



~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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Prayer

Lord, thank You for the blessings You have given to my family and me. You have abundantly blessed me, and I am so grateful for everything You have done. I ask You to help me keep the right attitude toward others who have less than I do; to refrain from a false attitude of pride or haughtiness; and to see myself as the manager of divinely assigned funds. I want to trust in You, Lord—not in the things You have placed at my disposal. Possessions and material things are fleeting, but You are always the same. Therefore, I choose to fix my hope on You. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

Sparkling Gems from the Greek.

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Scripture

Genesis 21

Genesis 21:1-34 (AMP)

1 THE LORD visited Sarah as He had said, and the Lord did for her as He had promised. 2 For Sarah became pregnant and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time God had told him. 3 Abraham named his son whom Sarah bore to him Isaac [laughter]. 4 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. 5 Abraham was a hundred years old when Isaac was born. 6 And Sarah said, God has made me to laugh; all who hear will laugh with me. 7 And she said, Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children at the breast? For I have borne him a son in his old age! 8 And the child grew and was weaned, and Abraham made a great feast the same day that Isaac was weaned. 9 Now Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, mocking [Isaac]. 10 Therefore she said to Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son, for the son of this bondwoman shall not be an heir with my son Isaac. 11 And the thing was very grievous (serious, evil) in Abraham’s sight on account of his son [Ishmael]. 12 God said to Abraham, Do not let it seem grievous and evil to you because of the youth and your bondwoman; in all that Sarah has said to you, do what she asks, for in Isaac shall your posterity be called. 13 And I will make a nation of the son of the bondwoman also, because he is your offspring. 14 So Abraham rose early in the morning and took bread and a bottle of water and gave them to Hagar, putting them on her shoulders, and he sent her and the youth away. And she wandered on [aimlessly] and lost her way in the wilderness of Beersheba. 15 When the water in the bottle was all gone, Hagar caused the youth to lie down under one of the shrubs. 16 Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about a bowshot, for she said, Let me not see the death of the lad. And as she sat down opposite him, he lifted up his voice and wept and she raised her voice and wept. 17 And God heard the voice of the youth, and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven and said to her, What troubles you, Hagar? Fear not, for God has heard the voice of the youth where he is. 18 Arise, raise up the youth and support him with your hand, for I intend to make him a great nation. 19 Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water; and she went and filled the [empty] bottle with water and caused the youth to drink. 20 And God was with the youth, and he developed; and he dwelt in the wilderness and became an archer. 21 He dwelt in the Wilderness of Paran; and his mother took a wife for him out of the land of Egypt. 22 At that time Abimelech and Phicol the commander of his army said to Abraham, God is with you in everything you do. 23 So now, swear to me here by God that you will not deal falsely with me or with my son or with my posterity; but as I have dealt with you kindly, you will do the same with me and with the land in which you have sojourned. 24 And Abraham said, I will swear. 25 When Abraham complained to and reasoned with Abimelech about a well of water [Abimelech’s] servants had violently seized, 26 Abimelech said, I know not who did this thing; you did not tell me, and I did not hear of it until today. 27 So Abraham took sheep and oxen and gave them to Abimelech, and the two men made a league or covenant. 28 Abraham set apart seven ewe lambs of the flock, 29 And Abimelech said to Abraham, What do these seven ewe lambs which you have set apart mean? 30 He said, You are to accept these seven ewe lambs from me as a witness for me that I dug this well. 31 Therefore that place was called Beersheba [well of the oath], because there both parties swore an oath. 32 Thus they made a covenant at Beersheba; then Abimelech and Phicol the commander of his army returned to the land of the Philistines. 33 Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba and called there on the name of the Lord, the Eternal God. 34 And Abraham sojourned in Philistia many days.

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Genesis 21. The Birth of Isaac

Ishmael, at the time, was about 15 years old (vv. 5 , 8 ; 16:16). The apostle Paul used the story of these two children as an allegory of the Mosaic and Christian covenants (the old and new covenants, Galatians 4:21–31).

Beersheba (21:30–31), where Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob lived much of the time, was at the southernmost border of Canaan, some 20 miles southwest of Hebron and about 150 miles from Egypt. It was a place of "seven wells." Wells in a semi-desert country like that were priceless possessions. Old Testament Study, The Word For Today; 2005; Zondervan; commentaries; page 118)

The Birth of Isaac; VV 1-7 The birth of Isaac was a source of awe at God's power and joy in His blessing. V12 God promised Abraham that in Isaac shall they seed be called." This promise was to help Abraham in a later trial. V 31 "Beersheba: means the well of oath or swearing.(Old Testament Study Guide; The Word For Today; 2005; Chuck Smith; commentaries; page 14)

Whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

Proverbs 1:33

Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. — He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. — His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Your life is hid with Christ in God. — He that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye. — Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord. The Lord shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace. — God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear.

Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. — Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see ; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. — I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

Psalm 90:1. Psalm 91:1. Psalm 91:4. Colossians 3:3. Zechariah 2:8. Exodus 14:13,14. Psalm 46:1,2. Matthew 14:27. Luke 24:38,39. 2 Timothy 1:12.

NOVEMBER 23**EVENING**

My kingdom is not of this world.

John 18:36

This man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; from henceforth expecting till his enemies may be made his footstool. — Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

He must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.

Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. — He raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: and hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all. — He shall shew who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords.

Hebrews 10:12,13. Matthew 26:64. 1 Corinthians 15:25. 1 Corinthians 15:57. Ephesians 1:20-23. 1 Timothy 6:15.

Daily Light on the Daily Path. Charles Spurgeon

Psalm 100:1-5 (AMP)

1 MAKE A joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands! 2 Serve the Lord with gladness! Come before His presence with singing!

3 Know (perceive, recognize, and understand with approval) that the Lord is God! It is He Who has made us, not we ourselves [and we are His]! We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and a thank offering and into His courts with praise! Be thankful and say so to Him, bless and affectionately praise His name!

5 For the Lord is good; His mercy and loving-kindness are everlasting, His faithfulness and truth endure to all generations.

Psalm 41:1-42:1 (AMP)

1 BLESSED (HAPPY, fortunate, to be envied) is he who considers the weak and the poor; the Lord will deliver him in the time of evil and trouble.

2 The Lord will protect him and keep him alive; he shall be called blessed in the land; and You will not deliver him to the will of his enemies.

3 The Lord will sustain, refresh, and strengthen him on his bed of languishing; all his bed You [O Lord] will turn, change, and transform in his illness.

4 I said, Lord, be merciful and gracious to me; heal my inner self, for I have sinned against You.

5 My enemies speak evil of me, [saying], When will he die and his name perish?

6 And when one comes to see me, he speaks falsehood and empty words, while his heart gathers mischievous gossip [against me]; when he goes away, he tells it abroad.

7 All who hate me whisper together about me; against me do they devise my hurt [imagining the worst for me].

8 An evil disease, say they, is poured out upon him and cleaves fast to him; and now that he is bedfast, he will not rise up again.

9 Even my own familiar friend, in whom I trusted (relied on and was confident), who ate of my bread, has lifted up his heel against me.

10 But You, O Lord, be merciful and gracious to me, and raise me up, that I may requite them.

11 By this I know that You favor and delight in me, because my enemy does not triumph over me.

12 And as for me, You have upheld me in my integrity and set me in Your presence forever.

13 Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting and to everlasting [from this age to the next, and forever]! Amen and Amen (so be it).