



The Voice of Hope

The Springs of Hope Christian Ministries
Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you. Zech 9:12

REVELATIONAL INSIGHT

A few years ago, university psychologists conducted a research project on gratitude and thanksgiving. They divided participants into three groups. People in the first group practiced daily exercises like writing in a gratitude journal. They reported higher levels of alertness, determination, optimism, energy, and less depression and stress than the control group. Unsurprisingly, they were also a lot happier than the participants who were told to keep an account of all the bad things that happened each day. One of the psychologists concluded that though a practice of gratitude is a key to most religions, its benefits extend to the general population, regardless of faith or no faith. He suggested that anyone can increase his sense of well-being just from counting his blessings.

TESTIMONY

A dear Sister testified of God's faithfulness over the life of her son. A few days to her son's birthday, the adversary made an attempt over the life of this young man but GOD did not give him as a prey to the teeth of the enemy and the God of hope who promised that there will be no untimely death in our midst, averted the evil intention of the devil. We the household of faith are grateful to God for His timely intervention and for the gift of life!

Worship Hours

House of Judah

Sunday Worship - 10AM
Wednesday Bible Study - 7PM
Friday Hour of Victory - 7PM

Church Mission Statement

- To build a multiethnic Christian Church with a passion for Jesus Christ and compassion for the world.

Church Core Values

- Reaching out with the message of Power, Hope & Glory.

Church Vision

- To proclaim Jesus Christ as the hope of the world through evangelism, worship, preaching, teaching, and humanitarian services to the people of all races and colors.

- To train and ordain God's people for the manifold ministries of Jesus Christ worldwide.

- To raise altars of prayer for God in every member household.

- To establish schools, hospitals, medical centers, and orphanage at home and abroad.

- To plant churches home and abroad for the purpose of making disciples of all nations.

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STATEMENT OF FAITH

That the Holy Bible is divinely inspired by God, and is infallible, trustworthy and dependable, and authoritative in all matters of faith and conduct.

That there is only one God, who is eternally existed in three distinctives: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

That Jesus Christ our Lord is God manifested in the human flesh to take away our sins and hopelessness by his voluntary suffering, death and physical resurrection.

That salvation of all humanity is only through the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is our only Hope in the world of hopelessness.

That the Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Christ to live a holy life, to witness about Christ to the lost and to be anointed to be victorious in every sphere of life.

That the church is made up of those who have genuinely accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

That healing of various kinds is integral part of the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. Water baptism and the Lords Supper are authentic ordinances of the church.

That there is Satan and its demonic co-workers, whose work is to thwart and frustrate the purpose of God on earth, but their final end is the hell fire.

That there shall be a bodily resurrection of the dead in Christ to heaven, and of the unrepentant sinners to hell fire.

That there will be visible imminent return of Jesus Christ to take home true believers in God.

November 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

Last Fridays Night Prayer
Vigil of Power and Hope
(11pm-2am)

THANKSGIVING SERVICE BY 10AM
November 22nd

Pastor 's Corner

I gratefully welcome you into the month of November, which is our month of Divine gratitude and praise. The word of God declares that it is good and wholesome to give thanks unto God regardless of what is happening around us (Psalm 92: 1). Fundamentally, no other aspect of prayer is more crucial than praise and thanksgiving. The heart of thanksgiving should be an attitude for all seasons: either in the good, great, hard and rough times. God is always in control, and He is able to make beauty out of our ashes as long as He is worshipped with a heart of gratitude amid the challenges of life. I pray for you to get rid of every spirit of bitterness, complaint and murmuring so as to access the throne of praise and thanksgiving today. Amen.

THE HEART OF A RADICAL GRATITUDE INTRODUCTION

Amazingly, the Bible is full of the stories of the people of faith who dared to give praise and honor to God amid most challenging situations in their lives. I have discovered two kinds of people in the kingdom; there are those who only give the "natural praise" to God when they received their miracles, and the others are those who offer the "supernatural praise" to God in advance of their breakthroughs. I would like you to be among the "supernatural praisers" who dare to call the devil's bluff off by lavishing God with thanks and praises in spite what they are going through since they already knew that they must go through before they breakthrough. At this juncture, let me show you a few examples of the "supernatural praisers" in the Scriptures:

MONTHLY PROPHETIC PRAYER POWER-POINTS:

1. Today I give thanks to the Lord for He is in my life (Psalm 97: 12; 100: 3-4; 105: 1-3)

2. In the Name of Jesus Christ I thank God today for all His mercies and loving-kindness over my life (Psalm 107: 8, 15, 21, 31)

3. Today I give the adoration to God for His wonderful salvation plan through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (Luke 3: 38; 2 Cor. 9: 15; Hebrews 12: 28)

4. In the Name of Jesus Christ I praise God for all wonderful provisions for my life and family (Mark 14: 22; Acts 27: 35)

5. Today I thank God for watching over His wonderful promises over my life and family (Psalm 116: 12-19)

6. In the Name of Jesus Christ I praise God for the grace and covenant of God over all the families and friends of Springs of Hope worldwide (Ephesians 1: 16; Philippians 1: 3; 2 Thessalonians 1: 3)

7. Today I thank God for keeping me alive and well against all the odds (Psalm 150; Isaiah 38: 18-19).

CONCLUSION

Notably, an unthankful spirit is in the category of some of the worst sins in the Bible (Luke 6: 35; 2 Timothy 3: 2)

NOVEMBER MONTH OF DIVINE GRATITUDE & PRAISE

Prophetic Focus

"I Will Bless The Lord At All Times; His Praise Shall Continually Be In My Mouth."
- Psalm 34: 1

1. VICTORY PRAISE AT THE WALL OF JERICO

"So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city." (Joshua 6: 20)

After leaving the land of Egypt the Israelites must pass through the city of Jericho before entering the Promised Land. But there were two barriers to overcome before actualizing their dream of crossing over. First, they just left the place of Gilgal where they were all coming from with the physical pains of circumcisions (Joshua 5: 2-9). Second, there were strong walls of Jericho to subdue in



order to crossover (Joshua 6: 1-5). Interestingly, God gave them an unusual instruction. They had to shout a shout of victory around the city wall for seven days instead of using any physical force. I do not even think they had any physical power left due to the pains of circumcisions. Anyway, they obeyed God and on the seventh day the strong wall fell down flat due to their shouts of praises (Joshua 6: 16-20). Similarly, you too may be faced with some walls of impossibilities and problems. Are you in any pain now? Please do not allow your pain to disturb you from praising the Lord today.

For as you give God a shout of praise, I can see those walls coming down now in the Name of Jesus Christ.

2. PRAISE AND WORSHIP IN THE DESERT

"But now bring me a minstrel-worship musician. And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the hand of the Lord came upon him-Elisha. And he said, Thus says the Lord, make this valley full of ditches-water canals." (2 Kings 3: 15-16)

The story in this passage is very interesting. It actually shows that a heart of praise and thanksgiving can overcome any problem at any place. The heart of the matter is not where you are but is about whose you are. In the passage the Israelites faced three nations in battles at the wilderness where every animal and soldier was dying for the lack of water. The man of God Elisha was called upon and as he called for a praise service in the desert the Lord filled the dry place supernaturally with water enough to bring victory to His people (2 Kings 3: 17-27). Do you also feel you are fighting your battles of life from a desert of wilderness where there is no help? Is everything dry around you? I am confident that if you can turn your desert to praise zone your God will show up to turn the table against your enemies. Yes, the water of refreshments will flow out of your desert situation today.

3. SONGS OF PRAISE AS WEAPONS OF WARFARE

"And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the Lord, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the Lord; for His mercy endures forever. And when they began to sing and praise the Lord, the Lord set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab and mount Seir, which were coming against Judah, and they were smitten-defeated." (2 Chronicles 20: 21-22)

This is another fascinating story of the efficacy of thanksgiving. God instructed the godly king Jehoshaphat to assemble the anointed choir to praise-fight the enemies. This was an unconventional manner of engaging in a warfare. Why not use the military might? Since God knows the best, and anyway His foolishness is better than the

wisdom of mankind. But the enemies turned against themselves as the heavenly hosts were released to fight for the people of God. Are you also overwhelmed by any battle now? Please do not be battle fatigued.

As you sing and shout unto the Lord today all your enemies will turn against each other for total destruction.

4. THE POWER OF PRAISE AT THE MIDNIGHT HOUR

And at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them. And suddenly there was a great earthquake so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed." (Acts 16: 25-26)

This is another powerful story of the need for thanksgiving amid the challenges of life. Yes, it possible to rejoice even at the zero hour since you know by God's grace what the end of the story will be to the glory of God and to the shame of the devil and his co-workers. Apostle Paul and his colleague turned the prison cell into a praise arena, and the angel of God invaded the place to bring about a ground shaken liberation to the people of God. Do you also feel imprisoned by sinful addictions, demonic oppression and stagnations? Or you may be going through your midnight hour when nothing seems to be working. The midnight hour is when you feel alone, discouraged and let down. But you must do what Paul and his friend did to get their amazing result. I can see your prison door open wide as you give God the highest praise for His grace and mercies right now. Yes, God is still on the throne and He will never allow His Holy Name to be ridiculed forever. Now arise and shout a big shout of praise unto your heavenly Father today. Amen.



2018 WATCHWORD GOD'S YEAR FOR OUR AGAPE LOVE!

"BELOVED, IF GOD SO LOVED US, WE ALSO OUGHT TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER."

1 JOHN 4:11

SHALOM