

Made for His glory

John 1:1

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In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:14

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:9-13

The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God — children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

God's mission "Jesus" . The most full proof divine battle plan that took satan by surprise. With one sacrifice Heaven , hell and everything in between was conquered .

Jesus defeated the judgement of God for you and laid it at our feet that we may exercise our will and choose .

He shut the gates of hell, his blood overrides the authority of Satan.

Yet he allows us to walk through life with a "will ". A will which we stupidly could exercise to choose chaos ,destruction and spiritual death.

Philippians 2:9-11

*Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,
that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.*

We are Men, fathers , husbands , leaders , walking from our first breath and when we close our eyes on earth ,leaving behind a name .

This walk defines the name we leave behind. This walk influences the pack under us .

How do we choose to walk this road ?

In or out of his presence .

The day we realise that God's presence means victory over every battle . We will hunger for it . We will take each step in boldness knowing that the battle belongs to the Lord.

Isaiah 41:10

*So do not fear, for I am with you;
do not be dismayed, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you;
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*

While Gods left hand fights off your enemies .

Colossians 1:16-17

For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

God is doing something 'for ' you
God does something 'in ' you
God does something " through"you

1. Testimony "For ": Mom and Dad, DGH , teachers , medical units , friends,
2. Testimony "in": first love , bike accident, marriage.
3. Testimony"through"- looking at "for" and "in" testimonies try to let the glory of God shine through you .

When in doubt look at the past testimonies. What God has done "for" and "in" you.
Be a stepping stone not a stumbling block .

Win battles and make your "Heavenly Father" proud in your secret battles every day.

How :

- Humility with your wife and children - work in progress with me every day.
- Refrain from tempting websites .
- Let your Right hand give without letting your left hand know.
- Going through pain with a smile always knowing that there is a purpose of glory in the end.
- Writing off Offence in your mind and preventing the the "Action potential" from passing down to motor neurons that may result in actions we may regret " (speech,motion) - the tongue the biggest destroyer.
- Setting examples as a good ambassador at home and in the community.
- Remembering that you will fail at times but God has already made an insurance for that in " Grace " through the cross

Prayer :

That we will:

- Be mentally strong to resist Satan .
- Forgive with out a "but"

- Give you "Oh God " all the glory in every victory.
- Be vessels of "overflow " in all our "Talents" .
- Stepping stones not stumbling blocks.

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You are apart of a big story :

Luke 2:4-6

So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born,

Joseph listened and stuck to Gods word to support Mary . He played the his part possibly in spite of many humiliating words from friends , family . Others may have spoken to him negatively.

I remember my time when I was I this process of finding out who I will be spending life with . I had many people guide me against my decision .

I took my life partner because of a Revelation from God .

Joseph had a role in the bigger picture for the birth of our saviour Jesus .

Romans 12:6-8

We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophecy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Being Skilful with what God has given you:

Exodus 28:1-5

God uses skilled workers to create garments (priestly garments for Aron who is the high priest in serving God

God entrusts you with skillfull work, which may be for someone else who is in the work plan of God and and glorious work. All your skill is not for your gain .

How you look at your skill and work and the reasons why you work make a difference.

Listen to the master planner , his direction in what you need to do with your skill. You will be happier in doing it in his way and direction.

This is life .

Food , clothes , comfort are a part of the process. . The question is what is your measure of happiness and comfort?

All that happens is for good and for his glory .

Genesis 50:19-20

But Joseph said to them, “Don’t be afraid. Am I in the place of God? You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.

The lord is always working for us , for our good and a good that is to come out if we continue in his path