

Daily Bible Thoughts April 22, 2009 to May 22, 2009

April 22, 2009

Gen. 9:13 I set my rainbow in the cloud, and it will be for a sign of a covenant between me and the earth.

The rainbow is an every lasting promise from our God that He would conclude peace with His children. No more would He cut off flesh by water, He would establish peace through His Son Christ Jesus blood. We now as His children can find lasting peace with God by walking in His Spirit. Our souls long for peace and peace is waiting on us to put away the works of the flesh through God's Holy Spirit and enter into God's rest day through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. May you find that peace today.

April 23, 2009

1Kings 19:11 He said, Go forth, and stand on the mountain before Yahweh. Behold, Yahweh passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains, and broke in pieces the rocks before Yahweh; but Yahweh was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but Yahweh was not in the earthquake:

19:12 and after the earthquake a fire; but Yahweh was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice.

We as children of God most often think of our Father as power and a fiery God. Seldom do we recognize Him as a small voice speaking to our spirit in love. And that is because our fleshly nature is impressed with judgment.

But when the strong winds of life tears at our lives and fiery tests come upon us it is the small voice that brings us peace and comfort. God is all powerful He sustain the entire universe with His power. Yet, He makes no show that rocks the earth when working in our lives. He quietly and patiently builds our inward man renewing us day to day. Our flesh demands a spectacle, but our Lord and Master humbly washes our feet.

April 24, 2009

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you; not as the world gives, give I to you. Don't let your heart be troubled, neither let it be fearful.

Our souls long for peace in a world full of trouble and fear. Yet, the children of God have peace, Christ Jesus promised them some two thousand years ago. Without doubt that promise of peace is as clear as a rainbow an unbreakable reality for us the children of God.

No! Not the peace the world knows; our peace is a miracle, not from this world, but from above coming down too us from the Father of lights and love. Magical as a rainbow is to our eyes. Wanting to possess its beauty physically; watching as our hands grasp the wind. Forcing us to realize the truth, the rainbows beauty isn't our too possess, but a precious gift from our Lord and Master Jesus Christ.

April 25, 2009

John 14:17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world can't receive; for it doesn't see him, neither knows him. You know him, for he lives with you, and will be in you.

We cannot know God without His Holy Spirit, knowledge of God is not enough, more is needed. Yes, the Holy Spirit that comforts us and teaches us the truth of God. And that truth is our God is a God of love generous in Spirit and comfort. He is looking for good not bad in us. He hopes in us and is patience and kind with us.

The world cannot know our God they do not have His precious Holy Spirit in them. Without God Holy Spirit their lives are fear driven viewing God as a Judge and law giver. May we today glorify our Heavenly Father in thankfulness for the grace given to us freely?

April 26, 2009

John 2:13 The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

John 2:14 He found in the temple those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, and the changers of money sitting.

John 2:15 He made a whip of cords, and threw all out of the temple, both the sheep and the oxen; and he poured out the changers' money, and overthrew their tables.

**John 2:16 To those who sold the doves, he said, "Take these things out of here!
Don't make my Father's house a marketplace!"**

John 2:17 His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will eat me up." {Psalm 69:9}

God's house is not a place for material gain; Jesus hated with zeal the lovers of money that defiled what is Holy – His Fathers House. Jesus is the Fathers House today the Great Spiritual Temple; he drives out all those that love material gain over His Fathers worship.

Christ Jesus cleanses his temple, that is, his body members by God's Holy Spirit so none prospers from the gifts God gives them freely for their ministry to the world. Many are the Christians today that have a zeal for profit and business, but not a zeal for purer worship of God. The spirit of greed and business acumen flows through the temple of God on earth today soon Christ will clean out the money changers with a fiery zeal wrought by God Holy Spirit.

April 27,2009

Luke 6:37 `And judge not, and ye may not be judged; condemn not, and ye may not be condemned; release, and ye shall be released.

Jesus stated that his follower lives would be that of releasing if they were to gain entrance into the kingdom. The message was reinforced upon the early Christians with the out pouring of God's Holy Spirit. Until then their live were about material and tangible things. Today the same it true of almost all Christians religions.

Possessing not releasing is taught by most religions in the world today. The Spirit of God possesses nothing it gives freely and in abundance to His children. The natural desire of man is to possess more to gain more, however, the Holy Spirit releases to gain more.

April 28, 2009

John 14:18 I will not leave you orphans. I will come to you.

Many are the faiths ruined throughout the history of Christianity. They read Jesus' promise to his follower that he would not leave them as orphans. However, when great problems arise in their lives they feel abandoned like an orphan; the Jesus they knew was not there!

This is the case for those who have not received the Holy Spirit of God; their only comfort is the scriptures believing them to be the Word of God. The Word of God is Christ Jesus and the scriptures are written about him. When one receives God's Holy Spirit it is with them always when life's storms hit we are then comforted and his promises are found true.

We are sorry for those whose faiths have been destroyed, sorry still more that you believe Christ Jesus' words to be false. We are living testimony that through testing our love and faith were strengthened not by our personal goodness or power, but by our Master and Lord Jesus Christ.

April 29, 2009

John 1:16 From his fullness we all received grace upon grace.

John 1:17 For the law was given through Moses. Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

Do you believe that you have received grace upon grace from Christ Jesus' fullness? Well, if faith is not material but spiritual requiring trust in God, then we must also trust God for His grace too us; for it too is not material but spiritual.

Perhaps you believe your grace comes through the Law of Moses? But did God say grace came through Moses or Jesus? The Law of Moses had no grace in it; those under the Law are cursed because they could not be forgiven completely for their sins against God's Law.

Can you explain forgiveness by the law? If it is an act of Law then it is a legal requirement that obligates God to forgive you to a point of law. But if it is because of God's love then the forgiveness is complete and is completely done away with through love. Love does not keep account of injuries.

April 30, 2009

John 2:25 and because he had no need that any should testify concerning man, for he himself was knowing what was in man.

Jesus was not touched by human sin, he was not born into sin of Adam his father was God. Much more than that was the fact he also was born of Holy Spirit.

The testimony from earth is lower and inferior too the witness of the Holy Spirit that anointed Christ Jesus. Moreover, Christ could not accept the testimony of men; flesh is against the Spirit so it cannot judge correctly the matters of our Fathers Holy Spirit.

It was only after Christ death and resurrection and the out pouring of the Holy Spirit did his apostle understand Christ Jesus ministry. Then and only then were they allowed to bear witness regarding Christ actions on earth. Christ was never alone the Holy Spirit was his faithful witness and companion. He had no need of human witnesses who are in sinful darkness; themselves needing redemption through the blood of Christ.

May 1, 2009

Act 8:33 In his humiliation, his judgment was taken away. Who will declare His generation? For his life is taken from the earth." {Isaiah 53:7,8}

Php. 3:21 who will change the body of our humiliation to be conformed to the body of his glory, according to the working by which he is able even to subject all things to himself.

Christ Jesus did not glorify himself he understood the truth of His Fathers words that his time on earth would be a time of humiliation and mistreatment. The rock foundation of our faith is Christ Jesus we are to conform to his image as Christian. The early brothers and sisters in Christ understood not being far removed from the hands and eyes that actually beheld Christ that their time on earth would also be a time of humiliation

Over two thousand years now removed from the physical Christ Jesus, Christian today do not understand that they too must live a life of humiliation not glorification on earth. Jesus Christ did not humiliate himself before flesh and blood, but flesh and blood humiliated the man Christ Jesus.

May 2, 2009

Jer. 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and it is exceedingly corrupt: who can know it?

The nature of the flesh is dishonesty – from youth on we are taught to be politically correct our mind and heart are saying one thing while our mouth is saying another. “How do you feel today?” “Great!” When In fact, we not feeling will at all. The deceit goes further and deeper than this, lying to our employers, friends, family, and mates, just to keep the peace. We are trained in deceit it is accepted and expected in all societies from before the time of Christ until now.

The nature of our flesh is to be in its comfort zone; to be accepted, admired, and loved. Thus, for us to have the glorification in our flesh from fellow flesh we must live a lie, the type of lie that is accepted and justified from youth to old age within our society. Jesus then could not accept the witness of men for he is the light of the world and stands apposed to the lie! John 2:25

May 3, 2009

“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser, “Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away,” and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. “You are already clean because of the word which I spoke to you. “Abide in me, and I in you. As branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.” John 15:1-3

Christ is the Savior of his body, no child of God can boast in overcoming the works of his flesh through self-will. Self-will is opposed to being lead by God’s Spirit. It is the Holy Spirit working in and through the child of God that overcomes the world and conquers his fleshly mind.

The child of God cannot clean himself from the flesh and its desires; he cannot produce spiritual fruits of God by works under law. Nor can he feed himself by searching the scripture daily supposing he will find life. No! He is totally dependent on the Savior of the body Christ Jesus and His Father to do the work within him; he is the spiritual temple of God built without the use of unclean human hands.

May 4, 2009

Isa. 3:12 As for my people, their ruler is acting like a child, and those who have authority over them are women. O my people, your guides are the cause of your wandering, turning your footsteps out of the right way.

What is written in the Holy writings was penned by men that groped for and found God. These records were written by God’s Holy Spirit speaking through the prophets. These communications have been taken by men without God’s Holy Spirit translating them into doctrines and laws that form the great religions, and governments throughout the history of man, and, thus, creating the world’s religion of today.

Although God has promised man that He is not far from any of us if we seek and grope for Him. We have nevertheless sought Him on our own terms; we

have taken His communication, communication, given to those that have found Him; and brought them into fleshly human terms. Thus, creating a mystery called Babylon the Great.

May 5, 2009

1Cor. 1:25 because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men;

When the world looks at love it appears weak. Love is not proud or boastful; it makes no show of it means of life. Love does not have the first and best place it puts the interest of other a head of it own interest. The world only knows the strength of love when they are called upon to show it. All the wisdom in the world cannot replace the love of a friend, father, mother or a child. Thankfully, God is not weak and continual is love for us in times of distress.

God humbly allowed Himself to look foolish at Adam and Eve's rebellion. God has looked weak and foolish at the death of His many prophets and children. And above all the world must think God foolish for allowing His Son to be kill for our sins,

We can be thankful this day that God has not wore out in love and that a weak thing of God is stronger than all the wisdom of mans world.

May 6, 2009

17:27 that they should seek the Lord, if perhaps they might reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us.

There has never been a church or organization that has sought God and grouped for him throughout the history of man on this earth regarding worship of God. It has been men and woman who found God and then organizations were forced to change by their insights or have been formed because of their insights of God. It has been men and woman with God Holy Spirit given us as gifts that has helped the human race understand what religion has buried in doctrine and theology. God from time to time

resurrects truths through His Holy Spirit; important issues that will affect the growth of body of Christ on earth; that brings us back on track

May 7, 2009

Gal. 6:8 For he who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption. But he who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

Before the creation of flesh there were no fleshly thoughts in the spirit realm as we might know them in our flesh. Rebellion of the spirit realm and fleshly realm started with contact of these two groups. The creation of flesh was not an experiment as the fleshly mind concludes it was. Because God is love, love cannot create evil, evil is created by a choice of fleshly thoughts. Love also allows evil to exist for the growth and formation of good in God's Children. Unlike, however, the flesh, that destroys in order to protect its likeness.

The fact that it has taken God thousands of years to redeem the human race from Adams fall into sin; which is an on going work to this self-same day,- proves that it was not experiment. But rather a painful sacrifice of love on God's part in creating free will for angles and mankind.

May 8, 2009

**James a slave of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ sends greeting to the twelve tribes that are scattered over the world.
James 1:1**

James a brother of Christ considered himself a slave of God and of Christ Jesus. Yes, the child of God is a slave within the body of Christ; as a hand minister to other body members and does the will of the brain. So to in perfect unison James worked at the will of God within the body of Christ.

Joh_12:26, If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honor.

James neither sought glory through fleshly connections to his half brother Jesus Christ, nor as holding a superior position over his brothers, that is, being recognized as an older brother among the congregations of God. No! James sought nothing but the Lord Christ Jesus and the truth of God's love in him. He did so, by holding out God's message to all of God's children Israel, scatter about through the then known world.

May 9, 2009

**“You must find greatest joy, my brothers, in being involved in various trials, for you know that the testing of your faith leads to steadfastness and steadfastness must have full play so that you may be fully and perfectly developed without any defect.”
James 1:2-4**

Clearly James is the focusing our faith on heaven not upon earth and the nature mans fallen flesh.

Joy in trials is not of this world! The man or woman that states that a trial is joyful is a liar. But James says we must have greatest joy in various trials. Testifying through God's Holy Spirit in truth and love James spoke words far above human nature. Such should humble the heart of any person thinking a son of God is a human endeavor.

The faith of a child of God is from God it is a gift of God's Holy Spirit. For gladness in tests of ones faith; God would have to increase joy through His Holy Spirit. Nothing of human sinful nature comes into play here except the doing away of fleshly nature through fiery test of our faith. So nothing comes from our fleshly nature to strengthen us in our fiery test. Moreover, the test come to us because we are spirit led sons of God. Our tests are because we are a part of the body of Christ, not because of who we are in the flesh, but because of who we become in the spirit.

May 10, 2009

A brother of low position ought to be proud of his eminence, but one who is rich ought to rejoice at being reduced

**in circumstances, for the rich will disappear like a wild flower.
James 1: 9,10**

A brother of low position ought to be proud of his eminence in the body of Christ. Nothing in his low position or personal worth placed him in this eminent position. Moreover, his low position did not make him deficient in God's eyes or judgment of him. Subsequently, he humbly must acknowledge that God's Spirit makes him rich and God has so kept His promise to love His own not by physical appearance but of the heart.

Both the rich and the poor meet as one in the body of Christ. Shall the hand wish to have better clothes than the foot? Should the foot envy the glove on the hand? How foolish, for no man ever hated his own body but feeds and cherishes it.

May 11, 2009

James 1:12 Blessed is the man who endures temptation, for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life, which the Lord promised to those who love him.

Temptation and death is the reward of the flesh not material gain. Temptation endured in our flesh perfects our faith in God. Removing trials through material gain show a lack of trust in God's love.

Temptation brings the impurity of our flesh to the surface. Our fleshly sins are heightened not lessened in temptation. When we endure these trials our faith is perfected, but why? Our faith is trust in God, when temptation is out of our physical will; as the child of God often experiences we must trust in God's love to deliver us from the trial.

May 12, 2009

James 1:13 Let no man say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God," for God can't be tempted by evil, and he himself tempts no one.

God does not tempt us, but the sinful flesh lies to us and says God does tempt us. Yes, Adam and Eve blamed God for putting the tree of "Good and Bad" in the Garden of Eden. Having fleshly thoughts they thought it unfair that God should spoil the peaceful Garden by placing a test before them.

If God was God he should of trusted them by not letting them be tempted. The flesh says because God could have prevented the test then it is His fault.

The flesh sees this as a great evil and it not able to think outside of the flesh in this matter. The flesh say God did not trust His creation. But what does love say? Love says there is no law against love it has perfect freedom and does not live in fear. So we have a great conflict between the flesh and Spirit. A child of God must figure out which one he chooses to believe under temptation. If they choose the flesh then he believes the first lie; the fleshly thought that says God does not trust his creation.

May 13, 2009

James 1:20 For the anger of man doesn't produce the righteousness of God.

When our flesh gets angry it is trying to control something that is not in it's to control. The anger is an attack to wart off the enemy. On the other hand, the Holy Spirit gives up its position and yields in love. The Holy Spirit pursues peace if possible or it leaves. Man anger does not create more fruits of the Holy Spirit. Man anger creates sin not God righteousness, which is Christ Jesus too us.

The flesh wants its needs meet and when it does not get them meet is strikes out in anger. The Holy Spirit does not have needs so it promotes love and peace because it does not demand and it does not want for anything in the flesh. Furthermore, the Holy Spirit does not protect itself out of fear; so it can promote peace among us.

May 14, 2009

James 1:21 Therefore, putting away all filthiness and overflowing of wickedness, receive with humility the implanted word, which is able to save your souls {or, preserve your life.}.

Our humility is not us, but Christ Jesus, which we are a part of. The gift of humility comes through Christ our Savior. Humility flows too us as we trust in the Word of God implanted in our conception, which stands against the lies of our flesh.

The Word, Christ Jesus, is the savior of his body. He alone loves his body unlike any group of human in the flesh. We can bank our eternal life on Christ love for his body; if we submit to the humility in Christ Jesus through God's Holy Spirit.

We must be willing to suffer in our flesh that Christ may be produced in our hearts. The flesh would have us believe the opposite through doctrine of men; men that defined God by their flesh to justify their actions.

May 15, 2009

James 1:19 So, then, my beloved brothers, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to anger;

Indeed! Are we swift in hearing what the Holy Spirit has to say to our spirit? If we are then were controlled by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit in us will control our flesh and we will be slow in speaking and slow to anger. Here James gives a warning again to help the brothers and sister gauge the degree of flesh or Spirit they are walking in.

If not wake up! You are producing fruits of the flesh. The flesh is swift about hearing negative talk, but the Holy Spirit does not listen too or speak gossip. The flesh is swift to justify itself in all matters. The Holy Spirit does not justify itself in any matter of the flesh; Christ Jesus is God's justification to us. When our flesh's justification is not accepted it is turned into anger and it does not speak slowly.

May 16, 2009

James 1:23,24 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man looking at his natural face in a mirror; for he sees himself, and goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was.

The treachery of the flesh is that it forgets who it really is in the sight of God. When a child of God looks into the mirror he is looking at Christ Jesus. He should not be looking at his fleshly face, no! We are the body of Christ Jesus are we not? Our personal identity was buried in Christ at our birth. We are now slaves in the body as a foot or hand. The hand does not look at itself in the mirror or the foot. We are to reflect the Christ with unveiled faces in his glory to others

Love is the perfect law that governs Jesus Christ so it is the law of his body. Which law do we study as his body members?

May 17, 2009

“Today, as He says in David so much later, and as we mentioned heretofore, “Today, if you will hear His voice, do not harden your hearts.”

Joshua had given them rest; God would not have spoken of another day later on. Consequently, there is Sabbath rest reserved for the people of God; for one who enters into his rest, by the same token rests from his works, just as God did from His own.” Heb.4:7-10

When a child of God wrangles over scriptures in his mind; then he is diseased, no matter what noble reasoning he attaches to the wrangling outward or inwardly – (self-talk); it is diseased and death.

The child of God cannot justify himself through scriptures, when he does he loses his peace with God. The child of God is justified due to the blood of Christ. If Christ is righteous then the whole body must be declared righteous, thus, the child God cannot defend

himself, God must defend the child of God, for he is the property of the living God.

When a child of God is consumed with self-justification he is no longer in God rest day, the Greater Sabbath of God. For him to enter into the Sabbath as a child of God, he must be in the Spirit, and resting from his own justification; fleshly works, that is, justifying himself through his works.

May 18, 2009

James 2:2-4 For if a man with a gold ring, in fine clothing, comes into your synagogue{or, meeting}, and a poor man in filthy clothing also comes in;

and you pay special attention to him who wears the fine clothing, and say, "Sit here in a good place;" and you tell the poor man, "Stand there," or "Sit by my footstool;"

haven't you shown partiality among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?

This is the natural nature of our flesh to honor those that appear rich or beautiful. The flesh name drops and carries the favor of the rich so other will see them as successful. The flesh seeks gains by what it wears, eats, and associates with. Our flesh does not want to be humiliated in the eyes of others, much more so to be seen with the unseemly person in dirty clothes.

The sinful flesh of man too God is death and corruption likened to a dead body. God does not have to hold his nose to deal with us as sinners. No He invites us to come and taste and see that the Lord is good to the lowly and broken hearted.

James warned the brothers that God invited these poor ones into the Great Spiritual Temple filled with glory of the living God. He was not ashamed or embarrassed by their clothes, money, or appearance in the flesh.

May 19, 2009

James 2:8 However, if you fulfill the royal law, according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself,"{Leviticus 19:18} you do well.

The rich man says, "Who is my neighbor"? God says. "I loved the world so much I gave you my only begotten Son Christ Jesus that you might have life." God is neighborly He loves His neighbor as He loves Himself. He gives the very life of the nearest and dearest thing too His Heart Jesus Christ so we might have life.

Moreover, He gives us His Holy Spirit so we might have this type of love for our neighbor poor or rich. The free gift of His Holy Spirit! God knowing that without this gift we could never come up to His love. God humbles Himself in love and honors the poor of this world.

May 20, 2009

James 2:21 Wasn't Abraham our father justified by works, in that he offered up Isaac his son on the altar?

Abraham could not be justified by the law in trying to kill his son Isaac. Which law of God or man's justifies such actions? No law! Abraham could not receive a reward by the law for offering up his son Isaac. The law condemns his actions and would convict him of murder or an attempted murder.

Then what works is James here referring? There is no mystery for those led by God's Holy Spirit. Abraham loved God with his whole soul, mind, and heart. He proved this in following God's command that he kill his son on the altar. Only Abraham's love for God could make such a sacrifice; no law had the power to go into death and bring back his son Isaac; only God's love has that power. And Abraham put his whole trust into God's love and did just so.

May 21, 2009

John 13:35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Many are the disappointments in church groups when seeing this verse in action. What is missing is the Holy Spirit; Jesus showed a love not of this world and he promised he would send his disciples God's supernatural love at his glorification in heaven at his Father's right hand.

Human love a beautiful as it may be is hinder by our sinful weakness. God's love is not hinder by sinful flesh it is as purer as life in heaven. When the world beheld this love in the Apostles of Christ Jesus no greater witness could be given, no greater proof was needed. Nothing more needed writing, no amount of fleshly argument would change the fact that world could not produce this love without accepting Jesus Christ.

May 22, 2009

Matt. 5:43, 44 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor,{Leviticus 19:18} and hate your enemy.{not in the Bible, but see Qumran Manual of Discipline Ix, 21-26}'

But I tell you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who mistreat you and persecute you,

Jesus words to his disciples must have shocked them! How could they love those hating them? These are not just nice words for a Christian to roll around once and a while. God loved those that killed His Son Jesus Christ and because of His love for His enemies many have come to love God.

Love is the single most powerful force in the universe God is love. Yet, God is truth and the truth is we cannot love our enemies like God loved those that killed His Son,- it just not humanly possible. God knows our sinful nature so He helps us with His Holy Spirit so we can love those persecuting us. Yes, we do not have to go it alone, but we have the promise from God that He would send us His Holy Spirit to perform the supernatural act of loving those that hate us.

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