

Sunday Service – 10th July, 2016. Ministering: William

Theme: OUR GOD IS A WAY MAKER

Isaiah 43:19; Isaiah 41:18; John 14:6; 1 Corinthians 10:13(KJV, AMP)

- Are you stranded, stuck, or stagnant?
- Does it seem as though there is apparently no way out?
- Don't lose heart, don't cave in, and don't give up!!!
- You are not the only one or first person to experience what you are going through!
- Our God will not allow the challenge to break you or crush you
- The Lord Jesus is not only a Way Maker, but He is the Way Himself
- He promised that you will not be tempted beyond what you are able to bare.

God is faithful and He promises to make a way of escape in **1 Corinthians 10:13**

❖ **Understand your limitations as man and rely on God**

- Who is unlimited ***Psalms 90:2***
- Who is greater than all ***John 10:29***
- Who fills all in all ***Ephesians 1:23***
- Who gives life to all things ***1 Timothy 6:13***
- With whom nothing is impossible ***Mark 10:27***

❖ **God's Grace**

Therefore, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in *due time* (**1 Peter 5:6**)

- There is a due time for promotion, elevation, lifting up, raising up ***Psalms 75:6-7***
- Avoid the temptation to measure yourself with other people
- Choose to walk in humility so that God may give you grace and exalt you in due time
- Although we don't have to work for grace, yet the scripture says that "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble" (**1 Peter 5:5**) but the proud He knows from afar (***Psalms 138:6***) But He gives more grace to the humble ***James 4:6***

❖ **Trust in God's faithfulness**

God wrote your scenario and He is not caught by surprise concerning what you face in life ***Jeremiah 29:11***

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your understanding... ***Proverbs 3:4-5***

- There is a unique path for each individual
- decide to trust in Him even if you don't seem to understand
- Trust in the Lord even if the situation does not necessarily turn out the way you want it or when you want it. He knows the best for me and you!! ***Jeremiah 29:11***
- Trust in the Lord and do good, dwell in the land (the land of God's promises) and feed on His faithfulness ***Psalms 37:3***
- Fight the good fight of faith ***1 Tim 6:12-13***

- choose to make God your source of supply **Philippians 4:19**
- Believe and have faith in experiencing the goodness of the Lord in this life **Psalms 27:13-14**
- *Read verse 14* in AMP
- Remember, God makes everything beautiful in its time **Ecclesiastes 3:11**
- True Christianity is a life solely dependent on the Lord **John 15:5**
- Remember, God has the ability to give life to even the most lifeless situation **Ezekiel 37:1-5**

That's why you can boldly say that "The Lord will perfect that which concerns me" **Psalms 138:8**

The Psalmist looked back and said "You enlarged my path under me, so my feet did not slip" **Psalms 18:36**

Hence you begin to believe that God will make a way and this too *shall come to pass*

And it shall come to pass that just as you were a curse among the nations, Oh ..., So I will save you, and you shall be a blessing. *The Lord will turn your life from a curse into a blessing*

❖ **Understand your position in Christ**

- You are more than a conqueror **Romans 8:37**
- We live and move and have our being **Acts 17:28**
- We are victorious **1 Corinthians 15:57**
- You are reckoned dead and your life is hidden with Christ in God **Col 3:3**
- I have been crucified, I no longer live but Christ lives in me **Galatians 2:20**

Knowing whose you are will help you put the challenge in its proper perspective

No, you are not denying the existence of the challenge but you decide to look at it from God's perspective i.e. through His Word

❖ **Knowing God**

Embark on the path of knowing God; eternal life is about knowing God and Jesus Christ whom He sent **John 17:3**

Daniel 11:32b ...but the people who know their God shall be strong, and carry out great exploits

- A prophetic word: **Jeremiah 31:28**

❖ **The sovereignty of God** *Isaiah 46:10*

The Lord will sometimes choose to give you grace to go through a challenge without necessarily removing it **2 Corinthians 12:9**. He said to Paul "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness"

He may decide to turn the situation around **Romans 8:28**

❖ Wilderness experiences

At times wilderness experiences draw us closer to the Lord and we can experience/see a facet of the God that we never knew before

- You gradually lose dependence on, trust and confidence in man
- You discover your limitations
- You can help and comfort someone later on

May your challenge cause you to experience God in a greater dimension!

- Wilderness experiences can be revealing experiences
- Wilderness experiences can be learning experiences
- Wilderness experiences can catapult us into genuine God experiences if we choose to

❖ The power of prayer

Intercessory Prayer of the saints can activate and even accelerate divine intervention in a perplexing situation. Remember Peter in jail **Acts 12:5-**

Closing prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father, I humbly come before your throne of Grace and ask You to show me now Your way out of this predicament. Have mercy on me and remember me Oh Lord and hear my cry concerning this matter for Your Name's sake. I thank You Lord because You will perfect that which concerns me regarding this matter. I pray all this in Jesus matchless Name, Amen