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What is a strong prayer, and how is it different from a regular prayer? The difference isn't in the physical strength or volume of the voice of the person praying, but to whom the prayer is being directed and the spiritual authority used.

In a regular prayer, a person is praying directly to God to make a request or to praise and worship. On the other hand, a strong prayer is not a pleasant or sweet-spoken one. It is a prayer of revolt and indignation. This prayer is directed against the evil at work in a person's life, causing problems. It is a prayer that rebukes and casts out evil.

The Lord Jesus, during his time on earth, cast out many demons from people who were demon-possessed and afflicted. But He never once spoke gently with these spirits, nor did He "ask them kindly" to leave; they would not have listened. But with His authority, He commanded them to go, and they obeyed. He gave this same authority over evil to the disciples and to those who follow Him today. Even more so to those Baptized in the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of God

People who live in righteousness and obey God's word receive this spiritual authority. No evil can stand against them or prevail in their lives. If you feel oppressed and suffocated by your problems, you need a strong prayer to be delivered.
You can visit a Universal Church near you to receive this prayer and learn how to fight back against the evil at work in your life.

"Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you" Luke 10:19

|BEATING DEPRESSION|

Depression is a sickness of the soul that cannot be cured by medication. Although medication may provide temporary relief, once its effect wears off, the feelings of depression return, leaving a person in a constant state of sadness and hopelessness.

Are you feeling hopeless because of your current state? Have you tried everything in your power to change your life, but things remain the same? Are you so overwhelmed that you have lost the desire to live? It is a sign of evil at work in a person's life. Don't lose hope yet, dear friend! Depression does not have to be the end of you. Taking your life now will only take away the opportunity to see it change.

God wants to free you from this depression, but you must turn to Him. Every Friday at every Universal Church, we have a service to undo all evil. Come to receive a strong prayer at one of our locations. You will learn how to defeat the evil working in your life and beat depression. I guarantee you will instantly feel a difference.

YOU CAN BEAT DEPRESSION
YOUR STORY ISNT OVER!

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Bishop Edir Macedo

THIS MATTERS TO EVERYONE

How can you be free from this torment and take possession of a life with quality?

The deliverance that happened to each of us, and most importantly, the new birth miracle, is what we want to see happening to everyone. A great revolt within us always leads us to ask the Holy Spirit, "What must we do so that this will happen?"
We have seen people in the process of deliverance which, despite knowing the Bible well, have not yet been born of God. Some of them have peaceful moments while in the church, but this is short-lived because they face the sad reality as soon as they go outside. Could the Lord of heaven and earth be Lord to those who believe in Him only while inside the church building? Could it be that they are in the church as if they were in heaven, but out there, it's as if they were in hell?
If a person feels good in church, but when they leave, they have the same symptoms as when they had their backs turned to God – even if they are good-natured and charitable – they haven't been truly delivered. There is a demon hiding there! How can you be free from this torment and take possession of a quality life?

"Do you know what is lacking? Revolt. Indignation. Everyone who is "clothed" with this revolt becomes the strongest man."

The Lord Jesus said, "No one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods unless he first binds the strong man. And then he will plunder his house" (Mark 3:27). This strong man is the devil; the house is the person's body – which he uses for his dwelling – and the goods is the life that he has in his grip.

How can I go into the strong man's house, tie him up and remove the life from his grip without revolt? It's impossible! Therefore many people are still not delivered. Do you know what is lacking? Revolt. Indignation. Everyone who is "clothed" with this revolt becomes the strongest man.
If you say that the Lord Jesus is your Lord, how much longer will you tolerate the devil living in your body and owning your life?

Don't think for a moment that after you've been delivered and born of God, God's blessings will automatically come to you. Thousand times no! Never forget: even with God, the demons that were once inside you are still between you and your blessings. If you could overcome only with faith and revolt, imagine with the Holy Spirit. You have faith, the Word of God, and His Spirit.
Revolt against hell and take possession of the abundant life the Lord Jesus brought for us.

Usually, when somebody wants to end their life, they spend time thinking about how they will go about it. As a military officer, I had easy access to weapons, which turned out to be my worst enemy. I used them to try and end my life on several occasions.

EX-MILITARY TELLS OF SUICIDE ATTEMPT

When training to join any armed force, they teach us to close up and show an image of being strong and unbreakable, so it is not easy to open up and ask for help when needed. It's seen as a sign of weakness.

In my case, when I couldn't resolve my problems, I became very frustrated and depressed. And it wasn't just me! I had a close friend who couldn't deal with the end of a relationship and took his own life because of it. He was able to hide his pain very well, thanks to his training, so his suicide shocked us all.
My mom tried to help me by inviting me to church, but I rejected her help, thinking that I didn't need help because I could resolve my problems alone. In truth, I turned to drugs and couldn't go one day without using them to try and escape the reality of life. I would wake up every morning determined not to use that day, but it never worked. Depression and thoughts of death always followed me. I fell so deep into addiction; I was on an excellent salary but would spend it all in one night on drugs and alcohol. I was plagued with thoughts that said I would never amount to anything and used drugs on my second attempt.

I remember my dad giving me a lift one day and stopping outside the church, my mom convinced me to go in, and I was taken aback by the strong prayers. I had such great peace and even cried joyfully because of it! On that day, all the sadness and suicidal thoughts that I felt just disappeared.
The Pastor explained that to keep this new-found peace, I had to develop a relationship with God and learn how to live and overcome problems by using my faith. And that is what I did! I didn't want to return to that feeling of depression and suicide. I kept going to church, and not only did I feel better, but I was also able to quit all my addictions.
I have retired from the force; I spend my time reaching out to other servicemen and women and letting them know that there is help available to them. By faith, they can overcome anything.

– Milton

"For with God nothing will be impossible." Luke 1:37

I SUFFERED FROM KIDNEY FAILURE, PANCREATIC CANCER...

I had been sick for at least 10 years. I had kidney failure, pancreatic cancer, stomach ulcers and I stopped walking three times. I used to be in and out the hospital. The doctors said there was no solution for my case.

I drank the blessed water, I started to attend the services in the church, and today I am healed; I'm walking, and I've had no need to go to the hospital for a long time. It's like I am a new person! **-Creola, DE**

NO MORE LUPUS, ARTHRITIS, OR PAINS IN MY BODY!

I was diagnosed with lupus and arthritis, that would cause my high blood pressure to get worse. I had pains in my legs and all over my body, to the point where it was hard to get out of bed sometimes. The doctors said to me that there was no cure for me, so they just gave me medicines. One day I was watching the Showdown of Faith on TV and so I came; I begun to exercise my faith, drinking the blessed water, and little by little I felt better. I have no more arthritis, high blood pressure nor pains in my body.

-Linda, GA

THE CURSE OF SICKNESS IS BROKEN!

My sugar level was very high; I had seen so many of my family members dying with diabetes. I had to make a change; I had to come to God. I said, "Lord I do not want to have this in my body anymore." "My sugar level is normal today, I am grateful that the curse is broken."

-Tina, OH

Learn to put your faith in action in order to fight your problems!
Get your Divine Water every Sunday at your nearest Universal Church

WHAT IS A CHAIN OF PRAYER?

A Chain of Prayer is when you attend a prayer meeting for several weeks without interruption. It's for you to see a breakthrough in your life, whether it is healing, financial, or spiritual deliverance. A God's Chain of Prayer helps you develop the faith and determination to overcome.

Before starting a God's Chain of Prayer, decide the following:

1) What do you want to fight for?

Find your purpose, and count on our team to assist you in this journey. With the right encouragement and strengthened faith, you will reap the fruits of your perseverance and see the miracle happen.

2) Which day or days will you come?

Making a Chain of Prayer requires you to attend a Sunday service every week.

When a person makes a God's Chain of Prayer, their faith is encouraged, awakened, and prepared to take possession of God's promises. But due to the seriousness of their problems, some are so overwhelmed and worried that they find it hard to use their faith in the first prayer meeting they attend. Though it happens, only a few receive what they want on their first visit.

3) Ask for your Pastor's advice

He will teach you, step by step, how to use your faith to overcome your problems. If you get attacked with doubt or confusion, or if your faith gets weak, do not hesitate to ask for help. Don't be shy. One word of advice can be invaluable, even more than a prayer. The essence of the Universal Church of the Kingdom of God – Chain of Prayer is to teach you to be independent, to depend on yourself and God alone!

4) Persevere

When you begin a Chain, you are picking a fight with the root of your problems, and negative forces can try to stop you from completing the Chain, but no matter what happens, DO NOT BREAK IT! Be serious about this. It would be better not to start a Chain than to start and not finish.

Prayer chains: it's up to you!

No matter the size of your problem, the Chain of Prayer will help you overcome it. In fact, being faithful to a Chain of Prayer is proof of your faith in God.

Have you had ENOUGH suffering? If so, start your Chain of Prayer at The Universal Church nearest you this week!

|MESSAGE|

Bishop Joshua

NOT A PERFECT PERSON BUT SINCERE

Imagine if you could hear the thoughts of people around you!

It would be a great experience, but you might be disappointed after discovering that some people weren't honest with you. You would know what everyone genuinely thought about you and if someone was honest with you or not. We don't know what everyone thinks, but God does!

He knows what's deep inside you and what you will say before you say it. God knows your intentions, and He knows what's inside your heart.

But even though God knows you better than you know yourself: He wants your sincere prayer. He wants to see how you feel and wants you to be honest about your shortcomings in life. He wants you to express what you are going through in your own words.

What He doesn't want from you is insincerity. It means 'pretending to be someone you're not.'
The Bible says:

"O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O Lord, You know it altogether." Psalms 139

God knows everything about you; He knows if you have a sincere heart about what you've done; your sins and mistakes don't affect God's love for you.
God doesn't want us to be perfect. He wants us to have a sincere heart before Him. God will never despise a sincere heart.

May the God of the Bible bless you!

THE PROBLEMS STARTED AFTER THE WEDDING

Amelia guarantees that her biggest problems started after the wedding.

"In four years of marriage, I can say that I was happy only in the first year. In the second, we lost respect for each other and fought a lot. His family always wanted to give opinions about our relationship, which only worsened our situation. We even physically attacked each other. We tried to talk and regretted the bad things we said, but a short time later, everything went back to how it was before or even worse. After four years, I decided to pick up my children and leave the house. I left and went to live in a different place for business. There, my life was still tough."

"Inside me, there was a void. I had a lot of health problems. The doctors diagnosed me with acute depression, with symptoms of severe headaches and constant insomnia. I lived on medication. I even smoked two packs of cigarettes on normal days."

"When I got transferred due to my job, I started to see shadows and hear voices inside the house, where there was no one. I was deceived and betrayed. I couldn't be happy in any relationship. In those difficult moments of my life, I started to vent with a friend from work, and it was through her that I heard about the Universal Church."

"I started my process of deliverance which lasted three years of perseverance and faith. I got baptized in the water. I learned to use my faith; after that, I started to have the peace and joy I sought. Today I have no addictions, sadness, or emptiness. I am an accomplished and complete woman." - Amelia

HE HAD NO ONE
GROWING UP BUT GOD GAVE HIM A FAMILY

Carlos was either left behind or rejected by everyone in his family. He didn't know what it meant to be part of a family. After coming to the church and receiving lessons in practical faith, He not only has a family, but he has a family filled with peace. Read his story...

I was raised not knowing who my father was, and at 13, I lost my mother. I didn't even have contact with my grandparents. I went to live with an older sister and thought I would have something like a mother's love with her, but that's not what happened."

He remembers how not having a structured family affected him: "I suffered a lot with asthma and, when I tried to sleep, I felt something suffocating me. Worried about not being able to breathe, I barely slept. Then I developed a panic disorder."

Through all of this, he continued going to church. Although the war was still raging outside, Carlos looked inside.

"I accepted an invitation to go to the Universal Church, but my sister would lock the door and let me sleep outside when I got home."

Then, he nearly lost his leg in an accident. "I got hospitalized, and no one from the family called or visited me. When I got discharged, there was no one to pick me up. So, I decided to live alone, but I was going hungry."

Through all of this, he continued going to church. Although the war was still raging outside, Carlos looked inside. "Even though people still humiliated me, God strengthened me." He started attending school. "They made fun of me for knowing I was going to Universal," but he persevered, "because I didn't accept having such a big God and such a small life." Carlos finished college and married Tatiana; the two remained focused on prioritizing God.

Because of his commitment to God, Carlos set up an office in his room with an old computer. "Everything changed with many struggles, vows on the Altar, and the goal of glorifying God's name. I have a law office and a football player intermediation company." Today, Tatiana has a photography studio. He also sees the change in his family. "The same sister who let me sleep outside walked me down the aisle on my wedding day. She's a woman of God, and we're a big part of each other's lives. Today I have peace in my family. It was added to me because I sought God first."

UNIVERSAL BEYOND BARS:
SPIRITUAL AND PHYSICAL AID FOR INMATES

The Universal church is truly a non-stop ministry. The UBB (Universal Beyond Bars) is a living proof of this. The work is not only done by the pastors and wives; our sponsors help in every aspect. From Bibles, which they use to bring the Word of God to those who have been forgotten, to hygiene kits, which make a world of difference, our sponsors give us means to bring change inside the prison walls. Now, the UBB is preparing for yet another way to extend a helping hand, and you can be part of it. Hygiene kits have been prepared to bring to prisons across Texas. You can sponsor one of these hygiene kits by giving us a call.

CALL: 1.888.332.4141 TO BECOME A SPONSOR OF A HYGIENE KIT FOR AN INMATE.

STRONG PRAYERS WORK!

Many people have problems; this is something obvious, and it even seems normal. But for some, they seem hopeless. As much as the person looks for solutions and third parties to try to help them with the best intentions, it appears that a load of bad things has no end. It is because most tend to ignore one of the primary sources of problems in the world: the spiritual.

Many have suffered from the action of evil and see their family, business, health, and love life go down the drain every day, and they don't understand why. They realize that problems are getting worse every moment, making them easy prey, spiritually speaking. And simple reasoning explains everything: if the spirit is not doing well, nothing will.

The deliverance meeting was created to intercede for those who want to eliminate these problems and, until now, have not found a solution. It aims to free all those who do not wish to see their lives as bizarre toys in the hands of evil. This meeting is carried out in all locations of the Universal Church on Fridays.

Deliverance is not just getting rid of the agent of the spiritual problem, an evil spirit. It's much more than casting out demons. When the person is free, their life enters another dimension. . One of the significant differences is that, from then on, the Holy Spirit enters the scene.

And very importantly: not only can the person affected by the suffering go to the meeting, but they can bring clothes and belongings of others who are also experiencing problems. This way, it is possible to protect your family and friends from spiritual attacks of evil.

Go to the closest Universal Church near you and be free today.

Gabriela said when she was nine years old, she suffered from her parent's separation. "I was nine years old, and I couldn't accept the fact that my family was from the church and had split up. That angered me."

After her parents' divorce, Gabriela moved in with her mother. Her father started a new relationship, but Gabriela didn't have a good relationship with his wife. "My father moved away, and we didn't have as much contact anymore, and my mother worked hard to support my sister and me," she recalls.

Gabriela became an angry and withdrawn teenager. As time passed, the church no longer made sense to her. "I believed that being away from the church would make me happy and have new friends," she says.

As a teenager, Gabriela started to listen to rock music. She says that at first, the songs were light and without any aggressive lyrics, but it didn't take long for her to start listening to satanic and occult music.

She started going to parties, drinking, prostituting herself with friends, visiting cemeteries, and attending hard rock concerts.

Gabriela got numerous tattoos, had piercings, and, often, the money used for this was from the tithe she stole from her mother to complete the payment. "Deep down, I wanted to torment my mother. I did everything she didn't like to confront her. Since my dad didn't care, I wanted to show her it was her fault I was like that."

After some time, Gabriela's mother met someone. She started to feel even angrier about the whole situation because her mother was beaten by her partner. **"One day, I went up to him, and he also attacked me to the point of breaking my head. I needed 18 stitches."**

After that episode, Gabriela began to question her unhappiness. "I was shy and couldn't make friends. I started to self-harm with my arms, legs, and ankles," she says.

She reports that she has thought about suicide several times. **Gabriela liked danger and, therefore, began to participate in witchcraft and black magic cults, but nothing filled the void she felt.**

At age 20, she hit rock bottom. "I cried for no reason, couldn't sleep, and felt inferior to other people."

Gabriela was in a relationship and got pregnant. When her daughter was four months old, she lived with the child's father in another city. "I stayed there until my daughter was nine months old. Her father abandoned us in a rental house. I was away from my family, with bills to pay and rent overdue."

Gabriela realized that she needed to change and turn to God. In 2019, she returned to the Universal Church and began attending deliverance meetings on Fridays. "My deliverance process started when I decided I wanted to be baptized by the Holy Spirit. I gave up all the things I had in my heart; I broke the CDs of the bands I liked, threw away all the clothes of bands or characters, and, with the help of an assistant, made a purpose for a week to get up at 3 a.m. to pray."

Gabriela explains that she didn't want water baptism to be just like bathing in a pool. She wanted a genuine encounter with God.

At a deliverance meeting, she felt terrible and decided she didn't want to suffer anymore. "Immediately after the prayer, I got baptized in water. **From then on I kept getting up at dawn asking for the Holy Spirit, reading the Bible, and purifying myself."** On August 23 this year, Gabriela received the Holy Spirit and her life changed. "Today, I am a new person. I have peace and have been free from everything that imprisoned me, and I am grateful to the Lord Jesus. I have discovered the true happiness that I have been looking for years", she concludes.

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I WAS IN COMA FOR 60 DAYS...

While undergoing a surgical procedure, Kelly returned home in severe pain. After going to the ER several times, doctors discovered her bowel got punctured. "The pain was so intense that I couldn't even think about what was happening. I just prayed to God for some improvement. After we found out what had happened, I had a second surgery," she recalls.

Fifteen days after the first procedure, she returned to the operating table to repair the damage to her bowel. The expectation was that the recovery would be good. Still, when performing a CT scan to monitor the process, the medical team detected it had not been successful. She would need to have surgery for the third time. "It was a scary and troubling time. The doctors said my situation got complicated because the affected organs were getting infected, and the infection went into the blood. There I started to have a 'giant' in my life".

After the third procedure, Kelly suffered from sepsis that spread to her abdominal organs, skin, and heart.

She was in a coma for about 60 days in the ICU. "Every day, the doctors called my husband saying that I still hadn't woken up, that it was not normal to be in a coma for so many days, and that what they could do was just wait."

The situation was so severe that the doctors gave her up and told her family about her condition. She says that, for the specialists, she would be unable to get out of that situation. "They have already tried to prepare everyone's hearts for the worst."

Kelly's family already attended the Universal Church and knew that the God she believed in could change any situation. Kelly says that her mother's prayer, Ana, was essential for her recovery. Ana reports how she reacted: **"When the doctor, who would accompany my daughter, found out what was happening to her, he told me that she was on the brink of death, but, by faith, I did not accept that situation, because man can fail, but I already knew that God won't."**

Ana began to use her faith intensely for her daughter's healing: she prayed for her and participated in healing and faith campaigns. "Every Tuesday, I went to the Universal Church, took the water to consecrate, and prayed for Kelly. I was always in the

hospital accompanying her and trusting that God would do the miracle, to the point that the doctors commented that 'great was my faith".

After two months in a coma and with death as her fate, Kelly improved and regained consciousness, which astonished the hospital staff. "The interventions were so intense that I lost 40 lbs. because of the exams; I spent much time without eating or drinking. However, I was always anointed by the water that my mother took to consecrate."

The medicines were so many and so strong that Kelly was allergic to them. Still, she did not stop trusting God. "I was always praying that He would rid my body of pain and discomfort because He had already taken all the pain and discomfort upon Himself."
"I knew that He would take my pain, too, and that I would get out of that hospital to resume my activities."

Kelly spent two more months in the hospital for follow-up and complete recovery. In February 2022, the seemingly impossible happened: She got discharged. **Today she is fully healed, without trauma or sequelae.** "Everyone was amazed at the speed of my recovery. I am a living and true witness that Jesus has the power to heal and deliver. I don't regret meeting God because He gave me the strength to overcome this and all the 'giants' I have to face in life and beat them".

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MAKE A
CHAIN OF PRAYER
IT WORKS!

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Monday - Strong Nation
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm

Learn the secrets to overcome financially. Receive direction to grow and become a successful person.

Tuesday - Prayer for healing
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm

Receive prayers for your physical, mental and spiritual well-being.

Wednesday - Night of Salvation
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm

A meeting will be held for those who want to invest in a genuine relationship with God.

Thursday - Family & Love Therapy
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm

The goal of the family meeting is to bring families together. No family is perfect, but they can be free from any hate, separation and other underlying issues.

Friday - Deliverance
7am, 10am, 4pm & 7pm

There is a root to every problem. No issue can be dealt with permanently without removing its root. Every Friday, strong prayers is provided for anyone who is facing a problem that is influenced by negativity.

Saturday - Impossible Cases
8am & 12pm

Have you ever looked at a problem or situation and thought, 'this is impossible, there is no solution to this?' If you want to see the 'impossible become possible', join us every Saturday.

Sunday - Gathering of Faith & Miracles
7am, 10am, 3pm & 6pm

These meetings aim to help people connect with God, to empower people and teach them how to use their faith to achieve what they want in their lives.

DOES PRAYER REALLY WORK?

It has been said that there is power in prayers, but what causes this power? Where does this power come from? Here's the thing: prayer is not "magic"; prayer is a conversation with God, but the question is: how can we have this effective prayer? What is the secret to having a prayer that will bring forth the answers you want to see? Let's see what the word of God says:

"When you pray, don't be like the hypocrites who love to pray publicly on street corners and in the synagogues where everyone can see them. I tell you the truth, that is all the reward they will ever get. But when you pray, go away by yourself, shut the door behind you, and pray to your Father in private. Then your Father, who sees everything, will reward you." Matthew 6:5-6

The teaching was that we need to be sincere when we talk to God. Jesus said we shouldn't do anything to be seen, but we should speak to Him privately, the opposite of what those who had authority did. Jesus wants us to be humble and sincere before Him. Think with me. Have you ever had a conversation with someone who was boastful? It gets annoying; the person keeps boasting about themselves. It is how Jesus feels when we talk to Him. He said for us not to be like the hypocrites, referring to those that had "power" in society at the time because all they did was gloat and boast. They thought they were better than everyone else.

Let's flip the script. Have you ever spoken to someone humble? Those are the best conversations because they are willing to listen, eager to learn and share the spotlight. They're not all about the "me," but they're fair, honest, and down to earth. Jesus wants us to be that person to listen to. He just wants our sincerity. We don't need to show off before Him; be who we are. Be real.

God answers the prayers of those that are simple and sincere. Therefore He said to close the door not literally but figuratively speaking; be discreet, and HE will reward you openly.

A FRIENDLY TIP FROM BP. JOSHUA:

Try it, and start praying today because your prayers have power, and God will honor you through the faith of your prayer (conversation) with Him. There is no "perfect" prayer; the only "perfect" prayer is the sincere one.

Emotions Word Search

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UNIVERSAL BEYOND BARS (UBB) Nationwide Schedule

*Scheduling may vary depending on local changes

TEXAS
Monday's:
Luther Unit- 10AM
Clements 2 Unit- 1PM
Terrell Unit- 2PM

Tuesday's:
Hobby Unit- 8AM
Lane Murray Unit- 12:30PM
Gorre Unit- 2PM
Jester Unit- 1PM

Wednesday's:
Luther Unit-11:00AM
Clements Unit- 3PM
Gorre Unit- Every **1st** and **4th** Wed of the month @ 4PM.

Thursday's:
Crain Unit- 3PM
Hilltop Unit- 2PM

Friday's:
Luther Unit- 10AM
Darrington Memorial Unit- 3PM

Saturday's:
Jester Unit, every 1st Saturday of the month @ 1PM.

** Note: Ferguson Unit, please speak to your Chaplain for the UBB course schedule.*

FLORIDA
Tuesday's:
Metro West Detention Center: 10AM- 2PM
Broward Regional Juvenile Detention Center- 3PM-4PM

Saturday's:
Miami Dade County Pre-Trial Detention Center- 10AM-11AM

CALIFORNIA
Tuesday's:
Avenal State Prison- 2PM- 4PM

HAWAII
Tuesday's:
Halawa Correctional Facility- 7PM

Wednesday's:
Halawa Correctional Facility- 11:30AM- 1PM

*If you do not see your unit on the UBB schedule yet, do not worry. There is still an opportunity for you to keep in touch with the UBB (Universal Beyond Bars) by sending your letter to Bishop Joshua at:

7075 SOUTHWEST FWY. HOUSTON TX, 77074

You can be sure tat Bishop Joshua will read and respond to your letter. He may also attach a Bible Study to it so that you can keep your mind focused on something positive, and stop thinking on the negative things.

If you need anymore information about the different courses offered by the UBB, please get in contact with the Chaplain in your facility.

CONTACT US UPON RELEASE:
1 (888) 691-2291

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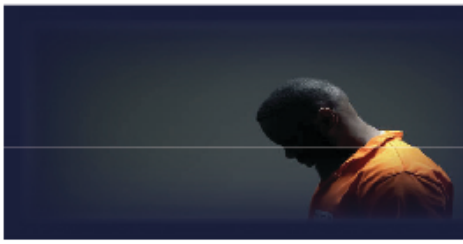

I'm TIRED of being IDENTIFIED by my PAST... Is there ANYONE who will see ME for ME?

YES. Write to Bp. Joshua: your questions, doubts, fears, concerns, he will personally read and respond to your letter! Be sure to include: **FULL NAME/INMATE ID #, COMPLETE PRISON NAME, ADDRESS, CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE**

Send it to:
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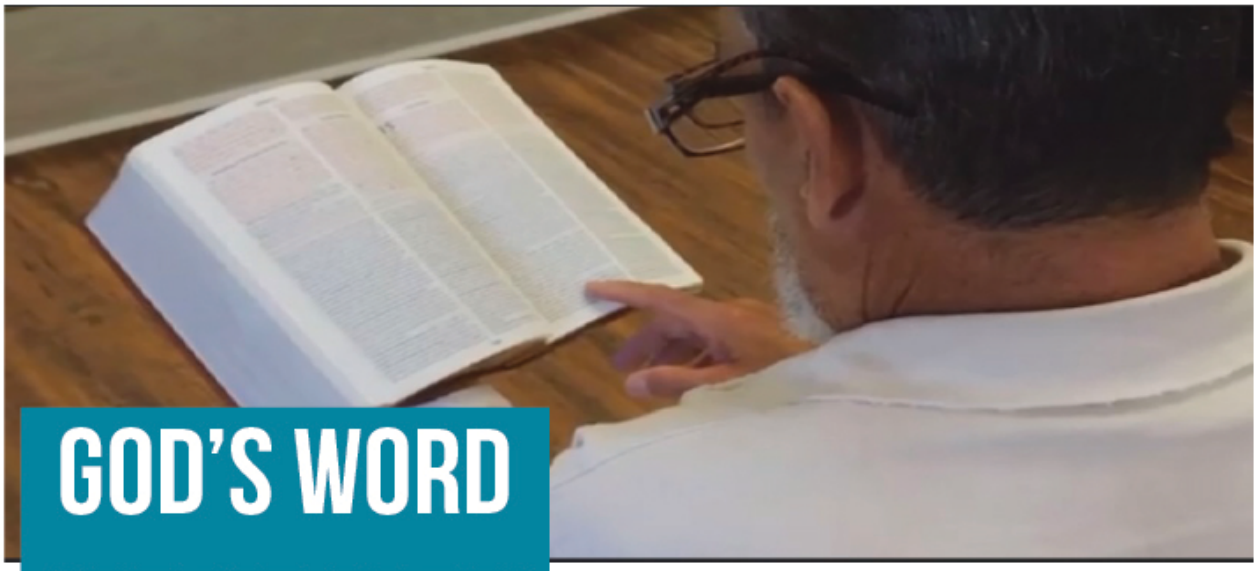

GOD'S WORD SET ME FREE!

Can the word of God set a person free? But I mean, really set them free? Let's look at the story of Charles.

There was always Bible study in the prison where Charles was. He and his fellow inmates would have bible study three times during the week. Still, one day Charles noticed his friend had a different study bible he received from The Universal Church. He was amazed by the quality of the Bible, with the commentary inside.

I knew God was so powerful and wonderful, and that was His power showing me where He wanted me to go when I get released from prison. So, when he showed it to me, I opened the front and saw the church's address. I contacted my fiancé, googled it, and saw it was 5 minutes away from where we lived.

As soon as I got out, I went to the church that same week, a Sunday. Since then, I have attended the services frequently, and upon my release, I have continued in my quest to know who the Lord is.

Despite my past, I know the word of God has been able to set me free while I was in prison, and it gave me the hope I need and carry with me until today. It is written:

"FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS LIVING AND POWERFUL, AND SHARPER THAN ANY TWO-EDGED SWORD, PIERCING EVEN TO THE DIVISION OF SOUL AND SPIRIT, AND OF JOINTS AND MARROW, AND IS A DISCERNER OF THE THOUGHTS AND INTENTS OF THE HEART." HEBREWS 4:12 NKJV

Imagine that? The word of God is sharper than not just any sword, sharper than a two-edged sword, and it can pierce. In other words, it hits deep within the soul of sincere people.

God's word is power, and, in His word, there will be freedom. If a person allows the word of God to work in them, it will work, uproot all works of negativity, set a person free, convict them, transform them, etc.

Charles was set free through the word of God in prison. Now he is physically free and attends the Universal Church frequently. Now Charles is growing more in his faith because it started with the Bible he received while in prison.

So, you who read this behind bars, or even if you're not behind bars, get to know Who God is, not for what He can do. Charles wanted to know God for Himself, which he could find, and now he can do much more to strengthen his faith because one day, he decided to put God first.

CHARLES TO THE FAR LEFT, IS NOW A PART OF THE STREET MINISTRY, SAVING SOULS.

I AM BROKEN INSIDE...

- I feel misunderstood, I'm only "known" by my inmate #.
- I'm not looked at as a person anymore, just some criminal...
- It would be nice to be apart of society again.

Write to Bp. Joshua: 7075 Southwest Freeway. Houston, TX 77074
Include: Full Name/Inmate ID #, Facility Name, Address, City/State, Zip code

STAY ENCOURAGED WITH DAILY PROGRAMS

SHOWDOWN OF FAITH

THE UNSEEN ENEMY

THE LAST HIT

MIRACLES EXIST

ULFN PROGRAMS SCHEDULE (ET)

SHOWDOWN OF FAITH | 8am & 11pm
with Bishop Joshua

AT THE EDGE OF DEATH | 9am
with Pastor Valdo

THE LAST HIT | 10am & 9pm
with Pastor Damien

PROBLEMS & SOLUTIONS | 11am & 12am
with Pastor Israel

REBUILDING FAMILIES | 12pm
with Pastor Samuel

MIRACLES EXIST | 1pm
with Bishop Edson

LET THERE BE LIGHT | 2pm & 12am
with Pastor Samuel

WOMEN IN REAL TIME | 3pm

STOP SUFFERING | 4pm
with Pastor Diego

FIGHTING THE UNSEEN ENEMY | 7pm
with Bishop David

THE PROMISED LAND | 8pm

JESUS SERIES | 10pm

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www.ulfn.org/listings

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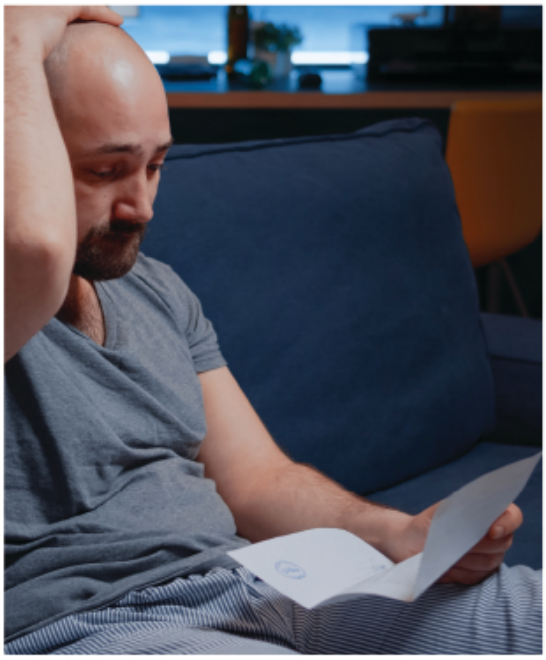

Knowing the Word and seeing it become true in one's life are very different things. Cristiano is proof of this. Although he and his wife already attended a church and had traditionally successful careers, they lived in debt and want. Until they discovered the secret of faith and strong prayers in action.

Until a while ago, their lives proved that knowing the Word of God did not prevent them from making mistakes. The couple failed in life because they failed in faith, and when it happens, you fail in everything. They apparently did everything "right" according to the Word of God, but their lives showed that something was wrong.

Cristiano says that he always made a lot of plans, but the only one he managed to complete was law school. And, even after finishing school, his life did not prosper. He says that, because of debts, he was dependent on others. Despite working as a dental surgeon, his wife did not see any improvement either, though she had an exhausting workload of up to 15 hours a day.

Knowing the Word that leads to success and not seeing results caused frustration and questions in Cristiano: "we didn't understand why our life didn't grow. We worked a lot, but everything was missing at home. I wondered why I saw so many people growing and couldn't."

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Marciana used to preach in the church they previously attended but did not live what she was preaching, which made her angry: "I was not obedient. At one time, I wanted to tear up the Bible." Cristiano followed the Universal church on TV for a while; when the couple moved to another city, he went to a meeting in person. He understood his biggest mistake as he participated in the meetings; "I focused a lot on material life and lacked the Holy Spirit. So, I put all my strength into Him until I received Him, and then I was transformed."

Marciana also received this transformation. "When the Holy Spirit came in, all fear, despair, and oppression left. He changed my heart, my mind, and my life."

Living in obedience to God and being guided by His Spirit, the couple enjoys the life they always intended to live. "God gave me the means to have a wonderful family, joy, prosperity, and health.

Counting on Him brings us security and confidence.", says Cristiano. "There is nothing greater than knowing God. Whoever has the Holy Spirit, truly, has everything."

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FEAR CAN LEAD TO FAILURE

The fear of losing something has led many people, including Christians, to remain paralyzed, even if they are excellent professionals and well educated. In other words, fear can lead to failure.

Financial tip of the week

–THE STRONG NATION–
MONDAYS
7am, 10am, 4pm and 7pm

Join us at your local Universal Church to learn how you can overcome your financial problems through faith.

TIMES MAY VARY DEPENDING ON LOCATION

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