

"I Am Alive Forevermore!"

New Life Worship Ministries

Spring 2015



Resurrection Joy to You! Happy Spring!

He is not here, He has risen, just as He said! Matthew 28:6

Looking to **Jesus**, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the **joy** that was **set before him endured the cross**, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Hebrews 12:2

And so it will be with us ... He is our example. Looking unto Jesus, the Joy set before us, day in and day out. Whether or not the world is doing well, or the universe appears to be spinning out of control, we know the Creator of the universe, and He holds it in His capable hands! Colossians 1:16-18

"This is not the time for fear; I am the First and the Last, and I am the living One. I entered the realm of the dead; but see, I am alive now and for all the ages—even ages to come. I possess the keys to open the prison of death and hades. Now write down all you have seen—all that is and all that will be." Revelations 1:18-19 The Voice

On the Cross, Jesus provided everything we will ever need – Once, and for **all!** Denying ourselves, we pick up His cross, full of provision, and **walk** in His amazing love, forgiveness, mercy and grace upon grace!

Heavenly Vision

Thy Kingdom Come, Thy will be done, as it is in Heaven! Matthew 6:10

Our citizenship is in heaven!
Philippians 3:20-21

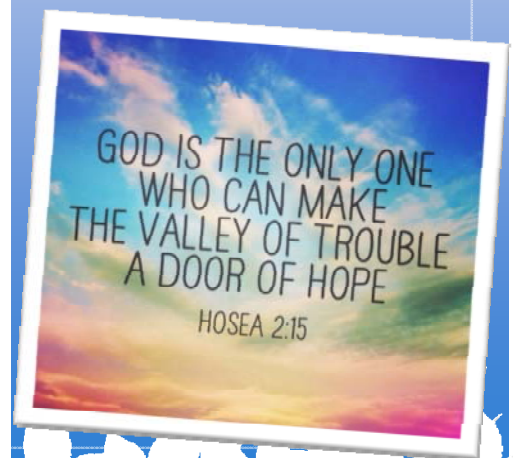
"Heaven is the limitless reservoir of your expectation."
Colossians 1:5 Mirror Bible

He Is Your Life

So if you're serious about living this new resurrection life with Christ, act like it.

Pursue the things over which Christ presides. Don't shuffle along, eyes to the ground, absorbed with the things right in front of you. Look up, and be alert to what is going on around Christ—that's where the action is. See things from his perspective.

Colossians 3:1-2 MSG



Did you know? Our Creator said, “We will be ‘GREEN’ in our old age!”

Jesus made this verse real to me back in the 1970’s when I was praying for a woman who was about to turn 70. Her daughter was very discouraged over her mother’s age, and Jesus sovereignly led me to this verse, telling me to decree it! It’s not just for her but for me, and now us, too! (Just as the word “green” isn’t what it appears, neither is the word “fat!” (See below).

Psalm 92:14-15 They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat H1879 and flourishing H7488; To shew that the LORD is upright: he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

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GREEN - Strong's H7488 - ra`anan רָעַן adjective, verb
Root Word (Etymology) From an unused root meaning to be green
Outline of Biblical Usage: v. 1. (Pale) to be or grow luxuriant or fresh or green adj. 2. luxuriant, fresh
The KJV translates Strong's H7488 in the following manner: green (18x), fresh (1x), flourishing (1x).

רָעַן m. adj. *green*, of a leaf, Jer. 17:8; of trees growing and flourishing, Deut. 12:2; 2 Kings 16:4. *A green tree*, metaph. of happiness, Psalm 37:35; 52:10; 92:15. *Green* (i. e. fresh) *oil*, Ps. 92:11.

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FAT - Strong's H1879 - dashen דָּשַׁן
Outline of Biblical Usage: adj. fat; subst. vigorous, stalwart ones
The KJV translates Strong's H1879 in the following manner: fat (3x).

דָּשַׁן adj. [pl. דָּשַׁנִּים const. דָּשַׁנִּי]—(1) *fat, rich*, [“comp. דָּשַׁן”], (used of a soil), Isa. 30:23.
(2) *juicy, full of sap* (used of trees), Ps. 92:15.
(3) *rich, wealthy* (used of persons), Ps. 22:30.
Comp. דָּשַׁן.

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So, I looked up Psalm 92:12-15 in other versions ... such a delightful feast for those of us in our Autumn years!

New Living Translation: But the godly will *flourish* like palm trees and *grow strong* like the cedars of Lebanon. For they are transplanted to the Lord’s own house. They *flourish* in the courts of our God. **Even in old age they will still produce fruit; they will remain vital and green.** They will declare, “The Lord is just! He is my rock! There is no evil in him!” NLT

New King James Version: They shall still bear fruit in old age; they shall be **fresh and flourishing**, to declare that the Lord is upright; He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. NKJ

The Voice: Those who are *devoted to God* will flourish like budding date-palm trees; they will grow strong and tall like cedars in Lebanon. Those planted in the house of the Eternal will *thrive* in the courts of our God. They will bear fruit into old age; even in winter, they will be green and **full of sap** to display that the Eternal is righteous. He is my rock, and there is no shadow of evil in Him. VOICE

The Message Translation: *My ears are filled with the sounds of promise:* “Good people will prosper like palm trees, grow tall like Lebanon cedars; transplanted to God’s courtyard, they’ll grow tall in the presence of God, *lithe and green, virile [strength, vigor]* still in old age.” Such witnesses to upright God! *My Mountain, my huge, holy Mountain!* MSG

Amplified Bible: 12 The [uncompromisingly] righteous shall flourish like the palm tree [be long-lived, stately, upright, useful, and fruitful]; they shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon [majestic, stable, durable, and incorruptible]. 13 Planted in the house of the Lord, they shall flourish in the courts of our God. 14 [Growing in grace] they shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be full of sap [of spiritual vitality] and [rich in the] verdure [of trust, love, and contentment]. 15 [They are living memorials] to show that the Lord is upright and faithful to His promises; He is my Rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. AMP

If that doesn’t make us feel good, it’s wakey wakey time!

Arise, shine, be bright, for your light arrives! The glory, the splendour of the LORD shines on you! Isaiah 60:1

A homeless friend has passed away ...

Let every detail in your lives—words, actions, whatever—be done in the name of the Master, Jesus, thanking God the Father every step of the way. Colossians 3:17 MSG
What we do unto the “least of these,” we have done it unto Jesus! Matthew 25:31-46

“BitterSweet”... On my way home Sunday March 8th, I saw a memorial on the side of the road, in the exact spot one of my homeless friends would sit in his wheelchair. I often visited with him, bringing him supplies, praying with him, etc. When I saw the memorial, I wept as if he were my own son. I couldn't even talk about his passing for 3 days without tears. However, I am thankful that my friend met Jesus, and his battle is over! He is finally without pain, no longer cold, and for the first time in decades, he has both his feet. I am quite sure he's dancing with joy in the presence of our Saviour! He shared so much with me; and I learned so much from him. He was a gentle soul. He preferred to stay with the homeless community so he could help out. I remember when he came across a friend about to shoot himself in the head. He shared the love of God with him, and hope for the future – the man lived! Within 2 years, his friend was no longer homeless, but reunited with his family & thriving. In 2014, Andrew was offered low income housing, but it was located in a dangerous neighborhood. He felt safer in the field. Jesus taught me so much about His mercy and saving grace through this man's life. I am forever grateful.



Jeremiah 29:7 *And seek the peace of the city where I have caused you to be carried away captive, and pray to the Lord for it; for in its peace you will have peace.* NKJ

In America, May 7th is the National Day of Prayer. Let us all be in agreement for our regions, and the nations of this world, most of all, that God's people will heed His call to 2 Chronicles 7:14...*If My people called by My name will...Yes, Lord!*

Isaiah 56:7 *I will bring them to My holy mountain of Jerusalem and will fill them with joy in My house of prayer H8605 For My house shall be called a house of prayer H8605 for all nations.*

Prayer: תְּפִלָּה Strong's H8605 – tēphillah Root Word from פָּלַל (H6419) Outline of Biblical Usage: prayer, pray a prayer, house of prayer, intercession, entreaty, supplication, to pour out prayers; by implication, a hymn, a sacred song, as in "sung" prayers. Yes, His house, His temple (includes us), will be a House of "sung" prayers. \o/

Just as Jesus died and rose again in only 3 days, a lot can still happen in only 3 days! In the 3rd day since His resurrection, I believe it is almost midnight!

A huge thank you to those of you who have prayed for this ministry for so many years, even decades; and have given of your time in counsel, encouragement and financial support! You encourage us, and you make Jesus smile!

With much love, a grateful heart, and grace upon grace, Betty

“After two days He will revive us; on the third day He will raise us up, that we may live in His sight. Let us know, let us pursue the knowledge of the Lord. His going forth is established as the morning; He will come to us like the rain, like the latter and former rain to the earth.” Hosea 6:2-3