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John 3:16

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son that whosoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

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Preface

The message of God's love is unrelenting. It can neither be stopped by any human means nor by the influence of the Devil. Whatever God has purposed why He has sent His Word (His message of love through Jesus Christ) will be inevitably fulfilled and completed.

The Word of God is telling us that whatever we possess outwardly are not the true measure of our joy and contentment but rather on what we are having inside us, in our hearts. I pray that this little book will reveal to you what you really are in need of, which can't be given to you by the things of this world but only by the Word of God. This will show you simple message of true wisdom yet, the most powerful message that can transform the hearts of men.

Inspired by the Spirit of God, this book is written so I could share to you the things that God showed me and blessed me so much. All the revelations of God's perfect love just left my heart astounded and amazed to Him. It brings hope to me for the things which are incorruptible and eternal. He has blessed me so much that I do not want to keep it to myself.

God's love is for you and me. I pray for God's blessing to you.

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Introduction

In the beginning God created the heavens and the Earth. He created all life forms and placed them on land, in the water, and in the air.

Out from the creatures that God made, He had given special regards to man. He created man in His own image and likeness and gave him the breath of life into his nostrils and the man became a living being. This showed that we are connected to God. Even from the beginning and until now, God intends for man to be connected to Him. We breathe the very breath of our Creator and all He wants is very simple, to share with us.

Like all the angels in heaven, we also are given by God the power to choose.² We have our own will which we are accountable in our own. Not any man can dictate as to what and how we would become unless we choose to submit to him, and so is with God. God is a relational God. He wants to be in relationship with us. So He gave us the freedom to choose and with that, He wants us to submit to Him, because, He is our Potter and we are His masterpieces.

The God of the heavens and of the Earth is Love. He is LOVE Himself.³ He was, and is, and will always be LOVE. After He had created man, all He wanted for him is to be happy, so, He gave him everything He knew is pleasing to him. All He wanted is to share with him and spend moments with him. But one day when God walked towards Adam to spend precious moments with him. He was brokenhearted. Drawing closer and closer to the man He created, God called out for him with a shattered heart, "Adam, where are you?"⁴ All He wanted was to share precious moment with him on that day but He can't. Though no one told God of what had happened, and Adam was hiding, he was hiding with so much shame, God knew everything that was happening. The likeness and image of God that were imparted to man (the holiness, the beauty, the glory) were torn into pieces, it was totally broken because of man's wrong choice: DISOBEDIENCE TO GOD.⁵ Though it pained God so much, the man whom He created was send off, away from the place which

the man was supposed to enjoy greatly. Apart from God, the Creator, Adam had to labor, to sweat under the sun-scorched land to sustain his needs and so are we.

But God's love did not end there. God's love made a way. God's love always seeks and finds its way towards you and me, because God never gives up. He never gives up on you. He wants to restore His own image and likeness back on you so you could enjoy Him back, His friendship because He wants the same from you. He still wants to be in relationship with you.

He made a way. He gave us His Son Jesus Christ - the Way, the Truth, and the Life.⁶ He is the definite solution for the restoration of that *image* and *likeness* that were once broken because of sin. God made a way; He finds His way back to you to tell you that He loves you. Find your life in Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is your purpose. It is my purpose. It is our purpose: LIVING IN CHRIST.

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Chapter 1

The Greatest Love

Greater love has no one than this that he lay down his life for his friends.

John 15:13

For me, the very element that sustains us in this world is no other but LOVE. Naturally, as we come to learn it, we are created to love and to be loved. We are seeking for fondness. We always long that somebody would love and care for us. We go here and there hoping to find someone we can run into. And then, going around with them, talk with them, share with them, laugh with them and even confides with them. With them, life would feel good. Well, that is just how life has become because the One who designs it is LOVE Himself.

As we go on in life, we turn to have lots of experiences about LOVE. We even have our own definition about it. We have come to go through much of it. Some failed along the road and have turned to run away from it while some already have lost sight of it. Some may think of it as an obsolete stuff, but I want you to know that every moment we have is an opportunity to take hold of it and learn more from it.

Be Careful With Your Love

We all have opportunities to love but it depends in our choice **how** to give it away. It has become our power to choose what and who to love and not to love. But friends, take heed on how you give it away. People can love differently and often we receive just a return on how we have invested it. Love is the best investment we could put in but quality of returns just depends on how we invested it. Just like any other investments, we must be careful on how to start this investment. If we have properly and carefully invested it, it will bring back happiness, contentment, and peace to us. But on the other hand, there are dangers that will come if we are not careful enough. Unknowingly, this has become the major reason of chaos and turmoil in our society today, just because we invested love in the wrong place and in a wrong way. Let's take a look on several of the wrong ways of investing our LOVE.

First is the love of money. Money can do us good, but carelessly, so many people had put up so much on this that it became their most priority. This earthly mammon has become their greatest treasure. Day and night it becomes their meditation. It even turns into the very foundation of why people are doing things. Some think that money is all that matters in life. They think they could not survive if they do not have this earthly mammon. They could not take their minds off from their money. They turn to love their money so much. They'll do whatever it takes for them just to have more of what they love even if it means hurting other people. The Word of God tells us that the love of money is the root of evil.¹ Just because they love their money so much and they want more of it, it doesn't matter if others are hurting.

Second is too much love of self. Selfishness is also a problem in our society today. We have not realized that we have become so fond on ourselves that we come only to think about ourselves most of the time. Sometimes we overlook the needs of others because we are too busy thinking about what and how to gratify our own wants and likes. We love ourselves so much and that is selfishness.

Another is the untimely erotic love. One of the greatest problems today is focused on the young people. Teenagers today, mostly, are misguided because of the world's changing system and the increase of earthly knowledge. Youths, even children are so exposed of these changes because of the developing technologies that have occupied their

minds so much. They were exposed to entertainments in media that showcased inappropriate erotic love. Young people have turned to love what they see and tend to even long for it. They become exposed to this untimely erotic love and at the end found themselves behind these bars. Common result is teenage pregnancy. Most of the young people today think that being involved in erotic love even in the very young age is trivial. They find it as pleasure and they just go with it that eventually leads them to the fallout.

These are our problems, in the first place. Sometimes it is just hard to accept that it is it - our real problem, that by just following our own ways, we'll only end up to investing LOVE in the wrong place and in a wrong way.

Our Remedy

Because of our sinful nature, we turned out to be so vulnerable of loving in a wrong way and in a wrong place. Without the knowledge of God's Word, it is just so impossible for us to keep out of it. The Word of God is the only truth that teaches and instructs those who seek to be set free, and those who wanted not to be led astray. Believing the Word of God is the only remedy for our corrupted self. And if you do, be ready, for God is going to show you brand new things and the life He wants you to have. The Word of God is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path.² If we allow the Word of God in our lives, and live with it in every season, we will no longer be like stray animals with no certain place to go because of our sinful desires but instead, we will come into a secure place with certainty. We will no longer go on in life in random, without certainties but we'll going to live life with a purpose, we can then invest LOVE in the right place and in a right way.

He has given us the remedy of our problem. If we will just look on this remedy, we will have a good sight on what we have for love. Then, we will have the wisdom on how to work and invest this best resource to ensure the best return that we could ever receive. The One who designed this life to love is LOVE Himself. He authored love and so He alone can give answers to all our questions and He alone can give supplication into whatever we need to love rightly.

The Greatest Love Was Shown

God has given us the answer and solution from our inability to love rightly. Because He loves us so much, He doesn't want us to fall. He doesn't want us to become hopeless. He doesn't want us to be apart from Him. All He wants for us is to be drawn closer to Him. Because He knows that all our ways will always lead us into the fallout, to our destruction, and even worse, to our eternal separation from Him,³ He made a way. He had given us His only Son Jesus, the Darling of heaven, whom the heavenly hosts have adored so much. The Father knew that by sending His only Son Jesus into the world, we will have the definite solution to our problem.⁴ He knew that unless Jesus will come onto the world, we'll never have our problem solved. Jesus Christ was sent into the world and became flesh.⁵ He bore the same weaknesses we have. He was tempted the same way we are tempted.⁶ Yet, He never sinned. He lived a perfect life, a life without sin, a Holy life but He died as if He was the worst of all sinners. Even in the midst of grievous suffering, of tremendous humiliation. He never said a word. He never fought back, He never hated His tormentors but He even prayed that His Father would forgive them.⁷ He shed the most precious blood until the last drop licked off from His body. He was hanged on the cross held by the nails pierced in His hands and feet until He breathed His last breath and died. He did all that because of you and me. Jesus knew that only by His sacrifice the world will be saved and there is no other way.⁸ His only cry is that the world will look on Him, believe in Him and trust Him.⁹ He paid the perfect price for our freedom, for our salvation and for our security. Oh what a Savior He is!

God has shown it, the greatest love of all as remedy to our imperfection. He has shown His great love so He can show to the world how to love. All He asks from us is to look upon Jesus' sacrifice and believe in Him. Believe that He died for your sins, for your imperfection and for your inability to love as you must. Jesus Christ united with us in our sinfulness through His death so He could unite us to Himself in life through His resurrection. All it takes for us to receive His great love is FAITH. All you can do is just believe and come to Him with all your heart. Not a love of anybody could compare to the greatness of His love for us. So don't miss it. Start the best investment you could ever make now and you will have the best returns you could never think possible. (You can turn to page 55 for your guide to pray.)

Chapter 2

Back To Life Again

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Ur corrupted self because of its deceitful desires is doomed to death and eternal separation from its Creator. But God desperately made a way for us so He could lift us out from that horrible doom. Jesus Christ has become the answer and solution for our desperate needs - as we come to see it. He is the perfect and exact price paid by the Father so He could ransom us from the fierce claws of sin and destruction. Jesus Christ is for you and for me. He is everything we need, nothing more, nothing less.

Sin Makes Us Dead

Because of sin, we are dead before God. Even though we are alive physically and we have a healthy body, we are just like a walking dead before God if we still yield in sin.¹ The God of the universe, the One who created you and me is Holy.² He can't tolerate sin and He just hates it so much. Then, what is SIN? Sin is an act, thought, or way of behaving that goes against the will and ways of God. If somebody has done, thought or spoken anything that is against the ways and will of God, then that somebody has sinned against God. And to tell you, you may like it or not, our flesh has been and will always be subject to sin, thus, rebellion against God. That is why, without the Power of God ruling in us, we'll just keep on doing what our flesh tells us to, we'll just keep on sinning because our flesh has been sold out to sin way back in the garden of Eden when Adam and Eve surrendered their will to

Satan by following and doing what the devil has told them to, which was apparently a rebellion against God.

If you think that doing what your flesh wants is okay just because it gives you pleasure, then you are wrong. Not because you have fun, and you take pleasure by doing what you want then you can say you are okay. No! You are just missing out something better. The pleasure of this world and of your flesh are temporal, they won't last and are just shallow. Some people think they won't be happy if they follow God because they cannot do whatever they want, they only do not realize that they are missing out the best for them. We must know that the One Who created us knows everything in us and He knows what is best for us.

Christ Makes Us Alive

The love of God kindles hope in our hearts. And this is God's love for us, that while we were still sinners He sent His Son and makes Him a ransom for our sins by crucifying Him on the Cross (which was supposed a cross for a sinner) and laying up His life so we might have life. Jesus has no sin but He became sin for you and me so the moment He was nailed on the cross, He condemned all our sins and it is His promise that if we will just look on Him and believe in Him, He is faithful and just to cleanse us and forgive us from all our sins.³ Only through Him, we can have new life. We were once dead because of our sins, but Jesus came so we can come back to life again and this is good news for you and me.⁴ Thanks to our Lord Jesus!

All we need to do is open up our heart for Jesus and makes it a place for Him and FOR HIM ONLY.⁵ Take note on the given emphasis. What God is asking from us is our all in all, our whole heart,⁶ no other reservation. Maybe you will ask: *"Is it possible? How about me?"* The Word of God reveals that if we are to let Him have our hearts, He wants it whole. The life after you have decided to give your heart to Jesus is very crucial and must be taken heed very carefully. So many had given their hearts to Jesus but still had little victory in life. Why? Because they had not given their whole heart to Jesus, they chose to keep a bit of their

heart for their own. This is the reason why it still became so difficult for them to follow Christ at all cost. We must give our heart to God the way He wants us to, and it is giving it to Him wholly and not partly. Until then, we are qualified to walk and live for His pleasure and for our best. See, by just walking according to God's will and pleasure we have the best in life. It makes us ALIVE again.

This Is Our Hope

The moment we trusted Jesus to forgive us from our sins and give Him our whole heart, we are made new. God will blot out all our sins, ALL OUR SINS! He will draw us closer to Him. He will let us have the joy to be His sons and daughters. He will let us know that we are truly loved by Him, always and forever. The moment after we have received Jesus in our lives and made us new again, God intends us to seek after Him. He longs us to do whatever it takes for us to come even closer to Him by seeking after His face. He intends us to know Him more and more and makes us more like Jesus for this is the life He wants us to have.

Now, we have become co-heirs with Christ.⁷ God has promised all the best things for us as Jesus had received what the Father has prepared for Him. Because our Lord Jesus had faithfully followed the will of the Father while here on Earth. He was exalted above any other and He is now seated on the right hand of the throne of God. Jesus has showed the perfect example that we must have to follow. If we will just fix our eyes on Jesus Christ and follow Him, and do whatever the Father has for us just as Jesus did, we will come with Him in glory also. If we will not grow weary and not faint in doing what God has for us with our hearts set wholly for Jesus, we shall have victory just as how victorious Jesus is. We shall reign in glory forever with our Lord Jesus. He will set us into the place which He has prepared for those who follow Him faithfully and wholeheartedly. This is the very hope that we are taking hold of now. Everything here in this world is doomed to destruction for God will soon bring new heaven and new Earth.⁸ Everything

will be destroyed and nothing shall remain, but those who are found living according to the ways and will of the Father will be given a glorious body like that of a heavenly angel and will be reunited in Jesus again.

All hopes that this world could give are vanity, but the hope that is given by our God are for the things which are eternal and glorious. We shall come to see it and taste it if we will just remain in Him. Let us not grow weary in doing the perfect ways and will of God in our lives, for in due season we shall reap its glorious fruit.

This Is Living Now

Waiting for that HOPE to come, we shall be standing firm and steadfast in this LIFE that Christ has given us. God never promised us an easy life but He promised us a victorious life. Know that our adversary, who is the Devil, is prowling like a lion looking for someone he may devour.⁹ SOMEONE WHOM HE MAY DEVOUR! Devour means *take something in eagerly* or *destroy something*. Who is that SOMEONE then? Our flesh has already been taken and destroyed by the devil because of sin, the reason why this flesh that we have now is doomed to destruction. We need to crucify the lusts of our flesh. We need not to gratify the desires of our flesh. We must not let our flesh control us. What we need is a renewed heart and soul which God has delivered and saved through our Lord Jesus. Through the power of the Word of God, we shall take heed on the ways of God with all our heart and soul and we shall not take heed on what our flesh wants. We shall put flesh under control through a renewed heart and mind and by the power of the Word of God.¹⁰

Now, what we have from God, His saving power that save us from the claws of sin because of Jesus' perfect sacrifice, the renewed heart and mind because of the power of His Word, the conversion of our old being to a new creation because of our growing relationship with the Lord, are what the Devil is after of. Our enemy is just waiting and prowling like a roaring lion looking for its prey. The enemy is after on what God has worked in our lives. He will try to take away the things that God has put in us and he will try his best to destroy the hope that we have in Jesus. The enemy will wait to see any part of us by which he can go in and tries to take off whatever has been given to us by God. We might not know it, but we can give way for the devil in our lives through our bad attitude, wrong motives, wrong thinking and our improper actions. That is why we must be careful and must not give way for the devil in our lives.¹¹ What we need in this life that we have in Christ, is to live right before God in every moment. We can only live right before our God if we know how to live right. Knowing it is only by seeking after the Word of God. The Word of God tells us which way to go, how to make right decisions, which things to have and not to have, which attitude to put off and to change. It tells us the best instructions and advice that we could ever receive because FOLLOWING GOD IS FOLLOWING HIS WORD.

This is our living now, doing what God tells us to by his Word and following Him with all our heart and soul and not to gratify the deceitful desires of our flesh.¹² Surely, if we do, you and I will be victorious and prosperous in life. Not in the things of this world, but of the eternal things that God has prepared for those who faithfully follow Him.

If you are facing trials and temptations, do not give in, do not be discouraged. Those are meant to test and develop our faith, our FAITH in Christ. Just take heart, Jesus Christ has overcome it all. He has overcome the world!

Chapter 3

Our Present Age

But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God—

2 Timothy 3:1-4

ooking back, in the days of old, we could see a lot of things have changed now. So many things had passed and immense of new things have occurred. Lots of things around us have changed, and because we are so tied up with those things and we are so concerned on these changes, we also have changed. The world already has reached its old age. The Word of God has already warned us of these changes. It is already written that the knowledge of men will increase. We are already told that the love of many will grow cold, in the last days. God also have warned the Church that many will fall away from the faith. We are so occupied, so many things to hear, so many things to see, so many things to decide. We have so many things to carry, so confused of what to believe. We are so anxious, so wrought up, so worried. We have so many things yet, WE ARE UNHAPPY. We are too busy, so many things to do yet, WE ARE UNFULFILLED. We have many places to go yet, WE ARE POINTLESS. This is our present age. This is as this world has to be because we are now in the last days.

This is the Last Days

The Word of God never lacks in teaching, rebuking, correcting and training which is useful for righteousness.¹ It never lacks in warning people for the

things to come. Blessed are those who invested time, and continue to do so, for searching and learning the TRUTH through spending time with the Word of God. Blessed are those who are hungry for they will be filled.

We must be watchful, we must stay awake and must not fall asleep while it is day for the nighttime is so close, and darkness will soon overtake. What do I mean with this? Well friends, do not be afraid but listen. Understand what I am going to tell you right now.

You may have so many things in mind. You are so mindful of the things of this world and forget to take time pondering for yourself. You may think you have all you need and you do not lack anything but still you worry. You are anxious. Maybe you think you have given yourself enough and all that you could but you find emptiness within. You try to fill it in but still find it's there, emptiness. You try to fill it again but still it's there, it doesn't leave. People in this world are just doing anything they think would be fun just to fill the needs they have. As time goes by, and the world becomes old, people never stops working, and working, and working just to fill their needs but still found themselves still looking for something new and something better. Going with its flow, it is never ending. We have done so much and you know, we are already in the end hour of the daylight and the night will soon take place.

The devil has tried so much to hook people in his system, in the system of this world. And do you know what is it? It is BUSYNESS, busyness on the things of this world. The devil wants us to be so busy. He wants us to be so occupied. He wants us not to rest. He wants us to fill our time with so many things. He wants to exhaust us so we could not find TIME FOR OURSELVES. He wants us to be so busy that we could not take time for GOD, the Giver of all genuine things which we are in need of. Our enemy continues to try in letting us believe that we have so much to work on for ourselves and become so tied up with the things of this world. He wants to occupy our minds with worldly things and be caught up with these so we could not take time to search and look upon the things which are truly precious and are what we really need. Satan may have succeeded, temporarily of occupying the minds of humanity and letting us think that we are too busy, too busy for this world, but he will never win.

We must know that the things of this world are just temporal.² They will be destroyed and soon be gone from us. We could not take these things with us even after death. As people everywhere have become too busy, we also have seen and heard the fulfillment of what Jesus Christ has said concerning this last days. As He said, there will be rumors of war everywhere, famine and earthquakes. As he said, there will be difficult times in the last days, immorality would rise.³ Yes, it's true. Today, people could hardly distinct evil from good. What God has forbidden, now becomes so acceptable to men. What is unacceptable in the eyes of God has become what people adore so much. People already lost reverence for God. People no longer fear God. They even have forgotten that there is this God of the universe. They have disregarded that there is this God Who is merciful and so gracious, Who waits for them to come back to Him, but they only keep on grieving Him.

The day is soon to be over and darkness will take place. Now is the time to seek for God, the source of life. Let us seek Him while He still can be found. Time will come that men cannot have this privilege of coming to Him. Time will come that men will be looking for God but they could not find Him anymore. Time will come that darkness will rule the earth and peace and rest will be nowhere to find. The daylight is soon to be over so take heed of yourselves. I have not said it to make you terrified but to warn you because this is the truth. If we keep doing our own things and keep on neglecting God, whatever things that give comforts to us will soon be taken from us. If we will not receive whatever God has freely offered to us, time will come that we will be looking for it but it will be too late. We cannot find it anymore, we cannot have it anymore. Friends, redeem the time NOW for today is the day of salvation, be watchful, for the days are evil and deceiving.

Our Heart's Cry

The heart of man is what God is after of. He is so concerned with our heart, that's why the condition of our heart really matters before God. Our heart is our inner person. What and who we really are is dependent on the condition of our heart. Our heart makes us as we are now and onwards, so, it is the reason also why Satan is so desperate enough to deceive our hearts by luring us, trying so hard to lead our hearts off course. The cry of our heart can tell us what and who we are. What is in our heart can show us what we like and what we do not. It can instruct us where we want to go and where we do not want. It tells us whom we would like to be with and who we do not like. That is the power of our heart. It leads us, it instructs us, it coveys us depending on what is in our heart. Because of this FACT, we should be careful on whatever things we would allow in our hearts. Why? Because not all things can do good to us. We must know whatever things are good and whatever things are not. God wants our heart to be filled only with

good things but the enemy, on the other hand, wants the opposite. The devil wants our heart to be filled with evil things. According to the Word of God, in Galatians 5, it is very easy to distinguish the things that are of God and of the devil. The things of God are against on what our flesh wants but the evil things match up on what our fallen flesh wants. As what we have discussed in the previous chapter, our flesh is subject to sin (anything that is against the will of God) because of what had happened to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. That is why, the Word of God reveals that walking in His ways is like walking along a very narrow road, showing that it is not easy because it needs self-discipline, self-control or chastisement of the flesh. In contrast, walking in the evil ways or whatever our flesh wants also resembles to walking along a spacious or broad road and so many people walked through it. And sad to say, this spacious and broad road leads people to destruction and eternal separation from God. Only the narrow road, where our flesh will be chastised, disciplined and where it has to suffer, will lead us to eternal life and glory in heaven.4

It is really hurting to accept and say that many are LOVERS OF THE FLESH. And because they love their flesh so much, they are blinded; they are deceived, and follow the ways of the devil and are walking along that spacious road that leads to destruction. People love their flesh so much and are not willing to chastise and discipline it, which in fact is very beneficial for them because it brings REWARD. They do not want to take the PRICE which will only last for a moment for an eternal reward and goodness. THEY ARE BLINDED. THEY ARE DECEIVED. The last days are evil, as God has told us in His Word. People will be lovers of evil things (without them knowing) and will become haters of what are good. As we look around, things that God has strictly forbidden, as told by His laws or Word, are what the people love now. Whatever God has hated so much are the things the people loved to showcase now. People are not even ashamed of doing those things. Things like immorality, adultery, pre-marital sex, homosexuality, fornication, lying tongues, murder, drunkenness and things alike are what God has clearly forbidden for the peoples He created. Anyone doing such things has no place in heaven. It maybe is hard

for us to accept it and we may try not to look upon this, but it is the truth. I am praying that we are willing to be judged, rightly judged by the grace and mercy of God NOW and not wait to be judged by God's WRATH when it is already too late.

We are now in the last days. What is the cry of our hearts? Are we crying out for more of this world? Are we crying out for more of what are only temporal? Are we still carelessly running after the things that our flesh wants? All the things of this world are temporal and won't give us certainty for eternity. Only the things of God are worth living for and surely give us certainty for eternal life and glory. Are you willing to take the price? Are you willing to crucify your flesh for the sake of following Christ? May it become our decision now: FOLLOWING CHRIST. Surely, you will never ever regret. Coming to Christ doesn't mean losing something, but instead, it is gaining the best in life. It is an assurance.

The Lord's Cry

"I am coming back very soon. I am coming back for my people. Hear me, I am coming back soon and very soon. I want to come back with all the peoples being prepared. I do not want to come back if the nations are not ready because I do not want anyone to perish. I want all the peoples be prepared for my coming back. I want them to wait for my coming. But, oh it breaks my heart so bad, that the peoples are not even thinking that I am coming back for them. They despise my very Word that I am coming back for them. My heart breaks when I see the peoples stop thinking about me. It hurts so bad when I found the peoples are not preparing for my coming back. They love the world so much and everything in it. They think they're okay because they have got all the pleasures of the world but they are not. I have waited patiently. I have waited patiently for my people to come back to me. The day is soon to be over and the night will then overtake. I am coming for them who have prepared themselves for me. I am coming back for them who have consecrated

their lives for me. I am coming to take those who follow me wholeheartedly to be with me forever. I am coming, I am coming. Those who have ears to hear let them listen carefully. Those who have hearts that perceive let them understand. Be ready. Be ready."

Let us hear the voice of God speaking into our hearts now. Let God stir our heart again with burning passion for His Kingdom. God has heard and listened so earnestly on every cry of the people. God never stops working out for what the peoples are asking for. Peoples are crying out for more and more. Peoples are crying out more of what they want. They are crying out for everything they need but still they are not satisfied. God has been so patient but His patience is soon to be over. From before, God has heard our cry and listened to all the desires of our heart. Now is the time for us to hear Him. Hear His still, small voice speaking into your heart. God wants to see you prepared when He comes back. Bring your heart back to Him. It is His and it must only be for Him until He will come back. He is speaking to you because He loves you so much. HE LOVES YOU SO MUCH.

Without holiness no one shall see God.⁵ The Lord Jesus has made HOLINESS possible for us through the perfect sacrifice He made on the Cross of Calvary. By giving our heart to Him, our whole heart to Him, we can take part to His righteousness that leads us into a holy life. There is no other way to holiness.

How are we? Have we taken part already into this privilege given to us by God's grace and mercy? Or, are we still holding things that make us dirty towards God? Are we still holding sin in us? Do we still have anything that we love so much more than how much we love God? Are we willing to lay down all the sins of our hearts and follow Jesus? Are we willing to give it all for the sake of Jesus Christ? How are we? We can give answers to all of these questions. What is our heart telling us?

Whatever our answers and decisions may be, one thing we must know is, WITHOUT HOLINESS NO ONE

SHALL SEE GOD. By just knowing the truth, may we know and not be confused on what to choose. Will we choose the things of this world over the things of God? Or, will we choose the things of God above all other else? We cannot escape the fact of the consequences on our choice, whatever it may be. We cannot escape the reality by just stopping to look at it. Instead of escaping, face the truth and try to understand it even more and deeper. Ask God for wisdom to understand the truth as revealed by His Word to perceive His perfect ways for us, and to rightly judge the things around us and rightly choose the best things over those worthless things. This is the best thing we can do.

Now, what is HOLINESS? We must understand its significance to us, and what does it tries to show us. What is this holiness that we are talking about? Holiness is our state of being entirely, completely, or holistically devoted to God through Jesus Christ. Holiness means JESUS CHRIST IN OUR ALL IN ALL. It means having the things of God in our entire being and letting out anything that are not of God.⁶ Holiness

means not having to do with anything that contaminates us and makes us dirty before God. Sin contaminates us and makes us filthy before God. There is no sin that is too big that God cannot forgive and there is no sin that is too small that He will just let it pass by without confession and repentance. To be holy doesn't mean letting go of some of our sins and keeping some of them. To be holy doesn't mean loving some of the things of God and loving some of this world that God really hates. Be aware of it. Let us be careful and wise. Keep yourself off of anything that God really hates so much. Keep yourself off from evil things. Keep yourself off from anything that destroys you. Keep yourself off from any idol. Idols are those things, and even people, that we admire so much and turn us into loving and worshipping them rather than God. He wants us to worship Him and Him alone. Keep yourself off from hatred. Keep yourself off from anything that devours you. We must be holy until when Christ comes. It is a gift. It is a blessing. Just give yourself completely to God and receive this blessing.

Chapter 4

God's Patience is Our



The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief.

2 Peter 3:9,10

e have heard the news that Jesus Christ is coming back very soon. It is a news, in fact it is a good one. It is not just a tale, a hearsay as some of us have believed. We always have heard of it, and I do not know how it seems to be like for you, but as for me, it is MY HOPE. After Jesus Christ was lifted up to the sky and back to His Father in heaven, a promise was given to His disciples that not after a long time, Jesus will come again for His people.¹ He promised to come back to get His faithful followers and be with them forever. He promised that it will not take Him a very long time to come back again for His people. This promise is a living hope for those who have decided to follow and serve Jesus with all their hearts. But where is this promise of His coming? Isn't it a long time already as opposed to what He has promised? Maybe we have these questions in our hearts already and even worse, maybe, we already doubt if there is really this coming that He promised. Even though we have such questions, and doubt, still, Jesus loves us. It will never change. Even more, He wants us to know how much He loves us by giving us this message of truth as a warning and reminder to us. Jesus Christ is coming very soon. He will surely come.

He is Patiently Waiting

When I consider Your heaven, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that You are mindful of Him, the son of man that You care for him? Psalm 8:3,4

Isn't it amazing for a majestic and sovereign God, by whose works are so evident in the heavens above and earth below, to be so mindful to all men that He created? Even in His being an all-powerful God, isn't it wonderful to know that He really cares for all men – His 'only-created' humanity? Well, these are just facts of who truly is our God. The God Who created you and me is so mindful, so concerned for our goodness sake. He is just as Who He is: SO LOVING. Think about this moment that you have now as a privilege, being able to take this message in your hand and having a good time savoring the sweetness of its truth. Think about the patience of the Lord for us. He is patiently waiting

for you and me. Then maybe you'll ask: *What is He waiting for?*

Isn't it a long time already of having our own lives in our own hands? Isn't it so exhausting already of having our own whats and hows for our own lives? Starting from the moment we had understanding for things and perception for the world, and having things to make up for the future, we have become so mindful for ourselves in our own ways. We are always thinking of becoming a trying hard person, and then becoming a hardworking man so to have a successful life. We were trying and striving so hard to be the one as what we want ourselves to be. Others are working it out so desperately and making God as their back up support. We are having our own ways and making God as if we can let Him become as what we want Him to be. We are taking hold of this life as if it is us who really know the best for our lives. Yes, most of us take hold of this life in our own ways, in our own will, and in our own maneuvering.

God is waiting for us when would we trust Him with all our hearts and lean not on our own understanding. He is waiting for us when would we acknowledge Him in all our ways and let Him direct our paths. But this is our tendency: taking hold of our lives in our own ways and always going ahead on what God has already prepared for us. Still, our Sovereign God is patiently waiting. He wants us to know that He is patiently waiting for us. He waits for us to give Him our complete trust and live in a way as what He wants us to and not in a way as what we want it to. He is calling for us, telling us that He waits for us PATIENTLY. He has been patiently waiting for us until now. But I sense in my spirit that the patience of the Lord will come to its fullness soon, very soon. God is calling everyone to turn to Him and come to Him while it is not yet late. He has waited for us patiently. Unless you have given your whole heart and life for Jesus, you are never prepared for His coming.

God's Patience Is Enough

God's patience is a manifestation of His love for the people. Without this manifestation, we maybe are already punished with the eternal anguish and torments in the lake of fire. I'll tell you, for you must know this, that hell really exists in the same way as heaven is also real.² Anyone who does not believe that heaven is real is hopeless. Anybody who does not believe that hell really exists fools himself. Heaven has been ready for a long time and that the Lord Jesus could not wait to bring His children there, the place that He Himself has prepared for those who are ready for His coming. Who are ready for His coming? Only those that have given their whole heart and life to Jesus Christ, they who are made pure by the precious blood of Jesus. God has been so patient and His patience is enough for us. It is our salvation and it is a gift. We must not waste it but let us take hold of it. Do not wait when His patience will be over without coming to Him in response to His great love, it would be dreadful.

God is patiently waiting for the people to come to Him. He doesn't want anybody to be eternally lost and separated from Him. This is the reason why this message of truth has been reached out to you and is continually preached to the whole world. God intends this to happen, that every man shall hear the message of His love and then the end will come.

Are you ready? Your choice now is all that matters. Don't make a fool of yourself by thinking that only after this life you'll going to make the preparation. Whatever your choice now accounts which place you'll be spending in eternity. Would it be heaven? Or would it be hell? Take your choice now. God's patience is our salvation.

Chapter 5

For Pure-Hearted Only

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Matthew 5:8

The City of the Living God, the New Jerusalem is now ready. This is the place that the Lord has personally prepared for His faithful children. Before He has gone back to the Father, He said to His disciples "My Father's house has many rooms, if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am".¹ This place that He has promised is now ready and the Lord Jesus is ready to come and fulfill whatever He has said. He even is at the door, ready to come again and take those who have prepared themselves for Him. The dead in Christ will rise first. After that, those who are still alive will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air and they will be with Him forever, they that are prepared for His coming.² And they who are not prepared will be left and will face the days of tribulation.

The Word of God has clearly said all the things that are going to happen as reminders to us. Even some of the prophecies that were recorded by the Spirit-filled servants of God already came to pass. That is why it is very important for all the peoples to take heed unto His Word. It is very important that every man will read the Bible, the Word of God, and study it. God wants it for every mankind. He doesn't want anybody to become unaware of what has been happening and of what are still going to happen. It is not to terrify the people, but for us to be aware and be prepared because He wants that everyone will be ready for Him when He comes. The Kingdom of God is all set and ready. The place where God's children will walk on streets of pure gold; where there is no more crying and pain but only pure joy; where the people will always and forever be with the Lord; where there are only singing and dancing for praise and worship for the Lord; where there is only enjoyment of everything that God has prepared for His children including the mansions named after each of His children. This is the place prepared for PURE-HEARTED ONLY. Do you want to become a part of it?

A Pure Heart

God is calling every mankind to His own, to be his very own, beloved children. He made it possible for us through the sacrifice that was made by His only Son, Jesus Christ. By the cleansing power of His precious blood sprinkled to those who believe, God has drawn fallen people back to Him. They were drawn back to Him forgiven, and given with a renewed, purified heart. It is the very wonderful promise of God to those whoever acknowledged their desperate need of forgiveness from sin and those who believe on His saving power. Whoever does believe is purified. Whoever will believe will be purified. It is God's gift and there is no other way around.

Keep your heart pure. Remain in Jesus. Abide in His Word. Live out His command. He wants you to love Him more than anything else. He wants you to love Him with all your heart, mind, soul and strength. He wants you to love your fellow as much as you love yourself. He wants you to remain in Him and bear fruits. He wants you to endure and persevere in Him. He wants you to endure sufferings and hardships with your eyes and heart in Him. He wants you endure until the end comes. He wants you to be patient. He wants you to take up your own cross and follow Him no matter what. He wants you to follow Him no matter how much it may cost you. He wants you to take time with Him. Because He promised He will keep your heart. He will carry you. He will strengthen you. His yoke is easy and His burden is light. He will guide you. He will never leave you nor abandon you. He will never forsake you. He will be with you until the end

comes. He will be with you in eternity. He will do the rest for you. Because He greatly loves you more than you know. These will keep our hearts pure: WHEN HE BECOMES OUR EVERYTHING, WHEN HE IS OUR ALL IN ALL.

Blessed are those pure in hearts for they shall see God and His Kingdom. Pure-hearted are those who are obedient in God. Pure-hearted are those who live a holy life.

It's All By Your Choice

Heaven? Or hell? Which will you choose? I think, I know your answer already. I know that no sane people would say "yes to hell" but still willfully choose it by their daily choices. Some may have answered that they want heaven but still their living didn't match up with their choice. Why, because they love the world more than the things which are worth loving. Because they love their flesh so much and they do not want to

let their flesh suffer and they do not want to take the price. And I tell you, these are the TRUE COWARD PEOPLE. No coward can ever inherit the Kingdom of God. We all want heaven and I pray that we would take the courage to live with this purpose daily and that no matter how much it cost us we'll live according to God's way.

Heaven is much more beautiful than what we already have described in the earlier discussion. Heaven is much more beautiful than what we could think of or imagine. If you want to have a glimpse on the real beauty of heaven, I want to suggest for you to read "Heaven is So Real" by Choo Nam Thomas, if you have not done so. I believe whatever she said that she saw in her visions of heaven are true. I am very convinced that all she had shared in her book is true and that God used her to speak to so many, who had already read the book, including me. If heaven is a place for pure-hearted children of God, then for whom, on the other hand, is the lake of fire or hell? Hell is the place for those who have not known Jesus in their lives. It is the place for those who have willfully rejected Christ

in their hearts and for those who have not given Christ a place in their lives. It is a place for those who are disobedient to the very ways of God in their lives even though they know Him and once confessed for Him to be in their hearts. Whoever does not follow the ways of God, and whoever does not obey His Word has no place in heaven. Hell is the place for sinners and disobedient people.

Hell is a place of NO REST. There, people will be forever tormented with the most terrible pain of fire that will burn them without end. They will be burned without an end in hell. People there will long to be saved from that lake of fire but they will never have it, never ever. There will be no way for them to be saved from there once they have gone to that place. The only way for people to be saved from that torments is to receive all that God has freely given while we are still alive.

Choice of heaven or hell is ours today. And that choice will only be granted while we are still here. It is a BIG LIE AND DECEPTION when we believe that we can have this choice only after death. Every people must know this truth because it is our only way out from heading towards that lake of fire. Once we know the truth and began to understand it, we will receive it for it is our only remedy. Do not keep yourself from the truth but instead save yourself by knowing the truth, the Word of God. Not even the ignorance of the truth can save anybody. That is why this TRUTH must be preached out to all peoples because God wants everybody to be saved. Take your choice now. Heaven or hell? Wherever you want to be, that will become your living.

Our Purpose

We are all accountable with our own lives. God has given us this life so to enjoy it according to His plan, but this plan was ruined because of sin. But still, He never gave up and made a way so to restore this very wonderful plan for us. WE ARE TO LIVE ACCORDING TO OUR CREATOR'S PURPOSE. God wants to be in full control of our lives because God wants to work out for the very best in our lives. Why? Because He alone knows what is best for us. Our tendency is to be selfish and we want that only us will manage our own lives, but this will do us no good. We'll never find our purpose by taking hold of this life in our own. We'll never find our purpose by roaming around and grab anything which is pleasing in the eyes. We'll never find our purpose by experiencing everything this world could offer us. We'll only find our purpose in Jesus Christ, the Son of the Living God. We'll only find our purpose in Him who was crucified for our sins and died for our salvation. Whoever believes in Him will not perish but have everlasting life. This is our purpose, LIVING IN CHRIST. He is the answer to all our needs and questions.

Prayer for a Personal Relationship with the Lord

(by Joyce Meyer)

God wants you to receive His free gift of salvation. Jesus wants to save you and fill you with the Holy Spirit more than anything. If you have never invited Jesus, the Prince of Peace, to be your Lord and Savior, I invite you to do so now. Pray the following prayer and if you are really sincere about it, you will experience a new life in Christ.

Father,

You love the world so much, You gave Your only begotten Son to die for our sins so that whoever believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life. Your Word says we are saved by grace through faith as a gift from You. There is nothing we can do to earn salvation.

I believe and confess with my mouth that Jesus Christ is Your Son, the Savior of the world. I believe He died on the cross for me and bore all of my sins, paying the price for them. I believe in my heart that You raised Jesus from the dead. I ask You to forgive my sins. I confess Jesus as my Lord. According to Your Word, I am saved and will spend eternity with You! Thank You, Father. I am so grateful! In Jesus' Name, amen.

See John 3:16; Ephesians 2:8,9; Romans 10:9,10; 1 Corinthians 15:3,4; 1 John 1:9; 4:14-16; 5:1,12,13

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Life is all about investments. And God has given us all the resources needed for life's investments. Our mindful and wise investment brings success and security but ignorance brings failure to life's venture and it is a wasted life.

Man's real problem is ignorance, ignorance to the Word of God. And without us realizing, it has become the major reason of chaos, war, hatred, brokenness and uncertainty in the world around us. This ignorance leads us to wrong investment for life.

We have so much to learn in life as God has programmed it for us being His creation and Him being our Creator. Start to venture out life according to what God has said and has to say for you. This booklet is about its basics – life's basics to enjoying life through enjoying Christ first and above all other things. Start the journey by knowing the best investment you could have.