

The Abiding Word

Back To The Bible & Let The Bible Speak

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Reflections No. 5

Death What a Wonderful Way to Explain It

A sick man turned to his doctor as he was preparing to leave the examination room and said,
“Doctor, I am afraid to die. Tell me what lies on the other side.”
Very quietly, the doctor said, “I don’t know...”
“You don’t know? You’re a Christian Man,
and don’t know what’s on the other side?”
The doctor was holding the handle of the door;
on the other side came a sound of scratching and whining,
and as he opened the door, a dog sprang into the room
and leaped on him with an eager show of gladness.
Turning to the patient, the doctor said,
“Did you notice my dog?
He’s never been in this room before.
He didn’t know what was inside.
He knew nothing except that his master was here,
and when the door opened, he sprang in without fear.
I know little of what is on the other side of death,
but I do know one thing....
I know my Master is there and that is enough.”

John 14:1-6

“Let not your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 “In My Father’s house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. 3 “And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. 4 “And you know the way where I am going.” 5 Thomas said to Him, “Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?” 6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me.

PROVERB FOR THE DAY

One of the key methods I have learned over the years for dealing with the everyday challenges that living throws my way is to meditate on the Word of God each day as I walk with God.

I have found that reading the Proverb for the day in the morning and reflecting on that Proverb and seeing how I can put it to action in my life as I go through the day has become a great faith builder and strength when trials and conflicts come my way.

Each day has its own Proverb and in one month I have applied all 31 Proverbs ready to do it again the next month. It really works, try it.



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Thankful!

There is much to be thankful for this and every day; but foremost in my mind is the eternal thankfulness to my God, my Lord, my Savior, Jesus Christ. It is He to whom all honor and glory must go for who we are, what we are, and what we have.

Each new day is a day to rejoice. Each new day is a day to meditate upon the Word of God. Here are some thoughts by Leslie Brandt from Psalm 11.

My heart is full today.
I am so grateful
For all that God has done for me.
I need but crawl out of my corner
Of depression and self-pity
And look around me to see how great my God is.

I cannot see Him,
But I can see the works of His hands.
He is a merciful and loving God.
How tenderly He deals with those
Whose hearts are open to Him!

He is a righteous and faithful God.
His promises and precepts are forever.

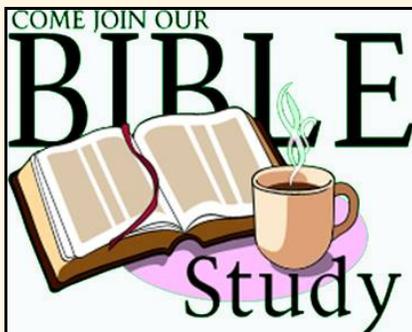
He is a majestic and powerful God.
He created me and sustains me day by day.

He is a forgiving God.
He takes me back to His loving heart
When I go astray.

He is in this world today.
And those who recognize and accept His presence
Are building on foundations
That are eternally secure.

How grateful I am to my God today!

An Invitation!



Each Wednesday evening at 6:30 PM we host a Bible Study
in our home.

We are currently in the Book of Hebrews.
Starting January 8, 2020 we will begin a series on the
Letters of Paul starting with Galatians.

If you are near and able,
Joy and I invite you to join our study group.