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Deuteronomy 4:29 <u>But if from there you seek the Lord your God, you will find Him if you look for Him with all your heart and with all your soul.</u>

JESUS POWER

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I have been inspired this month, to talk about the power of Jesus in our lives. There is so much to talk about, I don't even know where to start.

Let's start with, what does it mean to have Jesus living within us. At first, it was a little uncomfortable for me, coming from a sort of rough street type back ground. At first, when the Spirit of the Lord starts knocking at your door, you sort of try to avoid any direct connections, for fear of what your friends and family might say. When I reflect back on the way I use to perceive things about life in general back then, I am so amazed at the different way I now look at things today, thanks to the Lord. Everything about life back in those days that I used to think were right, were actually wrong in the eyes of God. I use to look at things with worldly eyes, not spiritual eyes. The real trouble with worldly eyes is, they tell lies about the truth of the Lord. The secular world that we live in today, is the same ungodly world it's been since the beginning of time after the fall of man. The world will always go out of it's way, to discredit the power of the Lord, Jesus Christ. I believe fully, that the devil uses what ever lie he can muster up, to bring you spirit down to take away the hope of your eternal glory in Christ Jesus. When the Lord dwells inside of us, we can see so clearly what Satin is doing to this world. He is destroying souls by the millions every where. The sad part of the story is the fact that, people living in spiritual darkness, don't even have a clue what's being done to their soul. They are exchanging temporary fleshly pleasures, in exchange for permanent eternal joy and peace, with the Lord. In my last five years of ministry, I have seen the power of the Lord work not only in my own life, but in the lives of others around me. I would not continue being a steward for the word of God, unless the Lord was showing me the way.

I have always been very analytical about all the unforeseen and mysteries of life. Being analytical, makes you very skeptical about different things concerning life. When people try and tell me this is this, and that is that about something, I always try to analyze it first, before I would except it as real.

Through the majority of my life, believing in the existence of the Lord was very hard not only to believe, but very confusing to understand?

The hardest thing back then for me to understand, was all the different religions out there. Every religion out there, believes in their god, and only their god.

We live in such a hateful and divided world because of all this religious separation, it's no wonder, why Satin is having such a field day destroying souls.

In my own religion, being a Christian was very hard for me to understand? Between all the divided religious denominations, all the bad church doctrines, and all the false prophets, that in itself, was enough to turn me off.

That coupled with the fact of all the sexual abuse and homosexually among the different priests and ministers out there, was the final straw for me.

After all this religious deception in my life, I finally separated myself from having anything to do with religion and God.

At that point, I decided that there was nothing for me to believe in, so I just went with the flow. This unbelief went on for more then fifteen years of my life, until one day, the Lord drew me near to Him through a tragic heart break, the death of my son.

I did not know it back then what the Lord was trying to teach me through this tragedy, but through years of Spiritual growth in Him, I fully understand it now. You see, the power of Jesus through that fatal tragedy, has saved my sinful soul. Without His daily grace, love, and mercy for me, I would have never been able to make it alone. He has been, my way, my truth and my life as the Bible teaches us.

<u>The Power of Jesus</u>, is alive and well with numerous examples, all through the Bible. There are so many examples of His power, every where you look in the Bible, there it is. When we finally learn about the real truth and purpose for life, only then will we fully understand that it all stems back to Christ Jesus.

The Lord says in Psalms 119:130 <u>The unfolding of Your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.</u> Also in Psalms 119:105 God says <u>Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.</u>

The Power of Jesus is all around us to see, every where you look and turn, there it is. It's in the sky, it's in the sun, it's in the moon, it's in the stars, it's in the planets, it's in the weather, it's in the earthquakes, it's in the mountains, it's in the oceans and rivers, it's in all of God's creations from man to every living creature, species, organisms etc. There is absolutely no denying not only the existence of the Lord, but also His Almighty infinite power. Power that can move mountains if needed. Power to heal the sick, the lame, and the broken hearted lost soul. The power to transform darkness into light. The power to create life after death. The power of eternity for you and me.

Not only does Jesus have all the power, He also is our only source of spiritual fulfillment, when our souls hunger and thirst. In John 6:35 God says: <u>Then Jesus</u> <u>declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me will never go hungry, and he who believes in Me will never be thirsty."</u>

So my brothers and sisters in the Lord, when you feel tired, when you feel pain, when you feel heartaches, when you feel sadness, when you feel lost, when you feel scared and uncertain, just reach out for <u>The Power of Jesus</u>. The only thing that can stop us from the power of the Lord Jesus Christ, is by not reaching out for His eternal power. As far as I can see it, there is no way to not receive His power. If we only believe!

JUNES EDITION OF HOPE FOR LIVING

A Solid Foundation By Billy Graham

2 Samuel 22:2 The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer

My children used to sing a song in Sunday school classes: "The wiseman built his house upon the rock......" The wise man does built his house upon the rock—the Lord Jesus Christ and His Word—for nothing built of or on any other substance will stand the test of time.

In big cities I often see wrecking balls destroying old structures to make way for new ones. Some of these "old structures" in America are less than a hundred years old. In Europe, buildings several centuries old are common. But even these buildings will eventually be destroyed, buy a natural disaster if not by man.

Only what is built on the solid foundation of Christ will last. Jesus said, "Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. (Matthew 7:24 NIV). Are you listening to God's Word and putting it into practice every day?

SPECIAL PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE SICK AND THE LOST SOULS

Eddie Hillman------Candice Kiana------Joe Hinley------Al Wilson
Frank Sarnese-------Carl Wiener------Janet Neil------Janet Litiski
Mrs Arena------Jerry Owens-------Vince Philipelli-----John Aquilino
Robin Weiss-------Carly Napolliello-------Jennifer Smits----John Corzine

Also special prayers at this time, for all the sick, the hungry, the homeless, the helpless, the hopeless, the persecuted, the broken hearted, and all the lost soul wherever. A special prayer for the Lord's guidance for all the leaders of this country. May they stop fighting among each other and unite for the good of our Country and not for their own political agenda's.

A special prayer for all the terrorist around the world who live daily with hatred for their fellow man. May they find the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ before it's too late.

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Until next months inspired message try and remember, without the Power of Jesus, we are all lost sheep awaiting the devils slaughter house!