

This newsletter can stop death in your life.  
Pastor Paul's Newsletter 1-7-22

We are in 2023 now, and the Lord wants us to know that this year will be a year of His miracle power changing people's lives. Jesus said that all things are possible to them that believe; the believers will see God's power this year like never before! We will share more on this subject Sunday at The Christian Center. If you're out of town, tap live link at 10:45am <http://my.itexttoday.net/apps/2323/8833/index.html>

Jesus wants you well and whole - physically, financially, socially, mentally, and spiritually! For us to believe for God's power to bring this to pass, we must study God's revealed written desires called the Bible. Our Father God wrote His desires in the Bible; as we read it, we will know His heart.

Many of us today text each other and share our thoughts and feelings. I want you to think about getting a text from someone you really love. They might text you and say, "if you need anything, let me know; and I will be there for you". I'm sure that that text would create a stronger bond between you and them. Well we should approach the Bible as God sending a special Message to us. Let it build a bond between you and God. I'm going to send some Text Messages from God to you in this Newsletter.

John 15:12-15 KJV This is My commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. [13] Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. [14] Ye are My friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. [15] Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of My Father I have made known unto you.

Notice that God doesn't want a servant-type of relationship with us. He wants a close friendship. He is laying out the ground rules for this friendship to develop. He doesn't want to be friends with people that won't let Him be their leader. He wants us to do what He tells us to do. In these verses He reveals that He wants us to be people that love others. This is a powerful reminder to us that God is love, and He wants to hang out with the lovers. Now as I have meditated on these verses, I have found out something else about my Father God. He wants us free from everything that is a curse in our lives. Let's look at some verses that bear this out.

Matthew 8:14-17; 14:14; 20:29-34 KJV And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, He saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. [15] And He touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them. [16] When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick: [17] That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.

14:14 And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and He healed their sick.

20:29-34 And as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude followed Him. [30] And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by,

cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou Son of David. [31] And the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace: but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou Son of David. [32] And Jesus stood still, and called them, and said, What will ye that I shall do unto you? [33] They say unto Him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened. [34] So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed Him.

God healed all these people, because He loved them. God's nature is to heal and deliver us. I know so many Scriptures that say that faith is what brings healing, and I agree with that. But I also know that we really start to believe by knowing that God loves us. The devil wants us to think that God randomly heals and that you can't trust Him. Satan wants us to think God won't choose us to heal. The more I see my Father God loves me, the more I will know that He will help me and heal me. Let's look at some more Scriptures that prove this.

Mark 1:39-44 KJV And He preached in their synagogues throughout all Galilee, and cast out devils. [40] And there came a leper to Him, beseeching Him, and kneeling down to Him, and saying unto Him, If Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean. [41] And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth His hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean. [42] And as soon as He had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed. [43] And He straitly charged him, and forthwith sent him away; [44] And saith unto him, See thou say nothing to any man: but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing those things which Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

Notice in all of these accounts of Jesus healing people, it's not that they were perfect people that caused them to be healed. Jesus had compassion and love for them, which caused Him to heal them. I'm really convinced that the devil has lied to the Church about God so much that the Church doesn't even know who Jesus is or who Father God is. People have faith that God will punish and hurt them more than that God will save and heal them. I want you to study the next verses, because they really reveal Jesus' love for us and His desire for us to love each other.

Luke 7:40-47,49-50 KJV And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on. [41] There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. [42] And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell Me therefore, which of them will love him most? [43] Simon answered and said, I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most. And He said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged. [44] And He turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest Me no water for My feet: but she hath washed My feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head. [45] Thou gavest Me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss My feet. [46] My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed My feet with ointment. [47] Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little. [49] And they that sat at meat with Him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also? [50] And He said to the woman,

Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

See you tomorrow at The Christian Center. Jesus will be loving us, as we assemble together.

Love You,  
Pastor Paul

#### This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Proverbs 3

Tuesday Proverbs 4

Wednesday Proverbs 5

Thursday Proverbs 6

Friday Proverbs 7

Saturday Proverbs 8

Sunday Proverbs 9

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#### UPCOMING...

\*\* Women's Fellowship: Saturday 9am in the Fellowship Hall

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES at 9:45am

Children — 6 months - 5th grade

Youth — 6th -12th grades

Young Singles/College & Career — 18-26 years of age - Eliav/Kim Nash

#### Adult Classes:

Foundation 1 - Pastor Paul

Foundation 2 - Mike Wiggins

Faith - Mike Whitley

Healing - Lester/Monica Witherspoon

Marriage - Danny/Demetrice Williams

Prayer - Joe Cunningham