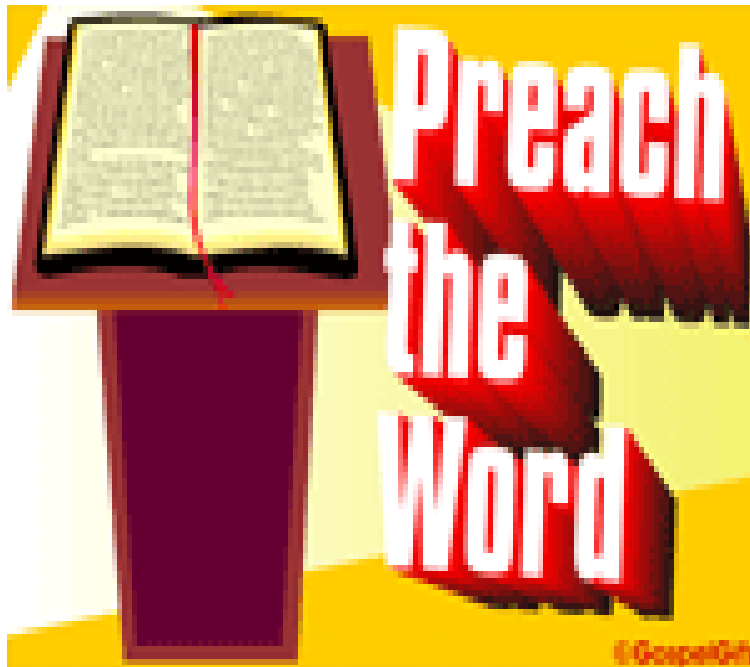


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THE DIVINE WORD OF THE LORD

By Evangelist Dennis A. Palma

Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit, we thank You, praise You and bless You Lord, for this month's inspired Words of Wisdom. Lord, may we open our minds and hearts to receive Your Divine message. Father, may we never stop searching for Your Truth. Lord, may Your Truth set us free, from the bondage of sin in this fleshly world we live. Lord Jesus, please help us to stay strong in our Christian beliefs, and boldly spread Your Words of Your Truth and Wisdom. Father, please give us the strength and guidance to run the race set before us. Lord Jesus may Your Holy Spirit direct us and point us to Your Divine Light of eternal salvation. Almighty Father, I ask this prayer, in the name of Christ Jesus. Hallelujah, Hallelujah....Amen!

The Holy Spirit this month has put on my heart to talk about the Divine Word of the Lord. The Divine Word of the Lord is something we all need to embrace, to overcome all the hatred in the world. For the most part, most people today are ashamed of the Word of God. Romans 1:16 tells us that we should not be ashamed of the gospel because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes. I have some news for those who say I believe in God, but don't know much about God's Word. Knowing that God exist is not enough. We must first know that God is all loving. We must try and understand what God did to demonstrate His Love for us. Also, we must try to understand how to accept God's forgiveness for our sins.

As Christians we have a spiritual and moral obligation to spread the Word of the Lord to all nonbelievers in Christ. In **Revelation 1:3** it is written;

Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.

When we say that we believe in God but don't want anything to do with the gospel of Jesus Christ, we are only fooling ourselves, not God! For God already knows who truly believes in Him. As Christians, we have both a privilege and a great responsibility to be morally and spiritually responsible for our actions. One of those responsibilities would be to be, proud of the Gospel of Christ and not ashamed. Even in suffering, we should never be ashamed of the Gospel of Christ Jesus. In **1 Peter 4:16** it is written;

However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name.

When it comes to the God's Word in general, in **Hebrews 4:12** it is written; **For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.** My brothers and sisters try to always remember that the word of God is simply not a collection of words from God, or a vehicle for communicating ideas; it is living, life changing, and dynamic, as it works in us. With the incisiveness of a surgeon's knife, God's Word, reveal who we are and what we are not. It penetrates the core of our moral and spiritual life. Also, the Word of God discerns exactly what is within us, both good and evil. The demands of God's Word, requires decisions. We must not only listen to the Word; we must also let it shape our lives. Nothing can be hidden from God. He knows about everyone, everywhere, and everything about us is wide open to His all seeing eyes. God sees all we do and knows all we think. Even when we are unaware of His Presence, He is there. When we try and hide from Him, He sees us. We can have no secrets from God. On the other side of the coin, it is comforting to realize that although God knows us intimately, He still loves us. Knowing Christ personally, I believe in my heart, is the greatest wisdom that anyone could ever have! Unfortunately, the Good News of Jesus Christ still sounds foolish to many who are living in sin and darkness. Our society worships power, influence, and wealth. So sad! Jesus came as a humble, poor servant, and He offers His Kingdom to those who have faith. Jesus Christ alone is our power and the only way we can be saved! God also tells us in **2 Peter 1:19**; **And we have heard the words of the prophets made more certain, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as a shining light in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.** Christ is our "Morning Star," and when He returns, He will shine in His full glory. Until that day, we have Scripture as our guiding Light. Also we have the Holy Spirit, to illuminate the Scripture for us, and to guide us as we seek the Truth! Whenever we feel down and broken from living in this fallen world, try to remember that God will deliver us from our fears, save us out of our troubles, guard us and deliver us from evil, show us His goodness, and supply all our needs. Also, He listens when we talk to Him and redeems us from our sins. We can appropriate His blessing when we cry out to Him. However we must trust Him, fear Him, refrain from lying, and turn from all evil. Furthermore we must, do good, seek peace, be humble and serve Him always!!!

So my brothers and sisters in the Lord Christ Jesus, now is the time to seize the moment. May we take this month's inspired message and use it as a reminder of our obligation to openly proclaim the living Word of the Lord. Also, instead of being ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, let's boldly spread the good news of the Lord, in a loving manor to all our brothers and sisters living in darkness. Let's not let the darkness of society, dictate our eternal future. With respect for our present and eternal future, there is only two roads to choose from. We can repent of our sins and spend the rest of our lives praising and acknowledging Jesus as our Savior and Lord, or we can continue to be ashamed of the Word of the Lord, and spend our eternal life forever, in darkness, punishment, and shame!

Let us pray: Almighty Father, Lord Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, may we never be ashamed to spread Your Words of Love, Grace and Mercy to all unbelievers. Lord, may we never forget the sacrifice Your Son Lord Jesus did for us sinners. Father, may we give You thanks and praise continually, for all the daily blessings that You bestow upon us and our families. Lord, please continue to guide and direct us with Your Holy Spirit through this darkness. Father may Your Eternal guiding Light, continue to fill us up with an unwavering hope for eternity. Lord, I ask this in Jesus name.....Amen.

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Jesus Calling
By Sarah Young

COME TO ME with empty hands and an open heart, ready to receive abundant blessings. I know the depth and breadth of your neediness. Your life-path has been difficult, draining you of your strength. Come to Me for nurture and let Me fill you up with My Presence: I in you and you in Me. My Power flows freely into weak ones aware of their need for Me. Faltering steps of dependence are not a lack of faith; they are links to My Presence.

John 17:20-23 Isaiah 40:29-31

GOD'S WISDOM FOR MAY 2013

Psalm 119:105: Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for My Path.

To walk safely in the woods at night we need a light so we don't trip over tree roots or fall into holes etc. In this world we walk in a dark forest of evil. But the Bible can be our Light to show us the way ahead so we won't stumble as we walk. It reveals the entangling roots of false values and philosophies. Study the Bible so that you will be able to see your way clear enough to stay on the right path!

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THE MINISTRY'S DAILY PRAYER LIST

Please join hands with this ministry and pray for; Sandy Tisi, Joe Magee, Terri Chando, Bernice Gibb, Denise Lathrop and family, Scott Saline, John Aquilino, Allen Saline, Joe Lakes, Ira Jones, Dennis Wilkinson, Patty Palma, Joy Valeri, Al Wilson and family, Anne Palma and family, Jonathan Baker and family, Sal Taloma, Ed Young, Anne Marie Hess, Christine Palma, Mary Perrentozzi, Bill Schlupp, Janelle Owens, Theresa Wade and family.

Also, let us pray for the United States of America, that one day, we will repent of our sins and come back to being one nation under God again!

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Spread the word. As the Bible teaches us to spread the Good News, of Christ Jesus, it also tells us of God's blessings for those who do. The best testimony we can do for Christ, is to promote joyfully His Words of Truth and Eternal Life, wherever and however the opportunity arises. So my brothers and sisters, if you are being feed spiritually by this ministry, please forward these monthly journals wherever or whenever you can in the name of our Savior, Lord Jesus ChristAmen.

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For any previous journals you might have missed, or study tools, inspirational videos, etc. go to; www.makethespiritualconnection.com From the Spiritual Connection to you and your family, may the Good Lord richly bless you and your family! I ask this in Jesus name...Amen.

