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JEREMIAH 12:1-5

WHEN TROUBLES COME

Filled with frustration, Jeremiah brought a long list of complaints on how he tried his best to warn God's people to turn back to God but nobody paid attention. God gave an illustration that if Jeremiah was defeated in a race with men, he would not be able to compete against horses. God was implying that Jeremiah was going to face even greater challenges in the future. God was preparing Jeremiah to be ready and strong to face the future.

Just like Jeremiah, we can always come to God and bring our struggles, our burden and our anxiety to Him. God will always answer our prayers. Ultimately, He wants His children to be strong in Him. God is training us in this life so that we can grow stronger in faith and He is teaching us to become wiser.

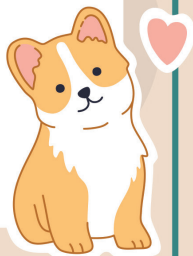
Let us daily come to God in prayer.

Key verse:

*1 Peter 5:7
Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you.*

Prayer

Dear God, I walk my days by faith and not by sight. All my troubles are nothing compared to Your power and love. Amen.





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JEREMIAH 13:20-23

CAN A LEOPARD CHANGE HIS SPOTS?

Have you ever heard this idiom, “A leopard cannot change its spots”? It means people cannot change their basic personalities, habits, etc. This is how God described the Israelites during Jeremiah’s times. No matter how many times God called, reminded and helped them, the people never changed their tendency of ignoring God’s commands.

How about us? There might be some bad habits or characters that we have to change. We have been trying really hard to change, but we can’t.

Remember, nothing is too hard for God. Come to God humbly and ask Him to guide and lead you to break the bad habits and characters. It takes the power of Christ to change us and to renew us to do God’s will, instead of following the fleshly desires.

Key verse:

*1 John 2:17
And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.*

Prayer

Dear God, thank You for Your forgiveness. Thank You for the hope You’ve given that nothing is impossible in You. Thank You for Your power to change me. Amen.





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JEREMIAH 16:16-20

NOTHING IS HIDDEN FROM GOD

According to the dictionary, to hide means to put out of sight, to keep secret or to screen from view. Each of us may have a moment when we tried to hide something from others. Also, someone might have ever tried to hide something from us.

We may be able to hide something from others but nothing is hidden from God. Yes, God is big! In fact, He's so big and so great that He knows every single thing about us! We do not know our future but God does. We do not understand ourselves, sometimes, but God always does.

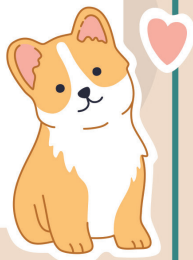
When we try to hide our sin, God knows it but He still loves us! He is waiting for us to come to Him in confession and He wants to cleanse us from that sin.

Key verse:

*Jeremiah 16:17
My eyes are on
all their ways;
they are not
hidden from Me,
nor is their sin
concealed from
My eyes.*

Prayer

*Dear God, You
know my heart
and there is
nothing I can hide
from You. Restore
my heart so
that I can enjoy
the wonderful
salvation fully
from You.
Amen.*





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JEREMIAH 17:5-9

DEEPLY ROOTED IN GOD

Jeremiah shows us that there are always two ways in handling a situation, especially the bad ones. It is either by trusting in our own strength and ability OR by trusting God.

Jeremiah describes that people who put their trust in God are like trees planted by the water. These trees are not disturbed by heat waves or drought because they are deeply rooted by the river. God is the river of life and the trees planted by the river are God's faithful people who are rooted in God's eternal life.

On the contrary, people who trust in their own strength are like bushes that live in the desert. They have no hope for survival for the long term as their roots are not deep enough.

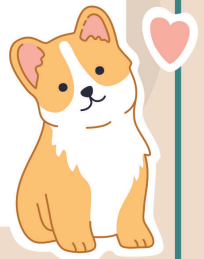
In summary, people who trust God are happy people in every situation because they have God's eternal hope and strength. People who trust in their own strength have limited survival kits to survive thus they easily give up when they run out of strength.

Key verse:

*Jeremiah 17:7
But blessed is
the one who
trusts in the
Lord, whose
confidence is in
Him.*

Prayer

*Dear God, let me
be deeply rooted
in Your words so
that no matter
how hard the
situation I am
going to face, I
will remain strong
in You. Amen.*





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JEREMIAH 19

MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION, PLEASE?

Some teachers play a video to get the students' attention during the lesson. Some others use props. Some might use a wireless microphone so that when they speak, the students will listen and pay attention to them.

How about you? What do you do to get your parent's attention?

This time, God asked Jeremiah to use a potter's clay jar to get the attention of the Israelites! Jeremiah smashed the jar into tiny pieces, demonstrating that the Israelites' hardened hearts will lead into a broken nation populated by broken people.

There are many ways God uses to get our attention, through His blessing, His creation, His word, or even through our disappointment. God wants to tell us each day that He cares about us, so pay attention to Him!

Key verse:

*Matthew 6:34
Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now, and don't get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow. God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes. (MSG)*

Prayer

Dear God, help me to be more attentive and aware of Your presence in my life. Amen.





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JEREMIAH 20:7-13

RISE AND SHINE

When Jeremiah did God's will, instead of getting a reward, he was actually beaten and thrown to jail. He felt like he walked into deep despair for doing God's will. He came to God with a long list of complaints again. He was being honest with God about how he felt.

God wants us to talk to Him, even when we are angry, upset and frustrated. He wants us to tell the truth. If we are honest with God in prayer, we will feel a sense of genuineness and a deeper relationship with God.

After coming to God in prayer, Jeremiah understood that he would be able to overcome his struggle because God was with him like a mighty warrior. God would deal effectively, in His own way and time. Knowledge of God's presence gives courage, strength and perseverance.

Jeremiah started to rise and shine as he started to praise God. When we praise God, we acknowledge that God is in charge. God can do what He wants in His own way and time.

Key verse:

*Isaiah 60:1
Rise up and
shine, for your
light has come.
The shining-
greatness of the
Lord has risen
upon you.*

Prayer

*Dear God, I want
to rise up from
my despair by
being honest
with You in my
prayers, keeping
my faith in Your
love and praising
You, so that I can
shine Your
Name!
Amen*





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JEREMIAH 23:25-29

GOD'S WORD IS LIKE A HAMMER

A hammer is a tool with a heavy metal head mounted at right angles at the end of a handle, used for jobs such as breaking things and driving in nails. Many times, a hammer cannot break a rock with only one smash. It must be applied consistently for some time. Every smash weakens the rock inside although we cannot see it. Finally, there will be one last smash that completely breaks it into pieces.

God says His word is like a hammer. Just like a hammer that can smash a rock, God's word can actually shatter wrong mindset, bad habits, arrogance, hardened heart and even the impossible situation.

Keep confessing the word of God in faith. Each time you are confessing God's word, it is the time you are hitting the hammer to every rock in your life. Keep doing it until the last smash of the hammer that will break it in pieces.

Speak out your favourite memory verse in your prayer daily. Proclaim it unto yourself, your health, your study, your parents, your best friend, etc. Do not stop until you gain victory over that particular situation!

Key verse:

*Jeremiah 23:29
My message is like a fire," says the Lord. "It is like a hammer that smashes a rock!*

Prayer

Dear God, thank You for the way Your word transforms my life. Thank You that You break my stubborn heart and mould it according to Your ways and plan. Amen.

