

SATURDAY JOY AND PEACE

I READ : Psalm 28:6-9

Realizing God's goodness, love, and care in our lives will enable us to give thanks. No matter what kind of problems we have to deal with, when we meditate on God's grace, our hearts will feel light, peaceful, and joyful. On the other hand, those who often complain and have negative thinking will find a hard time to see the positive side of a problem, preventing them to be grateful. For this type of person, life becomes very burdensome and unenjoyable. Give thanks is a will and act of faith. Make it a habit to have a thanksgiving heart for the littlest things we receive. Even more, give thanks when we are under pressure because that will lift up our heart, spirit, and faith.

I DECLARE: *Psalm 68:3 - But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God; yes, let them rejoice exceedingly.*

I DO: What actions am I going to take after meditating on the Word of God?

I PRAY: Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit

SUNDAY FAITH THAT WITHSTANDS TRIALS

I READ: Hebrews 11

Giving thanks is an act of faith. Giving thanks often will make one's faith stronger and resistant to trials. When our ears hear words of thanksgiving, our hearts will respond correctly. The positive response from our hearts will lift up our faith; and a strong faith brings miracles and the Lord's help. These days we may feel oppressed from various things. The devil is also working extra hard and is using various ways to weaken the faith of God's children these days. Do not be afraid because the Lord has given us the key to go through this life and rebuke the devil's power, which is by giving thanks in all things. Do not focus on the things that are happening around us but focus only on God's greatness and how good the Lord is to all of us.

I DECLARE: *James 5:16b - The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.*

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MONDAY MIRACLE AND VICTORY

I READ: Psalm 100

King David was a person who knew how to please God. In his life whether in good or difficult times, songs and hymns never stopped coming out of his mouth. King David was able to see the greatness of God beyond what could be seen with his physical eyes. It was not surprising that he was called the man after God's own heart. As a result of thanksgiving and praise offered day and night in his life, God blessed him personally without ceasing and also blessed the nation he led, Israel. Victory after victory was given by God in every war carried out by King David. Giving thanks will move God's heart to bless and do miracles. Thanksgiving shows that we are content with the life God has given us.

I DECLARE : 1 Thessalonians 5: 18 - In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

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I PRAY : Pray as guided by the Holy Spirit.



TUESDAY THE DEVIL IS BOWING DOWN/KNEELING

I READ : Philippians 2:9-11

When we always praise the Lord and give thanks, the devil will not dare to linger near us. He would run far away because he could not bear to hear the exalted name of Jesus. When Jesus' name is called and exalted, the name draws the power of God down and destroys every ruler of darkness and breaks every bond. If any of us often lose peace, feel depressed and have no joy, begin to praise and worship the Lord and give thanks. Praise and thanksgiving will also help those who are always in trouble and fall into sin. The power of praise and thanksgiving is miraculous. It is not only to make the devil run away, but also to restore one's soul and spirit. Proverbs 17:22 says, a merry heart does good like medicine. But a broken spirit dries the bones.

I DECLARE: James 4:7 - Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

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WEDNESDAY HEALTHY BODY AND SOUL

I READ Psalm 37: 1-6

It cannot be denied that the heavy burden of life, various problems, uncertain weather, and other various conditions that exist in the environment can make a person become sick, both body and soul. Many people spend large amounts of money to treat diseases, however, Proverbs 17:22 gives us the key to a healthy body and soul, a Happy Heart. Having a happy heart is a decision that must be supported by the right action, which is diligent in giving thanks. When we diligently give thanks, our soul and body will react positively. Every pressure and negative feeling will be lifted. The heart and mind become light and there is a feeling of satisfaction. We will be able to accept this life with gratitude. Every day, We should always be thankful for everything we experience, may it be big or small.

I DECLARE *Psalm 37: 4: - Delight yourself also in the LORD, And He shall give you the desires of your heart.*

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THURSDAY POWER OF ENJOYMENT

I READ Ecclesiastes 5: 17-19

Not everyone who has many good things in life can enjoy life. We see many famous and wealthy people who entertain themselves with liquor, drugs and immoral life trying to make themselves happy. Quite a few ended in suicide or tragic death. In Ecclesiastes, it says that being able to enjoy life with the small and great blessings that God has given, is a gift of God. Whether we get to enjoy this gift or not, depends on the attitude of our heart. If we have a positive attitude and a heart full of thanksgiving, then we will experience the gift of enjoying life. Positive people will be able to win overpressure, problems, and discomfort.

I DECLARE *Psalm 16:11 - You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is a fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

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FRIDAY ABUNDANT BLESSINGS

I READ: 2 Samuel 6:1-5

David was not ashamed to dance for God in front of his people even though his wife thought it was disgraceful and embarrassing. However, God was pleased with David. If God is pleased, blessings flow. It was proven in David's life when God gave him victory after victory in every battle he led. David also enjoyed physical blessings for his own life and the Israelites. When someone worships God sincerely, that person realizes God's greatness, majesty, and sovereignty. Don't worship Him based on how we feel: when we are happy, and everything is good, we worship Him, but we get discouraged to do so when we are facing problems.

I DECLARE: *Isaiah 17:7 - In that day a man will look to his Maker, and his eyes will have respect for the Holy One of Israel.*

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