

## SATURDAY

### TRUST IN THE LORD TO LEAD YOUR LIFE

**I READ:** Exodus 33:14-16

The Bible wrote that Moses was a humble man. His humbleness is more than any person on the earth (Numbers 12:3). If we study Moses's life, we can see how a humble man was able to lead a big nation, the nation of Israel. He was declared as the Pharaoh's son when he was 3 years old. He stayed in Egypt until he was 40 years old, which was when he rescued the Israelites who were tortured by the Egyptians and the last year he lived in Egypt. Moses ran from Egypt and went to Midian. He stayed in Midian for 40 years and became a shepherd until God called him through the burning bushes. Moses tried to avoid his calling but in the end he realized and accepted God's calling, which was to lead the Israelites out of their slavery from the Egyptians. When he turned 80 years old, he went back to Egypt,

but he wasn't the same Moses. He realized that he needed God and he truly realized that without God's presence, he cannot do anything. He would only take the next step forward, which is to lead the nation of Israel out of Egypt to the promised land, only if God's presence is with him. Moses trusted his life and his nation fully to the Lord. In the end, Moses experienced victories and was successful in leading his nation to the promised land.

**I DECLARE:** Psalm 37: 23: The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the Lord, and He delights in his way.

**I DO:** I will ask the Lord to be in all my plans today so that every plan of mine becomes God's own plan.

**I PRAY:** I will pray in unity with my family members so that God will lead our family.

## SUNDAY

### A NEW STRENGTH IN THE MIDST OF HARDSHIP

**I READ:** James 1:3-4

When problems and hardships come into your life, as a believer, you need to be strong in the Lord, look to Him as our protector (Deuteronomy 33:27), and shout to Him and believe that His promised to never leave us is true (Hebrews 13:5). If you rely on Him faithfully, you will give the strength and grace that will be sufficient for you to get through the hard time. David was a worshiper and from he was young, he liked and was very talented in playing the harp. In addition, he was also a strong warrior who was able to defeat the lion and bear who were attacking his sheeps. There wasn't a single day when David didn't worship the Lord because God is the priority in his life. David experienced difficult times in his life when he was chased by Saul and

sometimes he would have thoughts of not having the strength to carry on with his life anymore. But when he was afraid, he always say: "I will trust in You" (Psalm 56:3). He knows that God is the source of his strength and he never let a heavy problem prevent him from worshipping the Lord. Let us be like David.

**I DECLARE:** Isaiah 40:29: He gives power to the weak, and to *those who have* no might He increases strength

**I DO:** I will lift my thanksgiving today for His great work on the cross. If Jesus was able to pass those trials, I can also do it with Him.

**I PRAY:** I will pray and ask for a new strength from the Lord.

# DAILY WORD

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## MONDAY

### SELF WORTH IS NOT THE MOST IMPORTANT

**I READ:** 2 Samuel 6:14-23

King David was someone who greatly loved God in his life, and he placed God above everything. Even in his position as king, he still placed God above all else. When he moved the Ark of the Covenant, he danced as much as he could because of his love for God. He did not care that his position was king because his focus was God's presence in his life. David was looked down upon and mocked by his wife Michal because of what he did for God. For him, self-worth was nothing compared to God's presence in his life. When we place Jesus as the most important in our life, **our focus is no longer ourselves.** Jesus has poured out His blood for us, and we are therefore made

righteous by God in Jesus Christ (2 Cor 5:21). As people who have been made righteous, we no longer need to worry about what other people say about us. Their perception of us is no longer our focus, but instead, God is. David was still someone who was blessed; all parts of his life were blessed. On the other hand, Michal, David's wife, did not experience God's blessings and was even sterile her whole life.

**I DECLARE:** 1 Peter 5: 6: Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.

**I DO:** Today I will repent from my pride. I will put Jesus first in my life and not myself, my work, my position, etc.

**I PRAY:** Starting today, I will pray with my family and put Jesus first in our family.

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## TUESDAY

### MY LIFE IS NO LONGER MY OWN

**I READ:** Galatians 1:11-16; 2:20

After having a personal encounter with the Lord, the Apostle Paul's life changed from being someone who hated Christ to someone who made Christ his all in all. Paul was an apostle who received revelation regarding the grace of the Lord. More specifically, it was revealed to him that someone is not made righteous simply by their works or by fulfilling the law, but through what our Lord Jesus has already done for him or her on the cross (Gal 2:16). Christ has freed us from the curse of the law. Understanding the grace of our Lord Jesus will change the life of a person. With it, we will go through days with a feeling of His love for us. The more we feel and experience His love, the more our lives will be changed, and the more our lives will be focused on Christ's desires within us rather than our own selfish desires. If Christ lives

within us, it is like the picture of a branch that abides in its vine, who is fruitful because the vine (Christ) gives it life and fruit. Put Jesus first in your life, and you will bear much fruit in your life - in your family, your job, your everyday life, as well as in your ministry for the Lord.

**I DECLARE:** Philippians 1:21: "For to me, to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain."

**I DO:** I will pray that the Lord gives me a revelation and even deeper understanding about His grace so that I may place Jesus first in my life.

**I PRAY:** I Will pray for my VIP List, that they may be saved by the Lord and that they may understand the grace of God even more.

## WEDNESDAY

### THE LORD BLESSES DURING TIME OF SLEEP

**I READ:** Psalm 127:1-2

Someone who is tired needs sleep to restore his/her strength that was lost because of work, exercise or even a heavy struggle. We need sleep so that when we wake up, we will be restored again and are able to work again with new strength. But the reality is, it will be difficult for someone to sleep because of feeling too tired or the burden of life is too heavy. Jesus once said: "Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28). Jesus is the key for us to be able to rest/sleep. When Jesus died on the cross, He said: "It is finished." He has borne all the things that are supposed to be suffered by us: sicknesses, fears, mockery,

curses and punishment for our sins. **Our part is** to believe by resting in Christ's finished work on the cross for us and receive all the blessings that have been prepared by faith.

**I DECLARE:** Matthew 11:28: "Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

**I DO:** I believe that Jesus died for my problems, I will not be stressed, but believe that He has borne everything for me. Today, I will only 'rest' in Him.

**I PRAY:** I will pray for my friends who are in the midst of struggles so that the Lord gives them rest.

## THURSDAY

### OUR VICTORY

**I READ:** 1 Corinthians 15: 54a – 58

Our victory is in the Lord Jesus Christ. When we focus on the victory that the Lord Jesus has achieved over His enemies and against death, we will also experience victory. If He has been victorious then those who are with Him will also be victorious. Let us be full of victory; all the victories that the Lord Jesus has done for us in the past, He will also do again in our lives. David was someone who always had great experiences with the Lord because the Lord gave him victory after victory. In his youth, the Lord was with him while he shepherded his father's sheep, He gave him victory in defeating lions and bears. David knew and was sure that the Lord would give Him victory and not defeat. This was the condition of David's heart when he battled Goliath, the giant from Philistine.

This should also be the condition that our hearts are in if we want to experience victory.

**I DECLARE:** Romans 8:37: "Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."

**I DO:** I will direct my eyes only to the Lord's victory and not to my life's problems and burdens.

**I PRAY:** Today I will pray and lift up a song of worship about the Lord's victory, until I feel His presence come into my heart.

## FRIDAY

### PROBLEMS WILL NOT BE A HINDRANCE

**I READ:** Daniel 3:1 – 30

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego entered the fiery furnace because they did not want to worship the statue of King Nebuchadnezzar, but only wanted to worship the Lord God Almighty - who we know as the Lord Jesus Christ. Their faith and love of the Lord is so amazing. At this very moment there are many children of God who are experiencing suffering and problems because of what they are doing for the Lord - getting fired because they refuse to work on Sundays, not receiving promotions because they do not want to change religions, etc. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego's statement shows that the Lord is first in their lives. This was their statement: "Even if the Lord does not deliver us, we will not worship anyone else

besides God." Through this story, we learn that if our focus is only on the Lord Jesus, no matter how big our problems are, **the Lord will take care of it for us**, Hallelujah. Even in the fiery furnace or valley of death - the Lord is with us. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego escaped their problem with glorious victory from the Lord.

**I DECLARE:** Matthew 6:33: But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you

**I DO:** Today I will pray and bring all of my problems to the Lord and make Jesus the focus in my life, so I believe that the Lord will take care of everything for me.

**I PRAY:** Today I will pray with my friends at L.I.G.H.T. for the prayer points given to us.