

**MARCH DEVOTIONAL 2014**  
**A Prophetic Word for you**  
**1 Corinthians 3:9.**



**'Peace** I leave with you, peace I give to you, not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid', John 14:27.

**Additional Reading- John 14:15-31~Isaiah 40:13-14.**

**Let us pray;** 'Heavenly Father, I know that peace is available through Your faithfulness and grace. Help me open myself to its flow to reading with wisdom of Your Will for me, of which I long for my inmost being to be held by Your peace. The surface of my being at times maybe disturbed, but it's the depth of my inner being that count, O help me be secure there, dear Father and make my mind and heart and soul move on with the blessing of stronger faith like that of a mustard seed, and within the spirit of righteousness all my days on earth in my temporary home, waiting to come home to reside in Your promise of the mansion which awaits me in Your Heavenly place in **Jesus** name, amen.

This month's Word is the precious things Christ bequeathed to all prior to leaving this world over 2,000 years ago, a legacy of hope to read and understand of His Will to live as His righteous saints in **Jesus** name. What a person leaves behind in their last will and testament is their accumulated wealth and possessions. **Jesus** legacy was an altogether different kind. Hopefully together all who live (with Christ abiding in them) will appreciate more fully one's inheritance in Christ.

Chief among **Jesus'** request was His peace, '*Shalom*', which was of the customary greeting and farewell, of which became a mere formality. But **Jesus** filled it with new meaning. His peace is different both in kind and in the way it is given from anything the world has to offer. It does not depend on outward circumstances or absence of conflict. In fact it thrives in the midst of trouble. Dr. Lewis Sangster put it: '*Galilee in storm and Calvary in darkness set it off*'.

**Jesus'** serenity was born of confidence in His Father's goodness, trusting in His Father's sovereignty, and surrender to His Father's Will. Brethren we have to understand that what Christ gives is not a placebo to con the heart into being untroubled. It is the Messiah's peace; *the Shalom* of God's Kingdom established in the midst of strife. *This is the peace Jesus bequeathed as a gift to His needy disciples on the verge of His departure to dispel their fear.* No one has ever exhibited such peace in the midst of trouble as did **Jesus**, for His was a peace that didn't go to pieces. And beloved that same peace can be yours, *but only if you are open to receiving it in Jesus name, amen.*

Christ's disciples left everything as the Spirit of God moved upon their hearts, to follow somebody they didn't begin to comprehend. They dreamed of a Messiah who would establish a temporal kingdom and overthrow Rome; so His crucifixion blew their minds, as also did His resurrection, because now they had to preach a message that would cost them their lives. Sometimes they didn't know what to make of **Jesus**, **Matthew 14:26.**

When He ate with them on the shore following His resurrection, none dared asked Him, **John 21:12.** *Beloved if you're going to walk with God get ready to have your faith stretched!* The first thing we read about God in Scripture *is that He moved.*

If you plan to move on with Him this year, you must overcome two things.

**#1 is complacency.** Many scientist of the world conducted an experiment in which they placed an *amoeba (a single cell organism)* in a stress free environment. The conditions were ideal; it had no adjustments whatsoever to make; but it died. Why? Because you need change and challenge just like you need food and water. Complacency can kill you!

**#2 is you must avoid complaining.** Failure to acknowledge *God's goodness* caused Israel to go in circles for 40 years: **1 Corinthians 10:11.**

Another example maybe, two children sat down to lunch, one opened his lunchbox and began to gripe, 'ham sandwiches again? This is the fourth day in a row, I am sick of ham sand-wiches!' His friend said; 'I bet you tell your mother you don't like ham sandwiches, she'll make you something else?' 'Mum?' replied the first child. 'I make my own lunches!'

Hello beloved! Have a problem with complaining? Fix it! Make your mind up to move on with God! Amen.

**'And I (we) thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me (us), because He counted me (us) faithful, putting me (us) into the ministry', 1 Timothy 1:12.**

**'And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart', Galatians 6:9. Emphasis added.**

**JESUS IS LORD**

