

THE SPIRITUAL CONNECTION



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John 5:24 [“I tell you the truth, whoever hears My word and believes Him who sent Me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life”](#)

A KINGDOM OF PRIEST
By Evangelist Dennis A. Palma

Heavenly Father, may we give You thanks, praise, and bless You Lord, for always being there to rescue us from the hands of the evil one. Dear Lord, help us to always remember what Your Son Jesus did for all of us sinners. Father, help us stay focused on Your will, and not the will of this world. Lord, have mercy on us for our sinful ways. Heavenly Father, give us the grace to rise above this dark and evil world. Lord, please help us all to be better Christians. Father I ask this prayer in Jesus name..... Amen.

My brothers and sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ, may we all take this time to understand and reflect on this important message. This message has to do with Christianity and the New Testament. It also has to do with the big question that most people struggle with, and that is why is there so much dissension and disarray in the Christian religion? Also, why is the Christian religion so misunderstood, confusing and self destructive to the word of the Lord? The heart and soul of Christianity from the beginning of the New Testament till now, has to do with Christ Jesus only! According to the New Testament, nothing should take the place of Jesus, who is the Savior of the world. In John 14:5-6 Thomas said to Him," Lord, we don't know where You are going so how can we know the way? Jesus answered, **"I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."** According to this scripture, Jesus did not waver on what He said. There is no alternatives or substitutes mentioned to take His place. In fact in the entire Bible, there is nobody mentioned, that could save us, but Jesus. Also, today there is no other intercessor to the Father, but Jesus! According to the New Testament as it is written, any other intercessor to God the Father instead of Jesus, is actually a sacrilege. So why are there so many different prayer intercessors that a lot of Christians pray to instead of Jesus directly? The reason I believe why there is so much disrespect to the word of God, is due to Bible illiteracy!

Bible illiteracy is one of the key stumbling blocks that the devil uses to confuse and distort the word of God. You see, if we rely solely on the heads of our church without daily Bible study, we could be leaving our spiritual salvation in the hands of irresponsible people. Just about every church has its share of self righteous and controlling people. It seems like some religions are in it for the money and the power that comes from control. Instead of a Christ centered church, some are run more like governments!

When we risk our eternal salvation to any other person other than Jesus, we are heading for spiritual destruction. There are so many false teachers and false doctrines throughout the entire religious system, it kind of makes me a little sick to my stomach. Just like the Pharisees and the Sadducees and all the false prophets from the Old Testament. They would rather demand a sign from heaven, then except Jesus as the Messiah that He truly was. As for the false prophets, they have been polluting the word of God since the beginning of time. In fact, Satan is the original false prophet. The devil and his fallen angels have been corrupting mankind throughout the ages. They seem to infiltrate people's minds, using doubt as their starting tool just like Satan did to Eve. In the Bible, Jesus tells all of us to be prepared to be deceived.

To penetrate the disguises of false teachers we can ask: (1) Have their predictions come true, or do they have to revise them to fit what's already happened? (2) Does any teaching utilize a small section of the Bible to the neglect of the whole? (3) Does the teaching contradict what the Bible says about God's will? (4) Are the practices meant to glorify the teacher or Christ? (5) Do the teachers promote hostility towards other Christians? (6) Does your church encourage daily Bible study? There is a peaceful freedom from the bondage of self-serving religions, when we understand the true word of God. If we understand the word of the Lord, then we will not fall prey to false doctrines, false teachers, and false religions.

There is good news to all Christians who have passed from darkness to light.

In 1 Peter 2:9-10 it is written: **But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.**

In the Bible, God speaks of the priesthood of all believers. "In Old Testament times, people did not approach God directly. A priest acted as intermediary between God and sinful human beings. With Christ's victory on the cross, that pattern changed. Now we can all come boldly and directly into God's presence without fear. Also, we are given the responsibility of bringing others to Him. Furthermore, when we are united in Christ as members of His body, we join in His priestly work of reconciling God and Man! Back in the Old Testament living under God's law, the temple of personal sanctification had three main parts- the courts, the Holy Place (where only the priests could enter), and the Most Holy Place, (where only the high priest could enter, once a year to atone for the sins of the nation—**Leviticus 16:1-35**). The curtain separating the Holy Place from the Most Holy Place was torn in two at Christ's death, symbolizing that the barrier between God and humanity was removed. Now all people are free to

approach God because of Christ sacrifice for our sins. ([See Hebrews 9:1-14;10: 19-22](#)) **Have you been set free from the bondage of the law?**

So my brothers and sisters, at this time, I am going to leave you with a few thoughts. We have to all ask ourselves some questions about being a true Christian? (1) Do we believe that the Holy Bible is the one and only, inspired word of God? (2) Do we believe that God's Son Jesus came to earth in the flesh, to suffer and to die for our sins? (3) Do we believe that on the third day after His death, Jesus rose from the dead and is now seated at the right hand of the Father in Heaven?

If you answered yes to those 3 questions, then we need to ask ourselves, if I truly believe in all these things, then why am I not going directly to Jesus with all my prayers and petitions as the Father clearly commands. It's fine to ask other believers to pray directly to Jesus with you for your petitions, but when so called believers have to pray first to someone other than Jesus first and last, according to the Bible, it is disrespectful to Jesus and a sin!

Also, if we continue to pray through anyone other than going directly to Jesus, then we are still in chains and bondage to the Old Testament's Law!!! A last closing thought! Anybody who needs any other prayer intercessor other than Jesus, is like a car transmission when it is stuck in drive, it doesn't have a chance to move forward until the gear is freed from whatever is causing the obstruction!!!!!!!!



JESUS CALLING

By Sarah Young

MAKE ME YOUR FOCAL POINT as you move through this day. Just as a spinning ballerina must keep returning her eye to a given point to maintain her balance, so you must keep returning your focus to me.

Circumstances are flux, and the world seems to be whirling around you.

The only way to keep your balance is to **fix your eyes on Me**, the One who never changes. If you gaze too long at your circumstances, you will become dizzy and confused. Look to Me refreshing yourself in My Presence, and your steps will be steady and sure!

PROVERBIAL SCRIPTURES FOR DAILY LIVING

Proverbs 14:6 **He who oppresses the poor shows contempt fo their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.**

Proverbs 15:3 **The eyes of the lord are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good.**

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ALSO A PRAYER FOR: The sick, the poor, the homeless, the helpless, the weary souls, the lost souls, the hungry souls, the broken hearted souls, the poor in spirit, the persecuted, the hatred, the violence, the wars, the corruption, the world economy, and for all the natural disasters around the world. a prayer for our Government.

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Until next months inspired message with God’s help, MAY THE LORD RICHLY BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY!