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75 Years Of Faith . . . And Fellowship Bible Study!



As the mercury rises, Dear Member, it creates a special opportunity for you to cool off, slow down and consider the message of our Summertime issue of Faith Magazine . . . 75 years of Fellowship Bible Study.

Every issue of FAITH offers our readers a variety of Bible Verses because we think it's so important to share the living word of God. Yes, we call it the

"living" word because its messages are timeless. They can apply to the situations and problems of today, as well as those of the past.

The Bible's passages also are "alive" because the Lord intended them to be a guide to living our lives. As it says in Psalms 119:105, "*Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.*"

And where would we be without such a comprehensive guide? We would be lost, Dear Friend, because the Bible is a central resource you can consult to figure out how to handle life's complications.

As an extra benefit, studying the Scriptures can bring you closer to the Lord and provide a bright, guiding light for your journey through life.

On Page 6 of this FAITH, you'll meet Ronnie G., who once was a rebellious teenager from North Carolina. Ronnie found out the hard way that running away from home doesn't solve your problems, it creates a whole host of new ones.

"A fellow homeless person in the camp saw how depressed I had become," Ronnie wrote. "One day, he called me over and said he had a present for me. I could hardly believe it when he handed me a small Bible he had found on the floor inside a bus station. At first, I looked at him like he was crazy . . . I thought God had abandoned me long ago.

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On Page 11, you'll also read about longtime Fellowship Members A. M., of New York and Rosa J. of Florida, who have

belonged to Fellowship an astounding 54 years and 30 years, respectively. Both Members were drawn to Fellowship by the stories, features, and yes, Bible Verses, in each magazine and the well-known personal touch that we provide our Members. As A. M. said, *"Dear Fellowship Friends, thank you so much for the beautiful card, and most of all, for remembering my birth month! Thanks to everyone for thinking of me on my 102nd birthday!"*

That's quite a milestone, and one we have been delighted to celebrate with you, A. M.!

We hope you'll let us know about your birthday, too, Dear Member. And please enjoy our Summer edition of FAITH. May its features inspire you and give you food for thought!

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Fellowship Bible Study Inspires By Sharing The Word Of God!

How can you become closer to the Lord, Dear Member? You can talk to Him through prayer, of course. You know we always are delighted for you to do that.

But there is another way to seek out the Lord's advice and wisdom, which complements your sincere prayer. You can learn so much from God by studying the Bible and reading its Scriptures.

As the Holy Book says in II Timothy 3:16: "*All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.*"

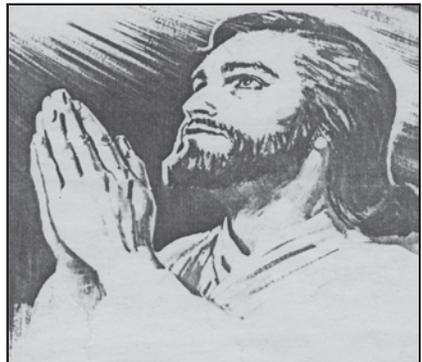
So, let's take a closer look at the four ideas listed in the Bible passage above that show us what we can learn from the Lord's Words. The first insight we can see in the list above is "*doctrine.*" And certainly, the Bible is a fountain of knowledge when it comes to instructing us in its doctrine, or principles for life. Its pages provide God's guidance for people of faith, showing us how to live in accordance with His teachings.

The next two ideas expressed in that passage from the Book of Timothy are "*reproof and correction.*" This, Dear Friend, is about knowing that studying God's Word can set us straight if we are doing or thinking of doing something that doesn't jibe with its life lessons. That's

because, even though the Bible was written long ago, people back then were the same as we are today; human beings who sometimes stray from the path the Lord paved for us. Reading the Bible with an open mind can put us back on the right track and show us where God wants us to go.

The final lesson we get from the passage in Timothy concerns "*instruction in righteousness.*" When we first open our hearts to the Lord, we're overcome with joy and the knowledge He is watching over us, always. At the same time, we realize we are starting anew, leaving our old lives behind and living as God guides us. By studying the Bible, it becomes clear how we can live and honor Him.

So, that's how Fellowship's Bible Study can help you deepen your faith and grow closer to the Lord, Dear Member. We invite you to join us!



“I Know How Much My Mom Loves Me Now, And That God Brought Me Home!”

I was in trouble, and didn't know how to get out of the mess I had made for myself.

Yes, that's how my story starts, and I want to share it with my Fellowship Friends to let you know what I learned ... whenever things look bleak, God opens a door for you to walk through and into His light.

Of course, I didn't know that when I was much younger. My mother was a single mom who tried to raise me right, but I was a rebellious teenager who knew everything there was to know and refused to hear anything my mother said. What could she possibly know about my life, I told myself.

Well, it turns out, she knew a lot. Eager to get away from her rules, I ran away and wound up in a world of hurt. Without money or a job, I stumbled into a homeless camp miles from my home. I stayed there for a few months and learned how hard it is to live on whatever I could get by turning in cans and bottles, or panhandling. I felt empty inside when people looked down on me, and felt hopeless.

A fellow homeless person in the camp saw how depressed I had become. One day, he called me over and said he had a present for me. I could hardly believe it when he handed me a small Bible he had found on the floor inside a bus station. At

first, I looked at him like he was crazy. How was a Bible supposed to help me, I yelled at him! I thought God had abandoned me long ago.

Still, I took the Bible and walked away. It was several days before I cracked it open and started to read some passages, figuring I had nothing to lose. You probably can guess the rest. The more I read, the more I realized, yes, the Lord really DOES love me. It was I who had turned away from Him!

The first thing I did was walk into a convenience store and ask the clerk to call my mom. I had been gone four months and she had been desperately searching for me. When she came to the store to get me, both of us cried for a long time. I've learned a lot about myself since that awful time. I know how much my mom loves me now, and that God brought me home to her. I'll never leave either of them again!

Ronnie G., North Carolina



Strength For The Day

Little Prayers For Life's Everyday Situations

Gas Prices

I'm saying a prayer for gas prices to stay lower this year, Dear Lord! I have to drive my car every day and it is so hard to fill up the tank when prices are high. Whatever forces affect the cost of gasoline, I pray they will not change and allow those prices to rise, because higher costs hurt businesses and people like me.

— Amen

My Roof

Dear Heavenly Father, I have a very simple prayer. My roof is in bad shape and I pray it won't fail during a bad storm. I can't afford to replace it right now, so I need it to last for a while. If the roof can just make it through the upcoming rainy season, I would be so happy. By then, maybe I will be able to pay for a new roof, and everything will be OK.

— Amen

Prayer For Independence

Dearest Lord, I'm getting on in years and I'm not as spry as I used to be. That doesn't bother me by itself, but there is something else I think about often. I wonder who will be there to care for me if I become ill? I pray I can remain independent during these golden years of my life, Father. Please give me the strength and willpower to live life on my own!

— Amen

Days Of Summer

School is out, and children everywhere are celebrating their freedom. Lord, I say a prayer for their safety, for we must all look out for kids playing outside this time of year. Bless them and their parents, and let these families enjoy their time together visiting friends, relatives, and seeing the sights of this wonderful country.

— Amen

Good Friends

I offer a prayer of thanks for good friends, O Lord, the kind of friends who stick with you when times are tough, not just when they're easy. Let me always be a good companion to such true friends, and offer them my good faith and trust. I truly am grateful for this blessing, Father. Like all good things, it comes from You.

— Amen

Birthday Wishes

Today, I say a prayer and offer my best wishes to all who celebrate summer birthdays, O Lord. It is a beautiful time of year to mark one's day of birth, soaking up the summer sun among loved ones. For all who are so blessed, I pray you savor the warmth and love of well-wishers, and enjoy your special day. May God bless you the rest of the year, too!

— Amen

JULY — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

The 31 Bible Verses below were crafted with care to inspire and uplift you during the month of July, Dear Member. We encourage you to write down the Verse for each day and carry it with you, so you are never without God's guidance and infinite wisdom.

1. *"He careth for you"*
I Peter 5:7
2. *"Every perfect gift is from above"*
James 1:17
3. *"Dwell under His shadow"*
Hosea 14:7
4. *"He had opened the door of faith"*
Acts 14:27
5. *"I give myself unto prayer"*
Psalm 109:4
6. *"Forget not all His benefits"*
Psalm 103:2
7. *"Love the truth and peace"*
Zechariah 8:19
8. *"The Word of the Lord endureth forever"*
I Peter 1:25
9. *"The Lord is my defense"*
Psalm 94:22
10. *"Mercy unto you, and peace, and love"*
Jude 1:2
11. *"Love thy neighbor as thyself"*
Matthew 19:19
12. *"Lord, increase our faith"*
Luke 17:5
13. *"They shall obtain joy and gladness"*
Isaiah 35:10
14. *"He heareth the cry of the afflicted"*
Job 34:28
15. *"I will teach you the good and the right way"*
I Samuel 12:23
16. *"My lips shall not speak wickedness"*
Job 27:4
17. *"Cease not to give thanks"*
Ephesians 1:16
18. *"Do always those things that please Him"*
John 8:29
19. *"God is love"*
I John 4:16
20. *"Daughter, be of good comfort"*
Luke 8:48
21. *"Thou, O Lord, art a shield for me"*
Psalm 3:3
22. *"The Lord stood with me, and strengthened me"*
II Timothy 4:17
23. *"Thou shalt be perfect with the Lord thy God"*
Deuteronomy 18:13
24. *"Apply thine heart to understanding"*
Proverbs 2:2
25. *"I will fill this house with glory"*
Haggai 2:7
26. *"The Lord preserveth the faithful"*
Psalm 31:23
27. *"Seek peace, and pursue it"*
Psalm 34:14
28. *"No man cometh unto the Father, but by me"*
John 14:6
29. *"Thou shalt make thy prayer unto Him"*
Job 22:27
30. *"Live peaceably with all"*
Romans 12:18
31. *"Let thy heart cheer thee"*
Eccl. 11:9

JULY — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

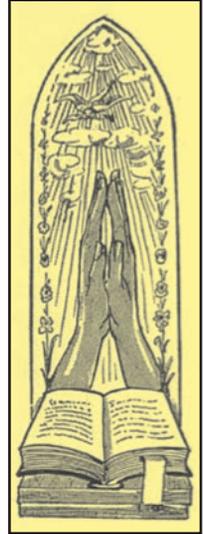
Are your needs met, Dear Member? You can be sure the Lord will hear your prayers when you join with your Fellow Members around the World each day for our Three Daily Prayers. It is a powerful message when you're joined by so many of your Fellowship Friends.

“We made our prayer unto our God”

Nehemiah 4:9

8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

Your wisdom is boundless, Heavenly Father, and we are so grateful that You share it with us. Help us to do Your bidding this day, and bless my Fellow Members and me with Your Divine Guidance. Show us what is good and right in Your Eyes, and direct our steps as we begin our daily duties. Be with us as we make decisions large and small, for we follow Your lead. — Amen



12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

O Lord, I come to You in prayer as the clock strikes noon, seeking Your blessing of Prosperity and Success for myself and my Fellow Members. Help us make good choices in money matters that weigh heavily on our minds. Let us live comfortably and free of debt, so we may care for the dear ones who depend upon our support. — Amen

9:00 P.M. Prayer for Health and Healing

Father above, You have the power to heal illness and banish pain. My Fellowship Friends and I pray this evening for Radiant Health and quick Healing of our ailments and those affecting our loved ones. Care for us, we pray, and bless us with Your unwavering love. Help us feel secure as we lay down to sleep, so we may enjoy the deep, refreshing slumber that comes from being at peace. — Amen

You Can Help Us Grow!

What do you do with your old Faith Magazines when you finish reading them, Dear Member?

Member Eddie R. of Iowa takes them to his doctor's office and leaves a copy for other patients to read. He says he's often asked about FAITH, which leads into him talking about Fellowship. Fellow Member Mary T. of Kansas adds that she likes to take her old copies of Faith to the local feed store, and Member Tanya M. of Georgia carries her extra FAITHS to a local diner where neighbors often gather.

Those are just a few ideas of how you can spread the word about Fellowship, Dear Friend!

"A Spiritual Uplift"

I just wanted to write and say I am happy with Faith Magazine! I read it every day and I enjoy its stories. They are very helpful to me. God has given me a spiritual uplift and I know He will continue to bless me. So, keep looking up to God and He will shower you with blessings.

Geneva W., Virginia

"Enjoy Reading"

I just received your latest Faith Magazine. I enjoy reading them, and then I pass them along to my senior friends. My mother was a Member of Fellowship, and I have been a Member for a long time as well. I only wish I could support you more!

Eleanor M., South Carolina

You Can Help Fellowship Publish Its Prayerful, Positive Message!

Some Members have inquired about how they might make a bequest to Life-Study Fellowship.

Through the years, many Members have chosen to remember our Fellowship in this special way and we are truly grateful. Some Members have included Fellowship in their wills, while others have named Life-Study Fellowship in their life insurance policies.

If you are interested in making arrangements through your will, we suggest you talk with an attorney who can explain the tax advantages and ways to go about making such a bequest.

Please remember that it is to everybody's advantage to have a will. This doesn't apply just to the very wealthy. The truth is everyone who owns any property needs a will to direct who should benefit.

Otherwise, some or all of your property will be split up according to state law, which may leave your property in ways you did not want or intend.

Therefore, whether or not you include a bequest to Life-Study Fellowship, we encourage you to seek the services of an attorney to have a will drawn up if you have not already done so.

Take Our Imaginary Journey And Learn About God's Power!

Get ready to have some fun, Dear Member, because we're going to take you on an imaginary journey to three different travel destinations . . . each with a different message about the Lord!

On our first trip we're traveling to the mountains! Imagine you're way up high, with clouds drifting by. These tall mountains remind us of **God's strength**, as towering, majestic and everlasting as the mountains themselves.

For our second trip, you'll need to grab some imaginary sunscreen, Dear Friend, because we're headed to the beach! Pretend you are standing on a the shore, looking out an ocean of calm water, waves gently lapping at the sand. There's a soft breeze blowing and you are completely relaxed as you stand at the water's edge. This setting is a reminder of **God's peace**, which washes over us, cleansing away our worries and fears.

Our third imaginary summer vacation takes us to a big city, with busy streets, buses, airports and subways. Now, what do you think this destination represents? Well, we're glad you asked. It is a reminder of **God's wisdom**, because He gives us the knowledge to create all those things we see around a big city.

So, there you have it, Dear Friend. We've taken you on a pretend journey with a message. As our imagination "traveled" to each place, we discovered something very important . . . the knowledge that no matter where we go or how far away it is from our homes and civilization, God is there! We only need to think about Him to see His Presence around us.

Yes, He is on the mountain top, at the seashore and in the middle of a busy street packed with vehicles rushing to their destinations. There is joy in knowing God is everywhere at once, and that we are never alone, even in the middle of a trackless desert. The Lord is with you, by your side. He stands ready to hear your prayers and reveal His answers to your questions when the time is right. Then His strength, His peace and His wisdom can be yours. You needn't be afraid because He walks with you!



Daily Bread

Recipes From Your Friends

When the temperature rises, it's time for some "cool" recipes from our Fellowship Friends. We hope you'll try them out, Dear Member. And don't forget to send in your own delicious dishes to beat the heat! We'd love to share them in a future edition of FAITH!

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SUMMER DELIGHT

Member May Eldridge of Colorado sent us this deliciously cool recipe.

Ingredients: 1 package lime Jello . . . 1 cup boiling water . . . 1 cup cold water . . . 1 tablespoon cider vinegar . . . ½ cup Miracle Whip Salad Dressing . . . 1 cup finely chopped cabbage . . . ½ cup grated carrots . . . ½ cup finely sliced celery . . . ⅓ cup raisins, softened with warm water and well drained.

Dissolve Jello in boiling water. Stir in 1 cup cold water, vinegar and salad dressing. Mix well. Chill until slightly thickened. Fold in cabbage, carrots, celery and raisins. Pour into a 1-quart mold and chill until firm. Makes six servings of a refreshing treat on a hot summer day.

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APPLE SALAD

This salad is another cool dish that's easy to make. Our thanks

to Member Ms. W. Braun of Canada for sharing it with us.

Ingredients: ⅓ cup mayonnaise . . . ½ cup celery, finely cut . . . ¼ cup raisins . . . ¼ cup chopped nuts . . . 3 tablespoons lemon juice . . . 3 cups diced apples, with skins.

Simply mix all ingredients together and chill in the refrigerator for 2 hours. Everybody will love it!

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FRENCH KRAUT SALAD

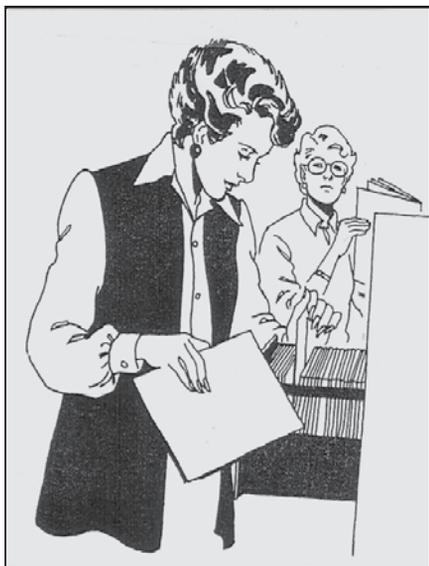
Summer appetites will go for this salad suggestion from Member Bertha Merchant in Florida.

Ingredients: 1 quart chopped or shredded cabbage . . . 2 small onions, grated . . . 1 chopped green pepper . . . Also, mixed together: ⅓ cup vinegar, ½ cup sugar . . . ½ teaspoon celery seeds . . . ¾ teaspoon whole mustard seeds . . . ½ teaspoon salt.

Pour this mixture over the cabbage, onions and green pepper. Mix well. Then, let it stand in the refrigerator for 2 hours, stirring occasionally. This dish has a wonderful flavor!



“The Lord Shall One Day Answer Her Request For A Job!”



Dear Fellowship, I really appreciated your thoughtfulness and prayers for my daughter's efforts to obtain work in her field. I have trust in the Lord that He will one day open a door for my daughter, and it will be a joyful moment for the entire family. I have advised my daughter to have courage, confidence, and above all, trust in God Almighty, and the Lord shall one day answer her request for a job. I won't stop praying until that happens.

Also, I am grateful that I am associated with this wonderful Life-Study Fellowship. It has greatly changed my entire life since I associated with this organization. I shall do my best to

inform you and my Fellow Members as soon as my daughter finds work for which she is qualified. I actually gave her most of the prayer help I requested, to assist her in seeking employment. I have faith in the Lord that her, and my, requests will not be in vain because with God, all things are possible!

I'm also requesting extra copies of Fellowship's Daily Prayers for the summer months, one for me and one for my daughter. I think one can never say too many prayers, and these help me start the day out right.

I have been a Member of Fellowship for many years, and have asked for prayer help a number of times. You have always responded with wonderful, sincere prayers for me to use, and I give thanks to the Lord for answering them.

I enjoy your Faith Magazine as well and can't imagine a day without its Daily Prayers, Bible Verses and inspiring stories. I often think if the Fellow Members I read about can overcome their hardships they faced, then my daughter and I have nothing to worry about!

Please keep spreading the word about faith and prayer; Fellowship. I'm sending many, many thanks your way.

Member Sam N., Ontario

Tomorrow Is Another Day, But Don't Put Off Important Tasks!

Do you remember the old story of the ant and the grasshopper, Dear Member? All summer long the little ant gathered crumbs and morsels to store in his house for the next winter. But the grasshopper just sang all day, putting off his chores until another time.

Finally, summer ended and the ant who had worked so hard settled in with the fruits of his labor. But the poor grasshopper had nothing to show for all his fun and games, and no time left to prepare for the cold and snow to come!

The message of that story is it's so easy to put off things that we don't really want to do . . . but is it worth it? The answer is no,



because ignoring things doesn't make them go away. It just prolongs the worry of knowing something is left undone.

If you've ever faced a difficult task and thought, "*I'll do it tomorrow,*" you probably realize you haven't helped yourself. In fact, you've cheated yourself out of the satisfaction of getting that job done, like the little ant, so you could enjoy the rest of your time!

So, it's true "tomorrow is another day," but how can you look forward to tomorrow when you know you still have to finish an important task? Instead, make today count just as much by tackling that hard work right away. It's a good idea to take care of necessary business, even if it's not the most pleasant thing in the World. That way, we can make time to do things that are fun!

Now, some folks say it's best to wait and start a new project when the ideal situation presents itself. But if you do that, Dear Member, remember that some of life's best experiences could pass you by.

With risk comes the chance of a nice reward. So, don't be like that poor grasshopper and get caught short, with no time to finish an important task before its time is due!

Let Us Help You, And Help Yourself At The Same Time!

When you have a problem or urgent need that's on your mind all the time, you need a good listener. And, before you can get help with a problem, you need to talk to someone about it.

Dear Friend, that's just the kind of assistance our Special Help Department offers! We encourage you to write and let us know what kind of burden or problem you are dealing with right now. We promise to read your letters carefully, then respond with prayer help that suits the situation perfectly. You can be sure our personalized prayers will speak directly to your needs and help you communicate them to the Lord.

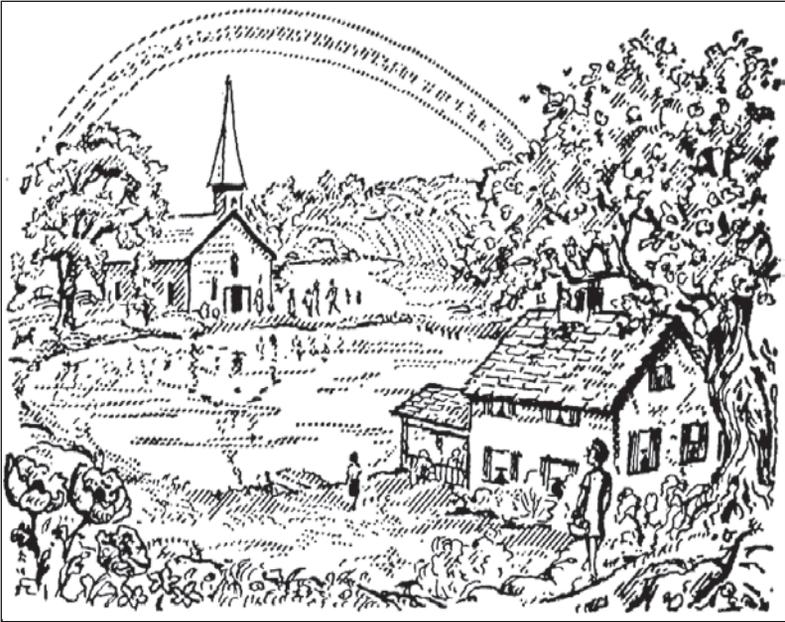
Yes, no matter what is on your mind, or in your heart, if you want to talk about it, we're here to listen. Fellowship's Special Help Department has been providing prayer help to Members

for many years. We love to hear how things worked out with those prayers, so please write back and let us know. We hope every Member of Fellowship finds the Lord's blessings when they need them most. How do you do that? Just turn over to Page 17 and fill out the form. Tell us in your own words what's bothering you right now. Then, clip out that page and mail it back to us at the address at the top of the page. That's all there is to it, Dear Friend!

So, if you have a special need today, we hope you'll use the next page to tell us what's on your mind. We've provided lots of space on Page 17 for you to say what is important to you, and why you seek God's guidance. Once we get your letter, we will prepare your prayer help and send it right back to you. We can help!



**Banish Those Clouds Of
Self-Doubt And Bring
A Rainbow Into Your Life.
Here's How!**



**Fellowship's
Special Help Department
Is Listening.
Turn Back To Page 17 and Let Us
Know What's On Your Mind!**

“No More Mortgage And No More Car Payment!”

I just wanted to drop you a line to let you know of a prayer that was answered for me. A few years ago I wrote to Fellowship and asked you to pray for me to pay off my mortgage.

Well, God has answered my prayer! I was able to sell some commercial property, buy a new home and pay off my car payment, and still have some money in savings. Now, I'm debt-free! No more mortgage and no more car payment.

It feels so good when the beginning of the month comes up and I don't have to write big checks to anyone! I had trouble saving for retirement before, when I had to pay out so much each month. Now, I'm able to put a generous amount in savings and I feel really good about that. I can actually plan ahead and choose a retirement date. I couldn't have done that before.

I've been a Member of Fellowship for a long time, and I tell everybody, when you have a problem and need help from God, just write to Life-Study Fellowship! Everything I have asked them to help me pray about has come through.

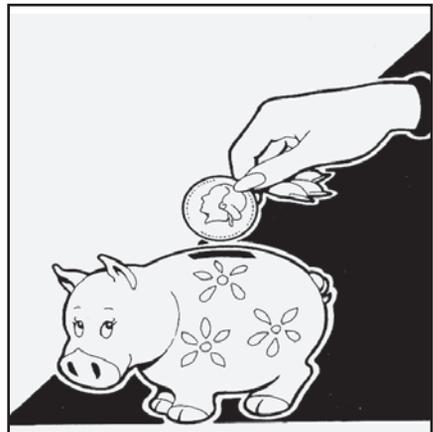
God has been good to me, as He has proven over and over again. Please keep praying for my son, too, that God will open his heart and my son will learn to have

faith in the Lord.

He is a good boy, but he hasn't yet accepted God and invited Him into his life. I worry about my son because of that, but what can I do? I can only lead by example and hope he decides to follow one day. Or, even better, I wish God could reach out to my son in some manner, so he felt the Lord's power and loving kindness.

In the meantime, I wanted to say, may God bless all of you at Fellowship for your good work. You truly bring hope to those who need it, and reach out and help hundreds upon hundreds of folks. I've enclosed a \$50 gift to help your ministry continue. I hope it grows bigger and reaches more and more people with the positive message of Fellowship!

Dalvis B., Florida



AUGUST — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

A wonderful way to study your Bible - one day at a time! Each morning as you begin your day copy the day's Verse on a slip of paper and carry it with you, thinking of what it says often. Doing this can help to brighten your outlook and bring you inspiration!

1. *"My cup runneth over"*
Psalm 23:5
2. *"He knoweth them that trust in Him"*
Nahum 1:7
3. *"Grudge not one against another"*
James 5:9
4. *"Ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you"*
John 15:7
5. *"He is ever merciful"*
Psalm 37:26
6. *"Forgive, and ye shall be forgiven"*
Luke 6:37
7. *"Call unto Me, and I will answer thee"*
Jeremiah 33:3
8. *"The ways of the Lord are right"*
Hosea 14:9
9. *"We have fellowship one with another"* I John 1:7
10. *"Peace be multiplied unto you"*
Daniel 6:25
11. *"Draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith"*
Hebrews 10:22
12. *"Keep sound wisdom"*
Proverbs 3:21
13. *"Joy and gladness shall be found"*
Isaiah 51:3
14. *"Walk in love"*
Ephesians 5:2
15. *"Offer unto God thanksgiving"*
Psalm 50:14
16. *"Be of good courage"*
I Chronicles 19:13
17. *"He is mighty in strength and wisdom"*
Job 36:5
18. *"Trust in the living God"*
I Timothy 4:10
19. *"Knock, and it shall be opened unto you"*
Matthew 7:7
20. *"I am with you, saith the Lord"*
Haggai 1:13
21. *"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet"*
Psalm 119:105
22. *"Let there be no strife"*
Genesis 13:8
23. *"I am the good shepherd"*
John 10:14
24. *"Serve the Lord with gladness"*
Psalm 100:2
25. *"He is my shield"*
II Samuel 22:3
26. *"Hold fast that which is good"*
I Thess. 5:21
27. *"How great is His goodness"*
Zechariah 9:17
28. *"The joy of the Lord is your strength"*
Nehemiah 8:10
29. *"God will enlighten my darkness"*
Psalm 18:28
30. *"Let us not be weary in well doing"*
Galatians 6:9
31. *"Surely I will be with thee"*
Judges 6:16

AUGUST — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

What a feeling of comfort when you join your Friends in Fellowship each day in saying our Three United Prayers. All during the month of August there will be scores of Friends near and far saying these very prayers for you and with you!

***“Go and pray unto Me,
and I will harken unto you!”***

Jeremiah 29:12

8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

As this new day begins, Dear Lord, I pray that the hours to come will be filled with joy and peace for me and my Friends in Fellowship who are united with me in this morning prayer. Please be with us today, blessing us with Your Guidance in our appointed work. All through this day lead us to do what is good and worthy in Your Sight. We love You, Lord, and have faith that with You in our lives all things are possible. — Amen



12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

As I pause now at midday, Loving Father, I am seeking Your great blessing of Prosperity. I ask You to please show me how to manage better and how to have the things I need to live comfortably. May all of my dear Fellowship Friends who join me in this Prayer also be able to find good ways to prosper and succeed. Help each of us to discover new opportunities to get ahead and overcome financial burdens of any kind. — Amen

9:00 P.M. Prayer for Health and Healing

Dear Father in Heaven, along with my Friends in Fellowship I offer this Prayer to let You know how thankful we are that You are watching over us tonight. Please let us enjoy restful sleep, and renewed Health and Healing for those weakened by sickness and pain. All of us look to You with hope in our hearts. We trust in You and believe in Your everlasting mercy and tender love! — Amen

Bless This Home

Helpful Household Hints

We've put together more great time, energy and money savers in our Helpful Household Hints page to make life easier for you, Dear Member. This page is all about tips for cleaning and organizing, so please send us your suggestions and cleaning shortcuts. We'd love to publish them!

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RECOVERING TINY ITEMS

If you've ever lost an earring post or tiny piece of jewelry that fell on wall-to-wall carpet, you know how hard they are to find. Here's an easy way to get them back. Put a stocking over the end of your vacuum and pass it over the area where the item was lost.

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NO MORE BROKEN NAILS

If you're adding a key to your key ring, don't try to wedge your fingernail between the metal sides. Instead, use a staple remover and you can avoid breaking a nail.

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PAINTING TIPS

Place a large rubber band lengthwise around an open can of paint, so it extends across the top. You can wipe excess paint off the brush with the rubber band instead of doing so on the side of the can. It's a lot neater

because paint won't run down the side of the can.

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ORGANIZATION

You can use a hanging shoe rack to hold and organize cleaning supplies. Just make sure they're out of the reach of young children.

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CAR HEADLIGHTS

Do your vehicle headlights look hazy and dim? Use toothpaste to clean the plastic housing. It will return the plastic back to its crystal clear appearance.

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FOODS NOT SAFE FOR FIDO

Most people know chocolate is toxic to dogs. But did you also know the list of unsafe treats includes grapes and raisins, onions, chives, and even macadamia nuts? Plus, it goes without saying, never leave a pet in the car during summer!

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FURNITURE TIP

Don't despair if you have a drawer that sticks and is hard to open and close. Just rub a candle on the runners of the drawer. You'll be amazed at how much smoother the drawer operates after its runners are coated with wax.

ONE-SENTENCE SERMONS

Bringing wisdom, inspiration and perhaps even a smile, here's another collection of little thoughts and quotable sayings contributed by Fellow Members. You, too, can share your own "One-Sentence Sermons" with your Fellowship Friends!

"The Light of the World never has a power outage."

Member David C.

"Mercy triumphs over judgment."

Member Emmy J.

"Be humble or you'll stumble!"

Member Mary T.

"Peace floods the soul — when Christ fills the heart."

Member Ron B.

"What we have done for ourselves dies with us — what we have done for others remains."

Member George H.

"Believe your beliefs and doubt your doubts, but don't make the mistake of doubting your beliefs and believing your doubts."

Member Anne C.

"Ability without ambition is like a car without a motor."

Member Danny F.

"Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on your front door forever."

Member Jay D.

"A lot of kneeling will keep you in good standing."

Member Bailey H.

"A man's character is like a fence. It cannot be strengthened by whitewash."

Member Mary C.

"Heavenly forecast....Reign forever!"

Member Brad P.

"Ask about our pray-as-you-go plan."

Member Nancy R.

"Daily devotions clear mixed emotions."

Member Mike S.

"Having a sharp tongue can cut your own throat."

Member Brent W.

"He who slings mud loses ground!"

Member Elizabeth W.

"Our job is not to see through one another, but to see one another through."

Member Frankie W.

"Prosperity attracts friends, adversity tells you who they are!"

Member Andrea L.

The Lord Has A Garden On Earth; We Are Its Flowers!

Imagine for a moment what it would be like to visit God's farm, a little piece of acreage here on Earth where He planted, tended and harvested a private garden. What kind of crop would He plant? Flowers or nutritious vegetables? Mighty oak trees or trees that bear delicious fruit?

We know He has created so many beautiful things, so perhaps He would plant the classic beauty roses or tulips?

Well Dear Member, you may have figured out the answer already, because the Lord does have a garden here on Earth and *WE* are its flowers and fruit! We are the children of God, whom He cares for, as He listens to and answers our prayers.

Yes, it is the Lord, through our faith, who gives us strength and

courage when we need it. With His support, we can stand strong against troubles and temptation.

He also blesses us with the sweet fruits of peace and a better way of life when we request that through prayer. And, God blesses us with a sturdy foundation of faith, which we rely upon when times are hard.

Truly, we are all products of God's garden. He tends us each with loving care, nourishing, protecting and encouraging us to live good, fulfilling lives. If we want to flourish in His garden, all we have to do is open our minds and hearts to His goodness and loving caretaking.

When we pray, we know God is listening. He may not make His answers available right away, but rest assured God will reveal them in His own time for the best effect. He doesn't ask for much from us, only that we keep in touch through prayer and keep faith with Him.

So, that's how God's garden grows, Dear Member. It is a reflection of us, and one imagines how carefully tended it must be, with perfectly trimmed shrubs and plants that flower all year.

Indeed, we are blessed to have the Lord looking after us. Tended by faith and watered by His love, we are pampered plantings in the lushest and most beautiful garden of all!

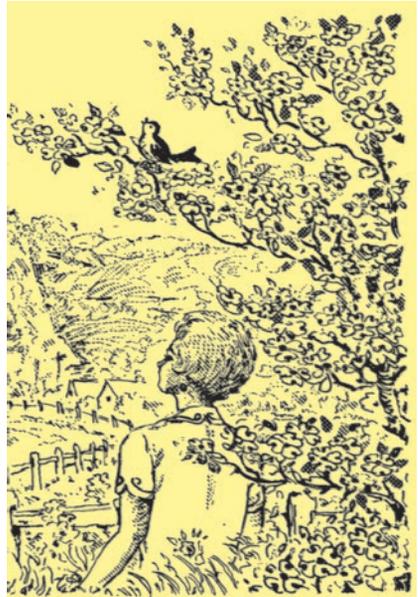


“I Know The Lord Directed Me To Get In Touch With Fellowship!”

Dear Fellowship Friends and Prayer Members, I want to thank you for all of the prayers, poems and Faith Magazines that you have sent to me and my family. I also appreciate the letters and Birthday Cards you mailed to me throughout the years.

I have enjoyed being a Member of Fellowship almost 50 years, and I am so grateful you were there for me when I needed you the most. When I first joined Fellowship I was only 19 years old. I was a teenager, and was expecting my daughter. I was reading a magazine and noticed an ad for Fellowship, with your address. So, I decided to write to you. That was the beginning of a wonderful relationship! I feel like I must thank you again for all you have done for me and my family during all this time.

I know the Lord directed me to get in touch with Fellowship all those years ago. So much has happened to me since then. I have been a widow since 1989. The Lord and Fellowship's prayers have really given me strength. Whenever I felt down and depressed, I would say a prayer and ask the Lord's help to cope with my loss, and read the beautiful prayers from Life-Study Fellowship. I always felt much better afterwards. May the Lord bless and keep you all in



His Heart. You have always answered me when I wrote and told you what was going on in my life. I have been ill recently, but I am feeling much better now. Please continue to pray for me and my family. We have a lot of things going on and could use the good thoughts.

It's hard to believe Fellowship has been such a big part of my life for almost 50 years! That's longer than I have known most of my friends, and yet I think of you as a good friend as well. You have been with me through hundreds of ups and downs in my life, and never failed to write me a nice letter. God bless you!

Ethel T., Texas

SEPTEMBER — My DAILY BIBLE VERSES

With every Bible Verse you are studying a bit of the Bible and gaining new wisdom from its words. So please take a little time each morning to look up the Bible Verse for that day. Write it on a piece of paper and carry it with you all day. Here are September's verses!

1. "Continue ye in My love"
John 15:9
2. "With the Lord there is mercy"
Psalm 130:7
3. "He will be very gracious unto thee"
Isaiah 30:19
4. "In Him we live, and move, and have our being"
Acts 17:28
5. "There shall be showers of blessing"
Ezekiel 34:26
6. "Be patient toward all"
I Thess. 5:14
7. "Blessed are they that keep My ways"
Proverbs 8:32
8. "I would have you wise unto that which is good"
Romans 16:19
9. "Stand fast in the faith"
I Cor. 16:13
10. "Love life, and see good days"
I Peter 3:10
11. "Pray one for another"
James 5:16
12. "I am with you always"
Matthew 28:20
13. "I am the light of the world"
John 8:12
14. "Peace be within thy walls"
Psalm 122:7
15. "He will not fail thee"
I Chronicles 28:20
16. "Thou shalt make me full of joy"
Acts 2:28
17. "His merciful kindness is great"
Psalm 117:2
18. "Be glad and rejoice"
Joel 2:21
19. "He will love thee, and bless thee"
Deuteronomy 7:13
20. "Blessed are the pure in heart"
Matthew 5:8
21. "Be courteous"
I Peter 3:8
22. "Thou shalt have good success"
Joshua 1:8
23. "He shall direct thy paths"
Proverbs 3:6
24. "Trust in Him at all times"
Psalm 62:8
25. "With God nothing shall be impossible"
Luke 1:37
26. "He is our peace"
Ephesians 2:14
27. "The Lord shall carry thee"
I Kings 18:12
28. "Be careful to maintain good works"
Titus 3:8
29. "Judge not, that ye be not judged"
Matthew 7:1
30. "Good shall come unto thee"
Job 22:21

SEPTEMBER — Fellowship's DAILY PRAYERS

Here are the Three Daily Prayers prepared for our Fellowship Friends to say in September. We ask that you offer these special Prayers each day at the appointed times. By doing so, you will be uniting with others everywhere to seek God's blessings!

***“My help cometh from
the Lord!”***

Psalm 121:2

8:00 A.M. Prayer for Guidance

I feel so hopeful when I greet each new day with a Prayer to You, O Lord. Wherever I go today I know You will be with me, leading me and giving me Your strength and love. I pray that You will bless me and all of my dear Friends in Fellowship with Your Guidance in the hours ahead. We will follow You, Lord, trying our best to make this a day of doing good deeds and speaking kind words to others! — Amen



12:00 Noon Prayer for Prosperity

Heavenly Father, I know in my heart that You are the Giver of all that is good and worthwhile. And at this noontime hour I am praying with my Fellowship Friends as we seek Your blessing of Prosperity, one for another. Please help us to meet our needs and be able to live without the constant strain of money worries. Through Your love, may the joy of Prosperity come to each of us in Fellowship. Thank You, Lord! — Amen

9:00 P.M. Prayer for Health and Healing

Once again, Dear Lord, I turn to You as my wonderful source of comfort. And I feel so close to You, so close that I know You are hearing every word I say. Please let me also know, Lord, that You will bring blessings of Health and Healing this night. My Fellowship Friends are praying with me now. Let us rest free of any suffering or pain! — Amen

“Something Good”

Thanks for the Prosperity Harvest Plan. Things do happen when you use this plan. It's like a great gift, and we all want a gift now and then. I feel like I have really latched on to something good, and it's from my Friends in Fellowship!

Member B. B., Ontario

“Never Going Without It”

Since I've started using the Prosperity Harvest Plan, I'm never going to be without it again. I've been wanting to go see my sister for a long time, and now I'm able to. God is certainly able to guide us where we need to go!

Member R. M., Pennsylvania

“Truly A Blessing”

I just want to say how happy I've been since I started my Prosperity Harvest Plan. I've been able to pay my bills, and God is being so good to me! This plan truly is a blessing, and I love you all for sending it to me. Thanks ever so much.

Member R. A., Louisiana

“It Does Help”

Living on a fixed income can be quite a strain these days. But now that I'm using the Prosperity Harvest Plan, I find that I'm able to make ends meet and get along better. I'm glad I requested this plan, for it does help.

Member M. M., New York

A Free Plan To Ask God About Your Prosperity Needs? Why Yes!

God's blessings come in many forms, and He knows what we want, vs. what we truly need. If you're one of the many people who often run out of money before the end of the month, we have an idea how you can ask the Lord to share His abundance. It's called Fellowship's Prosperity Harvest Plan, and it is free to all who request it!

Yes, Dear Friend, we have prepared this special plan for Fellowship Members who write in and ask for it. It will help you approach God in prayer and ask Him to bless you with help to pay your daily bills and necessities.

Greater prosperity is on every-

one's mind at some point. If you worry about how you're going to afford the things you need, then we invite you to try this simple and practical plan. Just write us and request your own Prosperity Harvest Plan, and we'll send it right out. Then you can start using it privately as you pray to the Lord about your prosperity needs. You can be sure He will hear you, and soon, we're sure you will notice you're able to save more money than you thought possible. We hope you'll give our plan a try, Dear Member. After all, there's no risk since the Prosperity Harvest Plan is free to everyone!

OUR FELLOWSHIP'S BIBLE READINGS

July
August
September



There are many sources of wisdom, strength and joy in these suggested Bible Verses for the months of July, August and September. We hope they give you new insight into the meaning of the Scriptures, Dear Member.

Week	Text
June 28 - July 4	<i>"The knowledge of His will"</i> Read: Colossians 1:9-16
July 5- 11.....	<i>"Rejoice in the Lord"</i> Read: Psalm 33:1-11
July 12 - 18.....	<i>"The house founded upon a rock"</i> Read: Luke 6:43-49
July 19 - 25	<i>"A good name is better than riches"</i> Read: Proverbs 22:1-11
July 26 - Aug. 1	<i>"I know thee by name"</i> Read: Exodus 33:14-19
August. 2 - 8.....	<i>"God shall supply all your needs"</i> Read: Philippians 4:13-20
August 9 - 15.....	<i>"When you are weak, you are strong"</i> Read: II Corinthians 12:1-10
August 16 - 22	<i>"Be a follower of God"</i> Read: Ephesians 5:1-18
August 23 - 29	<i>"He saveth thee"</i> Read: Psalm 107:15-21
August 30 - Sept. 5	<i>"God gives us consolation"</i> Read: II Thessalonians:2:16
Sept. 6 - 12.....	<i>"My grace is sufficient for thee"</i> Read: II Corinthians 12:1-9
Sept. 13 - 19.....	<i>"Even so, the Son of man must be lifted up"</i> Read: John 3:14-36
Sept. 20 - 26	<i>"He shall lift you up"</i> Read: James 4:5-11
Sept. 27 - Oct. 3.....	<i>"I will give unto you power"</i> Read: Luke 10:19-24



Hymn

Speak, Lord, In The Stillness

Speak, Lord, in the stillness,
While I wait on Thee;
Hush'd my heart to listen,
In expectancy.

Speak, O blessed Master,
In this quiet hour;
Let me see Thy Face, Lord,
Feel Thy touch of power.

For the words Thou speakest,
They are life indeed;
Living bread from Heaven,
Now my spirit feed.

Fill me with the knowledge,
Of Thy glorious will;
All Thine own good pleasure,
In Thy child fulfill.

~Amen.

You Can Make A Difference In the Lives Of Others, Dear Member!

Take a look around you, Dear Member. Look at the billboards, magazine ads and articles, the latest fashions and TV shows. Notice they usually have a common thread? Yes, they're mostly aimed at the young. Now, there's nothing wrong with that, as long as we don't overlook those in their senior years. After all, they're still playing a big role in our society.

Unfortunately, older folks do sometimes get ignored. And far too many times we see a news story about someone taking advantage of them. Well, Dear Member, we, and you, can do something about that. Let's pledge to think more about seniors in our communities and make an effort to understand their wants and needs.

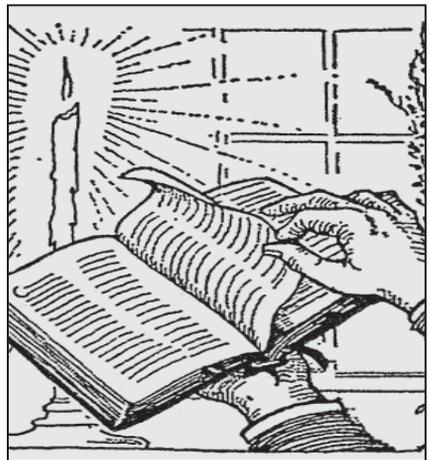
You'll often hear them say they don't fear aging, but worry about being alone, with no friends or family to include them in activities. Thinking about that, it might mean a lot to an older person in your neighborhood if you visit them and help them do chores around the house that have become more challenging for them.

And while you're there, remember not to remind older folks who repeat a story that they've already talked about it. That can make someone afraid to talk in a group of people,

which is exactly the opposite effect that you would want. After all, chances are pretty good you or I have repeated a story ourselves.

You'll often find seniors involved in community programs that help others, too. Since they're usually retired, they can be more generous with their time. So, let's thank older folks for all they've done for their communities and their country, throughout the years. We should be grateful for the wisdom they still can share with us in their golden years.

Yes, Dear Member, we hope you'll agree, you and your Fellowship Friends can make a difference in the lives of others. So, the next time you're around seniors, let them know they are loved, respected and never alone!



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