

## Thought For The Week...



### Blessings: The Good and The Bad

The story of the rebellious prophet Jonah shows us how God desires to use both blessings and trials to challenge us and change us for the better. Five times in the book of Jonah it says that the Lord prepared circumstances for him—both good and bad.

In Jonah 1:4 we read that the Lord sent a storm. It says He “sent out a great wind on the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea.” After the mariners discovered that Jonah was the reason for this storm, they threw him overboard (1:15). Then God “prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah” to save him from drowning (1:17).

Later in the book we read the “the Lord God prepared a plant” to shade Jonah (4:6). Then we see that God prepared a worm to kill the vine as well as a scorching wind and sun to beat down upon him (4:7-9). These circumstances were used to reveal Jonah’s rebellious attitude. Only after that revelation could God directly confront Jonah’s heart problem.

As we face different situations, we should remember that God is sovereign over both the blessings and the troubles that come our way. He desires to use everything to build our character (James 1:1-5). He uses both good and bad to transform us and guide us on our journey.

*The Maker of the universe  
Knows every need of man,  
And made provision for that need  
According to His plan. -Crane*

**The Lord gives and takes away. Blessed be the Lord.**

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This week take time to Pray, but **Do Not Ask for Anything – Only Give Thanks** in your prayer. God will melt your heart and you will realize how Blessed you are! Try It!

**TUNE IN FOR GREAT GOSPEL MUSIC**

**KJIC 90.5 FM**

**KING JESUS IS COMING!**

# We Need More... Prayer Practice



Tues night 7:30 pm  
**Make it a HABIT too hard to break!**

**NEW**

### Bible Study on Tabernacle

Correction: Bro. **Darrell Boone** is the teacher for the new Bible Study on Monday nights at 7:30 on the **Tabernacle**. This is an awesome study and a lot have already commented on the excellent study! Come join in, learn and be blessed!

### **HARVEST IS COMING!**



*Harvest of Souls!!*

Don't miss this Wednesday night for the continuous teaching on Altar Working!!! (This includes everyone!) Bro. Custer has been burdened and felt the need to teach this— It has already proven effective...last Sunday! It is preparing us for the ENDTIME Harvest Of Souls. Prepare yourself Revival is Coming here!

### Ladies LUV 2014 Conference Information

I know this is Very Early, BUT due to the fact the conference has grown so much they have moved registration up a whole month. Registration BEGINS next Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup>. The conference is February 27-28 at the Embassy Suites in San Marcos. The special speakers will be Sis. Mickey Mangun, Madonna Massey and Lia Matthews. Registration is \$50. This will include an audio/video of all services and only Full Registration will receive a goodie welcome bag! Make your plans NOW- Ladies- you DON'T WANT TO MISS this – If you haven't ever been-**GO! You will be Blessed.**

## Thanksgiving Dinner TODAY



Today there will only be one service at 10AM. Following this service join with us for our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner in the fellowship Hall. There will not be a 1PM Spanish service or evening service. Count your blessing- they are many! To our visitors **Thank You for joining with us in “Thanks Giving”! Be Blessed!**

# ***NO Birthdays and Anniversary's***

## *Week of November 24-30*

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### **Assurance In God's Word** by Gwyn Oakes, Ladies Ministries President

Many times when we face opposition or trials in life we tend to weaken under the pressure. However, God has given us assurance through His written Word that He is with us.

When I first became a Christian, it seemed new challenges or obstacles loomed before me every day. It was then that I began to diligently search the Word of God to find answers for not only my problems, but also how to live an overcoming life. The following verses became my strength and my lifelong favorite passage! Read and claim these powerful words for yourself.

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:35-39).

Notice that an entire category of troubles and sorrows are not ignored so that we can be assured of the love and mercy of God in all situations. I think often of an old hymn that says, "On Christ, the solid Rock I stand; all other ground is sinking sand." No one can give us a personal promise like our Lord can!

We all experience hardship, and trials can shake us unless we cling to truth. Let me share three assurances to remember when troublesome circumstances arise.

First, God will always meet our needs. This doesn't mean He provides everything we want. Instead, the Lord will bless us with all that is necessary to fulfill His purpose for our lives. His goal is to sanctify us, not simply to satisfy each immediate desire. Second, we're never alone. God promised to be with us always (Hebrews 13:5). There may be times when we feel deserted or opposed by family and friends. God gave us a very special promise in John 14:18, "I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you." He is all we need - our Guide and our Comforter. Recognizing His presence gives us confidence in the midst of trials. Third, God's love is everlasting and His mercies are new every morning. He is the King of kings and the Lord of lords (I Timothy 6:15b). He knows the end from the beginning.

Read and claim this special promise in I Corinthians 10:13, "There hath no temptation [nor obstacle] taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him" (Lam. 3:22-24).

On Christ the solid Rock I stand!

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To Worship With Us!***