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Introduction

God has not called us to a struggling and a queer life. Rather, He has called us to an abundant, righteous, peaceful and joyful life. God has called us to live a wide life on the narrow path. The Lord said in Ezekiel 37 that if only I shall spend time to hear what He tells me and shall speak over you as I am commanded, He will let your dry bones live again. He will raise up your dry bones.

You will rise as a mighty army. Your bones will not forever remain dry. Your business will rise again and influence nations in the name of Jesus! Amen!

God has seen the horrible pits and miry clays in which many of us live. He has seen for Himself that many of us are discouraged. The Lord knows that things are hard in these last days. In fact He warned us that in these last days, perilous or dangerous times will come.

He has committed Himself that for His own name's sake, He shall revive and restore the elect and His own.

He said that “if we shall be committed to **ignite**, **connect** and **Equip** men to become fully functional Disciples of Christ Jesus; then He will **gather**, **cleanse**, **sanctify**, **baptize**, **plant**, **prosper**, and **honour** His people (See Ezekiel 36:24-38)

I see the Lord touching your life in Jesus’ name. Amen! This is our set time. This is the time of salvation. The Lord, Our Helper is at hand. We can live a wide life on a narrow path. We can have a bountiful life on this strait way if we know how.

2 Corinthians 6:2

(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)

This is your set time to be favoured and saved. God has heard you and this is the acceptable time.

Inasmuch as it is true that we have all “*sinned and come short of the glory of God*” and are appointed unto death, eternal life is a free gift of God through Jesus Christ to all who can believe (See Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, John 3:16)

Galatians 3:22

But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

In any case, “*strait is the gate and narrow is the way that leads to life*”, yet we can live a wide and bountiful life on this strait way.

Matthew 7:13-15

(13) Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

(14) Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

(15) Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

So enter the strait gate and unto the narrow way because it is possible to live a wide life still on the narrow path.

Though many of us are struggling with life and the devil is troubling us, it is the plan of God to give us life and power so that **you can live a wide life on the narrow path.**

He said the thief comes to steal, kill and to destroy, but He has come that you might have life and have it more abundantly (See John 10:10) I don't think God would give us abundant life only for us to live in a queer way. He has given us abundant life so that we can enjoy life to the fullest.

Get ready to enjoy your life now! Nothing can stop us. You are about to receive the keys that will enlighten and empower you to enjoy life to the fullest.

The first step to living a wide life on a narrow path is the **Jesus** step. The other steps are;

1. Commitment
2. Connection
3. Growth
4. Serving
5. Giving
6. Endurance.

You can enjoy life if you can begin with Jesus. This is the secret to power, the power to live the God-kind of Life

John 1:12

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

The next important step is a **commitment** to live out your decision. Living by your decision is the secret to stay alive and not be killed by your own desires. The Bible says that we should be *followers of those who through faith and patience inherited the promise*. We know that the real children of Abraham are not just those who believe but those who also walk in the same steps of faith of

Abraham.

Romans 4:12

*And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but **who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham,** which he had being yet uncircumcised.*

The third step is the **Connection** step. You must be determined and wise enough to join a family; firstly the family of God and secondly, a **HighCity** family. Connection to the body of Christ gives you access to roots and fatness in Christ. It guarantees you reinforcement and help in times of trouble. Connection makes you enjoy effective shepherding and makes you accountable to someone.

Romans 11:17

And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert grafted in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree;

It is possible to enjoy a wide life on the narrow path when you learn to grow with God. Growing with God would enable you to live a fully functional God-life of dominion and possibilities. The simple secret to be free from the elements of the world is growing in grace and knowledge.

Galatians 4:1-5

(1) Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;

(2) But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.

(3) Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:

(4) But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

(5) To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

The fifth step to enjoying and abounding with life is serving - getting involved in what God is doing. Serving gives meaning and significance to your life. Serving and getting involved in what God is doing is the simple secret to promotion. It brings meaning, significance and the requisite expression to your life.

Matthew 23:1-12

(1) Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples,

(2) Saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat:

(3) All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe,

that observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not.

(4) For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers.

(5) But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments,

(6) And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues,

(7) And greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi.

(8) But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren.

(9) And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

(10) Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, even Christ.

(11) But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant.

(12) And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

This next step is the big step to wealth, increase, fattening and prosperity. This is the step of

partnering with your pastor, and supporting your church. Every wise child of God is a generous person. The Bible says a liberal soul shall be made fat. Many of the people who enjoyed a bountiful life on the narrow road in Scripture were givers.

Luke 8:1-3

(1) And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve were with him,

(2) And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils,

(3) And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance.

The final step to enjoying a bountiful life on the narrow path is becoming an enduring believer. You must decide to endure to the end.

With these keys you are ready to enjoy a bountiful life on the narrow path.

Jesus

Begin with Jesus

Genesis 12:1-3

(1) Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

(2) And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

(3) And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

The secret to greatness, blessing, influence, fruitfulness, impact, and protection is to;

1. **Believe** the word
2. **Step out** of your old realm
3. **Follow** steadfastly in the way of the Lord

The Lord told Abraham to step out of his old life

in faith and to follow Him to a land He would show him. God is surely committed to lead us to a land that flows with milk and honey. He is leading us to the city of righteousness, peace and joy unspeakable.

God said, "If you step out and follow Me in faith, I will;

1. Make you great
2. Bless you
3. Make your name great
4. Bless those who bless you
5. Curse those who curse you

This promise was not to Abraham alone but to his seed. Truthfully the Scriptures teach us that all those who are of faith are the children of Abraham.

Galatians 3:6-9

(6) Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.

*(7) Know ye therefore that **they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.***

(8) And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.

(9) So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

You can be part of this blessed generation if you can believe and begin with Jesus. The Bible tells us that Christ has paid the price for our redemption and we receive it by faith.

Galatians 3:13-14

(13) Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

(14) That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

You can be part of this great promise by simply;

1. Believing on the Lord Jesus
2. Stepping out of your old life
3. Following the way of the Lord by faith

John 3:16-20

(16) For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

(17) For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

(18) He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

(19) And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

(20) For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.

Colossians 1:13

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

Acts 2:40-42

(40) And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

(41) Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

(42) And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Beginning with Jesus gives you the power to live the God-kind of life;

John 1:12

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them

that believe on his name:

There is one step between you and the blessing; life, salvation, healing, deliverance, blessings, redemption, anointing, righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. That step is faith in Jesus Christ. God is on one side offering life, healing, deliverance, blessing, and you are on the other side in need of life, healing, deliverance, blessings, promotion, peace, and joy. There is however a gap between you and God that must be bridged, and the bridge and link between you and God is faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ.

Prophecy

Just as the dry bones in Ezekiel 37 lived, you can also live again. Say Amen to that! You will be well again. Say Amen to that! You will be delivered. Say Amen to that! The curse will be broken. Say Amen to that! The relationship will be restored. Say Amen to that!

Thus says the Lord, you will not rot in that grave of fear, unbelief, abomination, hatred, fornication, witchcraft, idolatry, and lying. The power of fear over you is broken in the mighty name of Jesus. Say Amen to that! The power of doubt over you is broken in the mighty name of Jesus. Say Amen to that!

The power of homosexuality over you is broken in the mighty name of Jesus. Say Amen to that! The power of death and hatred over you is broken in the mighty name of Jesus. Say Amen to that! The power of witchcraft and idolatry over you is broken in the mighty name of Jesus. Say Amen to that!

Every bed that is carrying you now, I see you carrying it in Jesus' precious name!.

Any prison gate, any chains holding you bound, any condition stopping you from advancing in life, in the mighty name of Jesus is giving way now!

Your encounter with the word today marks the beginning of your redemption, healing deliverance, miracle, prosperity in the name of Jesus Christ. Say Amen to that now!

God is Willing to Give You Life.

It is unnecessary to suffer what you are suffering. God desires an abundant life for you. Whatever you are suffering came upon you because the devil brought it upon you. Satan wants to steal, kill, and destroy you.

John 10:9-11

(9) I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find

pasture.

(10) The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

(11) I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

God loves you so much and He has paid the utmost price for your freedom. He loves the world so much that “*He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believes in him will not perish but have everlasting life*”. (John3:16)

1 Timothy 2:4-7

(4) Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

(5) For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

(6) Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

(7) Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, and lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity.

Nothing can stop you from receiving the blessing, healing, deliverance, salvation, peace, joy, and success. God is committed to give you all the things you will ask for.

Listen, there is nobody under the heaven and the earth who can hold you bound. God is for you, nobody, nothing; I mean absolutely nothing can be against you. “*God who spared not His own son, But delivered Him up for us all, shall by Him also freely give us all things*”. He will freely give us deliverance, healing, success, prosperity, salvation, peace, cars, houses, etc; I mean all things. Nobody can lay anything to your charge.

Romans 8:31-33

(31) What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

(32) He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

(33) Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

I command anything holding you bound to release you now, in Jesus' name!

Sin is leaving you now, in Jesus' name! Diabetes is leaving you now, in Jesus' name! Cancer is leaving you now, in Jesus' name! Paralysis is leaving you now, in Jesus' name! Poverty is leaving you now, in Jesus' name! Demonic deposits through dreams are leaving you now, in Jesus' name! Anything that has a name that is holding you bound is leaving you

now, in Jesus' name!

Receive your healing now! Receive your peace!
Receive your joy! Receive your liberation, in Jesus'
name!

You cannot be bound. You are loosed in Jesus'
name! Hell and death are losing their grips on your
life now in the name of Jesus! Witchcraft power is
breaking now in Jesus name!

You are blessed in the name of Jesus!

Be Willing to Live

Inasmuch as God is willing to save, heal, deliver,
and bless you, you must be willing to live out God's
best for your life.

One day Jesus saw a man who was sick and the
Lord asked him a simple question, "Do you want
to be well again?" And the man began to give
excuses. Don't allow anything; the devil, or your
circumstances to keep you away from God's best for
your life. God's best is not sickness, sin, bad omen,
curses, poverty, and setback. God's best is healing,
health, deliverance, liberation, blessing, happiness,
peace, joy, and breakthrough.

John 5:5-9

(5) *And a certain man was there, which had an*

infirmity thirty and eight years.

(6) When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole?

(7) The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me.

(8) Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.

(9) And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the sabbath.

All you need to receive God's best is faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ and an encounter with the power of God.

The dry bones began to live the very moment the prophet of God began to prophesy and speak the word of God as he was commanded.

God is ready and He is waiting for you to be willing. The Bible says if you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land.

Isaiah 1:18-20

(18) Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like

crimson, they shall be as wool.

(19) If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

(20) But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

I hope you are willing to live again? Will you move to the second step by obeying? Do not let this opportunity to live forever in health, liberation, peace, happiness and blessing elude you because of the momentary promise of pleasure that this world offers.

You can live again. Only do not rebel. Be willing to live and you shall live.

Receiving the Miracle by Faith in Jesus Christ

As I speak the healing, deliverance, blessing, life, peace, and joy, you must have faith to receive.

Jesus Christ always told people who came to Him to believe. We have heard Him say often “Only Believe”. Your faith is the principal thing. God is willing to release the miracle but you must have faith to receive.

Prayer Point

Dear Father,

I believe that Jesus is Your only begotten Son who died for me, that through faith and by grace I might live, and on the third day You raised Him from the dead.

I confess this truth this day willingly, and in the name of Jesus, I claim it to work for me.

It is indeed true that if You did not withhold Your dear Son from me, and gave Him up for me, then You shall by that same Jesus Christ give me all that I ask for.

On the basis of this truth, I ask that anything holding me bound is losing its grip over me in Jesus' name!

I receive healing, life, blessing, and power into my spirit, soul, and body.

*I declare today that infirmity is leaving me now!
Life and strength is entering me now!*

I declare that I am not sick; I am healed, the symptoms are leaving me now! In the precious name of Jesus!

*I cannot be sick, I cannot be poor, I am not weak.
In the mighty name of Jesus Christ!*

Make this confession 3 times daily as you apply

anointing oil. Remember I am standing in prayer interceding for you. Amen.

Does it Matter?

Luke 16:19-31 reveals that when we die, depending on our choices and how we spent our season on earth, we would either spend our sleeping time in peace or in torment.

The Scriptures tell us that two men lived in a city; one was rich and the other a beggar named Lazerus. The beggar was so poor that he desired to eat the crumbs that fell from the rich man's table but he didnt even get that chance. One day they both died and the rich man was buried, but Lazarus was carried into Abraham's bosom. Oh yes Lazarus slept without regrets but even though the rich man also slept, his sleep was full of regrets.

Revelation 14:12-13

(12) Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

(13) And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works

do follow them.

The other option is too harsh to consider.

Revelation 20:10-15

(10) And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

(11) And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

(12) And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

(13) And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

(14) And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

(15) And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

You cannot go to hell. You must live and not die.

Commit

Live Your Decision

John 8:30-32

(30) As he spake these words, many believed on him.

(31) Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

(32) And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Many are afraid to live out their decision to follow Christ because they are so used to their old life. The simple secret to enjoy your new life in Christ is to simplify your life and be moderate in your thinking.

You will enjoy everyday life in Christ if you can do the following;

Give God First Place

When you put God first, He will honour you. You see, life has five dimensions;

1. The spirit
2. The intellect
3. The body
4. Relationships, and
5. Work

Learning to put God first is the simple secret to receive divine provision and live anxiety-free.

Matthew 6:31-34

(31) Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

(32) (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

(33) But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

(34) Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

As we learn to seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, all other things shall be added to

us.

When you give God first place in your life, you have fulfilled 50% of all the Law and the Prophets. It is the first and the greatest commandment. It is the foundation to all true religion and faith.

Matthew 22:37-40

(37) Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

(38) This is the first and great commandment.

(39) And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

(40) On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Giving God first place in your life is the first secret to an exciting life on the narrow path. This would take attending to the word of God. Joshua 1:8 reveals that if you can be courageous and strong and stick to this book of the law; you shall make your way prosperous.

Joshua 1:7-8

(7) Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou

goest.

(8) This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Many people find the life on the narrow path exciting because they have given God first place in their lives. They find this life exciting because God is their priority and so walking with Him is not cumbersome. If you could ensure that nothing competes with God, then living His kind of life would be exciting.

Renew Your Mind

Your mind or heart is one of the most important organs of a man. In fact, all of our interpretations and perceptions are based on how the mind interprets and perceives things. If God can get you to change how you think, then He can change everything about you. *“As a man thinks in his heart so is he”*.

The mind is the gate to the spirit and the soul. The mind is the organ that controls and regulates your thoughts, perceptions and intuitions. That is why if

anybody or anything gains control of your mind, that person or thing has gained control of your whole body.

You are not bigger than what you think in your heart. Whatever makes you open your heart, determines your value.

Proverbs 23:7

For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee.

Talk is cheap, but thoughts of the heart define a man or woman. What things excite you shows what you will gravitate towards. Immediately you change how you think in your heart, you have changed who you are and what can happen around you.

Life on the narrow path can be exciting, if we can willfully shift in our pattern of thinking, understanding, and speaking as we mature through life.

1 Corinthians 13:11

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

The simple secret to an exciting, healthy, peaceful, and joyful life is renewing the mind.

Take some time to study Philippians 2:1-16, it is an important guide to renewing the mind after Christ. Did it occur to you that what you think about marriage determines how you marry? Did it also occur to you that almost all of your actions stem from how your heart and mind process information and data? Be ready to renew your mind if you desire an exciting, healthy and wide life on a narrow path.

Care for Your Body

Your body is both the temple of the Lord and the vehicle by which you travel. It's important to understand that men look on the outward, though God looks at the heart. Nevertheless, most of the times you will be dealing with men, so take good care of your body.

Your body is your interface with the world around you. You feel heat, hear sounds, see sights, smell and taste things all by your body. Your body helps you to relate to the elements of nature and the world around you.

Your body is the house in which the real you dwells. Your body is what helps you to stay alive here on earth. When this body gives way, your stay on Earth is exhausted.

2 Corinthians 5:1-4

(1) *For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.*

(2) *For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:*

(3) *If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked.*

(4) *For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.*

Others relate with your body, so taking care of your body is important. You can live by the decision to walk with Jesus on the narrow path if you can take good care of your body.

Build the Right Relationships

“Two are better than one and a threefold cord is not easily broken”. Relationship and networking is one of the most important things you need in order to live out your decision to have an exciting life on the narrow path, build the right relationships.

Throughout life you are going to need important relationships to help you advance. Relationships are important. They offer the kind of reinforcement that you need so that you can survive the different phases of life.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

(9) Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.

(10) For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up.

(11) Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm alone?

(12) And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

Now, you must understand that even though relationships are very important, your relationships can also unmake you. You must therefore build the right relationships. (See Psalm 1:1-3)

Learn to Earn a Living

Learning to earn a living is the simple secret to live an honest life among those who do not believe.

Money is a defense; so then the very day you learn

to earn a living, after you have put God first in your life, is the very day you begin to build a defense for life.

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

(11) And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

(12) That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.

As you study to be quiet and to do your own business, and work with your hands, you are learning to walk honestly towards them that are without and to lack nothing. This shows clearly that working with one's hand and doing one's own business is the key to sufficiency.

The Bible tells us not to even keep company with those who walk disorderly and would not work.

2 Thessalonians 3:6-12

(6) Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.

(7) For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves disorderly

among you;

(8) Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought; but wrought with labour and travail night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you:

(9) Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us.

(10) For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.

(11) For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.

(12) Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread.

May you earn a good living in the name of Jesus.
May the Lord favour you in your endeavours. You
will earn a good living in Jesus' name!

Connect

Join the Family

Proverbs 27:17-19

(17) Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

(18) Whoso keepeth the fig tree shall eat the fruit thereof: so he that waiteth on his master shall be honoured.

(19) As in water face answereth to face, so the heart of man to man.

Connect with other believers for fun and fellowship, while getting the support everyone needs in order to be victorious.

Acts 2:41-47 teaches us that when you connect with the family, you can continue steadfastly in:

1. Doctrine (teachings)
2. Fellowship
3. Breaking of bread (Communion)
4. Prayers

As a result, signs and wonders will begin to take

place by the hand of your apostles. This is because when we learn to continue steadfastly in the doctrine and fellowship, breaking of bread, and prayers; our apostle will work signs and wonders, while we dwell in the fear of the Lord.

We can then;

5. Strengthen the Community of Saints and Connect Groups
6. Commit ourselves to giving
7. Commit ourselves to assembling together with the saints in the temples and from house to house
8. Eat our bread with gladness and singleness of heart
9. Praise God and have favour with all people, while the Lord adds to our number daily, such as ought to be saved (See Acts 2:42-47).

Dear Reader

Let us connect with each other and stand solidly with our apostle.

Remember, you are our priority. We pray for you, kings, and all in authority. We are looking forward to meeting you. We want to share the message of the kingdom and of the way with you. We want to have fun and fellowship with you while we receive the support each of us needs in order to be victorious.

Connect

*We want to help you find joy while you step into
God's best for your life.*

God bless you!

Grow

Grow with God

2 Peter 3:17-18

(17) Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.

(18) But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

Growing as a Christian is very important. This is why we hold weekly services in our HighCity Churches to give you the tools you need in order to grow and succeed. To get more in depth teachings, visit highcity.org for daily devotionals. You can also download and read powerful ebooks like this one from simpebediako.com

Before you join any of our services you must

1. Accept that the Lord is good.
2. Desire and earnestly crave the sincere milk of the word of God

3. Be as new born babe.

This is because we are not traditional; we are Christians who challenge the status quo and endorse nothing except it accords with the truth and godliness. Many of the things we teach might sound new to you. You must be regenerated if you can receive many of the things we teach from the Scriptures. They are spiritually discerned and a carnal man cannot receive them

4. Be ready to lay apart malice, all guile,
hypocrisy, envy, and evil speaking

5. Know that you are coming to the Lord, as unto
a living stone, disallowed indeed of men but
chosen of God and precious

6. Come as a living stone chosen and built up into
a spiritual house to offer spiritual sacrifices
acceptable unto God.

The Bible tells us in 1 Peter 2:1-5 that,

*(1) Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all
guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil
speakings,*

*(2) As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of
the word, that ye may grow thereby:*

*(3) If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gra-
cious.*

(4) To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,

(5) Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

Serve

Get Involved

One of the most rewarding things in life is to help others. Find out about our;

- Ministry Teams
- Local Missions
- International Missions

Acts 13:36

For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:

You were born for a reason and a season. While we live, we must live for that reason because when our season is over, we will stand before the Master to give an account of how we spent our time and season.

1. Help to prepare the services by joining the Choir, Ushering, Children's Ministry, Media, etc.
2. Pray, supplicate, and intercede for all men, for kings, and for all in authority (See 1 Timothy 2:1-5)

3. Go to the community, to the streets and lanes, and to the highways and hedges (See Luke 14:16-24)
4. Testify of the kingdom and of the way to all men (See Acts 28:23-31)
5. Lead those who believe to Christ

Give

Support Your Church

Philippians 4:15-16

(15) Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only.

(16) For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity.

2 Corinthians 8:1-7 NLT

(1) Now I want to tell you, dear brothers and sisters, what God in his kindness has done for the churches in Macedonia.

(2) Though they have been going through much trouble and hard times, their wonderful joy and deep poverty have overflowed in rich generosity.

(3) For I can testify that they gave not only what they could afford but far more. And they did it of their own free will.

(4) They begged us again and again for the gra-

cious privilege of sharing in the gift for the Christians in Jerusalem.

(5) Best of all, they went beyond our highest hopes, for their first action was to dedicate themselves to the Lord and to us for whatever directions God might give them.

(6) So we have urged Titus, who encouraged your giving in the first place, to return to you and encourage you to complete your share in this ministry of giving.

(7) Since you excel in so many ways—you have so much faith, such gifted speakers, such knowledge, such enthusiasm, and such love for us—now I want you to excel also in this gracious ministry of giving.

(See also 2 Corinthians 9:1-15)

Learn to honour God with your substance and with the first fruit of your increase. This refers to your;

1. Offering
2. Tithes
3. Seeds.

You can honour God with your substance when you have the;

Forwardness of mind (willing heart)

Passion for God

Preparedness to give

Give

Purpose of what to give
Abundance of the grace to give

Endure

Overcome to the End

Revelations 21:6-8

(6) And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

(7) He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

(8) But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

You can overcome to the end if you can;

1. Cast off all weights and sin which easily beset you and run with patience

Hebrews 12:1-3

(1) Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so

easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

(2) Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

(3) For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

2. Bridle your tongue and eschew evil (See 1 Peter 3:10-22, Psalm 24)
3. Sing when you are merry
4. Pray when you are afflicted
5. Call the elders to prayer for you when you feel sick
6. Confess your faults when you fall (See James 5:12-20)
7. Press on and press in (See Philippians 3)

Conclusion

Remember there are seven simple steps to enjoying a bountiful life on the narrow path.

1. Begin with Jesus
2. Live your decision
3. Join the family
4. Grow with God
5. Get involved
6. Support your church
7. Endure to the end

God bless you!

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