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Sarah: Princess

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Abraham's wife, Sarah, as her name indicates, was truly a princess among women. She was actually Abraham's half sister, as well as his wife, as we learn from Genesis 20:12 when Abraham addressed Abimelech, king of Gerar, when Abimelech wanted Sarah for his wife. "And yet indeed she is my sister; she is the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife."

Before her name was changed by God to Sarah, she was known as Sarai. We learn of the change of her name in Genesis 17:15-16: "And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall her name be. And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of people shall be of her."

Like all human beings, Sarah was not perfect. She gave her handmaid, Hagar, to Abraham with which to have children. When Hagar conceived a child, the Bible says that Sarai "...was despised in her eyes" (Genesis 16:4). "...And when Sarai dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face" (Genesis 16:6). Another time when Sarah showed her human weakness was when she laughed, and then lied, to the LORD when He told Abraham that she would have a son. Genesis 18:11-15 informs us: "Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah

laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old? Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son. Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh."

But Sarah also was a truly godly woman, chosen by the Lord to be the mother of Isaac whom she helped raise in the godly line of Abraham. "And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah as he had spoken. For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him. And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac" (Genesis 21:1-3).

When Sarah told Abraham to cast out Hagar with her son, Ishmael, she was actually prophesying of the Old and New Covenants. In Galatians 4:22-26 we read: "For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise. Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all."



by Bibi Allicock

Even though Abraham was very rich in cattle, silver, and gold, that didn't stop him from being obedient to Almighty God. He didn't place his heart upon his riches but upon Almighty God. He didn't study who would inherit his riches, but when he was asked to offer his only son, he didn't disobey. "And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt-offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt-offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you. And Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering? And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt-offering: so they went both of them together. And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. And Abraham stretched forth his

hand, and took the knife to slay his son. And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me. And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt-offering in the stead of his son...And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time, And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son: That in blessing I will bless thee..." (Genesis 22:1-13; 15-17) Abraham was not greedy or covetous in withholding his only son from Almighty God but was willing to sacrifice him unto Him. Of course God does not want us to do human sacrifice; the only sacrifice He wants from us is to present our bodies a living sacrifice unto Him, meaning to be obedient and do as He commanded us so that He will reward us accordingly. Let us look at the reward that was granted unto Abraham. The angel announced as Almighty God told him: "That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice" (Genesis 22:17-18).

Because of greed and covetousness, the children of Israel were always complaining that their children would

die in the wilderness if they did not get water, meat, and different varieties of food because they were fed up with the manna, which God was feeding them with. The children entered into the promised land and all the others died in the wilderness except Caleb and Joshua." And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt. And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness: And the children of Israel said unto them, Would to God we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, and when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger" (Exodus 16:1-3).

"Then said the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or no. And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall prepare that which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily. And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even, then ye shall know that the LORD hath brought you out from the land of Egypt: And in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of the LORD; for that he heareth your murmurings against the LORD: and what are we, that ye murmur against us? And Moses said, This shall be, when the LORD shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that the LORD heareth your murmurings which ye murmur against him: and what are we? your murmurings are not against us, but against the LORD. And Moses spake unto Aaron, Say unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, Come near before the LORD: for he hath heard your murmurings. And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel: speak unto them, saying, At even ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread; and ye shall know that I am the LORD your God. And it came to pass, that at even the quails came up, and covered the camp: and in the morning the dew lay round

about the host. And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness there lay a small round thing, as small as the hoar frost on the ground. And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to another, It is manna: for they wist not what it was. And Moses said unto them, This is the bread which the LORD hath given you to eat" (Exodus 16:4-15).

Almighty God gave them bread and flesh to suffice them, but because of greed and covetousness, some of them didn't take the amount that Moses instructed; some of them took more. Those that took the right amount had nothing over, those that took little had no lack, but those that took more left it until the morning, and it stank and bred worms, whereby Moses was very wroth with them because of their greed. "This is the thing which the LORD hath commanded, Gather of it every man according to his eating, an omer for every man, according to the number of your persons; take ye every man for them which are in his tents. And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some less. And when they did mete it with an omer, he that gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating. And Moses said, Let no man leave of it till the morning. Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto Moses; but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and Moses was wroth with them" (Exodus 16:16-20).

Nevertheless when they collected on the sixth day enough also for the seventh day, which is the Sabbath, it didn't stink or breed worms. Some of them still went out on the Sabbath day but found none because they were instructed not to do such. "And it came to pass, that on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for one man: and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses...And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did not stink, neither was there any worm therein...Six days ye shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is the sabbath, in it there shall be none. And it came to pass, that there went out some of the people on the seventh day for to gather, and they found none. And the LORD said unto Moses, How long refuse ye to keep my commandments and my laws? See, for that the LORD hath given you the sabbath, therefore he giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day. So the people rested on the seventh

day" (Exodus 16:22; 24; 26-30).

We must not be greedy or covetous because it will cause us to sin, being disobedient to God, and our punishment can be very detrimental. In the book of Numbers, a man was found gathering sticks on the Sabbath day, and he was stoned to death by the command of Almighty God. "And while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man that gathered sticks upon the sabbath day...And the LORD said unto Moses, The man shall be surely put to death: all the congregation shall stone him with stones without the camp. And all the congregation brought him without the camp, and stoned him with stones, and he died; as the LORD commanded Moses" (Numbers 15:32; 35-36).

Also because of greed, the children of Israel wanted more meat; they were not contented with what they had: "And the mixt multitude that was among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat? We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic: But now our soul is dried away: there is nothing at all, beside this manna, before our eyes...Then Moses heard the people weep throughout their families, every man in the door of his tent: and the anger of the LORD was kindled greatly; Moses also was displeased. And Moses said unto the LORD, Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy servant? and wherefore have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people upon me? Have I conceived all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nursing father beareth the sucking child, unto the land which thou swarest unto their fathers? Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep unto me, saying, Give us flesh, that we may eat. I am not able to bear all this people alone, because it is too heavy for me. And if thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray thee, out of hand, if I have found favour in thy sight; and let me not see my wretchedness. And the LORD said unto Moses, Gather unto me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them; and bring them unto the tabernacle of the congregation, that they may stand there with thee. And I will come down and talk with thee there: and I will take of the spirit which is upon thee, and will put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people

with thee, that thou bear it not thyself alone. And say thou unto the people, Sanctify yourselves against to morrow, and ye shall eat flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of the LORD, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? for it was well with us in Egypt: therefore the LORD will give you flesh, and ye shall eat. Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days; But even a whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye have despised the LORD which is among you, and have wept before him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt?" (Numbers 11:4-6; 10-20).

"And Moses said, The people, among whom I am, are six hundred thousand footmen; and thou hast said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month. Shall the flocks and the herds be slain for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them? And the LORD said unto Moses, Is the LORD'S hand waxed short? thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not. And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the LORD, and gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the tabernacle. And the LORD came down in a cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that was upon him, and gave it unto the seventy elders: and it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, and did not cease" (Numbers 11:21-25).

"And there went forth a wind from the LORD, and brought quails from the sea, and let them fall by the camp, as it were a day's journey on this side, and as it were a day's journey on the other side, round about the camp, and as it were two cubits high upon the face of the earth. And the people stood up all that day, and all that night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quails: he that gathered least gathered ten homers: and they spread them all abroad for themselves round about the camp. And while the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague. And he called the name of that place Kibroth-hattaavah: because there they buried the people that lusted" (Numbers 11:31-34).

Because of greed and covetousness, the rich fool died without any warning because he was full of himself and not thinking to share his riches or even pay his tithes

and offerings. Our Lord admonished: "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth. And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God. And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on. The life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment. Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls? And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit? If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the rest? Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these" (Luke 12:15-27).

"If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven; how much more will he clothe you, O ye of little faith? And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind. For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things. But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you. Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Luke 12:28-34). The rich young ruler was another one who was greedy and covetous, because when Jesus asked him to sell all that he had and come and follow Him, he went home sorrowful because he was very rich. "And a certain ruler asked him,

saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? none is good, save one, that is, God. Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother. And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up. Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me. And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich. And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. And they that heard it said, Who then can be saved? And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God" (Luke 18:18-27). "If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness; He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself" (I Timothy 6:3-5). "But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows...Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy" (I Timothy 6:6-10; 17). "Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me" (Hebrews 13:5-6). The apostle Paul declared: "I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to

suffer need...Notwithstanding ye have well done, that ye did communicate with my affliction. Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content...I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (Philippians 4:12; 14; 11; 13). "He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that hateth gifts shall live...My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause: Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit: We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil: Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse: My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path: For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood. Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird. And they lay wait for their own blood; they lurk privily for their own lives. So are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; which taketh away the life of the owners thereof" (Proverbs 15:27; 1:10-19). The prophet Jeremiah was given words from the LORD to speak unto the children of Israel concerning their covetousness. "Moreover thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; Shall they fall, and not arise? shall he turn away, and not return? Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return. I hearkened and heard, but they spake not aright: no man repented him of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? every one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battle. Yea, the stork in the heaven knoweth her appointed times; and the turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their coming; but my people know not the judgment of the LORD. How do ye say, We are wise, and the law of the LORD is with us? Lo, certainly in vain made he it; the pen of the scribes is in vain. The wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom is in them? Therefore will I give their wives unto others, and their fields to them that shall inherit them: for every one from the least even unto the greatest is given to covetousness, from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely. For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace. Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they

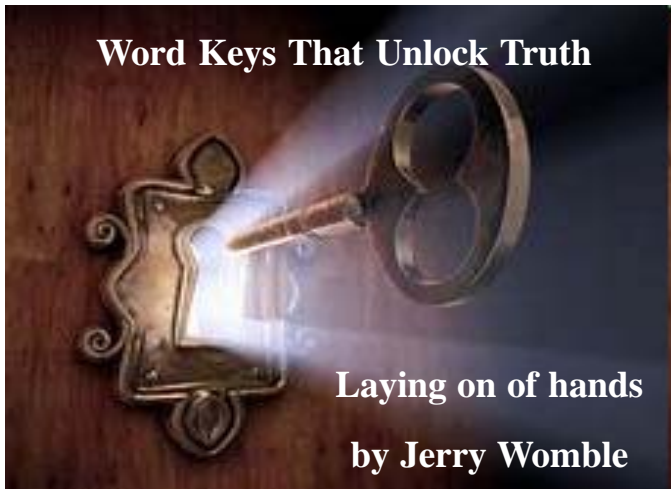
blush: therefore shall they fall among them that fall: in the time of their visitation they shall be cast down, saith the LORD" (Jeremiah 8:4-12). "Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people still are talking against thee by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the LORD. And they come unto thee as the people cometh, and they sit before thee as my people, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them: for with their mouth they shew much love, but their heart goeth after their covetousness" (Ezekiel 33:30-31). In the book of Luke we encounter a man by the name of Zacchaeus whose profession was tax collecting. He confessed unto the Lord that if he had taken anything from any man by false accusation, he would restore him fourfold, meaning that what he took by covetous practice he is willing to pay back so that he could be saved. "And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house. And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner. And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost" (Luke 19:1-10). "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings. As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool" (Jeremiah 17:9-11). Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be said, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of

the land of Egypt; But, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers. Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the LORD, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks. For mine eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes. And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double; because they have defiled my land, they have filled mine inheritance with the carcasses of their detestable and abominable things...Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know mine hand and my might; and they shall know that my name is The LORD" (Jeremiah 16:14-18; 21). Amen.

We see in the Old Testament it was practiced for various purposes. In Lev. 16:21-22 Aaron was to lay both of his hands on the goat that was sent into the wilderness carrying the sins of the people. Another event was at the time authority was to change from Moses to Joshua, God told Moses to lay his hand on him and give him a charge of how he was to be God's leader and some of the honor of Moses would be transferred to Joshua, Numbers 27:18-23. It was a sign of judgment and punishment in Lev. 24:13-15 showing that anyone that cursed God was to be put to death. The laying on of hands was also used in giving a blessing as Jacob did to his sons and grandsons in Gen. 48.

Showing Jesus's doctrine and ministry in Mark 10:16 He gave blessings on the children and in Luke 24:50 as He was leaving the earth to return to the Father, He lifted up His hands and blessed His disciples.

In the Church of God, we lay hands on the brethren for several reasons. In James 5:14,15 for the healing of the sick. After baptism we follow the example of laying on of hands for the receiving and indwelling of the Holy Spirit on the person as it was used in the Scriptures, Acts 8:14-17 and 19:1-6. One of our most privileged uses is the laying on of hands in dedicating a new minister to the work of the gospel as in Acts 6:6 and 13:3. All this being said, Paul reminds us not to lay hands on someone just because we like them but only after we have examined them and found them worthy of the job, we are asking God to lead them in, 1 Tim. 5:21,22. Whether we have had hands laid on us for a ministry work or not we all are still called to be a witness for God and His Church.



The laying on of hands is of extreme importance to the child of God and the Church of God. We call this a point of contact. We as human beings still on this earth need something physical to do to show and strengthen our faith. The laying on of hands is one of those physical things that God has given us. The reason we lay them on the head is because it is the crowning part of man, the thinking and conscience part of man, it is a sign for the one having hands laid on him and to those witnessing the event.

The writer of Hebrews tells us in chapter 6 that one of Christ's doctrines was the laying on of hands. Since Jesus used this in his ministry and work it surely is a good practice for us today.



1. Pharisee
2. there is no resurrection
3. keeping his father-in-law's flock
4. wind
5. flee
6. threshing wheat by the winepress
7. Solomon
8. Samuel
9. the Philippian jailer
10. the lost sheep of Israel
11. searching for his father's lost donkeys
12. on the mountain



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Part 17 - ISRAEL IN THE MILLENNIUM (Israel's Blindness Removed)

QUESTION: What question concerning Israel did the disciples ask?

ANSWER: "To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:...When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?" Acts 1:3,6.

NOTE: No He does not restore the kingdom to Israel at the time of Acts, but He will after His coming.

QUESTION: What will Israel do when they see the Lord?

ANSWER: "And it shall come to pass in that day, that

I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn" (Zechariah 12:9-10).

QUESTION: What will then be opened to them?

ANSWER: "In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness" (Zechariah 13:1).

NOTE: Zechariah 12:9-10 happens at the battle of Armageddon and therefore the fountain for sin and uncleanness is opened to Israel during the millennium.

QUESTION: What is said in Revelation about those who pierced Christ?

ANSWER: "Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him (Israel): and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen" (Revelation 1:7).

QUESTION: How will Israel be saved?

ANSWER: "And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer (Jesus Christ), and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob" (Romans 11:26).

QUESTION: Who will judge the twelve tribes of Israel during the millennium?

ANSWER: "Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel" (Matthew 19:27-28).

QUESTION: Who will be their prince?

ANSWER: "And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, even my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd. And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them; I the LORD have spoken it" (Ezekiel 34:23-24).

QUESTION: Who will be their king upon the throne of David?

ANSWER: "And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them. And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and my servant David shall be their prince for ever" (Ezekiel 37:24-25).

QUESTION: In what Jerusalem, earthly or heavenly, will Christ's throne be established?

ANSWER: "And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him" (Revelation 22:3). Also read Revelation 21:22-27.

QUESTION: What kind of throne is this called?

ANSWER: "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory" (Matthew 25:31).

QUESTION: Whose throne is this called?

ANSWER: "Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne" (Acts 2:29-30).

NOTE: It should be evident from this study that Israel will not be the rulers of Christ's millennial kingdom. In fact Israel will be one of the nations that will be reigned over.

QUESTION: Will many of Israel have to be regathered to the land of Israel during this reign?

ANSWER: "And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea. And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth" (Isaiah 11:10-12).

"And they shall bring all your brethren for an offering unto the LORD out of all nations upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beasts, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, saith the LORD, as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean vessel into the house of the LORD" (Isaiah 66:20).

NOTE: Isaiah was an Israelite so here God is telling Isaiah that his brethren the Israelites would be gathered out of all nations during the millennium. This shows that only some of Israel are being gathered back today in preparation for the mass returning after the Lord returns.

QUESTION: How does Ezekiel show that the land must be prepared for the total regathering of Israel?

ANSWER: "But ye, O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people of Israel; for they are at hand to come" (Ezekiel 36:8).

NOTE: This should prove that the nations of Israel are preparing the land for the complete returning of Israel.

QUESTION: Will Israel return to feast days, holy days, offerings, etc.?

ANSWER: "Likewise the people of the land shall worship at the door of this gate before the LORD in the sabbaths and in the new moons. And the burnt-offering that the prince shall offer unto the LORD in the sabbath day shall be six lambs without blemish, and a ram without

blemish. And the meat-offering shall be an ephah for a ram, and the meat-offering for the lambs as he shall be able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah. And in the day of the new moon it shall be a young bullock without blemish, and six lambs, and a ram: they shall be without blemish..." (Ezekiel 46:3-6). "And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles...In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD; and the pots in the LORD'S house shall be like the bowls before the altar. Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holiness unto the LORD of hosts: and all they that sacrifice shall come and take of them, and seethe therein: and in that day there shall be no more the Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts" (Zechariah 14:16, 20-21).

NOTE: For a complete description of Israel's return to feast and holy days., and to sacrifices at the temple during the millennium read completely Ezekiel chapters 40-48. The way that Israel missed Christ is the way they must find him.



She Shows the Priceless Way

*Who can find a woman of virtue,
In whose spirit wisdom rules?
Who can find a woman of value?
Her price exceeds rare jewels.*

*Who will buy her merchandise,
Fashioned with passion and skill?
The answer rings from land to land -
As many as find her will.*

*A field of thorns and weedy brush
Lies waiting for her hands.
She builds the soil and sows it full
The way her Father planned.*

*Her hands return with blessed gain;
She metes it out to serve.
She fears no form of wintriness;
She's built with strength and nerve.*

*Her children rise and see her worth;
Her husband sings her praise;
Her household runs as smooth as silk;
She watches all its ways.*

*It's not in beauty of face or form,
Though she possesses both;
Her claim to value is in the fact
That reverence is her oath.*

Deborah Dawn David



THE CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD - MEXICO



The picture on the left is Apostle Pascacio Tavizon and Apostle Ricky Herrera with The Seven financial stewards in Ramos Arizpe the Northern region of Mexico. Their names are from left to right, Carlos Casillas, Juan Hernández, Salomón Torres, Gonzalo Hernández, Josué Torres, Rafael Mendoza, Dany Tavizon.

The picture below are those who work in the ministry throughout the Northern region of Mexico.





Come Join Us At Camp -

Are you, or someone you know, a boy or girl between the ages of 11 and 18? If so, you or they, are invited to the Texas Hill Country just north of San Antonio this summer for the annual Church of God (7th Day) Youth Retreat.

Join us for games, activities, crafts, Bible studies and other fun. The theme for this year's retreat is "Trust the Climb". Girls will be Sunday, July 23rd - Wednesday, July 26th, and, boys Wednesday, July 26th - Friday July 28th. **Registration and T-shirt order deadline is June 25th.** Email cog7thdaystx@gmail.com to request a registration form or with any questions. **See you this summer!**



COG 7th Day San Antonio, TX



Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we are excited to inform you of the 2023 summer youth retreat in our beautiful Texas Hill Country north of San Antonio!!! Directions to the retreat are on the church website calendar www.churchofGod7thday.org. The Lord's retreat will be July 23rd thru July 28th. Registration fee is \$35. If you would like a camp shirt please send an additional \$15 with your registration. Checks may be written to: Church of God (7th Day) and mailed with this registration form to: Cindy Buechner, 9608 Geronimo Oaks, San Antonio, TX 78254. We also will be accepting money through Venmo: @Timothy-Buechner-1 or Zelle: cog7thdaysatx@gmail.com. When sending funds electronically add your camper's name. **Registration and T-shirt order deadline is June 25th.** Email registration forms to cog7thdaysatx@gmail.com

Group	Arrival Date/Time	Departure Date/Time
Girls – 11-18 yrs.	Sunday - July 23, 3:00 PM	Wednesday - July 26, 6:00 PM
Boys – 11-18 yrs.	Wednesday - July 26, 10:00 AM	Friday - July 28, 4:00 PM

Camper's Name _____ M or F Date of birth: _____ Age: _____ as of July

23rd Parent's/Guardian's Name(s) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Phone # _____ Email address _____

What is your shirt size? _____ Is your shirt a child size or an adult size? _____

Name and Telephone of nearest relative if parent/guardian cannot be reached:

Name _____ Phone # _____

Circle Any That Apply:

Heart condition, diabetes, asthma (please bring inhaler), or other condition?: _____

Serious reaction to? poison ivy, oak, sumac, or other _____

What is the reaction to the above question? _____

Insect sting reaction? Yes or No what is the reaction? _____

Drug Allergies? Yes or No Drug: _____ Reaction: _____

Any other (food, etc.) allergies and reactions? _____

Is camper under any medication or dietary regimen at this time? Yes or No.

If yes, list medications or dietary restrictions: _____

Any medication taken to camp must be in its original container and labeled, with directions, for the individual for whom it is intended.

Any restrictions to Swimming, water sports, or, physically strenuous activities? Yes or No

List restrictions: _____

SENSITIVE TOPICS for Ages 13 and OLDER. Bible studies and/or discussions related to, but not limited to, the following types of topics for ages 13 and older may be conducted: Sexual relations, abortion, teen pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases, homosexuality, "sexting", appropriate use of social media, etc. **List any of these types of activities your child is to be excluded from:** _____

Unless otherwise indicated on this Registration Form, my child, named above, has permission to take part in all activities, Bible studies and discussions. I agree that the camp or its personnel will not be held responsible for accidents. I understand that attempts will be made to contact me if my child requires emergency medical/surgical treatment, but, if it is impractical to do so, and/or, until I can arrive at the scene, I hereby give my permission to the medical personnel selected by camp staff to secure proper treatment, to hospitalize, to order injections, anesthesia, x-ray or surgery for my child as named above. Any financial obligation incurred will be covered by me personally, or by the insurance policy listed below.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN _____ DATE _____

INSURANCE CO. & POLICY # _____

Email registration forms to cog7thdaysatx@gmail.com

Church of God (7th Day) Young Adults Retreat
Fill out the registration form to the right to join us at camp....WOW



The 2023 YA 5th year Anniversary theme will be:
WOW
(Walking on Water)
Theme is over Mathew 14:22-33

Walking out on Faith and having complete trust in the Lord regardless of what trials or tribulations life throws at you during the storm. Keeping your eyes focused on the Lord.

Dates: September 1-3, 2023
Starts Friday September 1 around 5. Everyone should be in place before the sun goes down.
Dismissal will be Sunday, September 3 at 12:00pm

Deadline: July 30, 2023
Fees: \$45

Age: 19-27 (age can be raised based on minister discretion)



Young Adults Registration Form Camp 2023

Young Men/Women – 19-27 yrs. **Arrival Date/Time** **Departure Date/Time**
Friday Sept. 1, 2023 5:00PM **Sunday Sept. 3, 2023 12:00PM**

Camper's Name _____ M or F Birthdate _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Phone # _____ Email address _____

What is your shirt size? _____

Name and Telephone of an emergency contact:

Name _____ Phone # _____

Circle Any That Apply:

Heart condition, diabetes, asthma, or other condition?: _____

Drug Allergies? Yes or No Drug _____ Reaction _____

Any other (food, etc.) allergies? _____

Any dietary regimen at this time? Yes or No.

If yes, list medications or dietary restrictions: _____

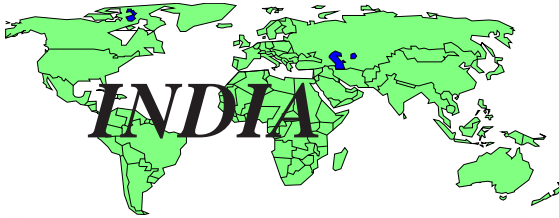
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SIGNATURE _____ DATE: _____

Insurance Company _____ Policy Number _____

Email registration form to Richardsantiesteban @yahoo.com



Apostle M. Yeshoshuva stands below with new church construction in the Peddagopathi, Khammam District in India. By God's grace, prayers and many hands hard at work the Church Dedication (remaining pictures) was January 8, 2023.



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BIBLE TRIVIA

*"Multiple choice, choose the best answer for each question"
Answers on page 9*

- 1. Paul was a (scribe; Sadducee; Pharisee) before he was converted. Acts 26:5*
- 2. The Sadducees say that (there is no resurrection; there are angels and spirits; Jesus arose from the dead). Acts 23:8*
- 3. Moses was (caring for his aged father; keeping his father-in-law's flock; searching for lost donkeys) when God spoke to him from the burning bush. Exodus 3:1*
- 4. In talking to Nicodemus, Jesus used the (wind; waves; dove) to illustrate the new birth. John 3:8*
- 5. Jesus told the disciples that a hireling would (flee; give his life; protect the sheep) in time of danger. John 10:13*
- 6. Gideon was (plowing; caring for sheep; threshing wheat by the winepress) when God called him. Judges 6:11*
- 7. The first temple of the Lord was built by (Solomon; David; Saul). I Kings 6:1*
- 8. The Prophet (Elijah; Isaiah; Samuel) was trained as a child in the Temple. I Samuel 1:25-28*
- 9. Paul baptized (Lydia; the Philippian jailer; the centurion) after an earthquake. Acts 16:25-34*
- 10. The twelve apostles were sent by Jesus first to (the Samaritans; the lost sheep of Israel; the Gentiles). Matthew 10:5-6*
- 11. Saul was anointed to be king while he was (in the harvest field; at Shiloh with Samuel; searching for his father's lost donkeys). I Samuel 10:2*
- 12. Jesus spoke the Beatitudes (from Peter's ship; on the mountain; in the Temple). Matthew 5:1*

**LESSON I
SHEEP AND GOATS**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:31-46.

Golden Text: Matthew 25:33.

“And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.”

1. Who is the Son of man that will come in His glory? Matthew 25:31.
2. Who will be gathered before Him, and what will He do then? Matthew 25:32-33.
3. Who are the sheep that the shepherd divides from the goats? Matthew 25:34. These are the children of God.
4. Did the sheep share their food and clothing with those who were in need? Matthew 25:35-36.
5. Did they visit those in prison and try to help them? Matthew 25:36.
6. Who are the goats that are separated from the sheep? Matthew 25:41. These are the unrighteous.
7. What did the ones on the left hand not do? Matthew 25:42-43.
8. Are all people sinners before they ask God for forgiveness? Romans 3:23.
9. If we refuse and rebel against the Lord and His ways, are we classified with the goats? Isaiah 1:20.

NOTE: We should all work to try to be like sheep. We want to be chosen for our good works.

**LESSON II
THE WOMAN WITH THE ALABASTER BOX**

Scripture Reading: Mark 14:1-9.

Golden Text: Mark 14:7.

“For ye have the poor with you always, and whenever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always.”

1. When did this event take place? Mark 14:1 (first part).
 2. What was uppermost in the chief priests’ minds? Mark 14:1 (last part) and verse 2.
 3. Where did this event take place, and what happened? Mark 14:3.
 4. What did this cause some people to do? Mark 14:4-5.
 5. How did Christ answer their complaining? Mark 14:6.
 6. Whom did He tell them that they always had with them? Mark 14:7.
 7. What did Jesus say this woman had done? Mark 14:8.
 8. What did He say to be her memorial? Mark 14:9.
- NOTE:** It is not always the big deeds that make us great before God. It is the little things which may mean a great reward. You may want to read Matthew 26:6-13 for this same story.

**LESSON III
THE LORD’S SUPPER**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:17-30; I Corinthians 11:26-30.

Golden Text: I Corinthians 11:28.

“But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.”

1. What did the disciples ask Jesus in Matthew 26:17?
2. What was Jesus’ answer to the disciples, and did they do as He said? Matthew 26:18-19.
3. At what time of day was the Lord’s Supper Service observed? Matthew 26:20.
4. Did Jesus know that one of the apostles would betray Him that night? Which apostle betrayed Jesus? Matthew 26:21, 25.
5. What did Jesus do with the bread after He blessed it?

Matthew 26:26.

6. What did Jesus do with the cup after He gave thanks over it? Matthew 26:27-28.

7. What do we remember or show when we eat of the “bread” and drink of the “cup”? I Corinthians 11:26.

8. What must we do before we partake of the Lord’s Supper Service? I Corinthians 11:28.

9. What happens if we partake of the Lord’s Supper Service unworthily? I Corinthians 11:29.

NOTE: Before we partake of the Lord’s Supper Service, we must accept Jesus as our Savior and be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Many of you boys and girls have not taken that step, but it is our prayer that someday you will become a “child of God.” “For additional information on this, read Mark 14:12-26; Luke 22:7-20; John 13:1-17.

LESSON IV

IN THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:36-46.

Golden Text: Matthew 26:38.

“Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me.”

1. Where does Jesus now go, and who is with Him? Matthew 26:36-37.

2. What did Jesus say to His disciples in Matthew 26:38?

3. What was Jesus’ prayer in the garden? Matthew 26:39.

4. What did Jesus discover when He went back to the disciples? Matthew 26:40.

5. What did Jesus tell His disciples? Matthew 26:41.

6. What did Jesus pray the second time, and what did the disciples continue to do? Matthew 26:42-43.

7. What was the last prayer in Gethsemane? Matthew

26:44.

8. What did Jesus say just before Judas came to betray Him? Matthew 26:46.

NOTE: For this same lesson, you can also read Mark 14:32-42 and Luke 22:40-46.



Let's make a rhyme

And play a game, learning every Baby's name:

*Lollypops are good to lick.
A baby he is called a chick.*

*Bread tastes fine with jelly or jam.
A baby sheep is called a lamb.*

*A baby pig is called a suckling.
A baby duck is called a duckling.*

*Fish are caught inside a big net.
A baby swan is called a cygnet.*

*My cereal is in a bowl.
A baby horse is called a foal.*

*I hear a story that makes me laugh.
A baby cow is called a calf.*

*In spring I hear the hurdy-gurdy.
A baby bird is called a birdie.*

*The barnyard babies play near their mothers-
Baby sisters-baby brothers.
The mothers are pleased;
Content this way
on a happy Mother's Day.*

LOST IN THE WOODS
By Enoia Chamberlin

Walter and his mother were visiting Uncle Pete on his big farm out in the country. Walter liked to go to the farm because there were so many things to see and interesting places to play. Down behind Uncle Pete's barn was a bright meadow where bright flowers and green grass grew. On the other side of the fence back of the meadow was a woods full of big trees.

One day Walter asked his mother, "May I go to the meadow to pick some flowers?"

Mother smiled at him. "Yes, I think you may," she said. "I'll find a pretty bowl to put them in when you get back."

Walter hurried out the door and ran down behind the barn. He went through the gate into the meadow. The grass was green and there were lots of leaves. Walter began to pick some of the flowers for his mother. As he picked, he went here and there across the meadow. Soon he was at the fence. Beyond it he could see the pretty trees in the woods. How nice and cool the shade looked! Once Walter had gone behind the woods with his Uncle Pete. There were many birds in the woods, and there were trees with pretty bright leaves. There were squirrels, too.

Walter laid down the flowers he had picked, and he crawled under the fence. Then he stopped. Somehow he felt that he shouldn't go into the woods alone. But no one had told him not to. He wanted to find a tree with pretty leaves so he could take some of them home to mother. Quickly he ran down the path among the trees.

Everything smelled fresh and clean and cool. A butterfly floated by. Up high in a tree was a red bird. Walter heard a blue jay scold. He ran toward the sound. After he found the blue jay, he tried to catch a squirrel. The squirrel scampered up a tree and barked at him. Then suddenly right before Walter was a tree with pretty leaves.

Walter stopped playing and began to pick some of the leaves. When he had enough, he turned to go home. He must hurry. Mother might worry. He took a step or two and stopped. He looked all around. The trees all looked alike to him. He did not know which way to go to get home.

He was lost.

A lump came into Walter's throat. But he could not cry. He was a big boy. Besides, crying would not help. But he couldn't just stand there. He had to try to find his way home. It would be dark in the woods before long.

Walter began to be afraid. He started to run. Then he thought about Someone who could help him. He stopped running and bowed his head. "Dear God, he prayed, please help me to find my way out of these woods."

Then, as he had been taught, he stood very still. He kept still so he could hear the message God might give to him. In the stillness, he heard Uncle Pete's dog bark.

"Rover," Walter called, "Rover." He ran toward the sound of the barking.

When he found Rover, Walter was so glad to see that dog that he hugged him. Rover licked Walter's cheek. Then Rover ran ahead of Walter, and in a short time they were at the meadow fence.

Before Walter even picked up his flowers, he thanked God for helping him. Mother was coming across the meadow. Walter ran to her.

"I shouldn't have gone into the woods even though you didn't tell me not to," he said. "But I remembered how you taught me to pray and to listen. If I hadn't listened I wouldn't have heard Rover bark."

"I'm glad you remembered to pray and to listen," Mother said. "Did you thank God for helping you find your way out of the woods?"

"Yes," Walter said, "but let's thank Him again."

So there in the pretty meadow Walter and his mother thanked God for helping him when he was lost. Walter was safe, but he never went into the woods again unless someone was with him.

TO LOVE IS TO OBEY

When Mother has a job for me
I must not ask her why
Or say, "Some other time would be
Much better." I must try
To do my best so she can see
I love her more than I love me.
When God's voice whispers in my ear
I must not make believe
I am so deaf I cannot hear
For then my Lord would grieve.
No, I must show I love Him, too,
By doing what He wants me to.





CROSS WORD

JESUS IS.....

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Thanks Mom

By Delwin DeLong

*We honor mothers every year,
Around this time in May,
And it's important that they hear,
A thanks along the way.*

*Their children are their focus here -
They love and cherish each.
They love to see them and be near -
To keep them in their reach.*

*It means so much when one says thanks,
To Mom for all she's done.
'Tis better than money in the banks,
And really's a lot more fun.*

*Our mothers teach us God's good ways,
And show us how to pray.
Let's give each Mom our special thanks,
For a happy Mother's Day.*



