



# ~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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## Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, watch over everyone this weekend my Lord, and bless and keep them. Give each of them, Your will for them and plans for the day. Father I give You all the glory and praise for the teaching and also for each person reading the teaching, in Jesus' name. Amen.

## Worship Music

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## Scripture

### “God's Love” (mini movie—click)

1 Now in those<sup>1</sup> days, when the disciples were growing in number,<sup>2</sup> a complaint arose on the part of the Greek-speaking Jews<sup>3</sup> against the native Hebraic Jews,<sup>4</sup> because their widows<sup>5</sup> were being overlooked<sup>6</sup> in the daily distribution of food.<sup>7</sup> 2 So the twelve<sup>1</sup> called<sup>2</sup> the whole group<sup>3</sup> of the disciples together and said, “It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to wait on tables.<sup>4</sup> Exod 18:17; 3 But carefully select from among you, brothers,<sup>1</sup> seven<sup>2</sup> men who are well-attested,<sup>3</sup> full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may put in charge<sup>4</sup> of this necessary task.<sup>5</sup> Deut 1:13; Acts 1:21; Acts 16:2; 1Tim 3:7; 4 But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.”<sup>not e</sup> 5 The proposal pleased the entire group, so they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a Gentile convert to Judaism from Antioch. Acts 11:24; Acts 21:8; 6 They stood these men before the apostles, who prayed and placed their hands on them. Acts 1:23; Acts 8:17; Acts 13:3; 1Tim 4:14; 1Tim 5:22; 2Tim 1:6; 7 The word of God continued to spread, the number of disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly, and a large group of priests became obedient to the faith. Acts 19:20;

**Acts 6:1-7**

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It appears that up to this time the apostles took care of the business affairs of the church, all of it, which included the ministry of the Word of God and the care of the needy (4:37). In a few months, or at most a year or two, the church had grown enormously. Attending to the physical needs of the new church (waiting on tables) absorbed too much of the apostles' time. When weighing the priority between ministering to the new church's spiritual needs and its physical needs, the apostles realized that they must devote the majority of their time to preaching the Word of God, which would have eternal results in saving souls. Their decision had nothing to do with the apostles considering themselves too important to wait on tables. The apostles were the ones who had firsthand knowledge of the marvelous story of Jesus. The only means of making that story known was by word of mouth. Their one business, from morning till night, in public and in private, to their last ounce of energy, was to keep on telling that story to the crowds who came and went. So these seven assistants were appointed. The arrangement worked well; it was followed by an enormous increase of believers (v. 7) as a result of the apostles' preaching.

(v. 2-4) teaches us that it is not wise to be involved in everything that is going on around us. We should select our activities cautiously so we can remain calm, cool, and steady in life. We should choose our battles carefully. At different times God will have us doing different tasks. Each person has a gift that God has placed in them, as to what kind of hands and feet we are, we are one body with many parts. At different times the grace for different functions will be available to us as needed for His purposes. Still each person usually has a strong point in a area of the gift placed in us. If a person excels in administration, than they are usually good in the planning, etc. but they might be lousy in budgets...or the hands on. In Psych class it was called the " Peter Principle"; the concept is that a person may be good as say a teacher's aide, but when they are promoted to a teacher, than their work suffers, and it simply means that they excel as the teacher aide and know the job frontwards and backwards, and they have a fire or passion in the work, but when promoted to a teacher even though, trained they just were not gifted in that area, and usually the person is not happy like they were in the previous job. Another example would be that a supervisor is promoted to manager or director, they excelled as the supervisor but as a manager or director,,,,they flunked....their gifting was as a coordinator as a supervisor, not as a director, both positions are in management but at different levels and each with different responsibilities. Another example; a mother has four kids, she loves it, and enjoys taking care of them and teaching them as a mother, but when placed in a job in day care, she hates it....simple she was called to be a mother, but not a day care provider. Than there is the other side, we have a employee that is iffy, has no interest in the job, but that employee applies for a supervisor job and obtains the job.....he /she excels in the supervisor position but as a employee, they got a F, they flunked. They excelled as a supervisor because that is where their gifting is, but as a employee they sucked it just simply was not there area. Usually where the gifting is we excel, and we never tire of doing it, a passion /fire is there, and usually the job seems done with ease, and most of time stress free.

Also the book; Five Love Languages by Chapman is also based on the gifting areas, it is based on the concept that where ever our gift area is, is how we best respond to love; some respond to encouragement praise, so they may have a strong gift in exhortation, encouragement. Etc., etc. it is a excellent book for marriage, so if you have not read it, check it out from your library sometime, or read it on line....

4 Now there are different gifts, but the same Spirit. Rom 12:6; 1Pet 4:10; 5 And there are different ministries, but the same Lord. 6 And there are different results, but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. 7 To each person the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the benefit of all. 8 For one person is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, and another the message of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, and to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another performance of miracles, to another prophecy, and to another discernment of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, and to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 It is one and the same Spirit, distributing as he decides to each person, who produces all these things. Rom 12:3; Rom 12:6; Eph 4:7; 1Cor 7:7; 2Cor 10:13;

12 For just as the body is one and yet has many members, and all the members of the body – though many – are one body, so too is Christ. Rom 12:4-5; Eph 4:16; 13 For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Whether Jews or Greeks or slaves or free, we were all made to drink of the one Spirit. Gal 3:28; 14 For in fact the body is not a single member, but many. **1 Corin. 12:4-14**

27 Now you are Christ's body, and each of you is a member of it. Rom 12:5; Eph 1:23; Eph 4:12; Eph 5:23; Col 1:24; 28 And God has placed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, gifts of healing, helps, gifts of leadership, different kinds of tongues. Eph 4:11; Eph 2:20; 29 Not all are apostles, are they? Not all are prophets, are they? Not all are teachers, are they? Not all perform miracles, do they? 30 Not all have gifts of healing, do they? Not all speak in tongues, do they? Not all interpret, do they? 31 But you should be eager for the greater gifts.

1 Corin. 12: 27-31

4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you too were called to the one hope of your calling, 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, Deut 4:39; Mal 2:10; 1Cor 8:4; 1Cor 8:6; 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

7 But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Rom 12:6; 1Cor 12:11; 2Cor 10:13; 1Pet 4:10; 8 Therefore it says, "When he ascended on high he captured captives; he gave gifts to men." Ps 68:18; 9 Now what is the meaning of "he ascended," except that he also descended to the lower regions, namely, the earth? John 3:13; John 6:62; 10 He, the very one who descended, is also the one who ascended above all the heavens, in order to fill all things. 11 It was he who gave some as apostles, some as prophets, some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, 1Cor 12:28; 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, that is, to build up the body of Christ, Rom 12:5; 1Cor 12:27; Eph 1:23; Eph 5:23; Col 1:24; 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God – a mature person, attaining to the measure of Christ's full stature. 14 So we are no longer to be children, tossed back and forth by waves and carried about by every wind of teaching by the trickery of people who craftily carry out their deceitful schemes. 1Cor 14:20; Matt 11:7; 15 But practicing the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into Christ, who is the head. Eph 5:23; Col 1:18; 16 From him the whole body grows, fitted and held together through every supporting ligament. As each one does its part, the body grows in love. Rom 12:5; 1Cor 12:27; Eph 2:21; Ephesians 4: 4-16

There is no one any better than anyone else; all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. We are one body with many parts. We are to do whatever He has given us to do as unto the Lord.

A fault that many people do not realize, when a ministry/ church is built with a body of believers, is that God gave each person a area of gifting to serve Him, to be His hands and feet. If the churches do not have different people to work in different areas, then they are not being allowed to use the gift God gave them, and that person's growth is hindered, we are crippling them. God programmed each person for a different area, that is why we are one body with many parts. Also God's ways are higher than ours and also His thinking and intelligence. He also designed it this way so that one person would not hold all the power, and thusly think more highly of themselves than they ought, it would cause them to fall and sometimes they still fall. Also another fault in churches/ ministries is a leader telling a person, that such and such is that persons gifting area, because they need help in that area, and the person they put in that area is usually miserable, for one they have been forced there and it is not the area they were designed for....How do you know which area you will excel at? Well, what do you like to do? Look up each area and define it....or read the Five Love Languages you will see yourself in one area or another. Understand also that God's grace enables us to do what He has a need for us to do also, He places the knowledge in us to do it.....for a specific task, and we may not have ever done it before but He wants us to, His grace will give you the knowledge because He places in us the how to, when it is His will for us to do it. We just think we do not know how. For instance the first Bible study I did in assisted living and Bible teaching newsletter ....I prayed but Lord I have not done this, I don't know what to do, what do I do? Holy Spirit goes keep it simple, and pray before you start and pray when you finish. Ok, so I did not know the Bible as a kid I did not pay attention, but what ever He wants said, it comes.....

So....this is what the apostles dealt with, and Moses did also, as the believers grew in number it is necessary to delegate and for people with their gifting areas to help.....and most of the time, God will start lining people up to do this and that....

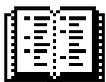
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**Psa 119:105**

**Thy word [is] a lamp unto  
my feet, and a light  
unto my path.**



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**"Friday Humor"      If Bud and Lou were here today .....**

***It helps to be old enough to remember Abbott and Costello , and too old to REALLY understand computers, to fully appreciate this. ?For those of us who sometimes get flustered by our computers, please read on...***

***If Bud Abbott and Lou Costello were alive today, their infamous sketch, 'Who's on First?' might have turned out something like this:***

***COSTELLO CALLS TO BUY A COMPUTER FROM ABBOTT??***

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***ABBOTT: Super Duper computer store. Can I help you?***

***COSTELLO : Thanks. I'm setting up an office in my den and I'm thinking about buying a com puter.***

***ABBOTT : Mac?***

***COSTELLO : No, the name's Lou .***

***ABBOTT : Your computer?***

***COSTELLO : I don't own a computer. I want to buy one.***

***ABBOTT : Mac?***

***COSTELLO: I told you, my name's Lou .***

***ABBOTT : What about Windows?***

***COSTELLO : Why? Will it get stuffy in here?***

***ABBOTT : Do you want a computer with Windows?***

***COSTELLO : I don't know. What will I see when I look at the windows?***

***ABBOTT : Wallpaper.***

***COSTELLO : Never mind the windows. I need a computer and software.***

***ABBOTT : Software for Windows?***

***COSTELLO : No. On the computer! I need something I can use to write proposals, track expenses and run my business. What do you have?***

***ABBOTT : Office.***

***COSTELLO: Yeah, for my office. Can you recommend anything?***

***ABBOTT : I just did.***

***COSTELLO : You just did what?***

***ABBOTT : Recommend something.***

***COSTELLO : You recommended something ?***

***ABBOTT : Yes.***

***COSTELLO : For my office?***

**ABBOTT : Yes.**

**COSTELLO : OK, what did you recommend for my office?**

**ABBOTT : Office.**

**COSTELLO : Yes, for my office!**

**ABBOTT : I recommend Office with Windows.**

**COSTELLO : I already have an office with windows! OK, let's just say I'm sitting at my computer and I want to type a proposal. What do I need?**

**ABBOTT : Word.**

**COSTELLO : What word?**

**ABBOTT : Word in Office.**

**COSTELLO : The only word in office is office.**

**ABBOTT : The Word in Office for Windows.**

**COSTELLO : Which word in office for windows?**

**ABBOTT : The Word you get when you click the blue 'W'.**

**COSTELLO : I'm going to click your blue 'w' if you don't start with some straight answers. What about financial book-keeping? You have anything I can track my money with?**

**ABBOTT: Money.**

**COSTELLO : That's right. What do you have?**

**ABBOTT : Money.**

**COSTELLO : I need money to track my money?**

**ABBOTT : It comes bundled with your computer.**

**COSTELLO : What's bundled with my computer?**

**ABBOTT : Money.**

**COSTELLO : Money comes with my computer?**

**ABBOTT : Yes. No extra charge.**

**COSTELLO : I get a bundle of money with my computer? How much?**

**ABBOTT : One copy.**

**COSTELLO : Isn't it illegal to copy money?**

**ABBOTT : Microsoft gave us a license to copy Money.**

**COSTELLO : They can give you a license to copy money?**

**ABBOTT : Why not? THEY OWN IT! (A few days later)**

**ABBOTT : Super Duper computer store. Can I help you?**

**COSTELLO : How do I turn my computer off?**

**ABBOTT : Click on 'START'.....?**