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Preface

I have felt compelled to write this book for a long time - at least ten years; that I needed to write a book about what a huge difference having God's love in your heart and life makes in your life; in this world, probably most people don't know God's love, and the main reason for that is because they have not experienced his miraculous love in their heart.

This book is about how to receive God's love in your heart; I hope I have avoided religious jargon, instead showing how God's love can be applied to our lives with miraculous results. I have endeavoured to elaborate why the Gospel is the greatest good news for our lives so that through this book, you can know and apply more the promises of God from the Bible.

For example, how you can walk with God by meeting and fellowshiping with his Spirit, who is the one who brings all of God's promises to life - God the Holy Spirit - his very own loving presence being poured out into your life in a very real way, which will result in you being made whole and healed through the miraculous touch of God the Holy Spirit.

So it is my motive in writing this to let as many people know that God actually loves you personally with such a deep love, even if you were the only person living two thousand years ago, still God would have sent his son, to die instead of you; to take the punishment in his body on your behalf so that you are free from all retribution and curse, for the misdemeanours which you and I have committed; and one thing we can be sure about, none of us are free from accusation of doing, of saying, of thinking something for which we regret later on.

I mean, some time in our life we have lied, or stolen, or looked at someone else with the wrong lust in our eyes or hatred or misplaced envy and jealousy or covetousness, of which you may or may not feel guilty; yet, the absence of your personal feeling of guilt does not detract from the fact that all of these things - even if you have committed one lie in your life - means you cannot obtain God's forgiveness without acknowledging what his Son Jesus Christ died on the cross by taking your punishment for you personally, two thousand years ago; and actually, in a real fact, not just in a sense or in a sentimental way, but actually he did die for you literally as if you were the only person living on this Earth; because when he died, he looked down the corridors of history and thought of you who actually needed rescuing from the graveness of being open to accusation, and died in your place, and in so doing, rescued you from every other blight and curse - including the most dangerous blight of refusing to believe or consider the possibility that God is alive and wants to give you his love.

Yet, because man's pride is so thick and stubborn, many thousands would rather prefer to be naked and blind and clothed in shame, and distraught or destitute from experiencing in their life what is actually the greatest feeling of peace, comfort, joy and contentment you have ever known; so they would rather be cut off from God's love in hell than enjoying an endless celebration and unending peace and comfort in the most unimagined existence in paradise.

But the important point is you can never really know that personal love for you unless you experience it yourself. That's why it's so important for you to experience this unconditional love, so that you would, today, at a moment or moments in time, experience healing in your emotions, in your mind, in your spirit and in your body; when the Spirit of God touches you with the greatest power – his love - which is so awesome, it resides inside and outside this universe - that power of God's love by his most precious and sweetest tangible feeling of his Spirit pouring his unconditional love and unmerited favour in your soul - to touch you where you need to be touched in your deepest yearning and deepest desert of love-vacuum; and in a instant you will be touched and be healed, and will be changed and delivered and enlightened and feel the greatest peace and deepest, the calmest sense of security in the arms of the one who loves you most, and you would feel more calm and at peace and be filled with his healing power more than you have ever experienced before.

So that's why this love has to be experienced first before you can really believe it and which is the only way you can be persuaded and assured that this love is actually the most precious and transforming, overcoming, and source of upgrading for your life. Unless you experience God's amazing love and an amazing grace for yourself, you won't know what I am talking about.

That this love is so utterly transforming, it can come into your life by his Holy Spirit when you are in your deepest need and deepest desperation when you feel so cut off from any love and any power of help, and so utterly broken inside.

That's why if only you would open your heart a hair-line crack to the possibility and open your mind to God's love by asking him to show you his love by his Holy Spirit when the Spirit of love is poured into your heart and soul; then one day at one moment of your life, forever, you will be to changed and his Spirit will make you favourably disposed to him, and be given God's grace so you will be, among all people, the most favoured of this planet Earth, and everyday, you can be touched with the power of his love by his Spirit.

And this love, once experienced, will make you feel and experience the wonderful assurance that you are more cherished and more highly-favoured and highly-qualified and highly-elevated because this love is the highest forms of loves, a love which will be the answer to all your problems and also be the source of all Comfort, overcoming peace, joy, strength contentment for you and your family.

And also, this love will be the best guidance for your life to navigate you through every set of circumstances - even the most jagged, for now and in the future, and to guide you into the most exciting and thrilling adventure for your life; when you are willing to place your teeny-weenie hand into the hand of the one who flung the stars and the furthest galaxies into Time-

Space, and when you are willing to give him the smallest, atomic-quantity of faith, and pray to him to ask him to show you that he exists and that his love is so amazing and empowering for your life, you will only believe it and only be changed and begin to be healed and transformed when you experience this most supreme of loves.

RECEIVING COMES FIRST BEFORE BELIEVING

But whether you believe it or not, the reason or the way for you to believe is first receive from him because that's the reason why most people don't believe because they have never actually received yet, i.e. they haven't been touched by the power of God's love in their emotions, in their spirit, in their soul, and in their mind by the Spirit of revelation. God reveals himself first in your mind and heart and then you will be equipped to believe. So many people say, "Show me first God's existence and then I will believe, but in God's Kingdom, it is first receive, and then believe.

And because God loves you so much, he is drawing you to himself. And the initiator of this and the vessel to do this is the Spirit of God. But you can advance and draw God to you closer and deeper by drawing more near to him.

As James wrote, "Draw near to God and he will draw near to you." James 4:8.

And God has prepared many gifts for you , but the deliverer of those gifts is the Holy Spirit.

David had learned the art of communing with the Holy Spirit when he was still a shepherd-boy tending sheep, and his interaction with the presence of God caused him to cry, "SURELY, YOU HAVE GRANTED HIM UNENDING BLESSINGS, AND MADE HIM GLAD WITH THE JOY OF YOUR PRESENCE." Capitalisation by C.J. Briscoe

That joy of God's presence became the greatest source of strength and contentment, comfort and peace for David, which he most likely first learned while playing his harp and tending sheep – how to fellowship with God's Spirit and how to be inspired by his presence to write over a hundred Psalms. He was inspired to write these worship songs when he was communing with him under the influence of the Spirit.

These are some of the gifts which God the Holy Spirit gives to his believers: peace, joy, comfort and more faith with which we can use to produce miracles from God's the Father through his implementer on Earth – the Holy Spirit. There is real peace, joy, comfort and more faith from his presence. But these gifts are just tokens compared to the unending gifts of love he has for you.

As David was inspired to write in Psalm 21:6, "For in thy presence there's fullness of joy, and unending blessing for ever more.

This Psalm reads from Psalm 21:6,

"Surely you have granted him unending blessings
and made him glad with the joy of your presence.
7 For the king trusts in the Lord;
through the unfailing love of the Most High
he will not be shaken."
Psalm 21:6-7, NIV U.K.

Yes, there are gifts with your name written on them when you have learned to wait and minister and be ministered to by God the Holy Spirit . And wouldn't it be a tragedy if we missed receiving those gifts.

But the condition to receive those gifts is given by David the Psalmist in Verse 7 of this Psalm :

"For the king (that's David) trusts in the Lord; through the unfailing love of the Most-High, He will not be shaken."

Psalm 21:7, NIV U.K. parenthesis added by C.J. Briscoe

The Amplified Version says,

6 "For You make him most blessed and a blessing forever;

You make him joyful with the joy of Your presence.

7 For the king confidently trusts in the LORD,

And through the loving-kindness, faithfulness, and goodness of the Most High he will never be shaken."

Ask God today to show you himself, and reveal his presence - and your life and you will be changed forever - and so will begin the greatest adventure of your life.

Yes, when we are in God's presence before God the Holy Spirit, waiting upon him, he has prepared many good gifts.

I hope and pray that my words have been inspired and moved by his anointing so that those seeking God can understand and know how to apply to their lives his promises from the pages of the Bible to test whether the monumental claims of Christianity are, in fact, true and contain the greatest power in this world.

Chapter One.

A Love Most People Don't Know

I want to talk to you about an exceedingly noble subject - the subject of how much you are actually loved and cherished beyond words. But many reading may not believe me when I say, "Do you know how much God loves you?" because those words may sound cliché— like words which fall as "water off a duck's back" until they experience for themselves God's love; that is, until they actually experience this love for themselves in their own heart and life.

But even though some of you may not have experienced God's love yet, I believe that after you have experienced his love, your mind and heart will be changed.

Do you know that when you actually experience God's love and he shows you, personally, what his healing, his peace, and his comfort can do, you will probably wonder how you survived in this world without that knowledge? I know I did, and still do, most days.

When you invite Jesus into your heart, his Holy Spirit will give you such an amazing feeling of peace, calm and tranquillity even in the midst of the most horrid storm, you will probably wonder how you survived in this turbulent world without the physical peace of God ministering to your mind, your spirit and your nerves.

And that's why I believe the two greatest ignorance of man is this:

1. He or she doesn't know what true love is. He or she hasn't experienced true love.

So the main reason why man doesn't know God, and indeed, doesn't want or refuses to consider God is because he hasn't experienced God's amazing and miraculous love in his heart. Of course, there will always be those who, even if God showed up in their bedroom, their pride and stubborn heart would still refuse to believe - but there is hope for even them because God has poured out his Holy Spirit upon men's heart to convict the most stubborn heart.

As Paul writes in the Bible book of Romans, Chapter Five,

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us."

Romans 5:1-5, NIV, U.K.

The above Scripture confirms that you can experience God the Holy Spirit, because when you believe in him, he pours out his amazing love by the Holy Spirit into your heart, who he gives you. There you have the confirmation: God has poured out his unlimited love into our hearts, and if you just receive that unlimited love into your heart you will be able to love all people with the unlimited, unconditional love of God, even your enemies – see this is where Christianity is in a league of its own when the world tries to club it together with other religions; Christians not only have Holy Scripture but we also have the Holy power to back up our claims or rather God's claims, and these can be experienced by you too, if you just take one step of faith; and if you stubbornly refuse to do that, then just try for one between one month or six months trial period and "Taste and see that the Lord is good" and is faithful to all his promises; if you do, you will find out that this Christianity is not a dead religion but is about living in the exciting and fulfilling promises of God; and when I tried it, I have never looked back in the over 25 years of believing. Just one month-trial period may be enough for you to be convinced that God's power is a very present

help for every moment of our trials of life and could mean the difference between you heading for heaven and diverting the gravest danger of your life – hell fire’s punishment.

Also, the action to believe doesn't come first but receive comes first, in spite of many people claiming, I will believe when I see, but the problem with that is you cannot see God because he is made of a Spirit which is invisible; that's the nature of God, i.e. in order for you to see God's invisible power or experience him, he needs to touch you first by his Spirit; he is an unseen Spirit, just like the wind, and just like the wind he moves invisibly but he's still there; you don't know which direction he is moving or from whence he came, but you know one-hundred percent that he is there. In the same way, you don't know where the wind arrived from or where it's heading, but you sure know that it is there from its power.

So to experience grace - his undeserved favour on even the worst-sinner - is needed. It's like the man who doesn't believe in the power of magic until he actually sees it with his eyes. Or the man who doesn't believe how delicious chocolate éclairs are until he tastes them.



Just like the éclairs, most people don't believe, or refuse to believe or can't believe because they don't have the gift of faith which God promises to give you through grace - i.e. through his miraculous power of his love in your heart. In other words, they haven't experienced, i.e. tasted of God's goodness.

But the good news is God has invited you and me to taste his love which is a promise in the Bible.

In Psalm 34:8,

“Taste and see that the Lord is good;
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.” (NIV U.K.)

But God's promises can only be guaranteed by the Holy Spirit; so they won't mean anything to you until you have experienced them for yourself by the movement and grace, i.e. unmerited favour given by God through the movement of the Holy Spirit. Before Jesus left this Earth, he promised another-like-him who is God the Holy Spirit. After his resurrection, God the Son stayed on this Earth for forty-days when he showed his resurrected body to his disciples, and did other "proofs" that he was the Son of God; then Jesus left this Earth on the Day of Ascension when he returned to Father God, to stand at the right hand of God, to pray continually for all believers. Then, just as he promised, he and God the Father poured out the Holy Spirit on all believers. So God, the Son, and God, the Father is in heaven, but they have left God the Holy Spirit to do their work down here on the Earth. So whatever God does on this Earth, it is always through the Holy Spirit. So, in order for you to have the faith to believe you need to receive a deposit of the Holy Spirit, one of his multiple gifts, the gift of faith. Thus, to believe and experience God's power in your life, you need to experience and touch of the Holy Spirit; he wants to give his peace, his strength, joy and comfort etc.

But until you actually sat down, closed your eyes and asked God to send his physical and most comforting presence of his peace into your heart given by the Holy Spirit, then you will not know what I am talking about.

I am talking about the miraculous - something amazing which is much better than magic - when you experience the Holy Spirit in your heart and life - when he sends his peace and love - the peace and love of God given by the Holy Spirit. Something far better than magic – and when I say magic I don't mean trickery or “sleight of hand” but the kind of magic which you read about in Harry Potter books - that kind of magic is man playing around with the dangerous forces of this dark world – but God's power comes not from the kingdom of the air, i.e. the Prince of Darkness, but rather, the King of kings, the King of Light, Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit when done in the will and under the direction of God's Spirit, not man's.

When man is involved in magic, it is either to glorify himself or out of a motive of fascination with the powers of this unseen world, or because he's just deceived or have been enticed by the powers of the dark world; yet, whatever is the motive - whether good or bad, there is a very real danger when "dabbling in magic" because we live in a fallen world and all of the powers of this world have fallen into the seen and unseen powers of this dark and fallen world.

Yet, the difference that the Holy Spirit makes is that he is always motivated by a desire to extend the Kingdom of Jesus Christ and to glorify him, to show you his love so you can be healed and saved, and glorify Jesus.

So this is something the Spirit of God always wants to do because it's his “job” and mission to always glorify Jesus Christ and God, and he wants to do that through your life.

So, then God will give you the best destiny you could ever have - his destiny for your life which is why he chose you:

The greatest destiny - to let his Spirit change you from the vessel you are now to someone who reflects Jesus Christ so as to glorify Jesus Christ. To

prepare you for the great, good works God has prepared in advance for you to do even before he created the foundations of this world.

Just as God's Word tells us in Ephesians 10:2,

"8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – 9 not by works, so that no one can boast. 10 For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Ephesians 2:8-10, NIV, U.K. Bible.

If you have trouble believing, pray the following prayer,

"Oh God,

I have trouble believing in you. Please help me to believe in your grace for my life. I struggle to believe in you, so please, Holy Spirit come into my heart and let me feel your love today, and let me know how much you love me, and how much Jesus suffered for me and gave his life for me.

Please give me the gift of faith so I can believe you for my salvation. I lay my head to rest, please let your Holy Spirit minister your peace so that I would rest in you. Please draw me to the Father's side so you would give me the faith to believe. Thank you,
Amen."

This gift of faith will help us to believe and give us a real reason to believe. As God's Word tells us in Ephesians 2:8-9,

" 8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – 9 not by works, so that no one can boast. 10 For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

NIV U.K. Bible.

In this world, men easily trust promises made by men, but how much more important is to try out the promises of God. After all, what have you got to lose?

And just think what you have got to win as a result of just believing and just think what you could lose if it turns out to be true.

Yet, you do have an opportunity to test out these claims and promises because you will experience truth and find the real truth because real truth is experienced in reality – again and again and again; just like Einstein’s theory - the so-called Theory of General Relativity - has been proven hundreds and hundreds of times, and likewise, God has proven his promises hundreds and thousands of times in just my life; so go ahead and prove it for yourself – or before your head hits the pillow pray this short prayer:

"Oh God,

I need help in believing; I struggle to believe in your existence so please show me what your love can do in my life; please fill my heart with the power of your love so that I would begin to know you. Please teach me what it means to believe in you. Please teach me about your love and grace. Please begin to guide me into the adventure you have prepared for me.

Thank you.

Amen."

Once you believe the Next Step is to Pray Regularly to God:

See, in your life, there are at least seven essential prayers you need to pray to get through your life:

1. To pray for God's forgiveness and experience his forgiveness and healing accomplished by God the Holy Spirit.
2. To pray for Peace - for the perfect peace given by the Holy Spirit which ministers the most calming peace I could ever experience, better than the best tranquillisers.
3. To pray to God the Holy Spirit to show me his mission he wants to accomplish through me.
4. To pray for others to find God's love by the Holy Spirit.
5. To pray for God's love so that I would love the way God loves given by the Holy Spirit.
6. To pray for the faith that all my financial and other needs would be met in Christ and experience his great provision given by the Holy Spirit.
7. To pray for guidance that God would show me what he wants me to do, today, as I wait upon the Holy Spirit.

So First You Need to Make Sure You Are a Christian.

So first, you need to decide that you will follow Jesus wherever he takes you, and to trust in his love, to repent of all your past mistakes and bad habits, and ask him to send his Holy Spirit to empower you to be completely clean - a clean vessel ready for the Master's use - and give him your life, i.e. to give him your heart.

Then you need to be baptised with water and the Holy Spirit. And because we are all still sinners saved by God's grace, we need his Holy Spirit everyday filling us with his anointed grace.

But God only moves in you and through you by his Holy Spirit so you need to constantly fellowship with the Holy Spirit.

This means every day asking the Holy Spirit to come to you more; tell him you want to glorify Jesus Christ; invite him and woo him, and practice fellowshipping with the Holy Spirit.

God will Pour Down His Holy Spirit into Your Heart.

When you begin interacting and inviting the power of God's love into your heart through God, the Holy Spirit, you will begin to feel God's love like refreshing streams of water. Just like Jesus said in the Bible book of John's Gospel, Chapter Nine, Verse Thirty-seven,

"If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him." By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that point, the Spirit had not been given."
John 9:37, NIV Bible, U.K.

For the Spirit's "job" and mission is to persuade man of his or her greatest need of Jesus' work of turning their hearts back to the one who actually inspired them as an idea, who created them and brought their spirit into being. His job is to convict every person of their own shortcomings i.e. what used to be called "sin", and it is the Holy Spirit's job to show them how to get rid of or destroy the power of sin and death through the redeeming work of Jesus on the cross; and lead them by the Spirit of life and liberty - who is the Spirit of God. It means that only through believing in the finished work of Jesus on the cross to redeem man, can we have forgiveness from God and be accepted as his own son with the same inheritance as his adopted son, and that includes you if you are either male or female.

As God's word says in the Letter written by Paul to the Church in Rome, "*There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.* ²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free

from the law of sin and death. ³ For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God *did* by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those *who live* according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. ⁶ For to be carnally minded *is* death, but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace. ⁷ Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can it be. ⁸ So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹ But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His. ¹⁰ And if Christ *is* in you, the body *is* dead because of sin, but the Spirit *is* life because of righteousness. ¹¹ But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.”
Romans 8:1-11, NIV Bible, U.K.

And because God loves you, if you just pray such a prayer as I gave above, with even the most smallest of faith that he will hear you, because he loves you immensely enough that he longs to communicate and impart his countless gifts of grace, then you will soon experience for the first time the sweetest feeling and most peaceful feeling in your innermost disposition, emotions, mind and spirit than you have ever felt and experienced; given by the power of God – the one who delivers, affirms and confirms all of God promises and intentions which is God the Holy Spirit.

That's why it's so important for you to not only hear God's promises for yourself but also experience them yourself, otherwise, all my words, and more importantly, all of Jesus' words will fall on deaf ears. Then otherwise those who have not experienced God's love could answer something like, "Yeh, yeh, we've heard it all before!"

But I would say, you may have heard it all before but the important point is, have you experienced God's love for yourself, practically? I say this because you probably won't believe me until you experience God's great love – it's like me coming to you and saying I have found a new money-making scheme which will make you millions, but until you start receiving millions of dollars in your bank account, you probably wouldn't believe me, and you most likely won't trust me or my words without knowing me.

That deep peace that God the Holy Spirit can and will give you when he resides in your heart is more deeper and more tranquil and calming than the following picture:



Or this picture:



Thus, this Chapter One has been addressed to Non-believers or those who haven't received the touch of God's Spirit.

But What About Christians Who Need a Daily Interaction of the Holy Spirit?

Yet, the problem for many - even Christians - is they haven't actually been touched by the Holy Spirit on a daily basis - they have been touched and deposited with God's Spirit, yet God the Holy Spirit wants to do so much more; that's why before Jesus left his disciples he told them that he wouldn't leave them as orphans but that he would send another just the same as him – and this another is called the Comforter and the Helper for a reason because he wants to help you and fill you with his most comforting feeling of peace, everyday and every hour, for a reason; so that you would reflect Jesus Christ's stature, power and grace in this dark and wicked world, and he longs to help you in all your problems and deliver you by his presence - physical tangible presence of his own Spirit.

Jesus promised to help you with every practical aspect of your life and deposit real affirming love and assurance that he is with you - not just in the pages of the Bible but in the many turnings and inclinations of your heart. God's love and Spirit reposes in the heart of the righteous, i.e. those who do the right thing.

John wrote in his Gospel that When Jesus left his disciples he said, "I have much more to say to you, more than you can bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth."
John 16:12, NIV Bible, U.K.

Chapter Two.

How Can I Communicate This Love of God - Only Through the Inspiration of God the Holy Spirit.

In trying to communicate to you the love of God, actually, this subject is so deep, it is difficult to truly convey such a great and sublime subject as the unlimited love of the creator of the universe of a love, which is deeper than all the oceans of the Earth; and to explain this love fully would take more than all the books of this world. But just so you would glimpse something of the immensity of this love for you, the Bible does say in Psalm 139 that his thoughts for us outnumber the grains along the seaside.

- "You have searched me, LORD,
and you know me.
- ²You know when I sit and when I rise;
you perceive my thoughts from afar.
- ³You discern my going out and my lying down;
you are familiar with all my ways.
- ⁴Before a word is on my tongue
you, LORD, know it completely.
- ⁵You hem me in behind and before,
and you lay your hand upon me.
- ⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,
too lofty for me to attain.
- ⁷Where can I go from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?
- ⁸If I go up to the heavens, you are there;
if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.
- ⁹If I rise on the wings of the dawn,
if I settle on the far side of the sea,
- ¹⁰even there your hand will guide me,

- your right hand will hold me fast.
- ¹¹ If I say, 'Surely the darkness will hide me
and the light become night around me,'
- ¹² even the darkness will not be dark to you;
the night will shine like the day,
for darkness is as light to you.
- ¹³ For you created my innermost being;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- ¹⁴ I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.
- ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you
when I was made in the secret place,
when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.
- ¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed body;
all the days ordained for me were written in your book
before one of them came to be.
- ¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, Oh God!
How vast is the sum of them!
- ¹⁸ Were I to count them,
they would outnumber the grains of sand –
when I awake, I am still with you."

So I struggle to communicate the depths of the amazing riches of God's love because such a love is so amazing, profound and transformative, only when you yourself connect with it, can you truly begin to glimpse and experience God for yourself by his Holy Spirit; so I am unable to communicate such a profound subject except only by the inspiration of his Spirit to inspire me with the wisdom and words to communicate such a noble subject.

If you need a fuller definition of the four different words for love in the Greek language, you can find it at the end of this Chapter.

THE BEST WAY TO START YOUR DAY.

This love is so amazing. Actually, if you have this love in your heart as you start your new day, his love will be the best supercharger of your day - the best head-start for your life. Actually, it will change the entire direction of your day and place your feet in the direction of the most transformational power of upgrading your life. It will enable you to blow-away all the cobwebs of your life, to finally be rid of all the negative voices in your life, because when you invite Jesus Christ into your spirit and life, his voice will slowly and surely become more recognisable, as you continue to trust him to be the dominant, loving voice which you recognise as the one voice which has your best interests in his mind and heart; who wants to reveal more and more of his love for you and his will and plans, and wants to do a great work which only he can do, and give you the best and noble destiny for you life, that you never thought you could achieve such level of contentment and peace inside.

This Knowledge of God's love is the Greatest Education in the Universe.

This love of God is the greatest education you can learn - it is the greatest knowledge – the knowledge of God's great love for you, personally empowering you and meets your every need in your life; you may not believe this until you actually experience it for yourself, personally, just like you don't and won't know how thoroughly thirst-quenching is water until you drink, and in the same way, you won't know this amazing love of God's goodness for you until you drink of his amazing goodness and experience what is this most supreme and noble love.

Why is it noble?

Because it can, by His Holy Spirit's power of his tangible presence, rescue you from your darkest and most desperate circumstances and show you that love and shine the greatest light into the darkest set of circumstances and turn the most gravest situation around for good. Such a love will make you feel so light-headed and calm and happy and healed; then you will know how much you need this love, you will begin to understand what it means to feast on the goodness of the riches of the knowledge of God's love for you.

I don't know if you know, and just as importantly, I don't know if you have experienced this for yourself, personally, but there is someone who is so powerful, he is capable of loving you unlimitedly and unconditionally. With a love that is so strong, powerful and *overcoming* that if you have experienced this love for yourself then you are among all men and women and children, the most highly favoured and most highly enlightened individuals to walk this Earth. Because this is actually the highest and supreme example of love called by the ancient Greeks "*agape*" love, which among all the various forms of love, is the royal standard love. And so the greatest example and the epitome of love – the love which is an unconditional love that is described by the Greek word "*agape*" (in the Greek language there is a far richer language to explain at least four different types of love) is the example of Jesus sacrificing his own human life to take the punishment we deserve. To show the solution to suffering and pain and the curse, he became suffering, a curse and pain. He actually became a curse on the cross in order to cancel out the curse - that's why his Father God could not look into the face of his Son and turned away as God could not look at such a vile curse. Remember in the Old Testament or according to the Jewish law, anyone who was hung on a tree became a curse. His perfect and Holy Father turned his back on his son and looked away because Jesus became a curse during the six hours he was on the cross.

In the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy 21:22-23, it tells us that a person who has been hung on a tree has been cursed by God. Jesus hung on a tree and so was cursed by God; yet, he took that curse which was actually over your life to cancel it forever. But if you haven't believed in what Jesus Christ did for you on the cross then you are still living under this curse.

Deuteronomy 21:22-23 says,

"If someone has committed a capital crime and is put to death, then hung on a tree, 23 his body is not to remain all night on the tree, but you must bury him the same day, because a person who has been hanged has been cursed by God."

Christian Jewish Bible

So this love is so supreme, it can be called God's amazing love - a love which you don't only need to know, but just as importantly, you need to experience. For knowing is not enough, your emotions and your mind and your spirit need to have experimental knowledge of this love in your own personal life.

God's love is an unconditional love - a love which resides not in the emotions but in the will of our Father God, who lives in heaven but who interacts with us through God the Holy Spirit. God chose to love us and forgive us first, and so this motivates us to love him and love all others, including our enemies who we are only able to love with God's unlimited and unconditional love.

That's why the greatest ignorance of man is not only to be unaware of God's love but to never experience his amazing miracles in the deepest heart of man.

But only when you experience this amazing love, will you feel so loved and energised physically by the experience of you feeling his Spirit minister peace, the greatest comfort, joy and healing in your deepest and most scarred pain and emotions; thus, then you will feel so loved and energised and enriched by this unconditional love.

Just like I can experience in my own life, when I close my eyes and focus on God's love, when I need him, e.g. when I feel lonely or discouraged or I feel pain, I can focus on this love, and in an instant I can feel and experience this love and healing for my soul; and instantly, I feel his Spirit making my eye-lashes move at a rapid-eye-movement-rate, and other effects like feeling a warm and profound feeling of peace in my emotions and mind, as well as the sudden revelation or impression of a word or feeling come into your mind and spirit, and I can feel the deepest and most soooooothing, and sweeeeeettest feeling of peace ministering to me the most real but profound sense of peace even in the most horrific set of circumstances.

And when I connect with God's Spirit and pray to him, he then guides me through the tricky roads and navigation, by his wise word of instruction and by his impression and sense of deep, ministering peace by his Holy Spirit; so I can know which direction he is taking me - which is best for my life and for my loved-ones, and I can experience the greatest sense of his tranquillity and peace, perfect peace. This peace he ministers to me daily is actually way, way better than any earthly drug because it calms me and you much better by the Holy Spirit who ministers to me and you the peace of his presence by a heavenly drug when we follow Jesus through the Holy Spirit.

HOW DO YOU START YOUR DAY?

DO YOU START IT WITH JESUS CHRIST?

I read this week that what you decide in the first eight minutes of your day determines how it will go.

For example, before you go down to breakfast, pray like this and see the difference a prayer of faith makes and experience a day of miracles and the greatest miracle and the greatest blessing of our Christian life is walking with God all day long which the Bible describes and the greatest riches and mystery of the Gospel which is God with us, the hope of glory; in other words, when we walk with God this is the greatest of our hopes and the greatest giver of hope to our soul because we can actually experience God day by day, second by second and we then know that in this life of tribulation, we are not alone and we have the greatest help and resource to overcome all our problems. And we can evoke this help by just prayer and faith.

“Dear Lord,

Thank you that you live in my heart through my faith. Thank you that now I can feel your powerful love rising up from deep within like a gushing fountain giving me peace and hope for my day and joy – giving me all the strength I need to be prepared to face down all my enemies.

Thank you, Lord.
Amen.

After you pray this prayer then wait in his presence until you feel that overwhelming presence of his peace and comfort, enveloping you in the wonderful warmth of his love, healing you and giving you confidence that his love will protect you and equip you to overcome all the problems that plague you during the day or night; and anytime those problems re-surface you can evoke the same power and experience a miracle every day; this is why we serve a miracle moving God who is not just limited by our religion and our religious forms and formulas but wants to break into our lives and change the entire status quo and atmosphere of our lives so that the greatest quantity - the greatest value and virtue for our lives becomes God himself and the Spirit power of his love working through our lives; just as the Bible confirms "God loves never fails".

As we experience his overcoming and unlimited love for us, then we will begin to realise he is the foundation of our life to give us the greatest security and comfort of our lives; we realise that Christianity is a religion which can be experienced at the deepest, most practical level of our lives – in other words, where the rubber hits the road of our lives, so we have more than a religion – we can experience a very present power to help us in times of need – thus we are replenished and equipped and nourished by the only true real and living God, who proves his love for us because we actually experience his love daily in our lives and daily problems to overcome everything negative; so we can exchange all our negatives for his positives when we believe that he is Lord of all our problems, of our financial problems, of our diseases and our pain; because he took all our pain and punishment for everything negative to the cross and cancelled them out because they opposed us, and in their place Jesus made everything positive because his Spirit raised Jesus from the dead, and the same Spirit lives in our heart through our and through God's faith.

Yes, just as we are saved through God's faith he gives us by the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of God actually lives in our heart through his faith he can also deliver to us.

As the Apostle Paul wrote, in Ephesians Chapter Three,

"For this reason I kneel before the Father, 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. 16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God."

Ephesians 3:14-19, NIV, UK.

There is no such thing as holy and sacred work and our own work – for the Christian, it is all sanctified by him as holy and sacred work when we are transferred from the Kingdom of darkness into the Kingdom of God's Son; and we must pray that whatever we do or say, would be motivated by God's love and sanctified by God's Spirit.

I decided I would make God's love the controlling factor of my life – the great leveller and equalizer of my life – the test of my every motive – to see if my motive was pure or impure; in other words, to test to see if I had an ulterior motive in my good intentions. See, I found out the best motivating force of your life to have is the love of God – which were you and I to have this as our central motivating force of our life it would protect us from a lot of pain; the Bible says being rooted and established in love,

Before you go out in the mornings, it is important for you to read God's word and get into the habit of praying a prayer that I believe is the difference between your day going smoothly and your day going problematically or a a day that is normal as opposed to a day that experiences the intervention or miracle of God; you can pray a prayer like this:

"Dear Lord,

I thank you that you live in my heart; I thank you that you are with me wherever I go. I thank you because you live in me, I don't have to be afraid when I trust you to deliver me, and give me strength today to get through all the trials of life I face."

"Oh Lord, I cannot face today without you with me – without feeling the power of your Spirit rising and moving in my spirit, in my emotions, in my mind, giving me your warm, tangible comforting feeling by your Holy Spirit. Let me feel that beautiful feeling, now, as I wait on your Spirit to come, and let me feel that powerful love which you confirm in me every time I trust in your love for me."

"Thank you that I can feel your power surging like electricity through my emotions, and my mind now; you are a very real God from whom I can feel your love every day; I thank you that I can feel your love comforting me like a refreshing water to calm my nerves so I can face my fears with the courage you give me and the peace and comfort you give me every time I focus on you."

"All I can do in response is say "Hallelujah" and I want to love you with this same kind of love. Thank you for your wonderful promises that I walk in now as I step out into the big, ugly, selfish world of greed and lust – but which your Spirit and your Word are renewing my mind, my spirit and my emotions every day in your love by your amazing Spirit of new grace and new merciful gifts, everyday.

Thank you, Lord, Amen."

As Jesus spoke regarding the living waters given by the Holy Spirit which is the refreshing waters of the Holy Spirit. Of course, this is an analogy but God the Holy Spirit does give us something much better than water and which is far more refreshing i.e. unlimited refreshment for not only our body but also our soul and our spirit given by the Holy Spirit – i.e. ALL ROUND REFRESHMENT.

Jesus words in the Gospel of John, Chapter Seven, Verse Thirty-seven, let's read again.

"If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him." By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that point, the Spirit had not been given.'
John 7:37, NIV Bible, U.K.

But what is this love of God, the sacrificial love which Jesus epitomised on the cross?

What is God's love because there are at least four different forms of love which are described in the Greek language with four words but which we have the one word "love"?

In the Ancient Greek language which was the language that the New Testament was written in, there are four different words for our English word, "love":

1. *Phileo*.
2. *Storge* pronounced "storgay".
3. *Eros*.
4. *Agape* - But the greatest love is called agape love which is never given with conditions, i.e. a completely unconditional love.

Agape is not kindled by the merit or worth of it's object, i.e. it does not depend on the merit or value of the recipient, but it originates in it's own God-given nature. God is love. He delights in giving. This love keeps on

loving even when the recipient of this love is unresponsive, unkind, unlovable, and unworthy.

Agape love desires only the good of the recipient. In God's *agape* love, it has its source in the will and choice of God choosing to love unconditionally and without reserve, and with the greatest indulgence onto the imperfect recipient. It is an all-consuming passionate love for the well-being of the recipient but it is not driven by emotion but rather from the will. It is an unconditional love that sees beyond the outer-shell and beyond the surface, and accepts the recipient for whom he/she is, regardless of their flaws, shortcomings or faults.

A UNCONDITIONAL LOVE, CALLED IN ANCIENT GREEK AGAPE

The concept and meaning of an *agape* is a love which is not conditioned to performance or merit but rather decides to love, in spite of countless flaws and shortcomings. For the Christian, we love unconditionally because God loved us first unconditionally, he chose us first, and sent Jesus to us, personally, to rescue us and set his love, practically on us; despite that we were and are still, sinners, who have been saved and are saints who are being transformed into the likeness of Jesus. *Agape* is the type of love that only sees the best in the recipient. Although you may not like someone, you decide to love them and forgive them of any shortcomings because Christ loved and forgave you in spite of your shortcomings. This kind of love is all about sacrifice as well as giving and expecting nothing in return.

The translation of the word *agape* is a love in the verb-form: it is a love demonstrated by your behaviour towards another person. It is a committed-love, i.e. this kind of love is the best love which, alone among all the four different loves, has the hope to save any marriage because it is an unconditional love. It is a love which always gives - never counting and never conditioned to the recipient's attitude or shortcomings, i.e. it is a completely unconditional love.

1. *Phileo*. This *phileo* love refers to an affectionate, warm and tender platonic love. It makes you desire friendship with someone. Although you may have an *agape* love for your enemies, you may not have a *phileo* love for the same people so it can energise your *agape* love; even though you love someone with a sacrificial love, *philio* love can enliven it with emotion since *agape* love resides not in your emotions but only in your choice to love someone - this is the kind of greatest love which God bestows and lavishes on us in the form of *agape* love because he made a choice before the foundation of this world to decide to love us despite our failings and shortcomings.

The translation of the word *phileo* is love in the noun-form: it is how you feel about someone. It is a committed and chosen love.

Storge - It is a kind of family and friendship love. This is the love that parents naturally feel for their children; the love that members of the family have for each other; or the love that friends feel for each other. In some cases, this friendship love may turn into a romantic relationship, and the couple in such a relationship becomes best friends.

Since *Storge* love is a love shown between family members, it is an unconditional love but it does not have its source in God's perfect, unconditional love; it accepts flaws or faults and ultimately drives you to forgive but it is not driven by God's unconditional love. It's a committed love since you are family members but only God's love can love unconditionally.

Eros love is a passionate and intense love that arouses romantic feelings; it is the kind that often triggers "high" feelings in a new relationship and makes you say, "I love him/her". It is simply an emotional and sexual love. Although this romantic love is important in the beginning of a new relationship, it may not last unless it moves to a higher-love because it focuses more on self, instead of the worth of the other person. If the person "in love" does not feel good about their relationship anymore, they will stop loving their partner.

Chapter Three.

HOW CAN I HAVE PEACE IN MY HEART EVERY DAY?

You will not know what real treasures of joy and peace await you unless you test God's promises for your life. You may not know now but you will when you give him space to work miracles for the greatest adventure of your life.

I know because in 1987, I was invited to a church where I sat in a church-pew and heard that God does really know all about me and wants to show me what the power of his love can do for me. After the worship service, I responded to an invitation for a "chat" where a lady challenged me and said words to the effect, "If you are prepared to follow God, it is the greatest adventure of your life!"

That night I did decided to investigate further the claims of Jesus, and after counting the cost of following him where for a number of months I considered whether I was willing to give Jesus my life and the actual steering-wheel of the direction of my life, finally I surrendered everything to him; because unless he is Lord of all your life, you cannot start calling him Lord. Unless he is Lord of all, he cannot be Lord at all.

And since that day, over 34 years ago, I have never looked back!

As God pours his love into your emotions, he will reach into your deepest hurts and pain, and you will see almost everything from his perspective; because the Spirit of God is the only power that can reach your deepest pain and wounds and bring healing; Jesus Christ came as a man to this earth so that all the terrible and dirty scum of this earth could be touched and transformed into his spiritual riches; he became man and was born into

poverty so that we could exchange our poverty for his riches; he suffered the cruellest attacks from evil men so that he became acquainted with our griefs and pains, but he arose from death so that we have a real God who knows our pain, but has the power to come into our heart and take that pain to the cross of Jesus Christ.

So through what he suffered, we have been made rich. As the Word in 2 Corinthians, Chapter Eight says,

“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.”

2 Corinthians 8:9

And if you come to the cross of Jesus and pin all your hopes and dreams, as well as all your troubles and schemes on the back of Jesus, his Spirit will do a miracle in your heart, and he will pour down his physical peace into your emotions and you will realize that you are loved as his most precious child, with the greatest power of love being poured into your soul, twenty-four hours a day.

On this planet everyone struggles to a certain degree. Everyone struggles with their own weaknesses - or to put it in more stark terms:

Everyone is fighting their own demons - and I am not predominantly referring to any literal demons - within are trying to assert themselves; the key to victory over our "demons" is asserting our own will and projecting our faith in the destiny we feel is ours and claiming that destiny on the white canvas of our life which is before us.

The first step to making that possible is to first wipe our canvass clean and free it of what others have tried to project upon it. For example, if you were born at the turn of the twenty first century people or today's generation or today's world contemporary science is saying you are a product of accident - you are a by-product of what happened when millions of years ago certain amino acids were mixed together with some certain lightning and the result

was a proto-cell which somehow learned how to program itself to produce the function of breathing and self dividing into millions of other cells to eventually after somehow acquiring self-consciousness evolved from monkey to men.

Now, I don't know about you, but I know which world-view I would rather choose if I had the choice of choosing to believe that I was,

- either a by-product of a series of accidents in nature and that my destiny is just more accidents, that everything that made me was the result of co-incidences,

or

- to choose to believe that the greatest mind in the universe first had one of the most beautiful and wonderful ideas -which is me - and he projected that great idea on to this Earth when he created my spirit and placed one half from each of my parents DNA into that spirit and sent me on a journey - my first mission of life - from my father's body to my mother's body to fertilize a single egg and let that body and spirit be wrapped in skin and bones; that I was loved with the greatest love from that greatest mind who loves me with the best kind of love which is an unconditional love as well as an unlimited love; I know which worldview I would prefer to make as the motivator and motto of my life, I know which worldview would be better for my life and give me more power to choose love, hope and an upwardly transforming life, not a life marked by thinking and believing and resulting in struggling from one set of haphazard circumstances to another set of haphazard circumstances with anything good happening to me I could only thank the forces of chance or nature's mere limited intelligence or natural intelligence rather than the real intelligence of the greatest mind who was so great I could call him my Father because he loved me more than anyone and knew me more than anyone, and actually created me with the greatest destiny and purpose! Between these two options of mere chance, mere multiple co- coincidences, and that I stood among the greatest God-incidences, I know which one I would choose, and which one had by far the better prospects for my life.

That's why among this generation of people, we are reaping the harvest of that haphazard thinking, because if you treat people like scum - telling them they are a walking accident from a pond of scum as the teaching of evolution teaches - they will probably act like scum!

For example, have you ever wondered why everyone on this Earth has to struggle against the negatives or the demons of their life?

It's because we all have a spirit inside us, and that spirit is constantly at war with our body or our fleshly, earthly nature, let me put it this way, we have all been given not just body but a spirit, now our body has its roots in this Earth and what it purely inherited from it's DNA - but our spirit - which is by far much more powerful has its roots in something which actually transcends this Earth and so everyone who is born on this Earth has to put up with this inner war between the forces of heaven and the forces of earth going on inside us, with the spoils or rewards going to the victor being our ultimate destiny.

And the problem is every person born into this world is born with a broken spirit, a broken antenna which needs fixing - which needs sending back to the manufacturer because everyone is born with a spirit that has lost its original signal to its original manufacturer and so they have become broken people with broken spirits, so that, now it cannot communicate with its original design, it reverts to communicating with it's marred image - and the result is this once jewel of a creation just degenerates to its natural fallen state and becomes more and more degenerated. The truth is we are all born with a birth-defect – like marred jars of clay we have something missing – which is born with an awareness of God and an awareness with a receiver to receive God's signal. When each of us are born, our receivers are dead – they are dormant and are in need of being born-again – so they need to be returned to their Maker who alone can bring that receiver back into working order so we can fellowship the Holy Spirit with our born-again spirit.

Thus, we have to regain that once wonderful and great image of who we are in this universe - actually a child of the greatest mind of this universe and wisest being; we have to, as it were, regain our lost paradise, to

actually regain what was God's original image of us - to evict all those demons of self-pride, i.e. I can do it in my own strength, or I know what's best, and the other "demons" of hate, greed, lust etc, from our heart, and invite that greatest mind and greatest love back into our spirit to heal our spirit - i.e. to put all the broken pieces of our heart back together again, and empower us to live our life controlled by this love and not by our pitiful and crazed fallen-nature.

Chapter Four.

Whatever the World Can Offer Me is Nothing Compared to What Jesus by his Spirit can Offer Me.

In the Gospel according to Mark, Chapter Eight, Verse 34, Jesus said,

“If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 35 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. 36 For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? 37 For what can a man give in return for his soul?”

Mark 8:34-37.

These days, you can find so many articles splashed across the Internet promising advice on the perfect hack to start your day on the best foot. I have read articles that seem to offer the world - they claim that all successful people have one thing in common: for example, they get up early, at 6 a.m. or earlier.

I am not here to offer you the world, but I am here to offer something much better, because, if you think about it, this Earth and its forces, along with all that the world can offer you i.e. riches, fame etc are all limited things, but what Heaven can offer you is actually unlimited with unlimited riches, which

means experiences of his gifts you can enjoy forever in Heaven, and not just in Heaven but down here when God the Holy Spirit gives you his everlasting and most comforting and strengthening presence of his joy, peace grace, love etc, by God the Holy Spirit who is exactly the same with God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

But of course, there would be many among a hundred people who read these words who would not believe that what I am offering in this book is an introduction to someone who can give you far greater benefit than anything of this Earth can offer or the world, that this book offers them something for them more than anything of all the books-content in the world - except, of course, the Bible. I say except the Bible because the Bible is the exception in all the books of the world as it is actually the most special book in the world.

And if you don't believe that the Bible is the most special book in the world, then, because it was founded and inspired by a non-human entity, the next course of action is to ask this non-human entity, i.e. God, to show you. But let me explain something important: the only way you would be persuaded is if God actually persuaded you by his very own presence as if Jesus the Son showed-up in your life and living room or bedroom. We all know that Jesus Christ has left this Earth and gone back to heaven. However, as he promised before he left, I will not leave you as orphans; I will send you another one who is the exact representative as me; who is called the Helper, the Advocate, the Comforter.

Listen to these words from Jesus to his disciples just before he left them from the writings of John, again, in John, Chapter Fifteen, Verses Fourteen until Twenty-one:

15 "If you love me, keep my commands.

16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—

17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

19 Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me.

Because I live, you also will live.

20 On that day you will realise that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.

21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

John 14:15-21, NIV.

So the good news is Jesus and God has sent his own Spirit to this Earth to carry on his work down here who is God the Holy Spirit.

The “job” and mission of the Holy Spirit is to reveal God's power, presence and sovereignty in your life, and to glorify Jesus Christ; so if you want to find God and experience whether his presence and power, is real, it is very important for you to ask God to show you, personally, and for you to experience personally, the presence of the Holy Spirit who is God on this Earth.

So if you want to touch the Spirit of God's heart so he would touch you, you too, need to be motivated by the love of God to only glorify Jesus Christ, the son.

Let me put it this way:

1. God is God's presence up in Heaven.
2. Jesus is God's presence at the right side of God.
3. The Holy Spirit is God's presence down here on Earth.

God the Holy Spirit's mission is to reveal Jesus in person and power and glorify Jesus and the Father - to always reveal God's will and Christ's redeeming work in you – so as to glorify him.

And so, if you want to touch the Spirit of God's heart so he would touch you, you too, need to be motivated by the love of God to only glorify Jesus Christ, the son.

And if you want to experience God on this Earth, I want you to learn how to pray and interact, and after believing in him, communing with the Holy Spirit.

But all three of the above have the same presence, but residing in different locations, yet, they all have the same mission and top purpose:

It is the purpose of them all to glorify God and Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit will not do anything that will not glorify them; and so whatever he does, he does to glorify Jesus and God. So if you want the Holy Spirit to visit you in person and show you his unlimited power and the amazing power of his love, you better be seeking that he would do that to ultimately glorify God and his son, not glorify you or your son or daughter or any loved-one apart from him; so you had better not be praying that you will believe in God if He showed you this week's lottery numbers to pick. God the Holy Spirit is motivated by his chief aim: to glorify the Son and the Father.

We need to remember that the Holy Spirit is God on Earth. Jesus is at the right-side of God always interceding for us, and the Holy Spirit is God in us, his very presence in real-time, his tangible and miraculous power now.

So the Holy Spirit is actually the treasurer of all of God's treasure-house of grace. He has the actual key to unlocking all of God's riches. Thus, for us to receive all of God's promises, we need to cultivate our relationship with the Holy Spirit. We need to charm the Holy Spirit, to woo him, to fellowship with him and to show him that our mission and motive is his mission and

motive - to glorify Jesus Christ on this earth because that's his joy and mission, to spread the anointing and aroma of Christ through us and so to pursue all men to turn to Christ and glorify him, and seek first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness.

But the problem is most Christians don't cultivate a relationship with God the Holy Spirit on Earth. Thus, they don't or can't unlock all of God's promises. They have the Holy Spirit living in them, of course, because without the Holy Spirit, they cannot be a Christian, but he is mostly ignored because the Christian hasn't experienced the daily fellowship and communion with the Holy Spirit; they might interact with him by mentioning him. But for many Christians they don't interact and fellowship with him every day as we should. The Holy Spirit will fill you with his love and peace and tangible presence if you share his motive and mission.

The way to true maturity is to cultivate your relationship with the Holy Spirit by regularly practicing and become accustomed and sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit. The key of faith will unlock the presence of the Holy Spirit residing and communing with your spirit daily, just ask him, befriend the Holy Spirit and learn how to be sensitive to his voice and the impression and revelation he wants to give you. Then you will become more and more mature Christians. Mature Christians are not those who gave known him for fifty years but those who practice the presence of the Holy Spirit and learned how to be sensitive to his leading and interaction in their lives.

In the book of Romans, in Romans 8:14, it says that in the Greek that the mature does not mean baby it means the one who continually and regularly interacts and communes and listens to the Holy Spirit.

In the Bible book of Romans 8:12-14, we can read,

"Therefore, brothers, we have an obligation - but it is not to the sinful nature, to live according to it. For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body,

you will live because **those who are consistently allowing themselves** to be led by the Spirit of God are sons of God."
(NIV Bible with changes in highlighted words to emphasize the Greek meaning, by C.J. Briscoe)

Listen to this from the Amplified Version of the Bible which means it gives the unabridged version, in Romans 8:12-14,

"However, you are not living in the flesh controlled by the sinful nature but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God lives in you - directing and guiding you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him and is not a child of God. If Christ lives in you, though your natural body is dead because of sin, your spirit is alive because of righteousness which He provides. So then, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation, but not to our flesh our human nature, our worldliness, our sinful capacity, to live according to the impulses of the flesh our nature without the Holy Spirit — for if you are living according to the impulses of the flesh, you are going to die. But if you are living by the power of the Holy Spirit you are habitually putting to death the sinful deeds of the body, you will really live forever. For all who are allowing themselves to be led by the Spirit of God are sons of God."

It is very important that you learn to walk with God through developing a relationship with the Holy Spirit. As we need to know that we cannot walk with God except through having and cultivating a relationship with the Holy Spirit. This is very important because without having a daily relationship with the Holy Spirit, you won't be able to mature into Christ's mind and stature because without the Holy Spirit leading you, you won't know how to be obedient to him.

Unless you cultivate your relationship and commune with the Holy Spirit, you won't be able to walk with God, you cannot walk with him, so you won't know how to please him.

You cannot walk with God unless you cultivate a relationship with God The Holy Spirit. Unless you actually sit down or lay-down and open your spirit

and allow your spirit to receive something from God the Holy Spirit, then you will not grow in maturity. How can you walk with God unless you listen to his Spirit and commune with his Spirit, this is important because most Christians miss out on this.

Communing with the Holy Spirit as a daily experience is what will bring a vibrancy and a refreshment to your Christian life, and without it you will just shrivel-up and become a stale Christian.

In the book of Romans 8:14, it tells us that those Christians who regularly allow themselves to be led by the Spirit of God, acquire the maturity of God as a son, i.e. who consistently self-discipline themselves to practice listening to the voice, revelation and impression of God the Spirit's leading; so those who are being led by the Holy Spirit are the true sons of God - this is not referring to the Sonship given when you are born-again and adopted into his family, but rather the maturity you acquire as you consistently commune, listen, and obey his Spirit, then you are truly a mature son of God not just a child who has no rights as a true heir and son until he reaches a certain age. This includes both male and female children of God, because in Christ, all are made as the Firstborn and heirs of all the riches and inheritance of God.

This is important for us Christians because, for most Christians, they haven't known or been taught how to develop a relationship with God the Holy Spirit. They have read and they have been touched by the Holy Spirit at their regeneration of their spirit but they haven't wooed the Holy Spirit, they haven't cultivated their most important relationship which is with God the Holy Spirit. Alas, sadly, for most Christians, the Holy Spirit feels largely ignored, as they have never been taught the importance of how to cultivate a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit, and how to become sensitive to his leading.

And if you don't believe me, then there is a way to test that; see in the Bible there is actually one promise or one prayer request that his Word says that if we ask for this particular prayer request, he will definitely give us what we asked for.

“If any one of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind.” (Bible Scripture found in the book of James 1:5-6, NIV U.K. Bible)

So if you want to ask God to show you his presence and give you his wisdom and definitive persuasion of whether he exists then why not pray the following prayer:

“God,
I heard that you are alive, and that you are an all-powerful, sovereign God who is both powerful and good. And because you are both powerful and good, I heard you will come into my life and show me what the power of your love will do if I ask you to show me. And your presence will begin to do a great and deep work in my life so that I can experience your presence in my life; and I ask you, just as your Word says in James, I ask you to give me your wisdom how to lead my life.
Amen.

Let Me Tell You About Some of the Many Countless Benefits of Believing:

I would like to tell you something about the countless benefits of believing in God. Even though some of you lovely readers may not profess any belief in God, however, please would you let me tell you what you may be missing.

As a Christian, I have learned that those times when I have been stressing-out over something, there are certain truths which I can run to which have acted as real anchors to cling to in times of great storms of life.

For example, the important truth to settle in my mind and heart is to remember that, when I am going through adversities, to believe that God is allowing this for a purpose;

As the book of Romans 8:28,
“And we know that in all things, God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.”
NIV Bible, U.K.

So I don't need to stress-out because he is in control, and because he is in control and loves me unlimitedly, he understands what I need and knows the solution to all my problems; and that solution comes when I place my trust on him and don't look at the waves of adversity but instead look at him in my trust and spiritual eyes, knowing that he has a very special plan which is the best plan for my life. And he is working out everything according to that wonderful plan. And whatever I am going through, no matter how painful, he promises that when I come to him and hand him my burdens, he sends me his very own presence of peace to calm my nerves and he promises to send his very own perfect and deep profound peace which envelopes me in a strange, peaceful, physical feeling of peace; strange because it abides with me and surrounds me with his very tangible physical presence of peace even though all around me the storms are raging with full force and vengeance, but strangely I feel so protected and calm as his peace given by his Holy Spirit ministers to me the most perfect and tranquil calm in the midst of the horrid storm – just like the little seagull perched underneath the cleft of the rock; and so I couldn't feel more secure and feel more that I am not alone but instead God is with me and his physical, tangible peace confirms that he is fighting my battles, and thus I couldn't be more secure and safe with his everlasting arms of love under me.

And that's why I can confess that He is my greatest strong-tower, my Rock I can cling to, and my rampart, my stronghold; and his love is my greatest anchor and knowledge for my soul and life, my secret place and my steadfast love and perfect comfort in all my times of trouble; that as long as I keep my focus on him despite the storms and keep placing my small hand into HIS BIG HAND, then he continues to confirm his love in me by

continually sending me his physical presence - his Holy Spirit giving me the greatest peace and comfort in my mind and in my heart, knowing that because he is always Lord of my life and sitting on the throne of my life and will, he is also sitting on the throne of what happens to all my problems and fears, and so he always knows the best way I need to proceed because he isn't just on the throne of my good days but also on the throne of my difficult days. So I don't need to worry because God is always greater than my fears, and God is greater than my insecurities, my anxieties and burdens and problems, bigger than all the negatives trying to pull me down - and if I concentrate on him and his love for me, personally, he will help me, everyday; then he will not just pull me through but give me his presence and strength to sustain as I walk through the fires of adversity, hand in hand with him.

Just as this message reminds us in the Bible book written by Isaiah the prophet,

“When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.”

Isaiah 43:2., NUV U.K.

So believing in God has countless benefits which include spiritual benefits as well as the most practical benefits when applying God's promises - which couldn't be more practical: after all, in every day of our lives, who wouldn't want a huge dollop of wisdom to guide them and pull them through, navigating the sometimes choppy waters of life where we couldn't be more secure in the hands of a better equipped navigator of our lives? Who, always knows what's best for our future because he isn't just all-powerful, he is all-seeing and all-knowing, and always knows what's best for our lives as a good God?

All these benefits far outweigh everything else because even doctors will tell you that the mind and body of someone who has resolved to a higher power all its concerns and worries, is a body more at ease and healthy; it is a well known medical phenomenon that if you give your worries to a higher

power than yourself, then the mind and your spiritual heart sends messages to your body that all is well and the fight of stress has been given up to a higher power, then the body's immune system responds by sending healthy chemicals around the body - meaning healthy endorphins and morphines are released into the bloodstream which enhance the body's health and its healing, as well as repair- response systems; not to mention your physical heart - and all these create a sense of peace and well-being which can actually add years of health and comfort to your life.

Actually, people who have received Jesus into their hearts, including me have experienced a sudden flood of peace in the choppy storms of life – a real, abiding and unexplainable peace of God's very real presence by his Holy Spirit in the midst of a tormenting punishment; and this is what John the disciple of Jesus who wrote the Gospel of John, i.e. the Good News according to the disciple John, when he said these words in his First Chapter in Verses Ten until Thirteen: Explaining about Jesus, John said,

“He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to his own people but his own people did not receive him. Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God - children born not of natural descent, nor of a husband's will, but born of God.” (NIV U.K.)

Here in the above Bible verses, you have the meaning of what it means to receive Jesus into your heart - by his Holy Spirit - children born not of natural descent, nor of a husband's will, but born of God, by the Holy Spirit. John elaborated further what being born a second-time by a spiritual-birth through the miraculous touch of the Holy Spirit in his Third Chapter of his Gospel. You can read how one Jewish ruler - a member of the Jewish council, the Sanhedrin - Nicodemus - visited Jesus at night - for fear of his fellow Jews and asked him the question what it meant to be born-again, i.e. does it mean jumping back into your mother's womb which Jesus answered by telling him that it was a birth in his dormant spirit not another body-birth but spiritual birth which could only be done by a miracle accomplished by God the Holy Spirit in the spirit of a person.

You can read this story of Nicodemus's visit in John, Chapter Three, from Verse One:

1 “Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 2 He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs You are doing if God were not with him.”

3 Jesus replied, “Truly, truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again.”

4 “How can a man be born when he is old?” Nicodemus asked. “Can he enter his mother’s womb a second time to be born?”

5 Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.

6 Flesh is born of flesh, but spirit is born of the Spirit.

7 Do not be amazed that I said, ‘You must be born again.’

8 The wind blows where it wishes. You hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.”

9 “How can this be?” Nicodemus asked.

10 “You are Israel’s teacher,” said Jesus, “and you do not understand these things?”

11 Truly, truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, and yet you people do not accept our testimony.

12 If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you about heavenly things?

13 No one has ascended into heaven except the One who descended from heaven—the Son of Man.

14 Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up,

15 that everyone who believes in Him may have eternal life.

16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His one and only Son, that everyone who believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”
(NIV U.K.)

God has chosen to manifest himself through his Spirit, and that's why I can as a believer grow everyday and every hour in my awareness of his presence and dealings with me because when I focus my mind and spirit on him, he comes to me and shows me his amazing and deep love because I can actually feel his tangible presence on my eye-lashes and on my emotions and in my mind - giving me a perfect and calming peace inside me ministering a perfect peace, calming my every fear and nerve and worry, as long as I focus and show him that I am trusting him, he continues to show me his amazing love which is the greatest adventure of my life and the greatest source of real and tangible calm and comfort and thrill for my life.

God is a Spirit but the good news he a life-spirit-giving person who wants to give you his Spirit by which your life will be upgraded no end.

Jesus said about this one day when a Jewish political leader of the Jewish Council called the Sanhedrin came to him at night, who was so scared of being seen with Jesus who the leaders of the Jews regarded as “a little Jewish-upstart” came to Jesus who asked him:

4 “How can a man be born when he is old?” Nicodemus asked. “Can he enter his mother’s womb a second time to be born?”

So this means you have a friend who sticks closer than a friend who can be so close to you, can be closer to you than even your spouse. After you are born-again by his Spirit, the Spirit of Jesus comes to reside in your heart. After the Spirit of God fills your spirit and makes you born-again, he has given you the spiritual birth with whom you can commune with his Spirit - Spirit to spirit and is the means by which you can feel and glimpse and interact everyday with God’s unlimited love in the deepest part of your consciousness which is your spirit and in your emotions, mind and psyche; and thus, you can enjoy interaction with the actual Sovereign creator and sustainer of this universe who is not only the creator and sustainer of this universe, but the creator and sustainer and greatest comforter of you. He ministers his peace and comfort everyday to all of you to comfort you and heal you.

One of Jesus’ closest followers among Jesus’ inner-circle of John, Peter and James was John; we have to ask ourselves 'why' was he so close to Jesus? Because he had such an intimate relationship with Jesus, but the good news is you and I can have an even more closer and intimate relationship by faith in the God the Holy Spirit who lives in our heart, more than John and any of his disciples than they enjoyed when in physical proximity to him for those three years with him, because, after he went back to his Heavenly Father, God gave what his Son had promised to all believers - the infilling and eternally abiding of God the Holy Spirit who will never leave us and will and wants to always reveal God the Father in us as Jesus promised in John's Gospel, Chapter Fifteen, Verse Twenty-one:

21 “Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.” (NIV U.K.)

As the other disciple, Paul, wrote in his Letter to the Church in Ephesus: “For this reason, I kneel before the Father, from whom his whole family in Heaven and on Earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches,

he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.” (Ephesians 3: 14-16, NIV U.K.)

Chapter Five.

Taste and See that the Lord is Good!

Actually, for those who need persuading about the goodness of God, there is a Bible Scripture which invites every man, woman or child who needs persuading to ask God to show them, in Psalm Thirty-Four, Verse Eight:

“Taste and see that the Lord is good;
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.” (NIV U.K.)

Returning to John writings, John was actually the only disciple and Gospel writer who wrote to a non-Jewish audience so his writings are the most relevant for people like you and me who do not have a Jewish mind-set, unless, of course you are a Jew; Now, John's book is the best apologetic gospel we have because he explains like none of the other gospel writers the meaning of what it is to be a Christian for the Gentile mind.

Actually, the greatest news and comfort for the soul of today's man who is so downtrodden and blighted by problems and pain is that “God is with me.” This is the mystery of the Gospel of which John endeavours to explain; he is the only Gospel-book writer who explains that in our relationship with Jesus, we must receive Jesus into our spirit - at the most center of our lives; the other disciple who wasn't one of the Twelve called Paul also wrote about this in his Letter to the Church in Corinth, in Chapter One, Verse Twenty-five until Twenty-Nine,

25 “I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness— 26 the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the Lord’s people. 27 To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is 'Christ in you, the hope of glory'.”

28 “He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

29 To this end, I labour, struggling with all his energy, which so powerfully works in me.”

This is the mystery which was hidden for centuries by God, yet which is being revealed today, through the Holy Spirit and his church.

That’s why you will sometimes hear Christians say when talking about how to be saved sentences like, “You have to receive Jesus into your heart.” Or “You have to give your life to Jesus.”

When we hear those words and expressions such as, "Give your heart to Jesus" or "Give your life to Jesus", they can, sometimes, seem like jargon; and they are jargon until we actually receive the presence and love and grace of Jesus into our lives by the physical entry of God the Holy Spirit into our hearts; and until we actually meet Jesus Christ and feel him in our emotions by the power of the Holy Spirit, those words are just jargon; we need to actually take the step or gamble of which is sometimes called the "leap of faith" which is actually leaping into the loving arms of Jesus Christ; we need to ask Jesus to come into our hearts.

And the word "heart" here, of course doesn't mean our physical heart which pumps oxygenated blood through our body, but rather that part of our nature which is the throne of our lives - which controls everything else - a man who lived a long time ago called Augustine said that our heart is "the seat of our emotions" but I would call it "the throne of our emotions and will"; until we take that step and invite him into our heart, he will not come into our house; see, Jesus is a gentleman and he will not come into our house – our heart - uninvited; you will never know Jesus until you meet

him by his Holy Spirit just as you will never experience how wonderful a chilled chocolate éclair filled with fresh cream tastes like until you take the first bite. In the same way, you will never experience God and his amazing love for you until you invite him into your heart to show you his goodness and love for you, personally.



As Psalm 34 says which invites you and me to:

**“Taste and see that the Lord is good;
Blessed is the one who takes refuge in him ” Psalm 34:8,.**

But, what does all this mean to the man on the street who wants a step by step manual of how to live out this Christian life or at least to how to receive this wonderful promised peace – wonderful comfort in a comfortless world that he lives in? And what do you do if you are addicted or dependent on drink or drugs or something else? Well, the good news about Christianity is it centers around a torture-chamber when a Man who claimed to be God and Man was tortured and died slowly by affixation, which became a symbol of the greatest pain alleviation - the greatest pain-killer - because in that suffering and death, he became the greatest Saviour or the greatest Mediator between God and Man, because he can now, not only sympathize

but rather empathize with all people's pain; because he was the pain-bearer, only he is able to place his feet in your shoes and know your pain, because only he is God and man at the same time so only he is man enough to have suffered your pain at the cross, but God enough to come into your heart and heal your heart, and give you power to overcome in this life and for the life to come, the after-death.

So he knows what it is like to go through pain because he suffered pain as a man and was acquainted with all our weaknesses and griefs, he can do much more than sympathise, he can empathize with all of our stress, struggles, pain and troubles because on that cross he took all of man's griefs, sickness, pain, disease, burdens and our guilt for not living our life with God.

At the cross, God and man meet, and also all the ugliness, misunderstandings and disappointments meet and we realize that in our own strength we cannot be reconciled to God, but only when we receive Jesus into our hearts can we have the hope of being accepted as well as adopted into the family of God, into the inheritance of Sonship and perfected by God's power; because when we receive Jesus into our hearts and repent of our sins, God looks at us and forgives us and sees we are perfect in him, and he heals us completely; and thus, we realize that we cannot love and serve God except by living in Jesus Christ and by him living in our heart; that is the wonderful good news of the gospel and shows us that Christianity has the only hope and power – of restoring our weak characters into something which holds promise of perfection for this world and the world to come; not just religious words about a future paradise but backs up those words and promise with the power of God for my day, today.

So that when we open our emotions to his Spirit, God sends the Spirit of his Son to come and live in our hearts, forever, so that we can forever feel his peace, his security and joy as well as have the power to overcome our weak nature of being susceptible to fear, and greed and the other enemies of our souls like depression and stress and sickness, and our selfishness that man is so succumb to.

Which we are all susceptible to, i.e. the greatest emotions to man is both fear and greed as well as lust; and these strong emotions are what drives every stock exchange of the world: when a trader feels greedy he buys, when he feels afraid, he sells; thus, he is a slave to his emotions, yet the good news about Christianity is the only power that can cut those chords of death and reside in us is the power of Jesus Christ to take them and nail them to death along with every other of our fallen human nature accomplished by God the Holy Spirit; this tells us that the heart of the problem of this world is the problem of the human heart; and it also tells us that the power of the cross and the Spirit's his physical exertion which raised Jesus from the dead is the only power that can quench the deep thirst of a spiritual reality that man has at the center of his life, and can also raise you and me from the dead.

That's why Augustine said, "Man is restless, until he finds his rest in you."

As Suzanne Anderson says in her article "Walking Our Faith":

"Our heart is restless until it rests in you."

The most compelling evidence for the existence of God is this simple quote by Saint Augustine. We might call our restless heart by different names: our search for meaning, our desire for significance, the fuel that drives our accumulation of money and power, but I believe it is our soul longing for its creator.

This world is bleeding and needs regenerating because the hearts of man are bleeding; for they have for far too long been susceptible to their vices and ills; if the truth been known, everyone is born with a broken heart which needs mending; and thus, every heart left to its own devices will just spiral out of control; for within every heart there lies a vacuum which needs filling; every heart is broken and is prone to selfishness, and if left to nature's course – to its own natural inclinations, will just descend into the abyss of more and more selfishness and more and more self-deception; most men do not see their own self-need that their emotions and passions need quelling and controlling by the only source able to quell the deep lust of man, which is the love of a Super-mind, who is so powerful, stands outside

even time and space; that why this book was written, i.e. to explain how your life can change for the better when you meet that Super-mind by the Spirit and love of God, and find out for yourself, by experience, the greatest adventure of your life, when you invite Jesus by his Holy Spirit into your life and heart to show you and to open the eyes and understanding of your heart and make you born-again.

Chapter Six.

The Story of a Right(teous) Joe Bloggs, Joe Bloggs.

I say a “right Joe Bloggs” as this is an idiom, i.e. “He's a right Joe Bloggs!” meaning he’s so normal.

Here Follows a Story to Illustrate What I am trying to say:

Let me introduce Joe Bloggs, who was not entirely like your typical “Joe Bloggs”, i.e. your typical man on the street or man next door. This is a story about a man called Joe Bloggs who, like his name, was your typical Joe Bloggs except in one respect; but unlike your typical Joe Bloggs, Joe Bloggs, wanted to settle once and for all in his mind the question which had been nagging him, the question of:

Is there a God?

In order for him to answer this question definitely, Joe thought to himself, “Well, if you are a mechanic and you want to know how something works, you go to the car's manual, and the supposed or claimed manual to man and woman is the Bible, well that's what the Jews and the Christians claim.”

He thought, "It's no good me just dismissing that claim without doing my own homework and searching the truth of this claim because, I know one thing for sure, truth is so strong, it can withstand any debate however hard and astute; in other words, truth is so virtuous, it has its own inherent virtues - one being - it doesn't matter how strong it is attacked by something, that challenges it, it can hold its own - that's the nature of truth."

I am sure you have noticed in all these Covid-19 shenanigans, how so many of what we used to take for granted - like going down to the shops freely without thinking about such things as lockdowns masks. So many of what we used to take for granted - like our freedoms are being taken or have been taken away in the name of our health - for example, our right to complain or lobby our elected officials if we don't agree with something. In this world where so much of what we used to hold on to is being swept away in these turbulent times, it is exceedingly comforting that we still have the truth that we can cling to. Truth is the last bastion of rampart which can never be destroyed. That's why the people who are trying their best to lead us astray, to deceive us, to lie to us, fear the truth so much.

Truth is very powerful and very virtuous - it can be attacked, smeared and tried to be destroyed but it can always hold it own. It can always be debated,

So Joe Bloggs decided to look in a Bible he was given at his birth and found this one sentence, "If anyone of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind." (Bible Scripture found in James 1:5-6)

After reading that, Joe Bloggs thought to himself, "Wow! There's a solid promise which the Bible guarantees me will definitely happen. What a promise, 'If any man lacks wisdom then he should pray to God and ask him for wisdom and God will definitely give wisdom.'"

So the next question he asked, since he was your typical Joe Bloggs, he asked the question that he would ask since he wasn't actually a Christian (yet).

“Since I have heard that there is a God of the Earth and of me, who reportedly created me for a purpose and loves me, so I will ask him,

‘God,
If you love me and, just as your word says, if you favour me, when I seek you and obey your Gospel, please show me how much you love me.
Amen.’”

See, Joe Bloggs was beginning to understand that the favour of God only comes to the man or woman who keeps his word. I mean who keeps his statutes and principles and does not swerve to his own thinking.

After Joe Bloggs does that, his son, Tommy, asked his father if he can take him to the local circus tomorrow evening because the circus - called Mr. Toby's Circus - has come to town.

While watching the circus, Joe Bloggs' son, Tommy, saw a chimpanzee, i.e. what looks like a monkey, but doesn't have a tail, which is sometimes called “a chimp”; Tom asked his father, “Dad, why do some people believe that our ancestors were chimpanzees when chimpanzees and monkeys are stupid compared to us - they can walk but they cannot talk like us humans, or count or do Maths, or do their shopping or drive a car?”

Well, that was a good question Tommy asked his dad since chimpanzees do not have the faculties of God that you and I have - made not of physical matter but metaphysical matter; that's why they cannot drive or that's why you have never seen a chimpanzee driving his car - I mean you may have seen, by some freak show, a chimpanzee driving a car, but I can guarantee you have never seen a chimpanzee driving his own car down the road - they lack the intelligence and know-how and actually consciousness to do that - most of all, they lack the one ingredient which divides us from the

animal kingdom and reveals that we never evolved from the animal kingdom or plant kingdom; they are just like a tall flower which are part of nature which cannot do anything of real and deep intelligence; so there is a huge gulf between the animal-kingdom and man-kingdom - between man and nature which is we have been endowed with a spirit which nothing of nature's creatures have been endowed with - that 's why we stand head and shoulders above nature's creature, and that's why we have a conscience and a consciousness which mark us out as completely different and separated from the animal kingdom; they are a different species of the animal kingdom but we are the man-kingdom and we are not connected in any way, rather divided by the fact that we are actually superior to them because we have actually been given the very faculties of heaven from God - endowed and imparted with the faculties of God - his conscience, his consciousness, and as Christians with his Spirit deposited to us as a deposit of all his promises as Christians, not just our own spirit. This is the reason we are so different from the animal kingdom, and head and shoulders above them in intelligence, and how by the Spirit of God, potentially we can be raised to the stature of Jesus with his grace and truth through the infilling of God's wisdom given by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

So the truth is we are not part of the animal kingdom or originated or stemmed from the animal kingdom, despite what Charles Darwin and those who came before him say, who believed in and advocated for natural evolution; that tree of evolution which Charles Darwin wrote about with all the different species of dogs originating from one dog and all the different species of cat originating from one cat, they believe the cat is an ancestor of a dog, or that an elephant is an ancestor of a dog in one long line containing different branches with humans at the top of that Darwin's tree of branches or each branch representing a different species - well, actually we don't exist on that tree; I mean, yes, although there are different types of dogs, and yes, all those different dogs came from one original dog, but we are not related to the animal kingdom - we are definitely not connected to them in any way; and this is not just me saying that, but it is actually plain to see in nature that we don't have any relationship with them in regard to sharing their life; if our DNA contains similar genes, that is down to God's economical and ingenious engineering, not down to natural organic evolution - it is purely down to God's providence of his co-incidental workings of these two separate God-incidences of creations; we co-exist

from the animal and plant kingdom but we are not from them or connected to their species, or we are not in any way a spin-off from them; which, if you think about it, is exceedingly ridiculous and exceedingly nonsense and so far-fetched, it resides in the imaginings of man, because we are endowed with so much more than them - with actually the very faculties of a superhero or someone with super-faculties or with the faculties endowed from heaven or from the eternal existence or spiritual realm.

Chapter Seven.

But How Can We Reconcile the Love of God and the Sufferings of Man?

Only we can reconcile the two in our mind through what Jesus did in reconciling them at the cross.



- **God is greater than my fears.**
- **God is greater than my insecurities.**
- **God is greater than my worries.**
- **God is greater than my everything.**



And you can add to that list:

God is greater than all our questions about why has God allowed such suffering is us, and why dies he seemingly give some people or families

excessive suffering while other families seem to sail through life without problems or heart-break.

And God has confirmed this to you and me in his word when he says,

"And we know that in all things, God works for the good of those who love him, who are called according to his purpose."

Romans 8:28, NIV U.K.

So whatever you go through, or are going through, REMEMBER, God always has a purpose for your suffering, and he is turning your circumstances around, when you turn yourself and focus around to his love, and confess that because he loves you with an unlimited and perfect love, he will work out everything according to his amazing grace - that word "grace" means his undeserved, perfect favour of God; when you trust in this unfailing love, you will gain a new perspective and a new peace and unnerving calm. When you learn to give God all your concerns, anxieties and burdens and trust that his love will pull you through, God replaces them with his most fantastic gifts as his very physical presence in the form of the gift of peace, joy, power and strength to minister to all your faculties, to calm you and give you a very real and tangible, peace, joy and strength which doesn't come from you but empowers you to overcome.



As these words say I found on Social Media.



I know these TRUTHS which I can always run to:

I know that I am loved with an unconditional love and this love is the one power in the universe which will pull me through every trial and pain because this love is more than a power? It is the most powerful personality and mind in the universe - who will, if you let him, supercharge your life and upgrade it no end.

As God's Word tells us that God is love:

" 7 Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. 8 Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. 9 This is how God showed his love among us: he sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. 10 This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11 Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

13 This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: he has given us of his Spirit. 14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Saviour of the world. 15 If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. 16 And so we know and rely on the love God has for us.

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. 17 This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: in this world we are like Jesus. 18 There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

19 We love because he first loved us."

1 John 4:7-19, NIV U.K. Bible

Also, when we are worried and burdened, his Word and Spirit can give us very real and tangible help. His Word tells us not to worry, but instead give our worries to God, and give him thanks, and to instead trust in his great love, to give us his peace; then he sends his own tangible Spirit which ministers to us the greatest peace and tranquillity to calm our mind, spirit and emotions, in spite of still facing the same problems.

As Paul wrote in Philippians 4:6-7,

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

NIV U.K. Bible.

His perfect, unfailing love is like a pair of wings - it won't give you power unless you hold onto those wings; unless you place your tiny hand into the large hand of the greatest and most powerful love for you, a love deeper than your parent's love, a deeper love than your fellow siblings or grandparent's love; if you placed your hand into the hands of your Heavenly Father, who knows more about you than anyone, and loves you with a much deeper love incomparable to any other love.

Listen to these words straight from the Bible in the book of Isaiah Chapter 40:

"Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the Earth. He will not grow tired or weary; His understanding is beyond searching out. He gives power to the faint and increases the strength of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall. But those who wait upon the Lord, will renew their strength; they will mount up with wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not faint."

Isaiah 40: 28-31

And this personal love for you will prove to be your most needed knowledge when you start your day; I mean, imagine how much your day could be transformed when your entire mind-set and attitude can be changed for good if you began your day with an exciting skip in your walk because you know that on your team someone is batting for you who actually has all the power to change every situation and bring the greatest favour into your life when you trust him; imagine having on your team the Maker of the universe.

Imagine, instead of thinking, "Oh, this day is much the same day as every other day that have gone before with nothing particularly exciting I expect to occur" - imagine knowing that because you surrendered into his loving and capable arms all your concerns and fears, he promises to give you in exchange his own special abiding peace and love, which will calm your nerves and fill your heart with a profound, unexplainable peace, by his own presence, the Holy Spirit.

Just imagine the possibility for change if you changed your thinking and attitude to:

"Now I know that the God of the universe is both perfectly good and holds all of the power of this universe as sovereign, and his love for me couldn't be deeper; I now trust him to send me his special presence, help and wisdom on how to proceed with my day.

Imagine the change which be affected if you pray this prayer,

"God, I heard you are both all-powerful and all-good,

I ask that you, because you are my loving, heavenly father and you love me unconditionally, I ask that you send me your very real and tangible power, strength, and wisdom – the power of the Holy Spirit who is the practical Revealer of God, to guide me through the rocky parts of my day, and lead me by this love and care, and fill my heart with a tangible comfort that gives me the most thrilling and exciting feeling; because I know that I am loved unconditionally with a perfect love which will never let me down, as long as I trust in that love. I decide to continually hold onto that love through the thick and thin of my day, and keep holding - even though it feels like, at times, I am holding on, or rather he is holding me up by a thread of a hair. Amen."

STEPPING STONES TO THE GREATEST TRANSFORMATIONAL CHANGE IN YOUR LIFE.

Have you ever stopped to take stock of your life? If you haven't, try considering the following because taking stock of your life is very healthy.

CONSIDERATION 1:

Consider the following thought:

Imagine if one day when you die and pass to the next life, you find out that there is a God, and that Heaven and Hell are actually in existence somewhere; and Heaven is a place which is so cool and good and the perfect place to be, but you find out you are not good enough to go there because you still have all these bad decisions trailing you behind like a dead weight,

Actually, the Bible talks about sinners who are so full of sin whose sins are fully displayed because they drag the person down like great led-weights about their feet. (find the Scripture) What makes you think that, if by some freak accident tonight, you are not good enough to go to Heaven, but instead you and your bad works and bad words and intentions are summoned to Hell, instead.

WHAT AN UTTER DISASTER THAT WOULD BE?

But look at the alternative:

And if you are in need of healing in any area of your life - whether it be physical or psychological etc, God has all your pain covered.

Why? Or How?

Because since Jesus suffered in our place and actually took all of the sicknesses, disease, pain and every misdemeanour we have committed, so that when we do suffer pain and are in need of healing, then, we can, use what he paid in full on the cross as the perfect down-payment to claim our healing, which may not come immediately, but in time, as we trust his love

and Word, our healing will manifest itself, will appear on the horizon of our life.

As God's Word promises in Malachi 4:2,
“But for you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings.” NIV Bible, U.K.

As you wait for your Heavenly Father to send his love and healing - in the meantime - as you trust in his loving care and promises, your faith will be built up until you experience his amazing healing.

And if ever you feel your faith is wavering, God has multiple promises within the Bible to encourage us to keep trusting our loving Heavenly Father, from the depth of cries and desperate struggles which previous believers went through, e.g. King David of Israel, who cried,

"I waited patiently for the LORD;
And He inclined to me,
And heard my cry.
² He also brought me up out of a horrible pit,
Out of the miry clay,
And set my feet upon a rock,
And established my steps.
³ He has put a new song in my mouth—
Praise to our God;
Many will see *it* and fear,
And will trust in the LORD.
⁴ Blessed *is* that man who makes the LORD his trust,
And does not respect the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.
⁵ Many, O LORD my God, *are* Your wonderful works
Which You have done;
And Your thoughts toward us
Cannot be recounted to You in order;
If I would declare and speak *of them*,
They are more than can be numbered.
⁶ Sacrifice and offering You did not desire;
My ears You have opened.

Burnt offering and sin offering You did not require.

⁷Then I said, "Behold, I come;

In the scroll of the book *it is* written of me.

⁸I delight to do Your will, O my God,

And Your law *is* within my heart."

Psalm 40: 1-8, New King James .

The Bible book of the Psalms of David, Solomon and others are a treasure-trove of truly spiritual songs which reflect the true reality of all the weaknesses and deep emotions of man, as they prayed and cried out in the deep despair as well as ecstatic praise to God as well as all the entire spectrum of emotions and questions any man has. If you regularly read them and apply them to your circumstances and heart, they will prove to be a God-given source of huge faith to inspire you and encourage you, no end well, as I have experienced them to be.

Have You Experienced the Feeling of Peace and Safety of Abiding in the Presence of God?:

From Psalm 91

1 He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High
Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

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

3 Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler,
And from the perilous pestilence, (e.g. Covid-19 pestilence).

4 He shall cover you with His feathers,
And under His wings you shall take refuge;
His truth shall be your shield and buckler.

5 You shall not be afraid of the terror by night,
Nor of the arrow that flies by day,

6 Nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness,
Nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday.

7 A thousand may fall at your side,
And ten thousand at your right hand;
But it shall not come near you.

8 Only with your eyes shall you look,
And see the reward of the wicked.
9 Because you have made the Lord, who is my refuge,
Even the Most High, your dwelling place,
10 No evil shall befall you,
Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling;
11 For He shall give His angels charge over you,
To keep you in all your ways.
12 In their hands they shall bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.
13 You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra,
The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.
14 "Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him;
I will set him on high, because he has known My name.
15 He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble;
I will deliver him and honour him.
16 With long life I will satisfy him,
And show him My salvation."
Psalm 99:11-16, New King James Version, with the added words, 'e.g.
Covid-19 pestilence', by C.J. Briscoe.

For me, all I can say is, "WOW!" At this time or era of the previous two years of Covid-19, don't we need to hear how God's love overcomes the pestilence that stalks around. Look at Verses Three until Seven, i.e.

"3 Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler, And from the perilous pestilence.

4 He shall cover you with His feathers,
And under His wings you shall take refuge;
His truth shall be your shield and buckler.

5 You shall not be afraid of the terror by night,
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8 Only with your eyes shall you look,
And see the reward of the wicked.
9 Because you have made the Lord, who is my refuge,
Even the Most High, your dwelling place,
10 No evil shall befall you,
Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling."

So God's presence and Word can protect us from viruses - just like this so-called mysterious, supposedly air-borne virus, which is terrorising so many; although the truth is, the governments of the world that are systematically choosing tyrannical policies to control the masses in the name of health are doing more of the terrorising and are more to do with selling as many vaccines as possible than anything to do with our health.

If you have felt drawn to this love and you are feeling a strong impression inside you that attracts you to this loving Father, I believe God is touching you by his Holy Spirit; I believe the Holy Spirit is beginning to do his new work of grace with you.

If you feel that you want to draw near to your heavenly Father then ask him; who can give you a very real and tangible peace and comfort, by the Holy Spirit, whose other name is The Comforter, or The Advocate because he lives to pray for you, continually, and always defends you when you face criticism or judgment - as long as you trust in him and are following his principles, his statutes he has published in the Bible.

How about praying this prayer?

"God I heard that you are alive and that you love me with a love greater than my parents or anyone – please prove it and show me your love so that

I can experience your promises – I invite you into my life and heart to show me.”

“Please come by your Holy Spirit so that when I believe in you, you will clean my heart of sin – take out my old, stubborn heart, and give me a new heart and make me feel brand new, then I can walk with you and so I don’t need to worry about anything; please help me and let me feel your great and powerful love for me.

Thank you, Lord.

Amen.”

As you pray this prayer, I pray that you would feel a great presence from deep within like what happened to me did when, after I gave my life to Jesus, power surged from deep in my emotions gushing forth as a tangible feeling and calming my strained emotions and nerves with his love, like medicine giving me peace and tranquillity; like the wonderful effect of a tranquilliser or an anaesthetic from pain – a real calming and healing for my deep emotions and pain; as I prayed that prayer, suddenly the comforting presence of the Holy Spirit came upon me, which began to attend and minister to my soul and ministered to my soul all day.

So when you feel insecure, just reset your thoughts and your emotions on that truth that nothing will separate you from the love of God that is in Jesus Christ, then he will send his Spirit to attend your soul and give you a very real peace. Read God’s promises- just like the above in the Bible book of Philippians. Give to Jesus at the cross all your burdens and sins. Pray in faith that God would strengthen you as a very present help in times of trouble; Meditate on this truth and other truths of Jesus who said, in this world you will have trouble but rejoice for I have overcome the world and greater is he in you than he who is in the world. This is the kind of God we can walk with in Christianity who is so transcendent he is described in the Bible as a “Wonderful Counsellor”, “Prince of peace,” “Balm of Gilead” “Our Advocate” “Our friend” The Helper, The Comforter, Jesus describes him as Another Counsellor like me, i.e. like Jesus. The Wonderful Counsellor means he stands with us to aid us and advocate for us; the word in the Greek for carries our infirmities is that he supports us and carries the things that are too heavy for us to bear.

Living in God's Promises:

And what you say to yourself can be very powerful when you speak out in faith according to what the Bible already says about you, which can make all the difference when God moves in accordance with his promises; your confession of faith can be pivotal to whether your day goes good or bad. For you have both a body and a soul, and just as the body needs food to grow strong, so your spirit needs food of words and positivity to build it up.

And even though you may not know God, I believe he still loves you and has a special plan for your life. And as you keep speaking positive words of faith, God the Holy Spirit will begin touching your heart and life.

Try saying to yourself,

“Today, even though I do not know God - even though I don't have a relationship with God, God is waiting and willing to pour into my life his amazing presence and love which will convince me that I need his love, and without him I am a wretched, i.e. wretched sinner in need of his forgiveness and faith in the cleansing power of his blood.”

And what you actually speak to yourself and believe, especially when you speak truth, can make all the difference. And when you actually tune or plug yourself into the truth of the Bible you will see revolutionary results. You may not believe in the Bible or in God, but have you ever thought that the reason you don't believe is because you have never tested that truth to see if it really is truth? For if you actually tested the truth of the Bible, it will have miraculous results in your life and be the greatest source of positive transformation in your life; I know because I tried it in the laboratory of my life, and since that time I have never looked back; and please, I appeal to you, before you dismiss the truth, please test it whether it has any truth in it; for even in science, every theory needs testing; just like that in Christianity and the question of whether God is God and whether Jesus Christ is the Son of God such claims or theory also needs testing in the experience or laboratory of your heart- every scientist will tell you that.

Say to yourself,

"I couldn't be more loved by God, with a love I have never known - an unconditional love as well as an unlimited love. The most important thing I need to receive today is experiencing God's love – that's why the knowledge of God's love is the best education in this universe. And so the most important knowledge I need to know is the depths of God's love for me. For when I experience God's love for me, I can see all my problems in a new and different light. If I am suffering fear or any other negative emotion, when I receive more of God's love then I can be empowered with the power to extinguish those negatives for God's Word tells me that his love is powerful enough to take away every fear, because he who loves has not received God's perfect love, and thus has not been perfected by God's love."

"I am empowered with new strength and hope. For even though I don't know now, God's love is the greatest liberating force of my life, and with God's love in my life and spirit, I am equipped with everything I need, and so all I need is to use my prayer of faith to plug into that truth."

"I am loved with a love more than I know. I am loved with a love which I can experience today. Today, God wants to show me more of his love. I am loved more than I know, and the most important thing I need to receive today is experiencing God's love."

"And God's Spirit is the deliverer and facilitator of God's love. And only God's Spirit and God's love has the power to penetrate my deepest pain and hurts and give me tangible peace and comfort - so that I can begin to feel a real relief and breakthrough from my problems."

If I have spent just a few minutes in God's presence thanking him, just saying, "Thank you God, for giving me this new day, a new day of your grace, when I can experience your love in a new way, and I can experience

your wonderful peace and love deep down in my heart and in my circumstances.”

“Please give me the faith I need to believe by your Holy Spirit - the gift of faith which will help me to believe in you.”

Thus, God the Holy Spirit will honour your sincere prayer and give you the gift of faith to believe:

If you have been given the faith to believe, then pray this prayer:

“God,
before I begin my day, I want to first do what your Word tells me to do – to first seek the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, because I know that this is the condition for my day to so smoothly and swimmingly - when I first start out and seek your will for the motive which pleases you and moves your heart and Spirit– to only be motivated by a desire to glorify Jesus Christ.

Thank you that you are my Helper, my Saviour, my strong-tower, the anchor of my soul. You are my everlasting counsellor, my perfect comforter and my eternal peace.

Thank you, I believe by faith that your greatest favour rests upon me because I sought you first before my day started, I set my day in the right direction. Thank you, Lord.
Amen.”

Then when you go outside watch what happens to your day, now that you have given God the chance to work in your day. As you go outside, because you honoured God, he will honour you and bless your day, as a consequence; you will have more of God’s strength and peace and you will feel more empowered and God’s greatest favour will rest upon you, because God’s word says he blesses those who seek him, who fear him. Because you decided to spend a few minutes thanking and praising and speaking these truths, confessing your relationship with God, and telling

him what he means to you, God will be your greatest help and the difference to your day going well or going disastrously. It will be the difference between your day going so smoothly or your day going from bad to worse.

It will be like you stepping out of your house, and having Jesus' Spirit in your heart is like being equipped with the thickest rain jacket, and largest umbrella, so that when you look up into the sky the sun will be only beaming it's warmest and kindest rays of sunshine and blessings into your heart and life, which will be the greatest source of cheering you up and giving you comfort.

You will find out that having Jesus in your heart is the greatest force of good and peace, the greatest inspiration and source of strength and comfort for your life. Every moment of your day you will feel his tangible peace and love, giving you much needed hope and comfort from the storms of life which try to engulf you with worry.

But if you stepped out of your house without God's Word and Spirit in your spirit and mind as an anchor for your soul, you will be so ill-equipped and ill-prepared to deal with the storms of life, so that soon in your day - when the grey clouds of adversity gather - you will be engulfed in despair and anguish with no shelter or hiding place to find solace, peace and respite because you did not invite God's Spirit into your heart and day as your greatest shelter and peace.

So after you spend a few minutes of faith-filled prayer, praise with thank giving, you will be ready to face your day, not with fears but with faith, and you will find out that the God of Jesus Christ is a real God who gives real and tangible peace and pleasure, by his sweetest presence, every moment of the day, as you continue to look to him and receive his wonderful sweet Spirit of comfort.

And when God's Spirit touches you, you will never be the same again.

When God's Spirit touches you, you suddenly have a warm feeling in your heart – your mind and spirit and a sense of excitement in your senses as you realize how much God loves you; you suddenly feel the sense of a strong anticipation that God is about to do something really amazing in your life. You may even feel your heart throbbing as well as feel your eye-lashes moving from the movement of the Holy Spirit.

This is when God is about to do his great work in your life and heart, when you may hear God speaking to you his word of love affirming his deep love for you, and also you may feel your body and spirit energised, even you may feel your eye-lashes start moving quickly - but this is just the Spirit of God presenting himself on your eye-lashes, i.e. this is one the outward manifestations of his Spirit moving through you and in you.

This World and its Political System has Failed Us:

The World and its political system which promises us the Earth has failed us, and will continue to fail us, and if we have learned anything in this pandemic, we have experienced this lesson.

We do not need to look far before we have to conclude that this world is highly compromised. I used to think that this world was bad enough before the Corona-virus arrived on the scene, but since arriving, it is the governments of the nations in response to this virus which have actually done more terrorizing upon the citizens of these nations than any coronavirus or its disease the SARS-CoV-2 – of course, I am not speaking for the dear ones who have lost loved-ones - I mean, I am not diminishing all the very real and deep hurt and suffering they have been through.

Yet, in this so-called pandemic, I would say that the greater pandemic has been the pandemic of fear which has been perpetrated by Governments - for example, in the United Kingdom, the Johnson Government chose not to give the people of Britain the real truth - for example, that the children are so low-risk, they do not need a vaccine. Or when the Johnson Government decided to continue the Lockdown, instead of telling the British people that most of the population are in low risk of dying from the virus, i.e. less than 99.98, yet, to keep the pandemic of fear alive so they would ensure the peoples' compliance to the strict Covid-19 regulations, they chose to keep the truth from them to perpetuate the fear-factor.

So we don't need to look far to conclude that this world is highly compromised. But the good news is because this God loves us so deeply and with such a supreme love, such a love refuses to leave us stranded from his rescuing love, so that's why God prepared a pure and spotless lamb who is called "the Lamb of God" to save us and rescue us from the corrupted forces of the world because Jesus' ministry was to act as a spotless sacrifice to redeem all sinners by taking our punishment at the cross and dying as an innocent, sacrificial lamb in our place, i.e. instead of us as a "Scapegoat", to cleanse and purify us from all guilt, and not just that but also all our own to give us the greatest comfort in our suffering, disease and every other negative force in our life by sending the Holy Spirit to give us the greatest physical comfort and healing and physical peace.

TO CANCEL EVERYTHING WHICH STOOD AGAINST US, "AND NAILED THOSE TO THE CROSS".

CANCELLED ONCE AND FOR ALL BY JESUS OFFERING TO GOD ON THE CROSS THROUGH HIS SUFFERING AND DEATH AS THE PAYMENT FOR NOT JUST OUR SINS AND THE GUILT OF OUR SINS

BUT FOR ALL THE SICKNESSES AND PAIN AND DESEASE OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL , INCLUDING THE CURSE OF DEATH OF THE HUMAN CORRUPTED NATURE.

AS WELL AS ALL CURSES OF NATURE INCLUDING EVERY CORNONA-VIRUS.

And therefore, thankfully, God prepared a solution to such an utterly corrupted and compromised world - the redeeming power of God's love found at the cross of Jesus Christ. He prepared Jesus Christ as the spotless lamb to act as the perfect sacrificial offering to clean you and I from all sins, and actually free us totally from a guilty conscience.

That's why John the Baptist called Jesus Christ when he prophesied, in John, Chapter One, Verse Twenty-Nine, as Jesus was approaching him,

“Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!”
NIV Bible, U.K.

And so the greatest example and the epitome of love – the love which is an unconditional love that is described by the Greek word “*agape*” (in the Greek language, it is a far richer language to explain at least four different types of love, and *agape* love is the highest form of love – an unconditional, unlimited love) is the example of Jesus sacrificing his own human life to take the punishment we deserve. To show the solution to suffering and pain and the curse, he became suffering, a curse and pain. He actually became a curse in order to cancel out the curse - that's why his Father God could not look into the face of his Son and turned away as God could not look at such a vile curse. Remember in the Old Testament or according to the Jewish law, anyone who was hung on a tree became a curse. His perfect and Holy Father turned his back on his son and looked away because Jesus became a curse during the six hours he was on the cross.

And Jesus will always bear those scars on his body. Forever scarred, those scars show that he was willing to sacrifice because of his love, forever embellished, forever marked and scarred. His perfect son was marred in imperfection in his body. His son took on the imperfections of scars with nail pierced wounds so that our sins can be healed. The Bible promises us that by his wounds we are healed.

In this life, there's a whole lot of people who are searching for their next dime. Or trying to make a heap of dimes, but the problem is a lot of them are chasing their tails off in the process. They are looking in this direction then looking in that direction to see which works or to see where the money

is, but the problem is they don't first do the most important action which is to pray.

Actually, Jesus taught his followers to always pray first before seeking riches, or to seek first the Kingdom of God. Jesus said in Matthew 6:33-34:

33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. **34** Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.
NIV Bible U.K.

When God's Spirit touches you, you suddenly have a warm feeling in your heart and a fresh sense of excitement as your senses and you realize how much God loves you; you suddenly feel the sense of a strong anticipation that God is about to do something really amazing in your life. You may even feel your heart throbbing as well as feel your eye-lashes moving rapidly. These are all signs of God the Holy Spirit physically manifesting on you. There's nothing to be frightened on his physical presence showing up – he only wants to do you good, to give you healing and show you Jesus Christ and glorify him and God the Father.

This is when God is about to do his great work in your life and heart, when you may hear God speaking to you his word of love affirming his deep love for you, and also you may feel your body and spirit energised, even you may feel your eye-lashes start moving quickly - but this is just the Spirit of God presenting himself on your eye-lashes, i.e. this is one the outward manifestations of his Spirit moving through you and in you.

Chapter Eight.

Holy Spirit Also Helps Us When We Don't Know What to Pray.

When we don't know what to pray for we have such a great High Priest who is always continually interceding for us.”

We have such a great intercessor who is not ignorant of our struggles and pain but because he suffered in every way he opened up for us the ministry of intercession.

The Holy Spirit Also Helps Us to Pray When We Don't Know What to Pray.

The Bible tells us that when we don't know how to pray or what to pray, the Spirit himself comes to us and helps us in our weakness and ignorance – even speaking in a strange tongue – in a heavenly language which bypasses our mind and understanding and goes straight to the mind of God.

Listen to this from the disciple Paul explaining this phenomenon and miracle from his letter written to the Church in Rome, the book of Romans, Chapter Eight, Verses Twenty-six until Twenty-seven :

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession ¹for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. ²⁷ Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit *is*, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God.*"
Romans 8:26–27, New King James Bible Version

When we don't know what to pray for we have such a great High Priest who is always continually interceding for us. We can actually walk with God if we have faith which is simple trust in God that he lives in my heart through my faith.

GOD HAS INFINITE TREASURES TO GIVE US BY HIS HOLY SPIRIT:

But these treasures come to those who take them by force through faith, love and force; Jesus said the Kingdom of heaven is suffering violence and is taken by force.

One such beautiful treasure is what is called living every day in the presence of God by his Holy Spirit communing with your spirit, all day long; this can only be maintained by focusing and refocusing in prayer, which is the highest form of prayer by constant communion with God the Holy Spirit - by focusing our thoughts and spirit on Jesus Christ and saying, "I need you every hour, I can't do or live a day without you." And once attained, the Holy Spirit's presence of Jesus will flood our souls and faces and give us a brand new bright and sparkling countenance.

Brother Lawrence said in his book, "Practicing the Presence of God", that, "I still believe that all spiritual life consists of practicing the presence of God and that anyone who practices it correctly will soon attain spiritual fulfilment. To accomplish this, it is necessary for the heart to be emptied of everything that would offend God. He wants to possess our hearts completely. Before any work can be done in our souls, God must be totally in control. There is no sweeter manner of living in the world than continuous communion with God." (p.33)

How to practice conversation with God all day long (p. 60, and p.61, look at the chapter called the presence of God, p.67 in Brother Lawrence's Book, Practicing the Presence of God)

Pray a Prayer like this:

"Thank you Lord Jesus that you live in my heart by your Holy Spirit; and you have promised to give me your real and physical peace when I trust you and follow you. Thank you that soon I will feel your tangible presence – even now - and that you are walking with me now so I don't need to worry about anything; please help me and let me feel your great and powerful love for me. Thank you, Amen."

As you pray, wait upon the Holy Spirit to touch you and give you a "warm feeling" of his love surging from deep within - the presence of his Spirit from deep within like power surging from deep in your emotions gushing forth as a tangible feeling and calming all your strained emotions and nerves with his love, like medicine giving you peace and tranquillity.

What I am talking is not about is how receiving God's peace in your mind, emotions and spirit actually has such an amazing and calming effect upon you, it will prove to be much better than the strongest tranquiliser or any drug; which doesn't just treat our symptoms but goes straight for the source of our suffering and pain - a real calming and healing treatment and prevention for my deep emotions and pain.

As you pray that prayer, suddenly the comforting presence of the Holy Spirit can come upon you, which will begin to attend your soul and can attend to your soul all day, ministering his wonderful peace and comfort.

How do you begin your day?

Do you regard spiritual revitalisation as more important than your physical food?

What would happen if we began our day nourishing our soul instead of our body?

The truth of the matter is that the soul is the cock-pit of everything in our human body – the ancient writers like Augustine called it, “the seat of the emotions.” The fact is we are dualistic individuals. In our modern rendering I would call it “the control panel” that controls everything to do with our mind, emotions and our will. If we were to get up and think about nourishing our soul first rather than our bodies then we would be equipped with energy and power for our soul, not just our bodies; this kind of soul-energy can be named inward peace, inward calm, inward confidence that whatever the day holds in store for us, we are equipped to face the worst with the strength of God; when you go down to the breakfast table and you eat your fare of food for the body, no food for the body means no fuel for the body – just like a car needs fuel! This is called nourishment for the body - but we also need nourishment for the mind, for the emotions and the will which together are described as the “soul” and we also need nourishment for our spirits, too. And there's no greater nourishment for our spirit than the nourishment given by the Holy Spirit; but first we need to be born-again, and then we can begin to commune with his Spirit which will feel like refreshing water to our soul.

Every human being faces negative influences and positive influences during the day which either drag us down or pull us up; but our mind needs to be renewed by the love of God because without the Holy Spirit residing in our hearts, our natural tendency is to get more and more discouraged as

we follow the spirit of the world and our spirit becomes more and more contaminated by the corrupting spirit of the world.

So our spirit needs the greatest renewer and reformer and refresher which is the Holy Spirit.

Jesus – an innocent man, let a guilty man go free in his place – Barabbas – an insurrector and all-round bad person. The sinner – like you and I was let-off scot-free– yet, our sinful nature was crucified with Jesus Christ.

So when we repent of our sins we can receive the refreshment given by the Holy Spirit:

Just like when another of Jesus' disciples, Peter, was preaching to the Jews after they had crucified Jesus Christ – an innocent man in the stead of a sinner, Barabbas. In the same way, we were like Barabbas who was set-free because Jesus suffered and was crucified in his place and took the punishment for Barabbas - but not only him but the sins of everybody.

We can read about that in the book called in the New King James, The Book of the Acts of the Apostles, in Acts, Chapter Three, Verses Eleven until Twenty-One:

¹¹“Now as the lame man who was healed held on to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the porch which is called Solomon's, greatly amazed. ¹²So when Peter saw *it*, he responded to the people: “Men of Israel, why do you marvel at this? Or why look so intently at us, as though by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified His Servant Jesus, whom you delivered up and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *Him* go. ¹⁴But you denied the Holy One and the Just, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁵and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses. ¹⁶And His name, through faith in His name, has made this man strong, whom you see and know. Yes, the faith which *comes* through Him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

¹⁷ “Yet now, brethren, I know that you did *it* in ignorance, as *did* also your rulers. ¹⁸ But those things which God foretold by the mouth of all His prophets, that the Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled. ¹⁹ Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, ²⁰ and that He may send Jesus Christ, who was preached to you before, ²¹ whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.”

Acts of the Apostles 3:11:20, New King James Bible Version.

As Jesus spoke regarding the living waters given by the Holy Spirit which is the refreshing waters of the Holy Spirit. Of course, this is an analogy but God the Holy Spirit does give us something much better than water and which is far more refreshing i.e. unlimited refreshment for not only our body but also our soul and our spirit given by the Holy Spirit – i.e. ALL ROUND REFRESHMENT.

As Jesus said in the Gospel of John, Chapter Seven, Verse Thirty-seven,

“If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.” By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that point, the Spirit had not been given.’

John 7:37, NIV Bible, U.K.

So just as your body needs food to survive, so your spirit needs the refreshment of God’s power given by the Holy Spirit. Food is also the same – food gives us energy to face all the physical challenges that our bodies meet during the day – if we did not eat our breakfast then our bodies would lack the energy and stamina for our bodies; and we are more than just bodies – we are dualistic: i.e. we have both a body and a soul; and our soul consists of our mind, our emotions, and our will; and yet, if we have been born-again, we have a spirit which has been revived and brought back from the dead – after laying dormant for so many years; and so we also have a spirit which makes us different from the animals – so I would say we were a trinune person - that’s why we are so-called “in the image of God” rather

than the image of animals in spite of what the theory of Darwin's theory tells us, there is another theory which states that humans are infinitely a higher species than animals because we share immortality with the so called God because when we die, we live on which animals do not share in such a destiny; but whatever theory you believe, the proof of the pudding is in the eating so, why not test which theory contains truth and which is false – go ahead, as the Bible says, "Taste and see that the Lord is good."

Try praying to him and invoking God's Spirit and the power of his love into your life and you will never be the same again – all it takes is faith that Jesus died for you and took your punishment for all your mistakes on the cross; and then ask the Holy Spirit to send his presence and power upon your soul, and give you his perfect peace, joy and comfort for your life; also, if our soul is fully nourished in the presence of the best soul-nourisher, the greatest comforter by his Spirit - then you will be equipped to face all your problems and such problems will become smaller and smaller until your faith in God has completely vanquished them all.

Whenever I ask him to fill me with awareness of his presence, in a matter of moments of waiting I can feel his presence rising from deep within, confirming that he is not just words on a page but a very present help now where I am; so he sends me his very present help to give me the peace I need to get through another day with his presence guiding me all day and confirming his love for me whatever I am going through and whoever giants I face - just like the giant Goliath David faced; and whatever set of circumstances I face, he is always one breath or two breaths, one moment or two moments away, from being called upon to stand with me and give me what I need by his presence of the Holy Spirit of God – in other words, no matter what I'm going through he is always just a prayer away from sending me his great power from within my soul surging up like a great surge of electricity, spiritually enveloping me in a deep and all-encompassing sense of peace, security and comfort in my troubles of life.

I invite you today to place all your deepest fears and deepest desires into the hands of such an all-powerful and quenching force; If you have confidence in God's love then there is no greater place to place your faith in this life; for the love of God will prove itself to be the greatest saving force

of your life if you just have the courage, audacity and the "foolishness" to try such a love in the crucible of your experience – you will have no greater assurance of your confidence. For there is an element of "foolishness" which is spoken of in the Bible because the wisdom of God is greater than the wisdom of the world and even the foolishness of God is greater than the wisdom of the world. For God loves us with a love that is so great and so high and so long and so wide, we are only just beginning to come to terms with it.

Listen to these words from, the Letter written to the Church of Corinth,

“..but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling-block to Jews, and foolishness to all Non-believing Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both the Jews and the Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than man’s wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man’s strength.” (1 Corinthians 1:23-25, NIV U.K. Bible)

And I hope that you would know this love which is beyond understanding for it is a love that will surprise you; it is much greater than any love we have ever experienced here on this earth, and once you experience it, it will prove to be the best part of your life as well as the bedrock of your life; but you will never know this love or believe this love until you experience this love, for real truth is proved in the crucible of experience; you can have no greater place to place your confidence than the love of God.

When I have confidence in the love of God then I am at my most confident for there is no greater power with which to place one's confidence than the love of God which has no limitations – the only limits is what we place on it – for the love of God is unlimited and the highest, most noblest form of love that exists because it is an unconditional love.

Chapter Nine.

How To Walk with God through Faith and by his Holy Spirit.

We can actually walk with God if we have faith which is simple trust in God that he lives in my heart through my faith; this is what Saint Paul meant when he wrote a letter to the Ephesian Church and said,

“For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.”

Did you notice that Paul is making the point that faith is what causes Jesus Christ to live and rise up within our hearts? In other words, it is the key that we can use to allow the Holy Spirit to gain access into our hearts. We need to trust Jesus as our Father – and because the King of kings is our loving Father, we have nothing to worry about; because I am the Son of the CEO of the Universe, nothing can come against his love for me. Our faith begins first with our understanding of our relationship with God our Father; that's why the Bible tells us that we need to be renewed in our mind or our thinking of who God is - That's why the first line of attack by the devil is our minds. He knows that if we can think about God as somebody other than a loving Father, then he has accomplished something strategic.

The opposite of fear is faith. Actually the Bible says anything that isn't of faith is sin. So faith is the only way I can please God – I can open up to God – I can bring him down to earth – I can experience a miracle. We often display great faith when we pray or when we are in church but what is your reaction when “the rubber hits the road” or “when all hell breaks loose”? Where is your faith when you are being attacked with sickness, pain or struggles; do you instinctively, like a good soldier of Christ, take up the shield of faith, or do you cower in fear. Remember the opposite of faith is fear and the devil would rather have you controlled by fear than faith. The devil never has a day-off so neither should we concerning our faith. When we are persecuted for our faith - to the extent that Daniel faced persecution. In the land of Babylonia, there was a king, King Nebuchadnezzar who made a huge image of himself – a statue made of gold - ninety feet high and nine feet wide and set it up in the province of Babylon. Then he summoned his entire Civil service to attend the dedication of this great image who all had to bow down and worship the image when they heard the sound of all kinds of music; and if anyone in the kingdom did not bow down and worship the image at the sound of the music would be thrown into a hot, blazing furnace. Then some astrologers came to the king and started denouncing the Jews who lived in the land, saying,

‘ “O King, live forever! You have issued a decree, O King, that everyone who hears the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, pipes, and all kinds of music must fall down and worship the image of gold, and whoever does not fall down and worship will be thrown into a blazing furnace. But there are some Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of

Babylon- Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego – who pay no attention to you, O King. They neither serve your gods nor worship the image of gold you have set up.”

Then Nebuchadnezzar, furious with rage, summoned Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. So these men were brought before the king, and Nebuchadnezzar said to them, “Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, is it true that you do not serve my gods or worship the golden statue I have set up? Now, if you are ready, as soon as you hear the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, pipes, and all kinds of music, you must fall down and worship the statue I have made. But if you refuse to worship, you will be thrown at once into the blazing fiery furnace. Then what god will be able to deliver you from my hands?”

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied to the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. If the God whom we serve exists, then He is able to deliver us from the blazing fiery furnace and from your hand, O king. But even if He does not, let it be known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden statue you have set up.”

At this, Nebuchadnezzar was filled with rage, and the expression on his face changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. He gave orders to heat the furnace seven times hotter than usual, and he commanded some mighty men of valour in his army to tie up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and throw them into the blazing fiery furnace.

So they were tied up, wearing robes, trousers, turbans, and other clothes, and they were thrown into the blazing fiery furnace.

The king’s command was so urgent and the furnace so hot that the fiery flames killed the men who carried up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, firmly bound, fell into the blazing fiery furnace.

Suddenly King Nebuchadnezzar jumped up in amazement and asked his advisers, “Did we not throw three men, firmly bound, into the fire?”

“Certainly, O king,” they replied.

“Look!” he exclaimed. “I see four men, unbound and unharmed, walking around in the fire—and the fourth looks like a son of the gods!”

Then Nebuchadnezzar approached the door of the blazing fiery furnace and called out, “Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out!”

So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out of the fire, and when the satraps, prefects, governors, and royal advisers had gathered around, they saw that the fire had no effect on the bodies of these men. Not a hair of their heads was singed, their robes were unaffected, and there was no smell of fire on them.

Nebuchadnezzar declared, “Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent His angel and delivered His servants who trusted in Him. They violated the king’s command and risked their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God. Therefore I decree that the people of any nation or language who say anything offensive against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego will be cut into pieces and their houses reduced to rubble. For there is no other god who can deliver in this way.”

Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the province of Babylon.’ Daniel 3:9-30, NIV U.K. Bible.

WOW! God rewarded their amazing faith by sending Jesus Christ who walked with them through the hottest flames!

Just as the book of Isaiah says,

“But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my eyes,
and honoured, and I love you,
I give men in return for you,
peoples in exchange for your life.
Fear not, for I am with you;”

Isaiah 43:1-5, English Standard Version.

What would you have done if your life was threatened?

What would you do if you were in these three situation? If you were threatened with having your life taken away, yet, by (just) bowing down and worshipping the image, you would have your precious life saved?

Do you really, and would you really honour your faith as more precious than your own life?

Of course, as a sincere child of God, you would consider your faith as more previous than the hairs of your head or your own life and body! As Jesus said,

“I tell you, My friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that can do no more. **But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear him who, after you have been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear Him!** Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. Indeed the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.” Luke 12:4-7, NIV U.K. Bible.

Back to the Old Testament Faithful:

And later, when the believer and Jew Daniel was persecuted for his faith; after King Darius made a law in the land that no person in his kingdom

should pray to any god or man other than King Darius in the next thirty days – and that if any one prayed to their god in the next thirty days they would be thrown to the lions in their den. Yet, after hearing about that law, Daniel still went up to his bedroom and prayed, just as he always did, three times a day. What would you have done in that situation? When the king was told by some men that Daniel had been seen praying, Daniel was arrested and thrown into the lion's den. But God rewarded Daniel's faithfulness by sending an angel to shut-up the lion's mouth because he was found innocent in God's sight.

When, like Daniel, the Jewish believer who face ferocious sharp-teeth lions, but who, like Joseph, became the Prime Minister in the Gentile-nation where he was exiled. What would you do if you were thrown into a lion's den of hungry lions? Or could your faith stretch to allowing yourself to be thrown into that fiery furnace which had its thermostat put on its highest setting and even the men carrying you in to that blazing furnace died from the heat?

And if your faith is weak, then pray this prayer:

“Dear God,

Please strengthen my faith in you and your love for me, personally, so that I would have a simple child-like trust like Daniel and his three friends. Thank you, Lord Jesus, that you live in my heart physical, i.e. your presence goes with me now to give me peace, your very own physical peace which is the most calming effect for all my emotions and my mind. You calm my nerves and my fears, and you are with me now walking with me; I can actually feel your physical peace which is far better than the best drug. When I give you all my worries, and instead trust in your great love for me, personally, you give me your peace from God the Holy Spirit. So, I don't need to worry about anything; please help me today and give your strength and overcoming power, to help me to hear your voice and your impression guiding me throughout today into your love and revelation of love, and let me feel your great and powerful love for me.

Thankyou, Lord. Amen.”

When I pray a prayer like this, I can feel a great presence from deep within like power surging from deep in my emotions gushing forth as a tangible feeling and calming my strained emotions and nerves with his love, like medicine giving me peace and tranquillity.

What I am talking about is like a tranquilizer or an anaesthetic, but yet something much, much, much better than anything a drug can give you which is his Holy Spirit : a real calming and healing for my deep emotions and pain; as I prayed that prayer, suddenly the comforting presence of the Holy Spirit came upon me, which began to attend my soul and attended my soul all day, when I felt insecure I could just reset my thoughts and my emotions on that truth that nothing will separate from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus, attending my soul now.” and all because I prayed in faith that God would strengthen me as a very present help in times of trouble; Meditate on this truth and other truths of Jesus who said, in this world you will have trouble but rejoice for I have overcome the world and greater is he in you than he who is in the world.

When you have sickness do you honour God by saying, “Oh, I know that God is my real Father and he will take care of me; I will just make sure wherever I go I have my hand placed in my Father’s hand – and I know that nothing bad will happen to me – I am being taken care of by my Father who loves me and nothing – not even death or sickness can separate me from him – he will continually keep me in peace as I am trusting him, as the King of kings who is in charge of all sickness and all bacteria; and so I couldn’t be in better hands for my deliverance – and I know that showing him this faith is what pleases him the most, because, as the Bible says, without faith it is impossible to please God.”

As the Book of Hebrews says,
"6 And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him."

Hebrews 11:6, NIV Bible, U.K.

Therefore, when you face all those bullies of bacteria and germs do you proclaim to them that your Father is bigger than them and actually made them and controls their every move – do you pray against them in the like manner as David prayed to Goliath – you come at me with arrows and sword but I face you in the name of the Lord of hosts; we need to remember as Christians, that every word that proceeds from our mouths is a prayer.

A Letter From the Author:

Dear Reader,

I hope this book has helped you in any way to know how to draw nearer to God, how to experience God's grace and how to cultivate a deeper walk with God the Holy Spirit.

If you would like to receive other books by me for the future, please would you fill out the sign-up form at the end pages of this book.

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