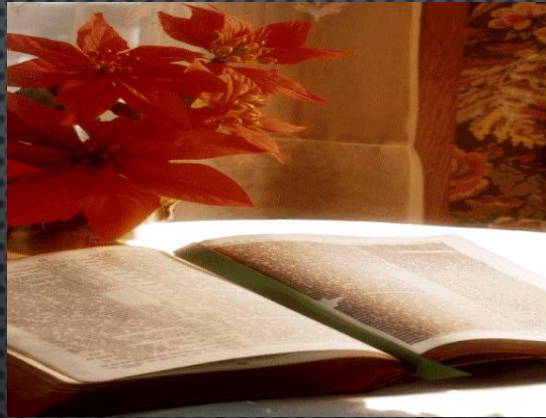


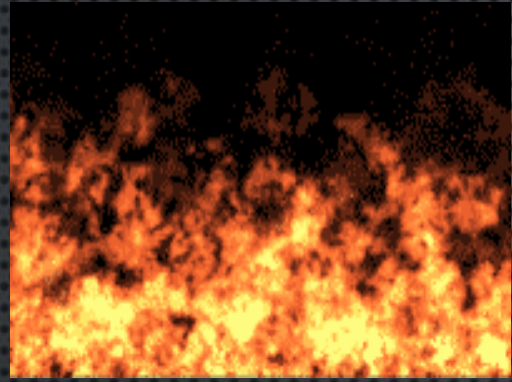
LEADERSHIP PROFILES FROM GOD'S WORD



ABED-NEGO: COURAGE FUELED

BY FAITH

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OVERALL PURPOSE OF THIS SERIES ON LEADERSHIP PROFILES

TO UNDERSTAND AND LEARN FROM VARIOUS LEADERSHIP PROFILES SO THAT YOU CAN:

- BE MORE EFFECTIVE AND ANOINTED IN YOUR AREA OF INFLUENCE
- ADAPT AND BENCHMARK YOUR LEADERSHIP STYLE AND PRACTICES ON SOME OF THE BEST LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLES DISCUSSED IN THIS SERIES.
- USE THESE MATERIAL TO FACILITATE THE WORK OF EVANGELISM AND END GOSPEL POVERTY.

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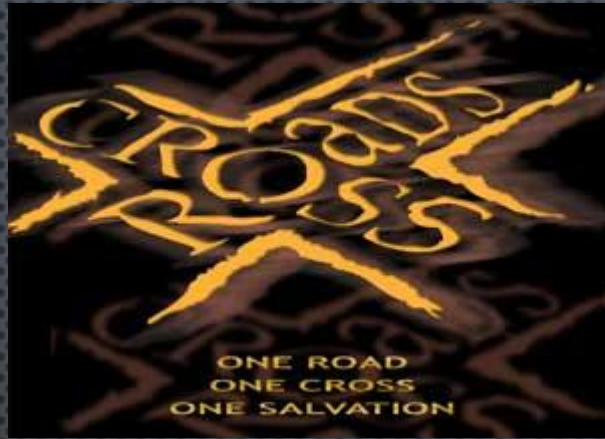
**TO TEACH THESE MATERIALS TO, AT LEAST, 15
OTHER PEOPLE.**

PASSAGE TO MEMORIZE

PSALM 86:9-12

TEACH ME YOUR WAY O LORD, AND I WILL WALK IN YOUR TRUTH; GIVE ME AN UNDIVIDED HEART, THAT I MAY FEAR YOUR NAME. I WILL PRAISE YOU O LORD MY GOD WITH ALL MY HEART; I WILL GLORIFY YOUR NAME FOREVER.





CROSSROADS OF FAITH: DAN 3:16-18

EVERY LEADER WILL AT SOME TIME REACH A CROSSROADS OF FAITH, WHEN HE OR SHE HAS TO TAKE A STAND- EVEN AT THE RISK OF GREAT PERSONAL LOSS.



BOW OR DIE

- **SHADRACH, MESHACH AND ABED-NEGO FACED SUCH A MOMENT.**
- **THEY WERE GIVEN ONE CHOICE**

BOW OR DIE

- **NO BARGAINING**
- **NO COMPROMISE**
- **NO MEETING HALFWAY**
- **NEBUCHADNEZZAR ORDERED THEM TO BOW OR DIE TO HIS IDOL, OR BE REDUCED TO ASHES**
- **THEY CHOSE THE FURNACE**



HOW COULD THEY RESIST SUCH PEER PRESSURE AND DEADLY THREATS?



THEIR SPEECH
GIVES US
SEVERAL CLUES

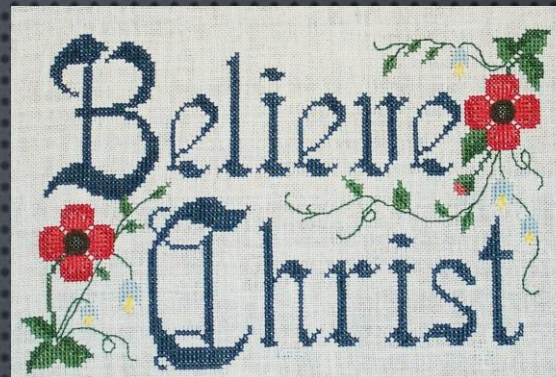


**OUR GOD IS ABLE TO
DELIVER US (V 17)**

**THEY BELIEVED IN THE OMNIPOTENCE OF
GOD, THAT NOTHING WAS TO HARD FOR HIM**

A scenic landscape featuring snow-capped mountains in the background, a calm lake in the middle ground, and a deer standing on a grassy slope in the foreground. The scene is set against a clear blue sky.

*Blessed is the man that
endureth temptation:
for when he is tried,
he shall receive the
crown of life, which
the Lord has promised
to them that love Him.
~James 1:12*

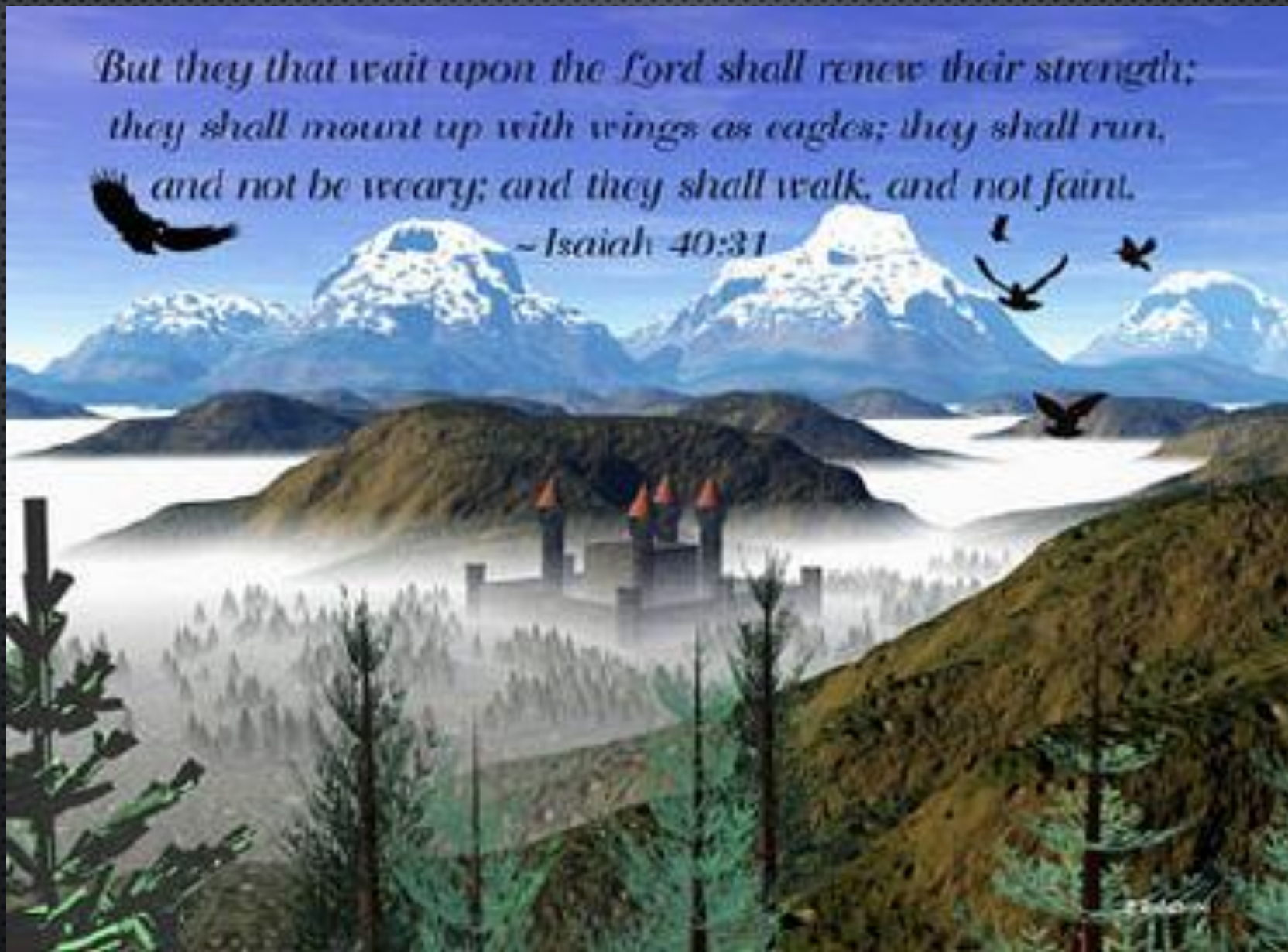


HE WILL DELIVER US (V17)

**THEY BELIEVED IN THE LOVE OF GOD THAT ACTS ON
BEHALF OF THE BELOVED**

*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.*

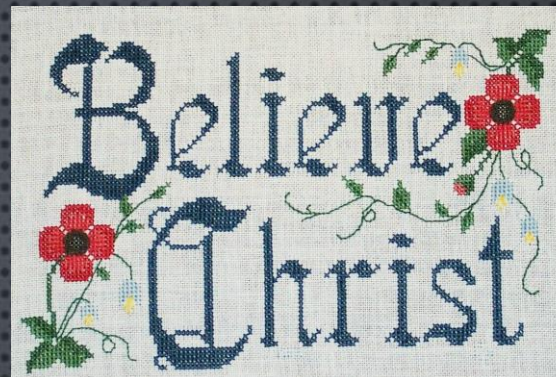
~ Isaiah 40:31





BUT IF NOT...(V 18)

**THEY BELIEVED IN THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD, THAT
HE ACTS ON THE BASIS OF HIS OWN PLEASURE AND
WILL**



OUR GOD WHOM WE SERVE..

(V 17)

**THEY NOT ONLY BELIEVED CERTAIN THINGS, THEY
ACTED ON THEM, AND HAVE HAD DONE SO ALL OF
THEIR LIVES**

**ALL LEADERS WILL FACE TIMES OF TESTING
WHEN THEY WILL BE ORDERED TO BOW. DURING
THOSE TIMES THEY NEED THE COURAGE AND
CONVICTION TO SAY**

“ I WILL NEVER BOW!”





THE LORD IS
MY LIGHT AND
MY SALVATION;
WHOM SHALL I
FEAR? THE LORD
IS THE STRENGTH
OF MY LIFE;
OF WHOM SHALL
I BE AFRAID?
~PSALM 27:1

WE HAVE COME

We Have Come Just To Praise
Our Awesome Father In This Place
It's His Love That Makes Us Sing
He's Become Our Everything

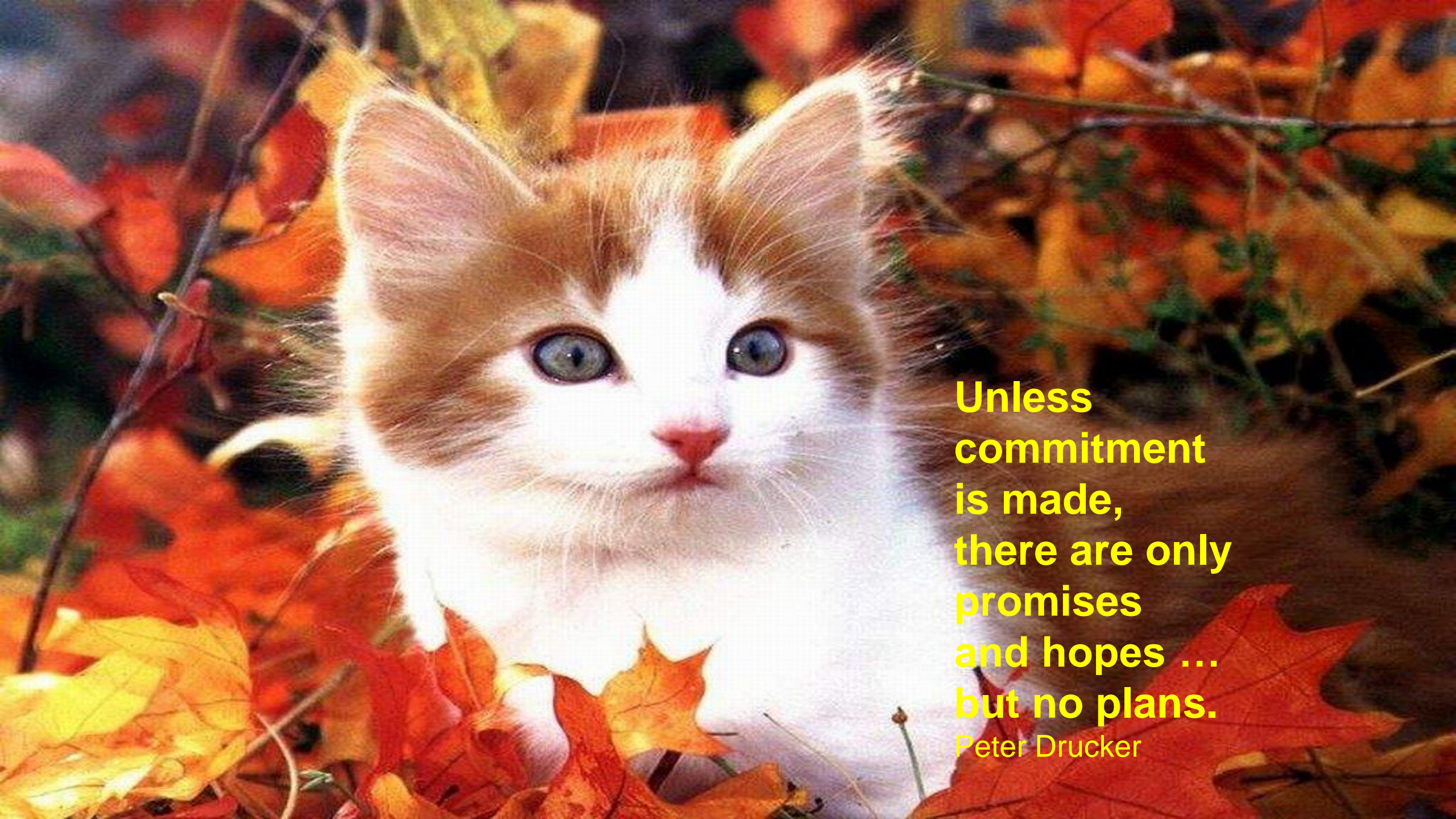
So Let Us Dance Before Him
And Make A Joyful Noise
So Let Us Shout Aloud
For He Is Our Delight
He's The Giver Of New Life

Awesome Father It's You We Praise
Precious Jesus In This Place
Holy Spirit, Holy Fire
Help Us Lift His Name Up Higher
Praise Almighty God

So Praise Him Praise Him
Praise Him Praise Him

JESUS
DIED
FOR
YOU

1 COR. 15:3



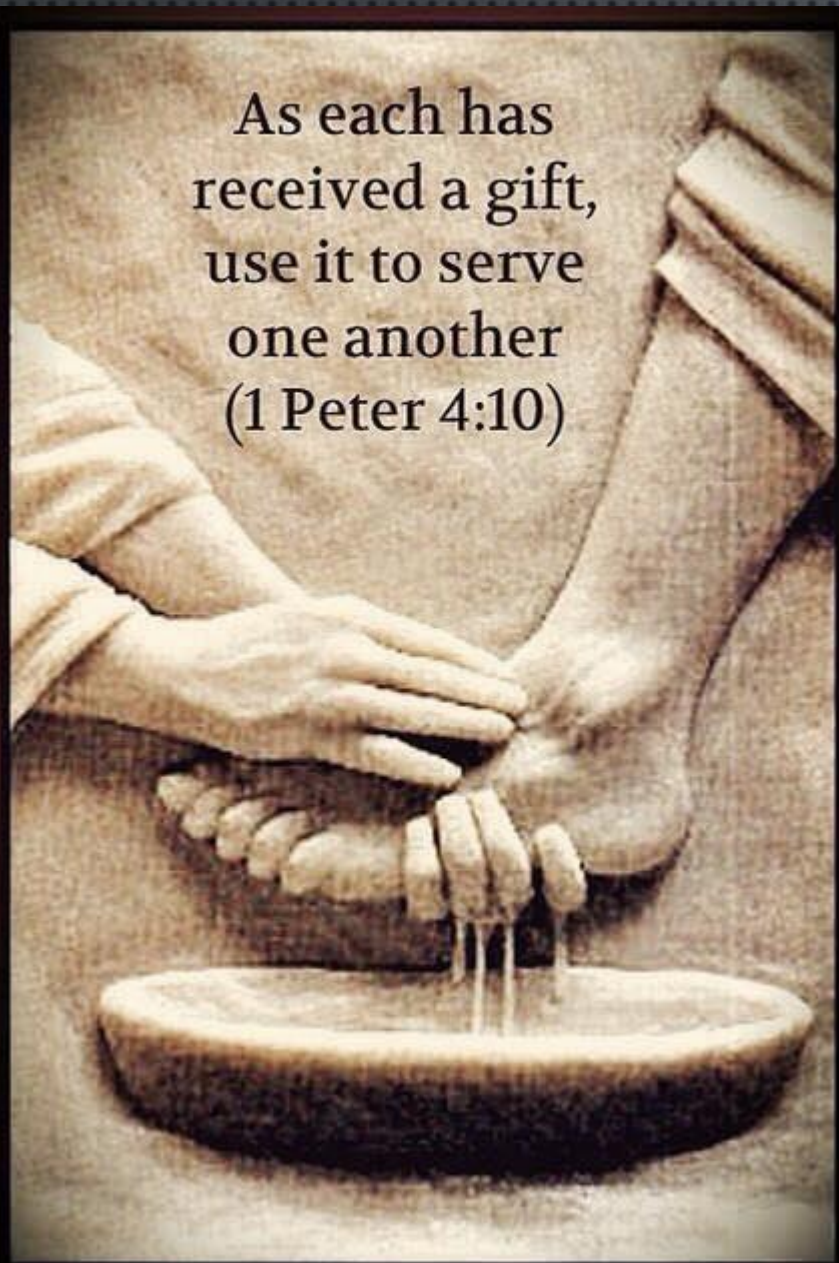
**Unless
commitment
is made,
there are only
promises
and hopes ...
but no plans.**
Peter Drucker

PRAYER FOCUS

- **FATHER, IN THE NAME OF JESUS, I SURRENDER MYSELF TO WALK IN THE WORD. YOUR WORD LIVING IN ME PRODUCES THE LIFE IN THIS WORLD.**
- **THE WORD IS A LAMP TO MY FEET AND A LIGHT TO MY PATH. IT MAKES MY WAY PLAIN BEFORE ME.**
- **I BOLDLY AND CONFIDENTLY SAY THAT MY HEART IS FIXED AND ESTABLISHED ON THE SOLID FOUNDATION – THE LIVING WORD OF GOD! AMEN**



As each has
received a gift,
use it to serve
one another
(1 Peter 4:10)



**YOU HAVE PUT GLADNESS
IN MY HEART...'**

MY PRESENCE
SHALL GO WITH YOU,
AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST.
EXODUS 33:14



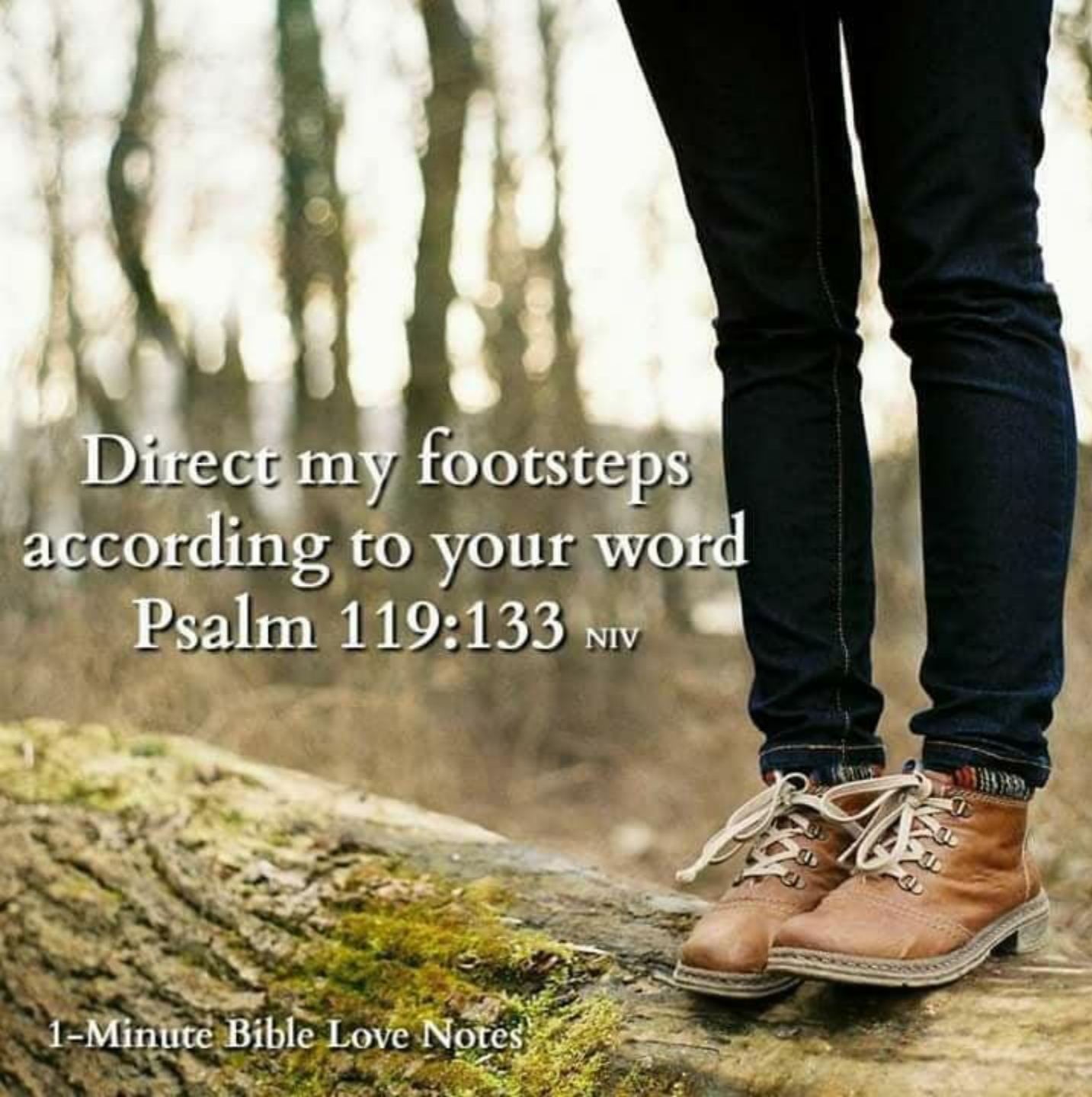
HE DOES NOT
WANT US TO WALK
AROUND WITH
BURDENS AND
HEAVY HEARTS.

Fisher Of Men



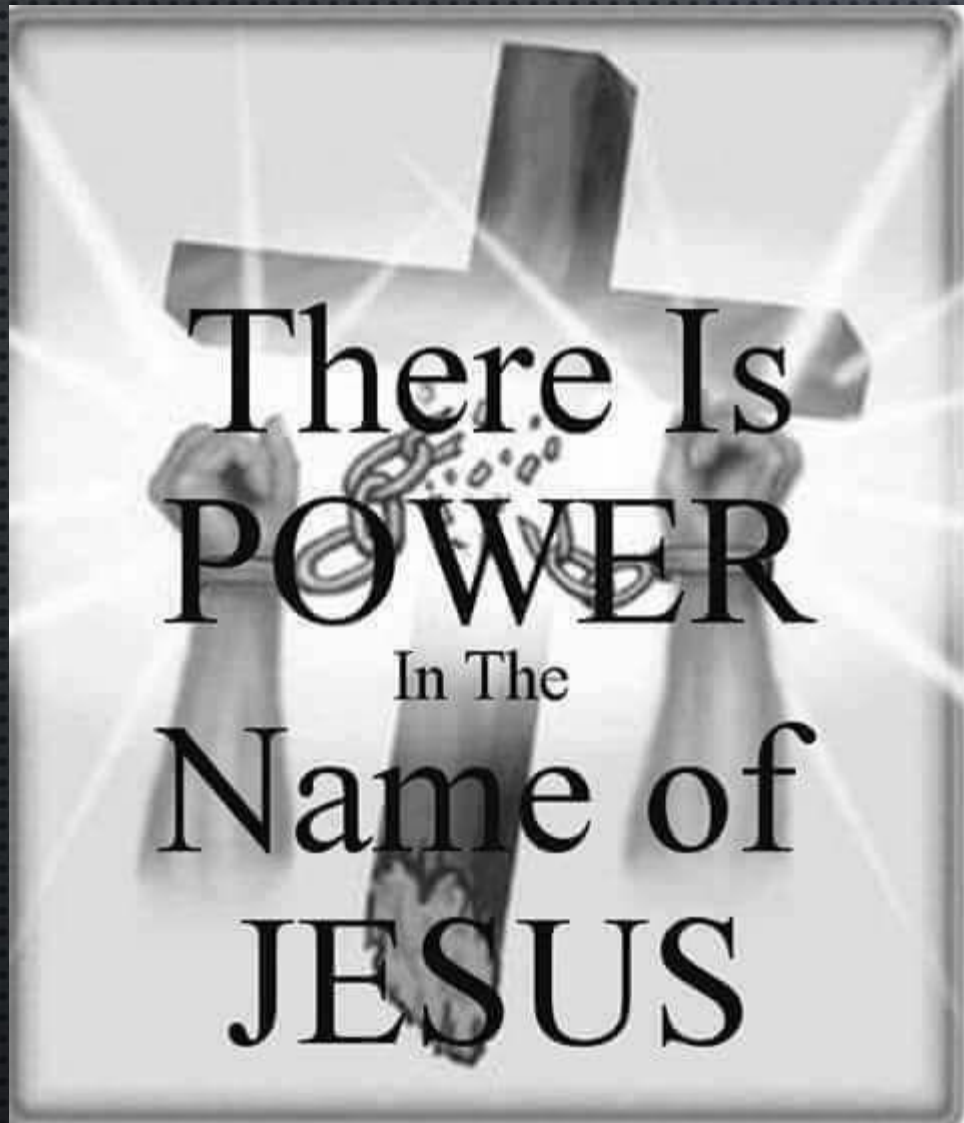
THE GOD WHO PROTECTED DANIEL FROM THE LIONS IS THE SAME GOD WHO WILL PROTECT YOU & YOUR FAMILY

**GIVE HIM YOUR
BROKEN HEART
AND ASK HIM TO
COME AND FILL
IT WITH HIS JOY.**



Direct my footsteps
according to your word
Psalm 119:133 NIV

**PRAYER: LORD,
THANK YOU THAT I
CAN BE CALLED A
CHILD OF GOD**



**I PRAISE AND BLESS
YOU TODAY, MY
LORD AND MY GOD
IN WHOM I DELIGHT.
AMEN.**

ACTION PLAN

- **WHAT DID YOU HEAR?** WHAT DID GOD SAY TO YOU AS YOU READ THE DEVOTIONS FOR THE DAY?
- **WHAT DO YOU THINK?** WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO YOU, HOW DOES IT APPLY TO YOUR LIFE, AND WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE TO YOU?
- **WHAT WILL YOU DO?** WHAT ACTION STEP WILL YOU TAKE? HOW WILL YOU THINK DIFFERENTLY? HOW WILL YOU LIVE DIFFERENTLY?
- **NOW YOU PRAY.** THIS IS WHERE YOU PUT YOUR THOUGHTS INTO PRAYER. IT COULD BE A PRAYER OF GRATITUDE OR PRAISE. IT COULD BE A PRAYER OF CONFESSION OR A REQUEST FOR GOD'S HELP. IT'S UP TO YOU. BUT TAKE A MINUTE EACH DAY TO WRITE A PRAYER RESPONSE TO WHAT YOU READ IN THE DEVOTION.

**Jesus said: Take what I have given
you and change the world!**



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