

## ACCORDING TO YOUR FAITH BE IT UNTO YOU

### EVERYONE AND EVERYTHING LIVE UNTO GOD

**Luke 20:38 (KJV)**

<sup>38</sup> *For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him.*

Job 14:1 (KJV)

<sup>1</sup> *Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble.*

### JESUS PRAYED FOR PETER – YOUR FAITH SHALL BE TESTED

**Luke 22:31-34 (KJV)**

<sup>31</sup> *And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: <sup>32</sup> But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. <sup>33</sup> And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death. <sup>34</sup> And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me.*

### JESUS PRAYED FOR HIS DISCIPLES

**Luke 22:44-46 (KJV)**

<sup>44</sup> *And being in an agony he (Jesus) prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. <sup>45</sup> And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow, <sup>46</sup> And said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.*

### PETER'S DENIED JESUS

**Luke 22:54-62 (KJV)**

<sup>54</sup> *Then took they him, and led him, and brought him into the high priest's house. And Peter followed afar off. <sup>55</sup> And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. <sup>56</sup> But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him. <sup>57</sup> And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not. <sup>58</sup> And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not. <sup>59</sup> And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this fellow also was with him: for he is a Galilaeen. <sup>60</sup> And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. <sup>61</sup> And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. <sup>62</sup> And Peter went out, and wept bitterly.*

### THY STRENGTH MAY BE SMALL

**Proverbs 24:10 (KJV)**

<sup>10</sup> *If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.*

This means that the day of adversity is not the day to be tired. It's not the day to be weak or hide your face and start crying. The crying of a believer is an entertainment for the devil – this is what he wishes us.

### CHRISTIANS' WISDOM IS NOT TO WAIT FOR THE DAY OF TROUBLE TO CALL UPON GOD

**Psalms 50:15 (KJV)**

<sup>15</sup> *And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.*

### **Ecclesiastes 7:14 (KJV)**

<sup>14</sup> *In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him.*

This means that while we rejoice in the day of prosperity we should, in the day of adversity, never lose hope but trust that God is in control.

This means that in time of peace, prepare for war. Because when you fail to prepare, then you prepare to fail.

No matter what happens to you, don't compromise your faith. Don't allow your problems to make you decide to warm yourself in the fire of the enemy. Don't go to the enemy to receive help. Every help received from the enemy would be paid back with interest because satan has no free gift. God is the only free giver.

### **WHAT IS ADVERSITY?**

The meaning of "adversity" is something turning against you.

- Adversity is a state of hardship or affliction. It is a state which is contrary to our well being.
- Adversity means misfortune, distress and, sometimes, tragedy or poverty.
- Adversities are circumstances that cause trouble and sorrow.
- Adversities can be disasters, opposition or trouble.
- Adversity can be trials, unfavorable circumstances, and hostile opposition

Jesus was a man of prayer and fasting waiting on the move of the Holy Spirit according to the father's purpose for his life

### **Matthew 4:1-4 (KJV)**

<sup>2</sup> *And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred.* <sup>3</sup> *And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.* <sup>4</sup> *But he answered and said, **It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.***

Jesus knew what to say when tempted by the devil, because he had been waiting on the Father, and his strength has been renewed.

Isaiah 40:31 (KJV)

<sup>31</sup> *But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.*

### **THERE ARE TREMENDOUS BLESSINGS IN PRAYER AND FASTING**

#### **Isaiah 58:6-7 (KJV)**

<sup>6</sup> *Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?* <sup>7</sup> *Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?*

Jesus overcame the satan's temptation for he has been lifted through prayer and fasting by the power of the grace of God that was upon him.

### **FACTS ABOUT ADVERSITY**

**1 - Adversity brings out our talents, which, under comfortable circumstances, would have remained dormant.**

**2 - A road without obstacles would lead you nowhere.**

Nahum 1:7-8 (KJV)

<sup>7</sup> *The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.*

This means that without a struggle there can be no progress - Opposition will bring your promotion.