

He that
OVERCOMETH

shall inherit all things; and I will be
his God, and he shall be my son.

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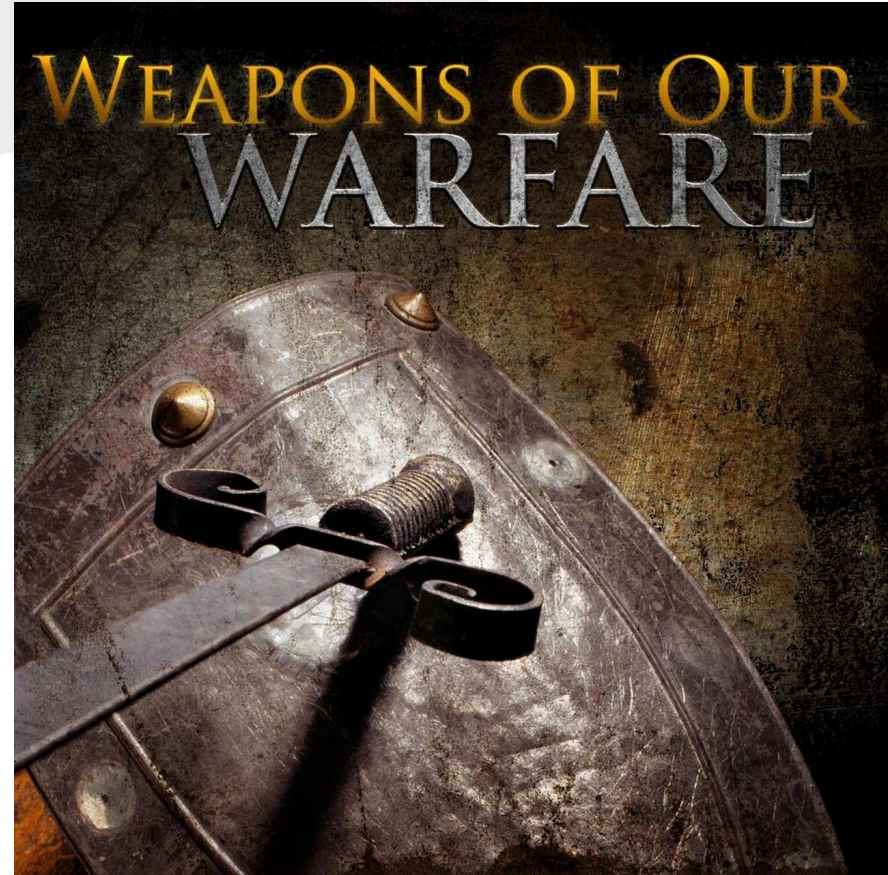
ACCESSING the
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LIVING WATER



- Who led thee **THROUGH** that great and terrible wilderness, *wherein* were fiery serpents, and scorpions, and **DROUGHT**, where *there was* **NO WATER**; who brought thee forth water out of the rock of flint; Deuteronomy 8:15
- We fear the wilderness because we fear the **DROUGHT**.
- We fear the place of **NO WATER**.
- The place of testing necessitates a miraculous provision.
- The word, “**DROUGHT**” means “a thirsty place, desert, dry ground, or thirsty land.”
 - And the **parched ground** shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, *shall be* grass with reeds and rushes. Isaiah 35:7



- Thirst was especially felt during the siege of a city.
- With the major supplies of water cut off, the besieged had to ration their water.
- It is in the **wilderness** that the Lordship of Jesus lays siege to the strongholds of our **carnality** and the **vain imaginations** of the **natural minds**.
 - For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:
 - (For the weapons of our warfare **are not carnal**, but **mighty** through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)
 - Casting down **imaginations**, and every **high thing** that **exalteth** itself against the **knowledge of God**, and **bringing into captivity** every thought to the obedience of Christ; 2 Corinthians 10:3-5



- Most people remain in the **security of Egypt**, but there are those who have been loosed from that bondage by the blood of the **Passover Lamb**!
- The **natural nation** of Israel was a pattern for the New Testament **spiritual nation**.
- God is bringing a **BODY** of people forth in this hour who have experienced what Paul revealed to the Corinthians.
- We will have to bring forth **water** out of the **rock** of flint.
 - Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were **under the cloud**, and all **passed through the sea**;
 - **And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;**
 - And did all eat the same spiritual meat;
 - And did all drink the same **SPIRITUAL DRINK**: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that **ROCK** was **CHRIST**...Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. 1 Corinthians 10:1-4, 11

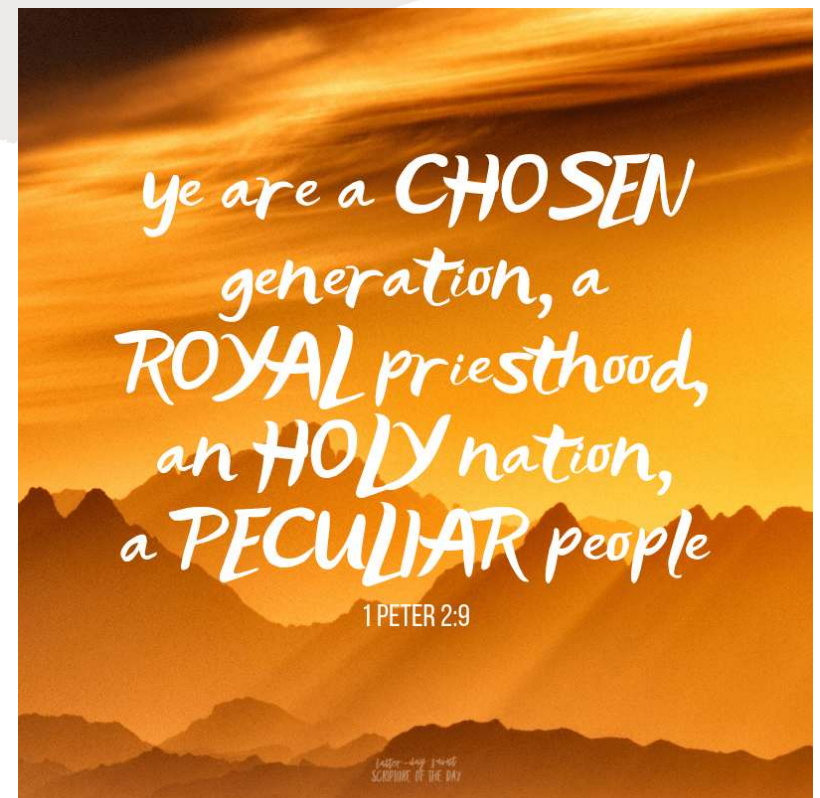
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1 Corinthians 10:2



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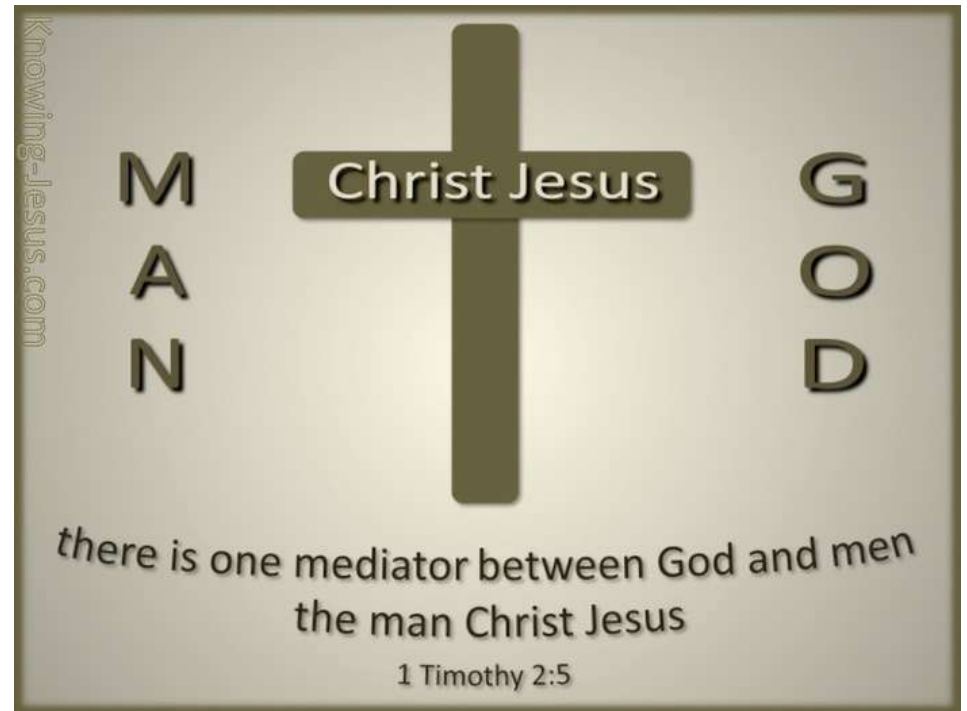
- The key word to this passage is “**ALL**”.
- There are no options if we are to be a part of the holy nation that He is leading.
 - But ye *are* a **chosen generation, a royal priesthood**, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:
 - Which in time past *were* not a people, but *are* now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy. 1 Peter 2:9-10
- There are **FIVE EXPERIENCES** that are mentioned here.



- **Three** of these experiences are **ONCE-FOR-ALL** in nature.
 - 1. **BLOOD**
 - 2. **BAPTISM IN WATER**
 - 3. **BAPTISM IN THE HOLY GHOST**
- **Two** of these experiences are **CONTINUOUS** in nature.
 - 4. **BREAD**
 - 5. **BEVERAGE**
- We have been delivered by the **BLOOD**, the **WATER**, and the **SPIRIT**.
 - And there are **three that bear witness in earth**, the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. 1 John 5:8



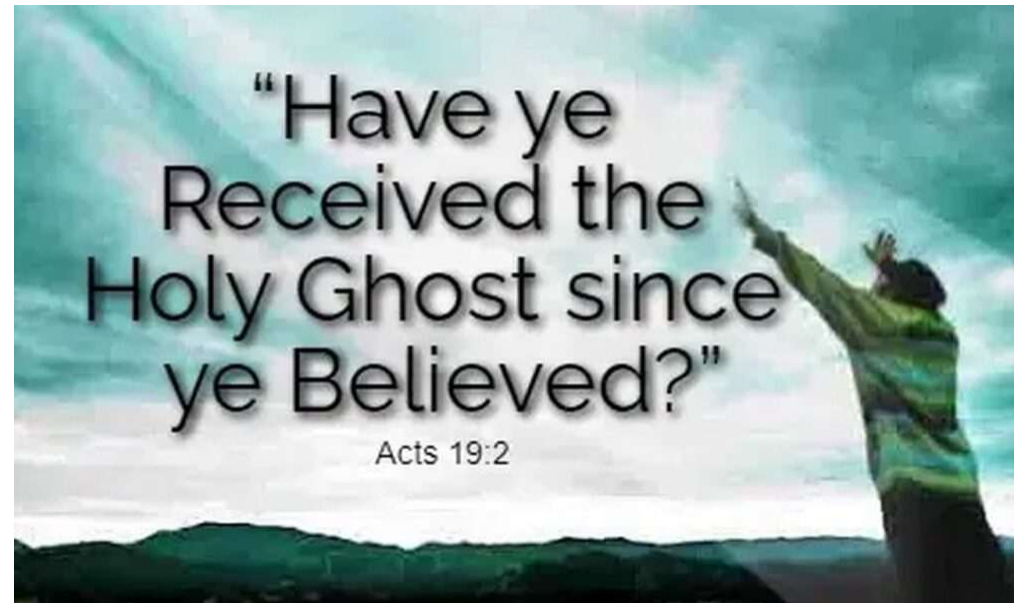
- We have been **saved** by the **blood of Jesus the Lamb**.
 - Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. **For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:** 1 Corinthisans5:7
 - Then we must understand that this **first** experience is not enough.
 - Just as **Israel was baptized into Moses at the Red Sea and in the cloud**, so we have been baptized into **Christ in water and in the Holy Ghost**.
 - **Moses** was the **mediator** of the **Old Covenant**.
 - Wherefore then *serveth* the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; *and it was* ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. Galatians 3:19
 - **JESUS** is the **Mediator** of the **New Testament**.
 - **For *there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus***; 1 Timothy 2:5



- **Moses** was the head of the **Old Testament** nation.
- **JESUS** is the **Head** of the **New Testament** nation, the **Church**.
 - And **hath put all things** under his feet, and **gave him to be the head over all things to the church**, Ephesians 1:22
 - And **he is the head of the body, the church**: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things **he might have the preeminence**. Colossians 1:18
- **Moses** became a many-membered man: God **multiplied** Moses into a nation.
- **JESUS** is becoming a Corporate, Many-membered, New Creation Man!
 - **Till we all come in the unity of the faith**, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, **unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ**: Ephesians 4:13



- We were not baptized into Moses.
- **We were baptized into Christ.**
- There are **three experiences** that God wants **EVERY** Christian to experience: the **blood**, the **water**, and the **Spirit**.
- Have you been **washed** in the **blood**?
- Have you **sealed** that conversion with **water baptism**?
- Have you **received** the **Holy Ghost** since you believed?
 - **He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?** Acts 19:2



- The foundation of Acts 2:38 is not enough.
 - Then Peter said unto them, **Repent, and be baptized every one of you** in the name of Jesus Christ for the **remission** of sins, and ye shall **receive** the gift of the **Holy Ghost**. Acts 2:38
 - Therefore **leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection**; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,
 - Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.
 - And this will we do, if God permit. Hebrews 6:1-3
- Have you discovered the purpose of **Pentecost**?
- You will learn that secret in the **WILDERNESS!**



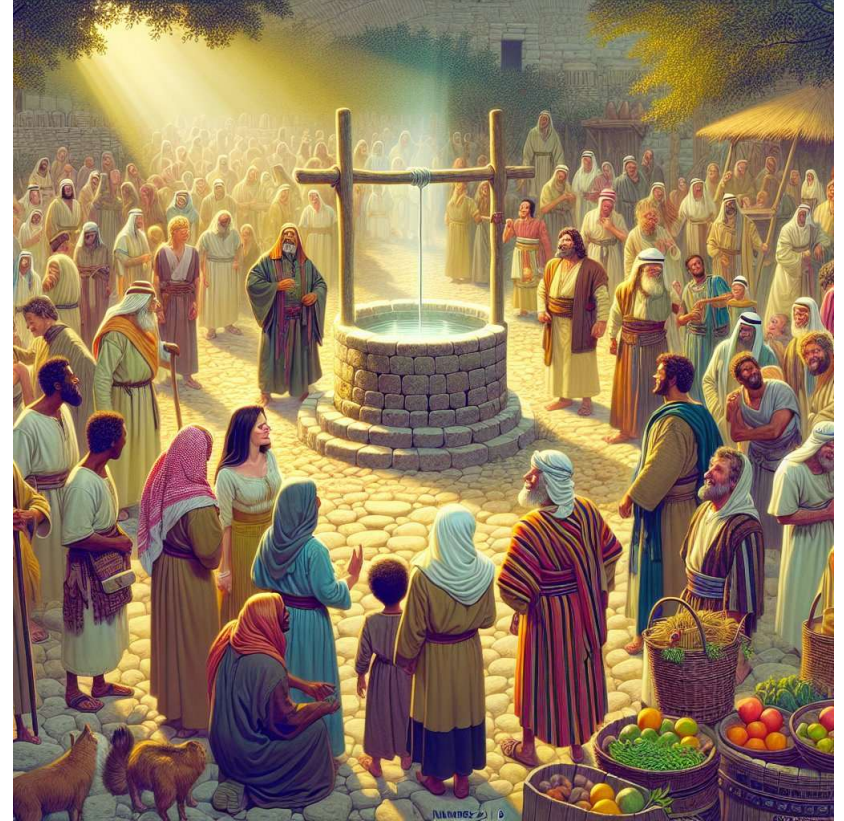
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- Often, men cry, “Lord, I hope your blessings FALL tonight!”
- If you are filled with the Holy Ghost, **God’s power HAS fallen on you!**
- In fact, it fell and the **Comforter** was given almost 2000 years ago.
- The overcoming saint must walk in two more experiences that are **CONTINUAL**: the **BREAD** and the **BEVERAGE**.
- You know that we must **daily eat the Bread of Life, the Word of God.**
- As Israel gathered manna in the wilderness, so pray for our daily Bread.
 - **Give us this day our daily bread.** Matthew 6:11
- **You need to devour that Bible.**
- You need to **set aside times** when you and your family can **read AND study** God’s Word.

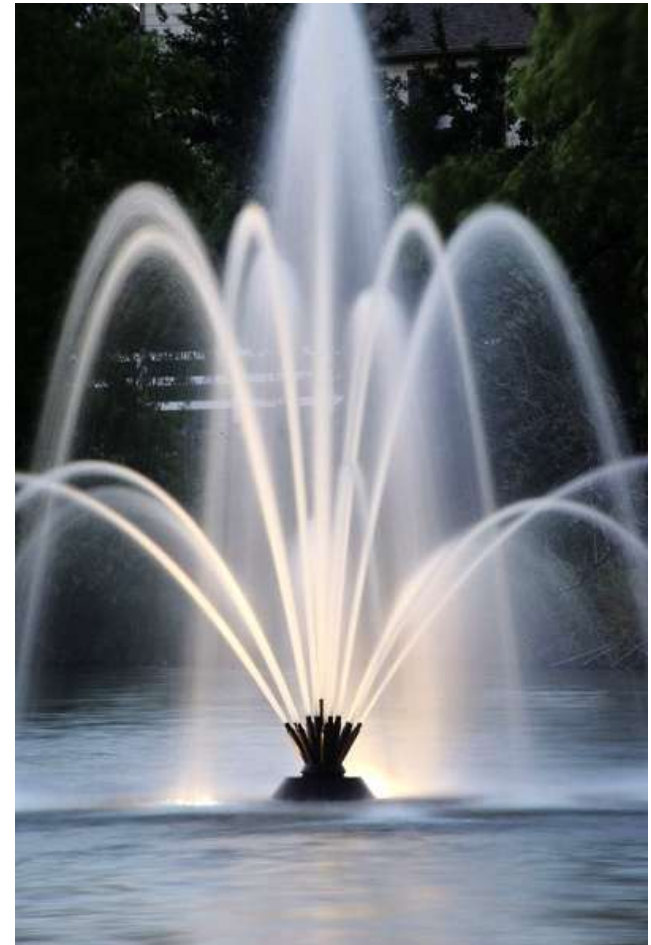


Matthew 6:9-13

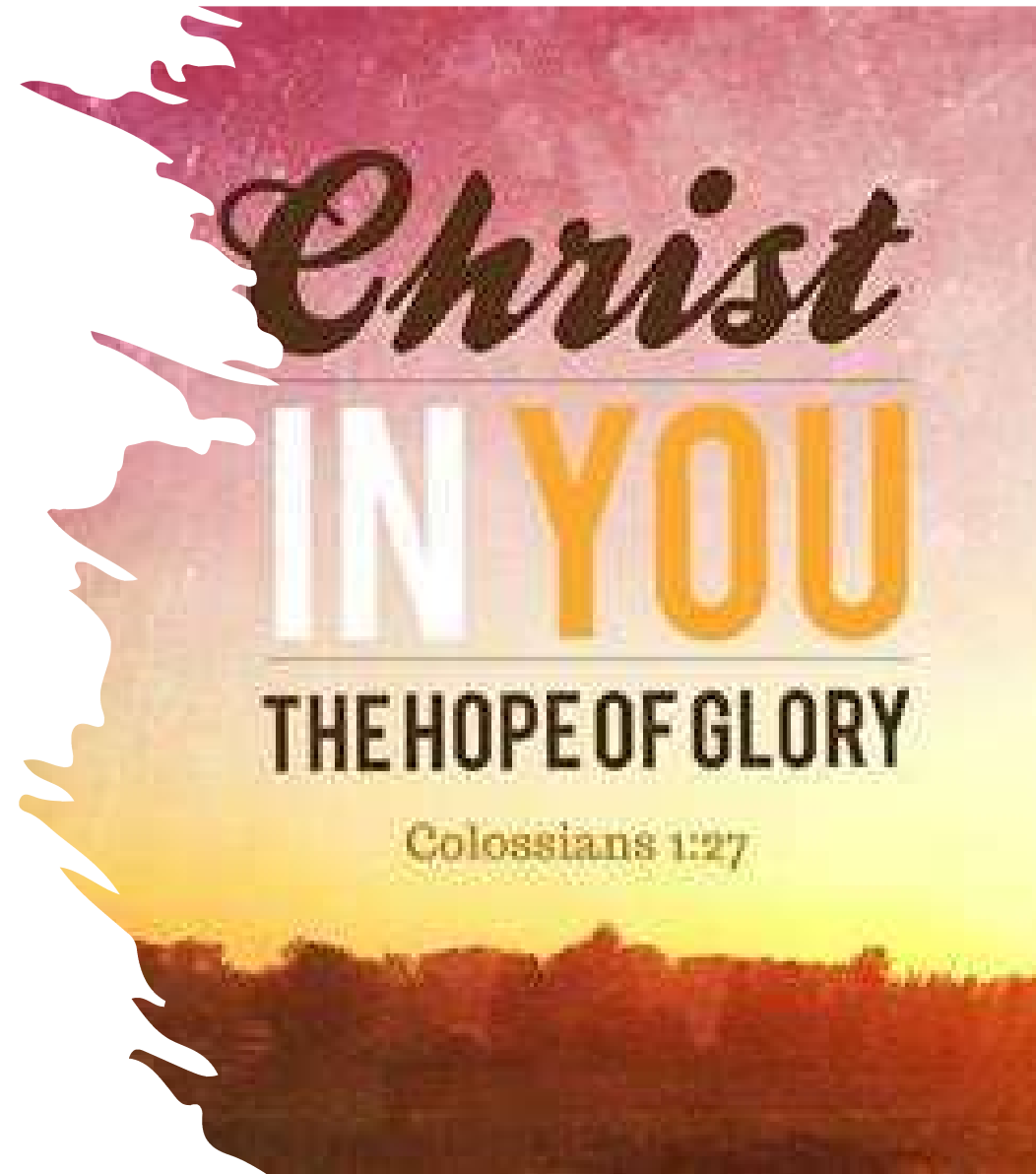
- You need to be part of a ministry where the **LIVING Word** is proclaimed by those who have been sent from the Lord.
- This is something that we must do **habitually**.
- **It is a way of life.**
 - But he (JESUS) answered and said, It is written, **Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.** Matthew 4:4
- The **BEVERAGE** is the **sweet, living water** of the **Holy Ghost** from **WITHIN** the life of the believer.
- Those who have never learned this still want the Holy Ghost to come **DOWN**, but there is a **WELL** in you that needs to **spring UP**!
 - And from thence *they went* to Beer: that is the **WELL** whereof the LORD spake unto Moses, **Gather the people together, and I will give them water.**
 - Then Israel **SANG** this song, **SPRING UP, O WELL**; sing ye unto it: Numbers 21:16-17



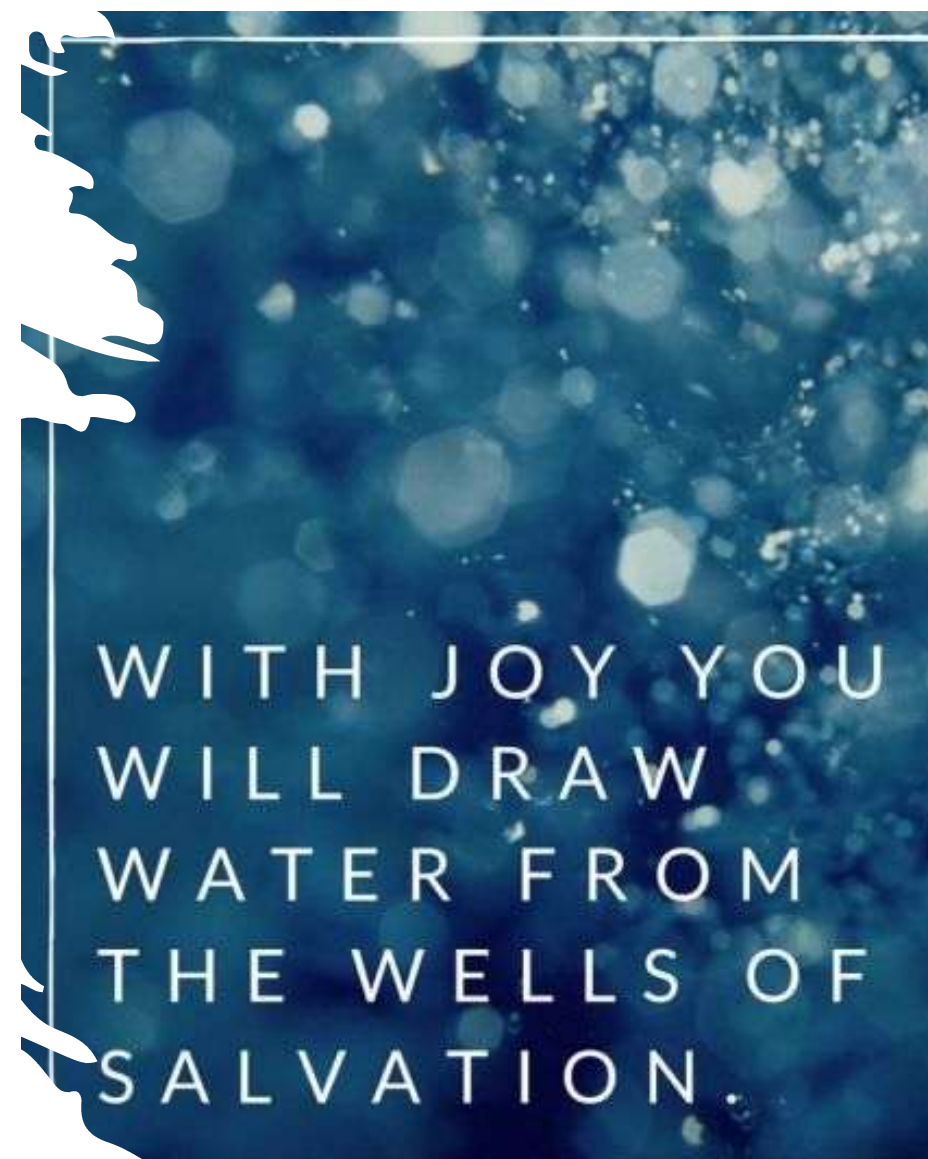
- We sing the chorus:
 - Spring up, O well, within my soul!
 - Spring up, O well, and make me whole!
 - Spring up, O well, and give to me
 - That life abundantly!”
- I’ve got a river of life flowing out of me,
- It makes the lame to walk and the blind to see,
- It opens prison doors and sets the captive free,
- I’ve got a river of life flowing out of me!”
- One of the grandest truths revealed **in the wilderness is this WELL!**
- **We learn to DRINK in the wilderness.**



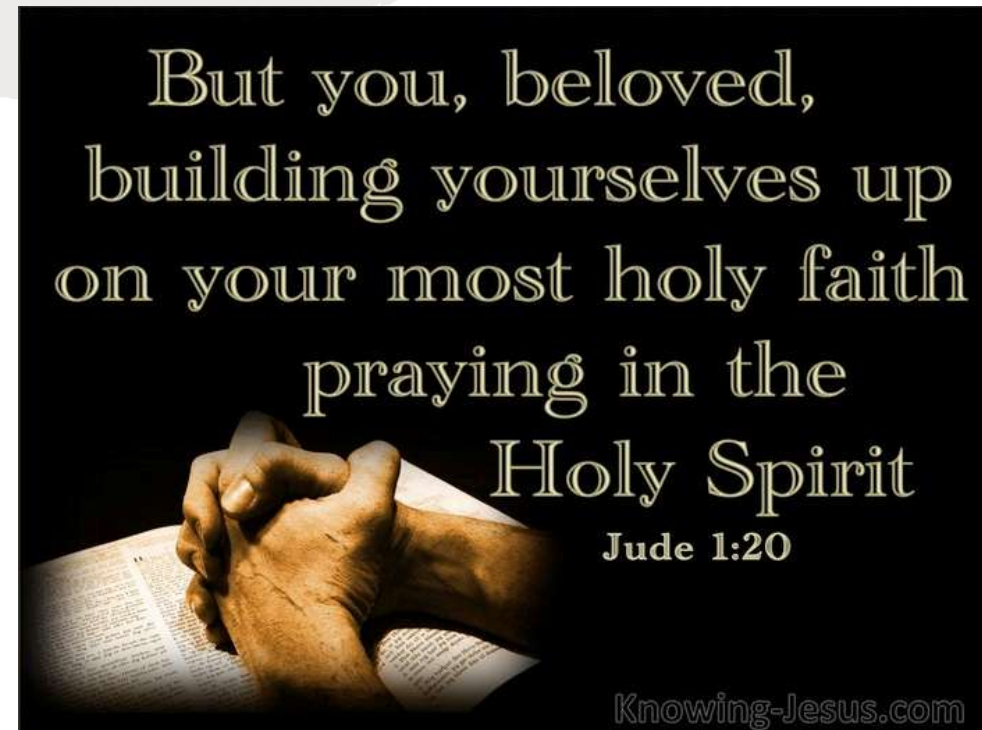
- **The well from within is the secret to pressing through our tribulations.**
- Let us **bring forth water** from the rock of flint, and **that rock is the CHRIST!**
- **Christ IN you, the hope of Glory!**
(Colossians 1:27)
- Only God can make a flinty rock.
- **This well from within us was placed there by God and not by man.**
- The reason why God brings Spirit-filled Christians through trials and testings is that **they can learn how to drink continually from the Spirit within.**
- Instead of **panicking** and **calling** someone, **draw water** from the well **within!**



- Many say, “O if I could just have this person pray for me!”
- That is good, and thank God for those who pray for you, but there is something better than the gifts of God flowing through the hands of man.
- **The Healer is WITHIN you!**
- **The Life is IN you!**
- **Christ is WITHIN you!**
 - Therefore with **JOY** shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation...Praise the LORD, call upon his name...for **great is the Holy One** of Israel in the **MIDST** of thee. Isaiah 12:3-4,6

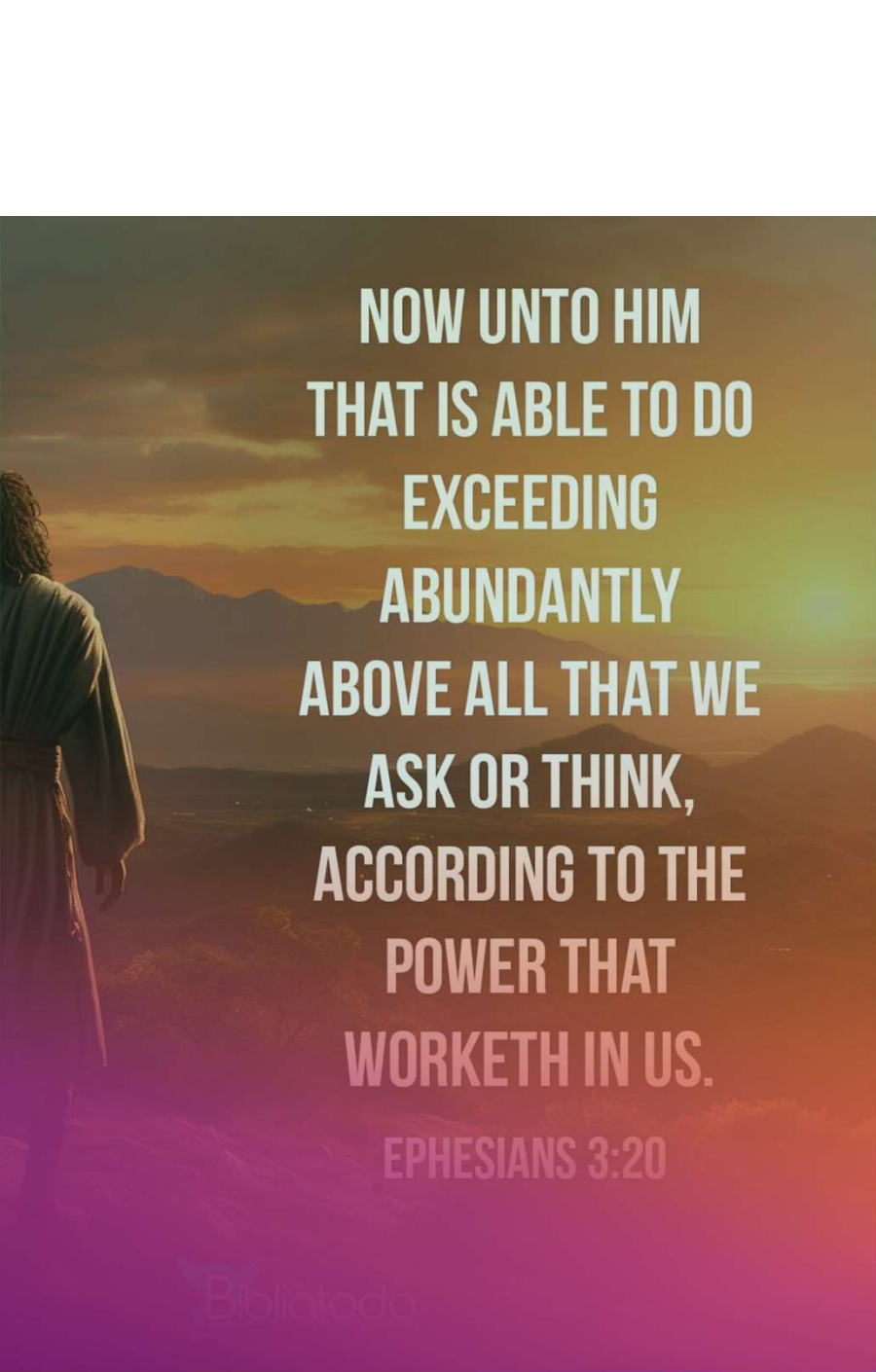


- Learn to **pray** in the **power** of the **Holy Ghost**.
- Learn to **drink** and to **build yourself up**.
 - Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but **the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered**.
 - And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what *is* the mind of the Spirit, because **he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God**. Romans 8:26-27
 - But ye, beloved, **building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost**. Jude 20
- Unless we learn to **walk through the wilderness**, we will never learn to **drink the BEVERAGE of the Spirit from within**, and we will miss the purpose of Pentecost.



- **Don't get your eyes** on the desolate wilderness.
- **You are walking with the Fountain of Life.**
- There is a leaping fountain that will **spring up** into everlasting life.
 - **But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.** John 4:14
- God has provided a **table** in the **wilderness**.
- **Drink, and drink abundantly**, beloved.
 - Yea, they spake against God; they said, **Can God furnish a table in the wilderness?** Psalms 78:19
 - I am come into my garden, my sister, *my* spouse: I have gathered my myrrh with my spice; I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my wine with my milk: eat, **O friends; drink, yea, drink abundantly, O beloved.** Song of Solomon 5:1





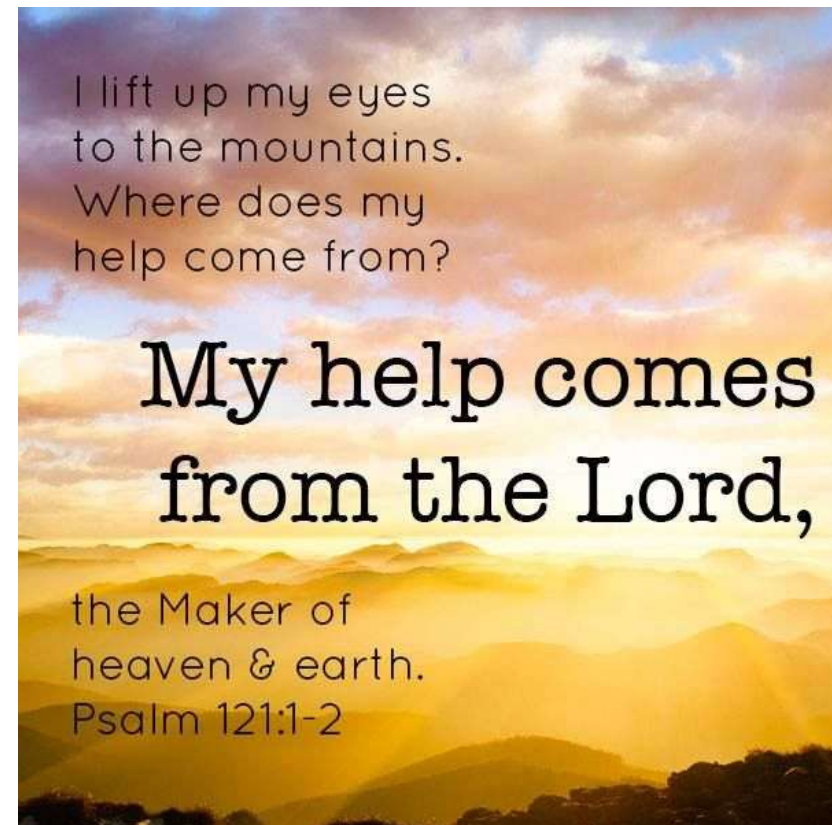
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EPHESIANS 3:20

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- We learn to **PRAY** in the wilderness.
- We learn to **PRAISE** and **WORSHIP** in the wilderness.
- Our devotional life before the Lord **is the KEY to our pressing on through tribulation.**
- There is a **SUPERNATIONAL SUPPLY** in the place of trial.
- **There is a fountain of life in the midst of death and desolation.**
- Let the **Christ from within you** leap up and over every circumstance.
- You are filled with this omnipotence, but how will you ever know it until you prove it?
 - I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.
 - And be not conformed to this world: but **be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind**, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. Romans 12:1-2
- **Release** the God from within you by **SINGING** to the well, for He is:
 - Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the **POWER THAT WORKETH IN US.** Ephesians 3:20

- Most of the church world is seeking deliverance from an **EXTERNAL** source.
- Most are seeking help from **the wrong direction**.
- This is manifested in **two ways**:
 - 1. Some are looking for the Lord Jesus to **come at any minute to catch them away and thus solve all their problems**.
 - The Lord Jesus is coming, and the **Second Coming is very real**, but let us examine our motives. Are we looking for a fire escape?
 - 2. Some are looking for some fiery prophet to come down the road and lay his hands on them and **prophecy away their problems** in a moment of time.
 - Fiery prophets and the **laying on of hands and prophecy are very real**, but we need once more to check our motives and attitudes.
- Your **help** and **deliverance** and **salvation** will **NOT** come from without.
- **The Father raised Jesus from the dead, but the Father was WITHIN Jesus!**



The Power is WITHIN!

The Word
in Your
Mouth

- Your deliverance will come from **WITHIN**.
- **Your help is within you.**
 - *Is not my help IN me?* Job 6:13
- The key to this is the **SPOKEN WORD**.
- **Your words**, filled with **faith** in agreement with His Word, will **release** the Kingdom of God from **within you**.
- Consider this:
 - For this COMMANDMENT which I command thee this day, *it is not hidden from thee, neither is it FAR OFF.*
 - *It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?*
 - *NEITHER is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?*
 - **But the WORD is very NIGH unto thee, in thy MOUTH**, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.... But the righteousness which is of faith SPEAKETH ...**The WORD is nigh thee, even in thy MOUTH**, and in thy HEART: that is, the WORD of faith, which we preach. Deuteronomy 30:11-14; Romans 10:6-10

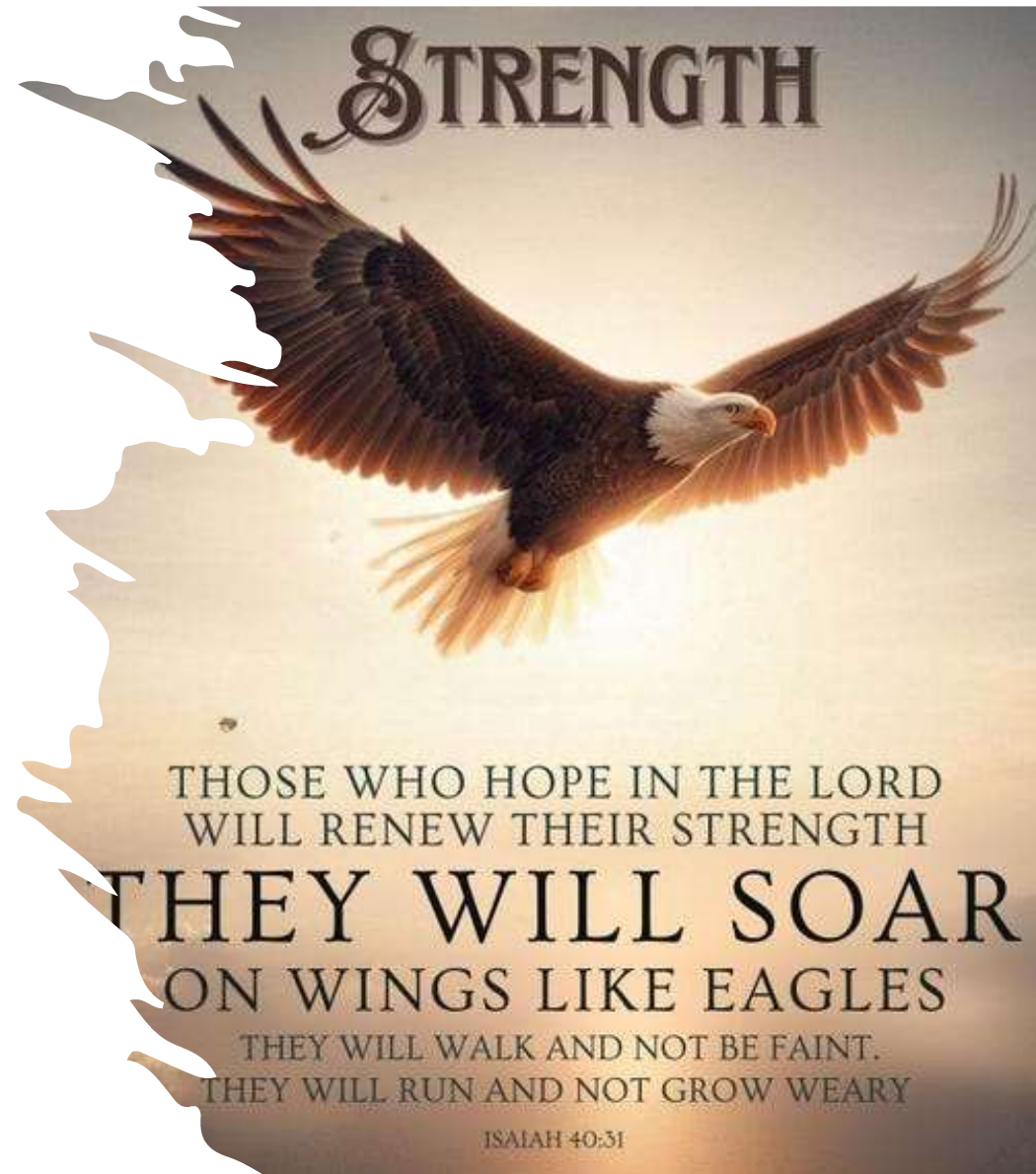
- This is why the Lord has emphasized **the importance of our WORDS.**
- And **where** is it that we learn to rise up and speak the living Word?
- **In the wilderness!**
- We must **learn to speak and decree our own deliverance.**
- **The anointing is in you.**
- **Rise and declare the Word of the Lord!**
- There are many passages of scripture that are birthed in our spirit in the place of testing.
- By the power and authority of these **faith-filled words**, we can **press through tribulation.**
 - Thou shalt also **DECREE** a thing, and it shall be established unto thee. Job 22:28
 - Thou art snared with **THE WORDS OF THY MOUTH**, thou art taken with **THE WORDS OF THY MOUTH.** Proverbs 6:2
 - ...for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth **SPEAKETH.** Matthew 12:34
 - A wholesome **TONGUE** is a **tree of life.** Proverbs 15:4
 - For by **THY WORDS** thou shalt be justified, and by **THY WORDS** thou shalt be condemned. Matthew 12:37





- This should be obvious, but we will say that this entire message emphasizes the **RESPONSIBILITY** of every Christian to **grow up** and take hold of God for himself.
- That is one reason why the Gospel of the Kingdom won't win a popularity contest.
- It is a marvelous thing when YOU can pray, and God will hear and answer.
- I promise you this: **He is not going to take you out of your problems. He is going to rise up from within you and declare a living word!**
- God is going to **bring you through your circumstances** and prove His **power** and **might** to be real in YOUR life!

- **You are not walking through the wilderness alone.**
- Isn't that wonderful?
- There is **One** who has been sent to come with you and **bear you up on eagle wings!**
- I am amazed at the number of believers who want to go through life **without experiencing the ministry of the Comforter.**
- Perhaps that is the reason why so many are still **self-centered** and **selfish.**
- **They could care less about the needs of their brethren.**
- They have not reached out in **mercy** and **comfort** to others because they are **empty** and **void** of **His comfort.**



- They have never known what it means to be **comforted** by the **Holy Ghost**.
- Every time a hard place comes the **carnal mind** drags them further into **spiritual, emotional, and mental bondage**.
- **They look for a way out.**
- These people **will run** to the next town, the next church, the next job, the next ministry, the next doctor...whatever is convenient.
- They **refuse** to **mature**.
- Anything **negative** that crosses their will is avoided with scheme after scheme energized by the fleshy mind that is **hostile toward God**.



**UNDERSTANDING
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BONDAGE**

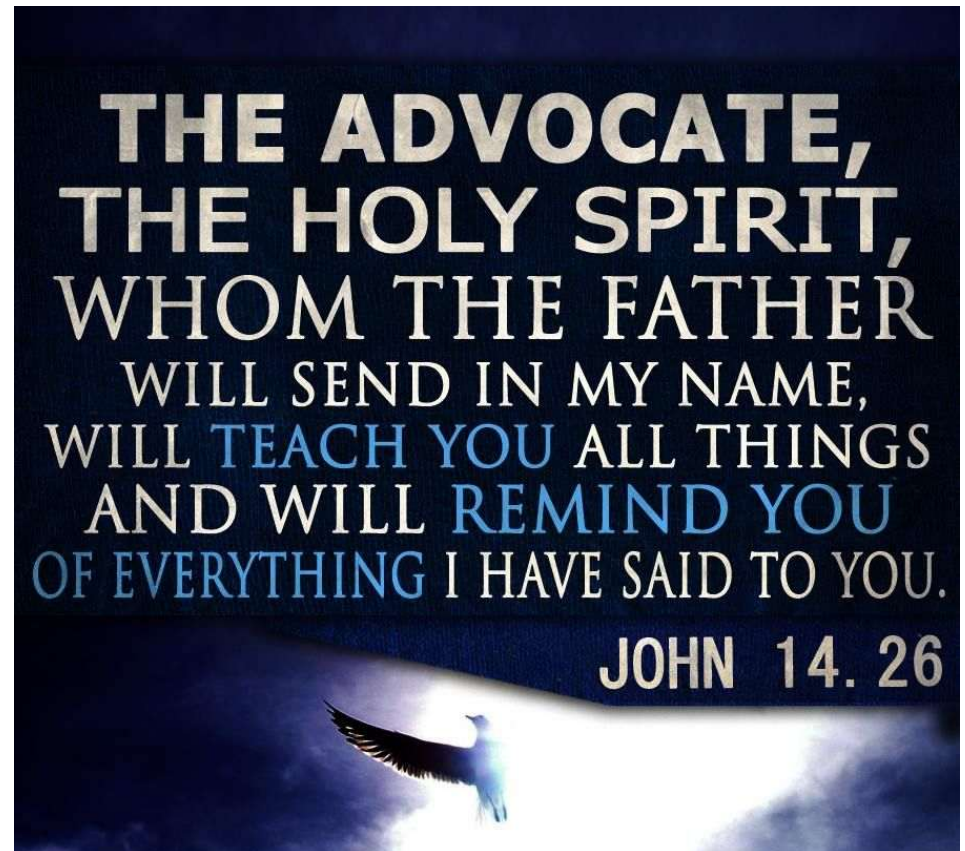
- *There is* therefore now **no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.**
- For the **law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus** hath made me free from the **law of sin and death.**
- For **what the law could not do**, in that it was **weak** through the **flesh**, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:
- That the **righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us**, who walk not after the flesh, **but after the Spirit.**
- For they that are **after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh**; but they that are after the **Spirit the things of the Spirit.**
- For to **be carnally minded is death**; but to be **spiritually minded is life and peace.** Romans 8:1-6



- Some of you are **running**.
- Do you know what you will find when you stop?
- The thing that you have seemingly escaped is **STILL THERE**.
- **You carried it with you.**
- **It is WITHIN you.**
- The **moment you stop running**, the **Comforter** is going to catch up to you and **help you become an overcomer**.
- **Turn to God in sincerity and let Him help you and deal with you.**
 - And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another **COMFORTER**, that he may abide with you for ever; **Even the Spirit of truth**; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for **he dwelleth with you**, and shall be in you...But the **COMFORTER**, *which* is the **HOLY GHOST**, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall **teach you all things**, and **bring all things to your remembrance**, whatsoever I have said unto you.



- The **Comforter** is the **Holy Ghost**.
- You will **get to know Him** in the **dry places of the wilderness**.
- You will **learn to hear His still, small voice** in the **silence of the desert**.
- In the **loneliness** of the dealings of God, **we learn to hear the voice** of the Spirit.
- **He is the Comforter.**
- The meaning of “**Comforter**” is “**ADVOCATE**”.
- The principle of the Comforter is unique to John’s writing.
- The word also means, “intercessor, consoler, called to one’s side, to one’s aid, to strengthen, pleads our cause before God our Father.”



- **We must press through tribulation.**
- The **ministry of the Holy Ghost** enables us to be an **overcomer** in the **place of trial**.
- Consider the words of the apostle:
 - Blessed *be* God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of **mercies**, and the God of all **comfort**;
 - Who **comforteth us in all our tribulation**, that we may be able to **comfort** them which are in any **trouble**, by the **comfort** wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.
 - For as the **sufferings of Christ abound in us**, so **our consolation** also **aboundeth by Christ**.
 - And whether we **be afflicted**, *it is* for your consolation and salvation, which is effectual in the enduring of the **same sufferings** which we also suffer: or **whether we be comforted**, *it is* for your consolation and salvation. 2 Corinthians 1:3-6



- Do you see now why the **wilderness is necessary?**
- It is to **open you up** so that you can minister to the needs of others.
- **Get to know the Comforter** and then **introduce Him to others** as they **see** and **feel His effectual working in you.**



- The LIVING WATER is WITHIN you.
- The Living Water is the Holy Spirit.
- He lives WITHIN you.
- Access the LIVING WATER in the wilderness!
- Join with our brothers and sisters singing from New Zealand.

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