



## Morning Life Ministries / What God is Saying

**“Get yourself up on a high mountain, O Zion, bearer of good news,  
Lift up your voice mightily, O Jerusalem, bearer of good news;  
Lift it up, do not fear. Say to the cities of Judah, “Here is your God!”  
Behold, the Lord God will come with might, With His arm ruling for Him.  
Behold, His reward is with Him And His recompense before Him.  
~ Isaiah 40:9-10 NASB95 ~**

Hello partners and friends! God Bless you! Allow me to encourage your hearts beginning with the words of Jesus,

**Therefore I tell you, stop being perpetually uneasy (anxious and worried) about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink; or about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life greater [in quality] than food, and the body [far above and more excellent] than clothing?  
- Matthew 6:25 AMPC**

Friends, worry is spiritual contraband to the child of God. Worry is a subtle form of fear and we ought not tolerate the smallest amount of it in our lives. 365 times we are told throughout Scripture, **"Fear Not."** There is a *fear not* for every day of the year.

It doesn't matter what the worry is concerning : whether it is about food on the table or the clothes for the kids, the mortgage or your marriage. Jesus told us *stop it!* The main reason being *Jesus cannot help us when we are in fear.*

Jesus so longs to help us, provide for us, meet every need, desire and all we require – but worry will contaminate our faith. The faith that would produce results becomes ineffective because of fear.

For all that God has done for us in Christ, for all the poverty He has redeemed us from, sickness He has paid for, condemnation from which He has set us free – we will never receive it in a spirit of fear. But we can resist all fear and receive every promise from the Word in the spirit of faith.

That is not hype or hyperbole – that is Bible truth. Thank you, Lord! Jesus goes on to say,

**Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father keeps feeding them. Are you not worth much more than they?**

- Matthew 6:26 AMPC

Notice that one of Jesus' remedies for worry is being convinced of our worth, knowing our value. You cannot separate the word *love* from the word *value*. If we love someone then we value them. If we value them we will spend ourselves to express to them their worth to us. We are valuable to God and He has demonstrated His love for us in sending Jesus.

People talk about the "spirit of christmas", but as believers we need to look far higher than our holiday seasons for the spirit by which we live and operate. We have the Spirit of Faith, the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Love – and we must not compromise these just because of the holiday season we are in.

I like the celebratory winter season and honoring the birth of our Savior as much as the next person, but we should do that every day of the year! If all we do is get caught up in the spirit of whatever season we are in, we can begin to take on the cares of that season. We will be allowing outward circumstances to determine the atmosphere of our inner man.

The Holy Spirit through John says, **"Fear has torment"** (1 John 4:17b KJV). That word for *torment* is the same word used throughout the New Testament describing the experience of Hell! Fear, torment, vexation, frustration. No, thank you, devil! Jesus said,

**Peace I leave with you; My [own] peace I now give and bequeath to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. [Stop allowing yourselves to be agitated and**

**disturbed; and do not permit yourselves to be fearful and intimidated and cowardly and unsettled.]**

- John 14:27 AMPC

Faith has peace. Faith has comfort. Just as torment is a taste of Hell on earth, the love, peace, and comfort Christ gives us is a taste of Heaven on earth. In the same way that we are to stop worrying about anything, we are to have faith in God for everything!

Instead of feeling pressured to give gifts according to the cares and concerns of the season – know God's love for you and His love for your loved ones. It will help you to do your giving in love and faith and in the hope of a harvest. This is how we are to give all year round, not just at the end of the year.

*I guarantee you according to the Word of God, He loves your loved ones far more than you love your loved ones!* Don't worry about where money for presents or anything else is coming from this year. Exercise your faith and talk to your Father about what you would like to give to your loved ones.

Jesus said that the cares, worries, fears of this world choke the Word and keep it from producing results in our lives. If you give God your trust to work with, you can get every gift without any frustration or vexation this holiday season. God will help you do so! All the while you are in His peace, assured of His love.

A little while ago, I was in that half-asleep half-awake state in my waking hours, and my spirit was rolling around this phrase, *"My peace is not determined by my outward circumstances... My peace is not determined by my outward circumstances... My peace is not determined by my outward circumstances."*

Though our body sleeps regularly, our spirits never sleep. I oftentimes wake up in the morning or in the middle of the night to find God communing with my spirit.

When I heard that statement the other morning, I had to fight against the assumption of my flesh that kept trying to tell me that I already knew that! What do I mean? Well, it is just pride and presumption to think that when God is telling you something, you do not need to hear it. If you let yourself, you can dismiss something important God is saying to you – right when you need it the most!

(It does not matter what you think is relevant or know about anything – if God is saying it, it is important!)

Immediately, that day and the days following, I realized why that word was so important. I had to fight to keep my peace from anxiety and worrisome thoughts that kept bombarding my mind connected to some outward circumstances I was facing! Some things in our outward circumstances were not appearing yet like we were believing God for them to be and I was challenged to get into fear, worry, doubt and lose my peace.

But I kept saying and singing about how the peace of Christ rules in my heart and guards my heart and mind in Christ Jesus. I keep saying, "All my needs, desires and wants are met according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." (see Philippians 4:19) And "I take no anxious thought!" according to Jesus' words in Matthew 6:25 KJV. What am I doing? I am practicing Philippians 4:6-7, that's what I'm doing!

**[6] Do not fret or have any anxiety about anything, but in every circumstance and in everything, by prayer and petition (definite requests), with thanksgiving, continue to make your wants known to God. [7] And God's peace [shall be yours, that tranquil state of a soul [...] fearing nothing from God and being content [...] that peace] which transcends all understanding shall garrison and mount guard over your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.**

- Philippians 4:6-7 AMPC

Hallelujah! Thank You, Lord, for your peace! If you will stay in Peace, God will keep you in Victory! How do I know? Because of God's promise,

**And the God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah) be with you.**

- Romans 16:20 AMPC

Peace keeps the enemy right where he belongs – *under our feet!* Hallelujah!

So instead of worrying this holiday season, tell God what you desire and require with definite requests, **"believing you receive when you pray"** (see Mark 11:24), **"Casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares for you affectionately and cares about you watchfully."** (1 Peter 5:7 AMPC)

We are announcing that we will be making our first ministry trip to our churches in Africa (Kenya and Uganda) in September, 2026. I am very excited about what The Lord has in store and am seeking Him for greater direction and details. It will be our first ministry trip to Africa since we did the establishing work over a decade ago under Brother Greg.

We are also planning a ministry trip to Japan as soon as 2028. With all these things we will keep you updated. We love you and thank God for your partnership in the service of The Lord. We could not do what we are doing for Him without divine connections like you.

The Lord Bless you and keep you in all your ways of service and obedience to The Lord,

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