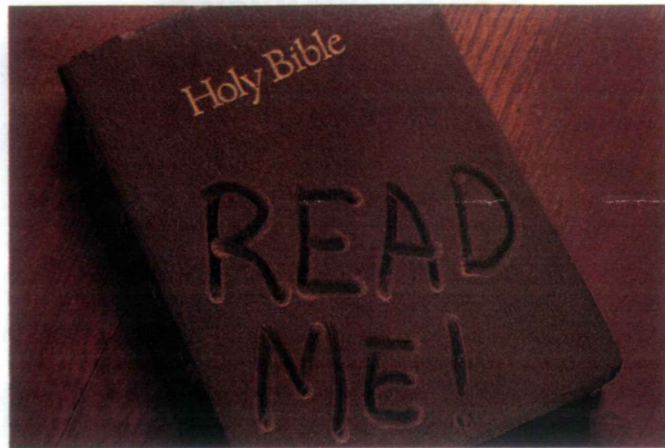
You’ve probably heard of the term “R&R”. It’s commonly used in the military and it means “rest and relaxation” after some exhausting overseas training or mission. Doctors also order “rest and rehabilitation” for the injured and sick.

My friend, God has an R&R for you, too. It’s called “the rest and the refreshing”, and it comes through praying in the Holy Spirit or tongues.

One of the best ways to rest and be refreshed, especially when you are worried, fatigued or just waiting for the manifestation of your healing, is to pray in the Holy Spirit.

Beloved, give yourself some time every day to pray in the Spirit, and allow Him to rejuvenate and refresh you supernaturally!





### Note to Self

Talent & anointing can both draw people in. Those trusting in (leaning on, giving credit to) the anointing over the talent will give more than they take. People who are trusting in (leaning on, giving credit to) their talent more than the anointing will take more than they give.

If we want to know if we are a performer or a minister we should read the above lines again slowly.....

Is God really using our talent to draw people to Him or are we using His talents to draw people to us?

If the anointing is not being transferred to others, it is just our talent being used to draw people to us in order to take from them, rather than to give.

God is going to one day ask what you did with your "talent" - His "glory"/ anointing, because He wants us to use it to increase His kingdom, not our own accounts.

Make sure to trust in what He deposits in you and trust it to do the work above and beyond your own talents (abilities), don't be fooled, many others can draw a crowd, but how many give more than they take?

[#betheonewhoisfaithful](#)

I dare say not many will be found faithful in this, but you can be.



- Darren Cole Butcher

**Beautiful Shades**



**The girls had a great time at SC State  
the end of September and learning  
from Dr. Rhonda Hill in October!**



**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**On Saturday, November 15, 2014  
we will be going on a field trip to a 'Soup Kitchen' to serve**

**On Friday, December 19, 2014  
We will have our Ceremony and Dinner**

If you have any questions, or need directions to our meeting,  
please don't hesitate to contact us at (843) 509-1653.

**Thank you again for your prayers and support!**

-Sheila Adams



**Upcoming Events**



Please join us as we support the Cook Family by meeting at Lincolville Community Center for a Memorial walk in memory of L.J. Cook. If you have not signed up to walk please contact Doris Cook at (843) 532-5702 or (843) 871-0740

If you are unable to walk but want to support the family, please join us to welcome the walkers! Hot Chocolate and Coffee will be served and multiple forms of ministry will occur after the walk so join us for some fun!!!

**God Bless You!!!**

Join us for One Special Night of Fellowship in the Word with

*Pastor Donnie McClurkin*  
**Perfecting Church \* Freeport, New York**

Also featuring: **Pastor Elijah Goodwin & Remnant**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2014 \* ADMISSION: FREE**

DOORS OPENS 6:00 PM / SERVICE BEGINS 7:00 PM

**AT NEW BETHEL SOP**  
**351 Greyback Road, Summerville, SC**  
*Bishop Allen H. Simmons, Host*

*Word in Life Christian Fellowship Church, 119 Slate Stone Dr., Summerville, SC*  
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## Sunday School Events

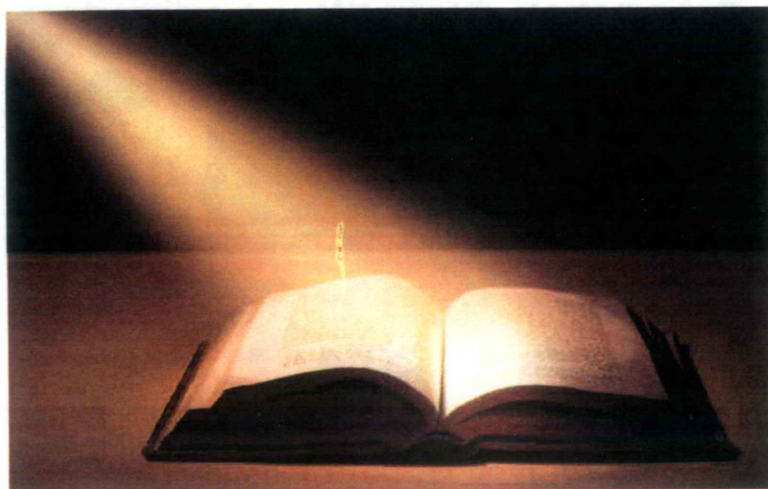
### Children's Sunday School

#### Ages 6-11

For the month of November, the children's Sunday school class will be in Part II of "Getting to Know Our Bibles". Since we only meet 4 times a month, we need more time to cover this topic. At the end of September, the kids were becoming more confident in their speed drills, and we went over some fun Bible facts. Did you know that 50 Bibles are sold every minute? Did you also realize that the Bible is the world's most shoplifted book? The Bible has also been published in over 6,000 languages. What an amazing book! Men have tried to burn it and forever destroy it, but it continues to thrive.

As well as reviewing our books of the Bible, the kids will also learn who wrote each book, and the historical timeline when each book of the Bible was written. The Bible is the written Word of God and the foundation for everything we need to know about Him. Getting back to the basics is essential in order to not feel overwhelmed when we open the Word of God. I encourage you to read the Word with your children every day. Why not? Our kids read school books, secular books, watch TV, and play sports almost every day. Let's start a revolution of kids that know and LOVE their Bibles. Let's start here and now!

-Rachel Ferguson



### Men's Sunday School

Join us for Men's Sunday School and let us dive into the Word of God together!



## Sunday School Events—Continued

### Ladies Sunday School

We have just started a new unit. The theme of this unit is **Visions of Grandeur**; which places emphasis on Awe and Wonder. **Lesson 9: God's Divine Glory Returns.** This lesson uses Ezekiel 43:1-12. *The Lesson Focus* says, "We see God's glory when we follow Him." *In the Life Connection* we will recognize the ways God reveals His glory. *In the Bible Exploration* we will learn about God's promise to restore His broken relationship with His people. *The Bible Interaction* will help us to explore how God's glory can shine through us. *The Life Response* will show us how to follow Christ to reflect God's glory.

One day we will get a chance to see Jesus in all His glory. We should take a moment to thank God that we have accepted His invitation to share in His glory. God wants to live among His people and wants us to see His glory. God's promise to dwell with us is conditional. We have to want to see His glory; which requires us to worship Him only. In order for Him to dwell among us (His chosen people), we have to willingly turn away from the things that displeases Him. We have to choose to serve only God.

If we want to experience God's glory in our lives today, we have to choose to follow Jesus and reflect His glory in our lives on a daily basis. Obedience is the key to seeing and experiencing God's glory in our lives today. When we follow Him we can see Him at work in our lives for His purposes. People will be able to see the Lord working in many ways in our lives as the light of Christ, His glory, shines in our hearts. That is the light the world needs to see that will draw them to the Lord. We have to pray and ask the Lord to lead and guide us so that we can see and experience His glory; then submit to His guidance and trust that He knows what's best for us. **"Be assured, if you walk with Him and look to Him, and expect help from Him, He will never fail you."** - George Mueller

-Yolanda Wilson



**We look forward  
to seeing you on  
Sunday at 9:45am!**

#### August

##### **Psalm 55:22 (KJV)**

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

#### September

##### **Psalm 91:1 (KJV)**

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

#### October

##### **Psalm 91:2 (KJV)**

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust.

#### November

##### **Psalm 91:3 (KJV)**

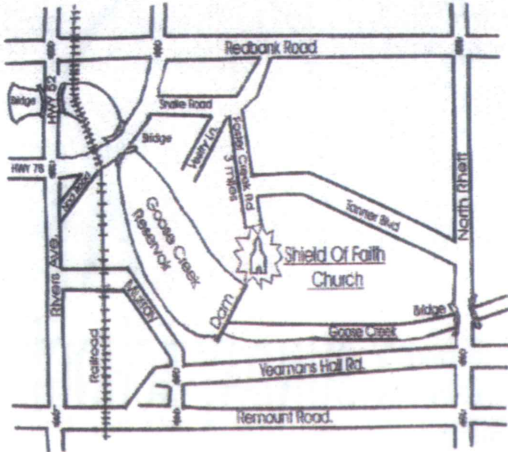
Surely He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.



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**Next deadline to submit articles is:**  
**Wednesday, November 12th**

**November 2014**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2 Daylight Saving Time Ends	3	4 Election Day	5	6	7	8 L.J. Cook Memorial Walk—7am
9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12 Article Deadline	13	14 Family Movie Night	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving	28	29
30 Advent Begins	1	2	3 Youth Birthday Bash	4	5	6