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Dedicated

to

My own dear

Family

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### Foreword

Everyone knows that the world is filled with all kinds of problems, hardships, pains, and troubles; the world is groaning in pain together with the rest of God's creation. So All About Love, Faith, and Hope was written to comfort, guide, and inspire peoples around the world to uphold pure love, faith in our Father and Savior, raise their hopes high, and continue to hope for a beautiful and bright future no matter how hard or difficult may be, the prevailing circumstance of their lives and nation.

In other words, it is the author's noble desire, prayer, and aim to help peoples around the world patiently bear, endure, and eventually conquer hardships, troubles, pains, and suffering by rising above their difficult condition through Love, Faith, and Hope.





There are three things that remain: faith, hope, and love; and the greatest of these is love. I Corinthians 13:13

Love Yahweh Almighty with all your heart, with all your mind, and with all your strength. Love your neighbor as you love yourself. Matthew 22: 37 & 39

If you love someone, you will never do him wrong; to love, then, is to obey the whole Law. Romans 13: 10

Do for others what you want them to do for you: this is the meaning of the Law of Moses and of the teaching of the prophets. Matthew 7: 12

Hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected. I John 2: 3-5

> *If you love me keep my commandments. John 14: 15*

#### God and Love

God is love and love is of God. God is holy, perfect, and eternal. Love is pure, precious, and everlasting.

God is great. His greatness is unsearchable. Love is powerful; its power is immeasurable.

> God Almighty is the Creator. His begotten Son, the Savior.

Love regenerates life. Love recreates things that are beautiful and wonderful.

God must be worshiped in spirit and in truth reverently. Love must be treated with importance and respect, so highly.

#### Man and Love

Man is mortal. But man must recognize love's divinity. Lovers must uphold the sanctity of love every day.

Lovers should enjoy together and enjoy best with each other. Lest, lovers will cry and sigh when love Is taken for granted and smeared.

When need arises, lovers must be willing and ready to suffer and sacrifice. Just as Yahshua the Messiah suffered and died for us.

Love upholds faith and hope. Love is for justice and righteousness. Love is humble and faithful. Love is kind, respectful, and helpful.

> Surely, of the things that remain – Love is the greatest of all!

#### Love is a Miracle

Love miraculously grows and no one knows how?

Love moves with strength and power beyond compare.

Love is deep, wide, and high like the beautiful sky.

Love is deeper than the ocean depths.

Love is refreshing like a cold breeze in summer time.

Love is amazing and interesting!

No matter how much one conceals love

Love appears and reappears, eagerly seeking to take

A precious look or glance at the beloved to show her care.

Love is an ever growing miracle!

#### Love is a Mystery

No one can see love but when it is there No one can successfully deny its presence. Love is sweet, nice, and penetrating *Love is beautiful beyond measure* Love is such a beautiful thing that no words can adequately explain. Love has eyes to see Love has ears to hear Love has heart and mind to feel and think Love gently touches the beloved Love moves wonderfully. Strange perhaps to many: But *Love is as complete as a human body. Love is a mystery because love acts mysteriously.* 

#### Love's Wonderful Sight

Someone says: "You do not love a woman because She is beautiful; she is beautiful because you love her."

Love has very special eyes! Love sees things no other eye can see. Love vividly sees virtues deeply hidden beneath a vague surface.

Love clearly sees beautiful things behind closed doors and windows, That no matter what people say –

Love says: "She is beautiful and wonderful." "I like her; she makes me feel great and happy." "I need her; she is the best for me."

#### Love Hears

Love gladly and carefully hears and listens! Love hears even the faintest whisper. Love speaks beyond words can say. Love does not take pleasure in anything hearsay. Love wants to hear and to be heard. Love wants to listen and to be listened to. Love hears. Love feels. Love cares.

#### Love Feels

Love is a mixture of innumerable feelings like a delicious cake which is a product of many ingredients.

Often, love shows its presence in joy, gladness, happiness, and excitement. Sometimes in sadness, sorrows, grief, aches and pain.

Love may be directed or redirected but fortunately, no one and nothing can stop the power of love. No one and nothing can keep or stop someone from loving.

Love cherishes and longs for the beloved when he or she is absent. Love can be tired but never weary. Love feels no burden. Love truly cares!

#### Love Thinks

#### Some people say:

"You do not choose whom to love it just happen." Love has its own wonderful mind! Love thinks and acts prudently and gently. Love is generous beyond measure. Love is just and honest. Love is not prejudice and unfair Love understands what words can't say. Love is considerate. Love is respectful. Love is kind and helpful. Love is forgiving Love is always hopeful for a beautiful and wonderful future!

#### Love Touches

Love is tender yet strong. Love can accomplish great things far beyond anyone's imagination. The touch of healing and comfort love brings, the assurance, peace, and joy it gladly sends can make life truly meaningful, fruitful, and beautiful beyond measure!

#### Love's Amazing Move

Love is daring and amazing! Love dares to move and swing to any direction and tackle every unfavorable condition. Love moves up and down! Love can also walk slowly, gently, and graciously to meet the beloved in the aisle of matrimony. Love Yahweh with all your heart, with all your mind, (soul) and with all your strength. (Matthew 22: 37)

#### Love & Praises

Glory, Glory, Glory to the Father in heaven who is the

*Almighty, omnipotent, omniscient, omnipresent. The Creator of the heavens and the earth, and* 

All natural things therein; the Source, the Giver, the Sustainer of life, and the Source of all good things.

The Father who is holy, glorious, great and powerful; whose greatness is unsearchable, whose deeds are mighty and wonderful.

Father in heaven, there is none like you. None like you in greatness, wisdom, and power. None like you in righteousness and holiness. None like you in goodness and faithfulness. None like you in loving-kindness and tender mercies.

Father, I love you with my whole heart, mind, and strength. I worship you for who you are!I bless you and your holy name-Yahweh.

- I thank you for your begotten Son Yahshua the Messiah our Lord, our Savior, our King; and the Holy Spirit our Teacher, our Guide, our Helper, and Comforter.
- I honor you by obeying your precious Laws and Commands. Father, I adore you, praise you, and thank you. I thank you that you gladly accept our worship; our praises, and thanksgiving to you.
- Truly, Father, Thine alone is the Kingdom, power, honor, glory, might, lasting success and victory, majesty, blessing, praises, and thanksgiving; for, You alone are worthy both now and forever!

HalleluYah!

#### "I Have Always Loved You..."

Truly, Father you have always loved us – Thank you that you "continue to show us your constant love." Thank you that according to the greatness of your love you constantly take care of us.

In your goodness, "You supply all our needs according to your riches in glory by your Son our Lord and Savior Yahshua the Messiah.

Father, thank you for giving to us your Son our Great Shepherd who gladly "Lead us to the path of righteousness, who guide us to green pastures, and beside the still waters."

Father, thank you that with your Son our Great Shepherd we have everything we need and we will never lack any good thing. Lord, thank you for your love and care for us.

Thank you that you make us hear and recognize your voice so that we would be able to follow you always and forever for the glory of our loving Father.

#### HalleluYah!

#### "I Think of You with Love"

Father, how great is your love and goodness to us! You are holy, great, & glorious yet loving & merciful. Father, thank you for your loving-kindness and tender mercies.

Thank you that you constantly think of us. Thank you that" your goodness & mercy follow us all the days of our lives and your favor is upon us always."

Thank you for all the great and wonderful things you have done to us and for us and for all the glorious things you have prepared for us. Thank you that you think of us with love!

Father, we love you! We are yours – be pleased to take full control over our lives for, we are nothing apart from you. Rule and reign over every part of our being – body, soul, spirit.

Make every part of our being "captives to the obedience to your perfect will", always. Fill our hearts and minds with heavenly things.

Things that are "true, noble, & precious; things that are of value, things that are good and wonderful, things that are lovely and beautiful; things that deserve praise."

Father, make us blessing to all peoples for your honor. Gird our loins with the truth and Thy righteousness, gird our reins with faithfulness, clothe us with your holiness; shield us with Thy divine protection and let Thy perfect will be done in our lives now & always. For your honor and glory forever!

#### God's Forgiving Love

Father in heaven, how tender and precious is your love How loving and forgiving you are!

You are holy and great in majesty yet You think of us your people with love and mercy. You are merciful beyond compare and Your mercy is surely upon the humble and repentant.

That you said: "If you confess your sins to me, I am faithful and just to forgive you your sins." "Come unto me... I will forgive your sins; I will no longer remember your wrongs."

Father, you are really a God who is eager to save, There is none like you. Your love is great and eternal. Your mercy is steadfast and everlasting. Your faithfulness lasts forever.

Give thanks to Yahweh Almighty all peoples Proclaim His loving-kindness and tender mercies to the nations. With songs of joy tell the nations the great things Yahweh Almighty has done. Sing praises to Him, sing to the glory of His holy name.

Sing to Yahweh Almighty all the world Give thanks to Him and praise Him forever and ever! In the Name of His Son, Yahshua the Messiah.

HalleluYah!

#### God is Good and God is Great

God is love. God is good. God is great. But the world has refused to obey Him. The world has rejected His authority.

People of the world why have you acted foolishly? How could you be so foolish to ignore and disregard the voice of God and the Law? God said: "I have been calling you, inviting you to come but you would not listen.

"You paid no attention to me. You have ignored all my advice and have not been willing to let me correct you. So when you get into trouble, I will laugh at you. I will make fun of you when terror strikes....

"Then you will call for wisdom, but I will not answer. You will look for me everywhere, but you will not find me."

People of the world you are bringing all these troubles and sufferings on yourselves by the way you live and by the way you have been doing things.

Prophet Jeremiah said: "You are experts at doing what is evil. You love darkness rather than light. You love to follow your own desires, not God's will." Prophet Isaiah also said: "You are doomed! You call evil good and call good evil. You turn darkness into light and light into darkness.

"You make what is bitter sweet, and what is sweet you make bitter. You are doomed! You think you are wise, so very clever. You are doomed."

As for me dear God, I love you. I worship you. I honor you by obeying your Laws and commands. For, how could I praise you and thank you enough for all the great and wonderful things you have done to me?

I cannot praise you enough; I cannot thank you enough. But you alone are my God, my Creator, my Father, my Lord, my Savior, my King.

You are the Lord of lords; the King of kings and, you are my everything! Thank you that you have sanctified me and made my body your temple. Thank you that you are in me, with me, and for me. Thank you that you uphold me and keep me shining for your honor and glory.

Thank you that you have been moving through me miraculously; you have completely broken the powers of darkness, you have completely broken the gates of hell, you have completely broken and destroyed sin and the power of sin through me. Thank you Father that through us your children in the faith in Yahshua the Messiah, you are determined to do what you intended to do here on earth.

It is your will and pleasure to fulfill your promise to make this world, "the world where righteousness is at home", the world where your children will be "happy forever, forever free from sorrow and grief." HalleluYah! "As a child lies quietly in its mother's arms, so my heart is quiet within me." Psalm 131: 26

#### Quiet Heart

Father, thank you for your great love for me. Thank you for your love and tender care. Thank you that although I am adult now You love to carry me in your arms like A little precious child in her mother's bosom. Thank you that at anytime I can come to you with tears like A little child crying and telling all His petty concerns to his loving parents. Father, thank you that you do not ignore The tears and prayers of your children!

Father, thank you that you are always there for me You are always ready to comfort me, embrace me, and make me feel secure Whenever I feel all alone, tired, and down. Thank you that you are ever ready To quiet my troubled heart with Your tender yet strong and steady arms. Thank you that with your love Comes quietness, peace & calmness of heart Joy, gladness, and happiness!

#### The Father's Love For Us

Sing and shout for joy all peoples Let the whole world hear the news-Yahweh is great and perfect. He is holy and eternal. Yahweh Almighty loves us and cares for us!

His love for us is sure, strong, and constant His love for us is tender and everlasting His love for us is sweet and marvelous His love for us is a miracle His love for us is a mystery.

Yahweh Almighty loved us even before we knew Him.
He loved us while we were in the mire of sin.
He loved us that He sent to the world His only begotten Son to save us from sin and pain.
Yahweh Almighty loves us and will take care of us,
He will never ignore the prayers of the humble and faithful ones.

#### Delightful Gifts

Dear God our Father in heaven. How delightful are your gifts to us, mankind. Before you created man and woman, You filled the world with every good thing for the needs and happiness of everyone.

You created the sun, the moon to give light. The glittering stars in the sky for beauty at night. You filled the seas and oceans with all kinds of fishes and corals.

The hills and mountains with animals tamed and wild. The fields and valleys with all kinds of grains – grains of rice, grains of corn, nuts and crops,

The trees with delicious fruits hanging all around it. The plants, the vines, the colorful and beautiful flowers. Well watered by the brooks, springs, and rivers that are freely flowing.

The rain, the fresh air, and sea breeze that refresh every created thing from morning till evening. The fowls in the air, the big and small birds with colorful feathers and wings are delightful gifts which are proof of your love to mankind!

#### Praise and Thanksgiving

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit You are holy; you are all-powerful You are supreme over all. Power and beauty, glory and majesty surround you always.

You are holy and glorious beyond compare. Yet you love us so much even Though, we don't deserve your love.

Lord God our Father, our Savior, our Teacher We praise you and thank you for your unconditional love to us, your children.

We praise you and thank you that you never forget what we are made of,

You remember that we are only dust and You look upon us with mercy.

We praise you and thank you that "you make all things work together for our good."

We praise you and thank you that "you give sound judgments to us who gladly obey you and do your will." We praise you and thank you for your great, unique, and beautiful plans for our lives.

We praise you and thank you that "your plans are wise and they always succeed" because You are the almighty and with you nothing is impossible.

- We praise you and thank you that you delight in blessing us more and more until our happiness is complete.
- We praise you and thank you that "We can call unto you and you hear us and answer us, and show us great and mighty things which we have not known yet."
- We praise you and thank you that "you will never leave us nor forsake us."

HalleluYah!

"For God Loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life." John 3: 16

## The Lord's Great Salvation

Lord God, you are the Almighty. The God who is everywhere in the heavens and on earth. Nothing is kept from you. You know how much I love you!

How I treasure all the beautiful things you have done to me and to my family. You have saved us and you have been taking care of us. I will never be silent about your great salvation.

Lord, you know how thankful I am for your unfailing love and mercy. I praise you and thank you that you will never stop being merciful to me. You said:

"My mercy is upon you, and will always be upon you as long as you keep the Covenant."

I have decided and promised together with my family to keep the Covenant, help us I pray. According to your holy and limitless power and wisdom, strengthen us, guide us, and help us\_ For, we put our trust and hope in you. Lord, as long as I live, I will tell the news of your great salvation. I will make it known to the whole world that you are the Savior and you are so good, so loving, and merciful. I will speak about your constant love and faithfulness. I will never be silent about the greatness of your love, mercy, and power to save.

HalleluYah!

## The Lord is All I Have

Dear Lord, you are all I have I put my trust and hope in you.

Each morning show me your love and mercy, Show me what to do and help me, I pray For, apart from you there's nothing I can do to honor and glorify you.

Show me where I should go; guide my feet To the path where I should walk and Keep me from the traps laid for me by the enemy.

*Keep me safe and help me do your will everyday. Show me your goodness all day, I pray Set me free from every distress.* 

Refresh me with your overflowing love and bless me, I pray.
Make me a blessing to all your peoples for your honor and glory.
Lord, I love you! I love you with a love That is truly for you!

#### With All My Heart

With all my heart I worship you my God, my Lord and Savior. I adore you and honor you, Lord. Oh! How amazing to hear you say to me: "My love for you is beyond compare and eternal."

With all my heart I bless you and your holy name, dear God I sincerely praise you and thank you. Oh! How amazing to hear you say to me: "My love for you is beyond compare and eternal."

With all my heart I love you; I need you my loving God I will sing songs of praise to you. Oh! How amazing to hear you say to me: "My love for you is beyond compare and eternal."

With all my heart I adore you; I worship you; I praise you and thank you, my Lord For, your love to me keeps me strong and alive. Oh! How amazing to hear you say to me: "My love for you is beyond compare and eternal."

#### "You Are Ever Dear To Me"

Dear God my Lord and Savior Truly, your love for me is beautiful and beyond measure.

How can I thank you & praise you enough? I know no human praise is great enough for you. How can I tell the whole world my joy?

When you told me:

"You are ever dear to me, my love, no one and nothing can take your place in my heart."

Dear Lord, your goodness to me is great and amazing. Your love for me is strong and everlasting. Your love for me is like an ever-flowing spring. Your love for me is like an air that is gentle and refreshing.

*To me, your love is truly precious, more precious than any priceless gems.* 

Dear Lord, I love you with all my heart. Be glorified now and always in my life. Let Thy holy name be honored and magnified As I do my best to let the whole world know how great

*Thou art, How great is Thy wonderful love. I love you and thank you from the bottom of my heart!* 

## You Are Beautiful and Wonderful

Lord God, you are really beautiful and wonderful to me. The wonders of your love, mercy, and beauty are far above words can say.

Your promises to me are heavenly treasures beyond measure For, who would ever dare measure your love and mercy, and the blessings you have bestowed and will bestow upon me?

Even holy angels cannot measure or count them all For, they are too great and many. They are countless, so to say.

Lord God, allow me to tell a bit of the story for your honor and glory.

According to your wonderful goodness You said to me:

"You are the anointed." "I call you to foster the earth." "You will be the mother of humanity."

"Shine! Shine! Shine! And everyone will bow down to you." "You are my leading lady, my wife, and the mother of my children." "You parents all families in the world." Your family will lead my people in the development of the world."

"I will keep you strong and great because I love you." "While men and women are being purified, keep yourself pure and holy."

"...the time is coming when everyone will know that I am the Lord and that I am in you."

"Those who accept you will live to serve our Father in heaven. Those who reject you will die and perish from the earth."

"The end is near...you will totally overcome the world." "People around the world will die...but you will rise to rule the world."

"I will bless you and your descendants for all time to come." "I will work through you miraculously."

"...you are very precious to me." "It is our Father's will to give you the Kingdom." "The Kingdom that you rule is real, beautiful and glorious." "Maghintay ka lang, all that I promised you, will be given to you." "While you are waiting, I am working to make you happy not only for a moment but for all time."

My Lord God, your words are very precious to me, to my family, and to everyone who waits for your Kingdom to come.

Certainly, no human mind is great and wise enough to praise you and honor you dear God.

Even the minds of the wisest men and women and the minds of holy angels put together cannot praise you and thank you enough. The best that they can do and say, for sure, are far less than what you deserve.

My Lord God, according to your lovingkindness, and according to your holy and limitless power keep each one of us strong in body, soul, and spirit; pure and holy so that none of us would fall, while we are waiting, I pray. In the mighty name of Yahshua the Messiah.

#### HalleluYah!

### **Everlasting** Love

My heart sings for joy because of the wonders of the love of my Lord and King.
His love to me is amazing, sweet, and everlasting.
I marvel at how the Lord loves me
How he took notice of me?
Knowing I am lowly and a very simple lady among the billions around the world who are very pretty.

I suppose no one knows but me How deep and wide; how high and broad How tender is the Lord's love for me Because he makes me feel it in a very special way & He whispered it sweetly to none other but me

#### Saying:

"You are ever dear to me..." "I love you with a love that is truly for you." "You are the one that I love most." "My mercy is upon you always..." "Remember that I love you. My love will see you through."

I love my Lord so dearly He is very precious to me. I gave my life to him gladly & Rededicate it to him day by day. My Lord is my joy; my everything all day. To do his will is my meat everyday, Because it is my utmost desire to make him happy & Tto give him honor and glory.

*I will constantly sing songs of praise to my Lord, & Tell the whole world that I adore him & He is very precious to me.* 

I cast all my cares upon him all the way That is why my heart is joyful No matter what people think and say.

What matters most to me is his unchanging, everlasting love and presence in my life now and through eternity.

#### I Give You My All

Dear Lord, I have said this again and again. Now, I will not only say it but write it also For everyone to know how much I love you! All that I am; all that I have come from you, & I gladly give them back to you for you To use them according to your will For your joy, honor, and glory forever.

I give you my heart, my mind, my will I give you my all; my whole being – body, soul, and spirit To be completely one with Thy Holy Spirit To do your perfect will here on earth. Lord, I give you my all because I love you with a love that you alone really know I love you with a love that is truly for you.

Lord, I love you, I thank you, and praise you. I thank you that you are in me and you fill my whole being with your love and mercy. I praise you and thank you that your fullness is in me; You clothe me with Thy righteousness and holiness. I praise you and thank you that we are completely one, united in heart and mind to do Everything you want done for the Benefit of your children and of everyone.

# "If You Love Me..."

Yahshua the Messiah you thoughtfully said: "If you love me, keep my commandments."

Dear Lord, I gladly obey you to honor you Because I love you!

*To keep and uphold your commandments, and To do your will is my joy and everlasting desire.* 

Your commandments say: "Love Yahweh (God) with all your heart, with all your mind, and with all your strength. Love your neighbor as you love yourself."

Almighty Yahweh through Moses gave the Ten commandments, in particular,

He commanded saying:

- "Yahweh and Yahweh alone is your Elohim (God). Love Yahweh with all your heart....
- Never worship any other god for I tolerate no rival. Teach them to your children....
- Write them on the doorposts of your houses and on your gates."

Lord, grant that these commandments be written not only on the doorposts of our houses and gates.

But let Thy Holy Spirit write them in every grain of our hearts and mind and make our tongues speak them out with grace to teach our children and everyone else in words and deeds.

By Thy grace let every man and woman and everyone recognize that there is only one Creator and Father in heaven – One Mediator: Our Lord and Savior,

And

No one else is worthy of our worship & The best of our praises and thanksgiving But the Almighty Father through His begotten Son, our Lord, Our Savior and King.

# My Beloved Nation-Philippines

Philippines, you are so beautiful! Your more than seven thousand islands with varied shapes and sizes; your blue seas and rolling big and small waves, Your white, black, and colorful sands on the shores Your beautiful beaches such as Boracay, Duka Bay in my own home-town (Medina, Mis. Or.);

With abundant sunshine, fresh air, fresh flowing and still waters are penetrating evidences of your magnificent beauty. Your high and wonderful mountains towering above the verdant hills, bear witness that you will be:

As glowing torches that will give Light to the nations around the world.

Your deep and wide valleys with surprisingly beautiful springs of water, brooks, and rivers flowing calmly down to the seas, make your splendor and beauty majestic in many ways.

Philippines, you are beloved of the Lord Almighty! He has made you like a well-watered garden full of every good and beautiful things.

He has filled your cities, provinces, islands with beautiful and gallant people, as shown by our forefathers who fought hard for you together with our National Hero- Jose Rizal.

People who are exceedingly kind, friendly, respectful, and loving. People who, in truth, have flaws but whose flaws cannot conceal your ever-shinning beauty and dignity.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Beloved Nation Philippines. Sing for joy all you Filipino people. Proclaim with me Almighty Yahweh's greatness, righteousness, and goodness.

Sing to the glory of Yahweh's holy name. "Love Yahweh with all your heart, with all your mind, with all your strength."

"Worship Him in spirit and in truth." "Worship Him in the beauty of holiness." God's love for us is beyond compare and eternal.

Again, I say, His love for us is beyond compare – Among all the nations in the world He has chosen you Philippines; He has chosen you and Set you at His right!

Philippines, Almighty Yahweh delights in making You the Home of His faithful people. He has decided to set up the Glorious Throne upon your hills and highest Mountain. The Throne of His begotten Son-Yahshua the Messiah who Redeemed you and set you free from the power of sin.

Yahweh Almighty has specially chosen you the Place where He should be worshiped by His faithful people around the world.

Philippines, Yahweh Almighty has chosen you the Light to all nations; He has chosen you to reveal His goodness and righteousness to the whole world!

Filipino people rejoice! Rise up and shine! All that you do in the name of the Lord will never be in vain. Arise and shine and give thanks to The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit now and forever.

HalleluYah!

### "The Chosen Race"

Dear God, our Father in heaven Yahweh, Son Yahshua the Messiah, and Holy Spirit, I love you.

*I praise you and thank you that you have chosen the Philippines for your own very special purpose.* 

Father, great and powerful nations around the world have mixed emotions and varied perceptions towards our nation. Some of them thought we were very insignificant; we were nothing in the world and looked at us with disdain.

Some were jealous and indifferent, even schemed for possible exploitation and usurpation. Some others are perplexed because no matter what they do to our nation, your glory never fail to shine upon us.

Indeed, they are great and powerful in many ways. They are great in size, worldly wealth and military might. They are famous in social, economic, and scientific advancement.

They say, they are wise, but I wonder, because they do not know the Source of Wisdom. They say, they are intelligent, but they are troubled and confused about many things... They do not understand that we have with us and for us the Source of all might and wealth; the Source of life. They don't understand why we are shining, because they don't know Him who is the Light of life. They say, they are great and strong warriors.

Yes, they are strong but they don't understand that we have with us and for us the Warrior who can end all wars.

Lord God, thank you that you have chosen us for yourself! Thank you that you have chosen us out of darkness into your own marvelous light.

You have made us "the chosen race, the King's (Your) Priests, the holy nation, your own people, chosen to proclaim your wonderful acts to the whole world." In the mighty and precious Name of Yahshua the Messiah, our Savior and Lord.

## HalleluYah!

# God's Wonderful Words of Love & Assurance

- "I love you; my love for you is eternal."
- "I will be true and faithful."
- "I will show you constant love and mercy."
- "I make you mine forever."

"I drew them with love and affection."

"God loves you, don't let anything worry or frighten you."

"I will guard you and protect you..."

- "I will never forget you; I have written your name on the palms of my hands."
- "...no one who waits for my help will

be disappointed."

- "I will fight against whoever fights you, I will rescue your children."
- "Am I too weak to save? I can dry up the sea with a command and turn rivers into a desert."
- "Do not be afraid when people taunt you and insult you; they will vanish like moth-eaten clothing!"
- "But the deliverance I bring will last forever; my victory will endure for all time."

- "For one brief moment I left you; with deep love I will take you back."
- "I turned away angry for a moment but I will show my love forever."
- "The mountains and hills may crumble but my love for you will never end...."
- "I will protect you and defend you like a wall; you will praise me because I have saved you."
- "I will be your eternal light; the light of my

glory will shine on you."

- "I, the LORD, help those who obey me..."
- "I have always loved you..."
- *"Whenever I mention your name, I think of you with love."*
- "I will be merciful to my people and make them prosperous."
- "I have deep love and concern for my people..."
- "The Lord Almighty will protect his people, and they will destroy their enemies."
- "I will give up whole nation to save you because you are precious to me and I love you."



To have faith is to be sure of the things we hope for, to be certain of the things we cannot see. It was by faith that people of ancient times won God's approval. It is by faith that we understand that the universe was created by God's word, so that what can be seen was made out of what cannot be seen. Hebrews 11: 1-3

Without faith it is impossible to please God. Hebrews 11: 6

> For we walk by faith, not by sight II Corinthians 5: 7

Have faith in God. I assure you that whoever tells this hill to get up and throw itself in the sea and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him. For this reason I tell you: when you pray and ask for something, believe that you have received it, and you will be given whatever you ask for. Mark 11: 22-24

> "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in Yahweh, believe also in me." John 14: 1

## Troubled?

Are you sad and lonely or discouraged? Are you sinking in distress and despair? Are you tired, down, troubled and scared?

> Rejoice and Give thanks! Yahshua the Messiah said: "Let not your heart be troubled... I will never abandon you."

"If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you."

My dear ones, believe in Yahshua the Messiah-He is our Lord, our Savior and King. He came to the world so that we will Have life and have it more abundantly.

He came to turn "our mourning into dancing." "Our sorrows into joy; our sadness into gladness." He came to turn our darkness into light.

Our sighing and weeping into great rejoicing. Our anguish into success and happiness. Our groaning into singing.

*"He is our refuge and strength. A very present help in trouble."* 

# **Rejected and Forsaken?**

Take courage! The Lord our God is good. He is kind and merciful. His kindness is deeper than the ocean depths. His mercy is higher than the sky.

His love is greater than the universe. His love is constant and He does what is just and right. He will never disappoint you nor forsake you. You are very precious to Him!

The Lord God said: "Can a woman forget her sucking child...?" Yes, a mother may forget her child, but I will never forget you."

"I made you and have cared for you from the time you were born."

Again, "I made you and will care for you." "I will give you help and rescue you Because I love you." "I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: Wait, I say, on the Lord." Psalm 27: 13-14

# Tired, Weak, and Weary?

Treat yourself well. Be kind to yourself; we cannot be truly kind to others unless we are kind to ourselves. Do not be angry; do not blame yourself or others for your difficult condition, that will only bring more troubles. Rather, wait on the Lord patiently.

Be sober; our calm attitude helps a lot in handling difficult situation. I know this because in my journey in life, I have been through all these experiences.

Give yourself-body, soul, spirit a good rest. Lie down quietly and, slowly empty yourself of the heavy loads you are carrying. Surrender them to the Lord in prayers. Do not be afraid to talk to our Father in heaven through His Son our Lord.

Do not be afraid to cry out to the Lord if you need to. He is kind, considerate, and compassionate. Tell Him you are tired, weak, and weary and you need His help. Thank Him for every thing, and pray always. The scriptures teach us this: Be careful for nothing, but by prayers and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to your Father in heaven." "In everything give thanks to your Father in heaven" (Philippians 4: 6; I Thessalonians 5: 18).

After you have said all that you want to say to the Lord with praise and thanksgiving, listen to Him carefully. Sit down open your Holy Bible or any Biblical reading materials if you have no Bible. Read prayerfully the verses or lines.

Read again, and let the Holy Spirit teach you until you get the message clearly. Give thanks to the Lord for the message, and start doing according to the guidance and inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

Continue to seek the guidance and help of the Holy Spirit; listen and obey. Do not be in a hurry to do this and that or to have this and that. Just slowly until your "heart is strengthened." Do not be anxious or worried about anything.

Do not be afraid, but trust that the Lord loves you. He cares for you and is in control now of everything that concerns your life after you have surrendered to Him all your troubles and cares. Relax and be calmed. Wait upon the Lord patiently. Allow the Holy Spirit to let the Lord's love flow into your heart and mind to comfort you. Give the Lord enough time to freely work out your problems the way he wants: not the way you want. He knows what is best for you and for everyone.

With your problems, the Lord is possibly working not only for you but for others also who have similar problems and situation as yours.

The Lord is likely hitting down many problems and troubles with one bullet at the same time. He is probably touching and inspiring people to see you and help you out of your difficult condition.

"Wait on the Lord and he shall strengthen thine heart." Wait because the Lord is also working to develop your patience, endurance, and perseverance. Wait until you see the goodness of the Lord.

"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall run, and not be weary; they shall walk, and not faint" (Isaiah 40: 31).

#### Stricken With Guilt

Is anyone stricken with guilt even after he has sincerely repented of his sin? Remember, satan is a liar. He is an expert in whispering lies. Or, perhaps, he is again tempting and taunting you. Rebuke satan the devil and his demons with the word of truth.

Say: Yes, I have sinned but my sins have been paid for by the precious blood of the Lamb – Yahshua the Messiah. I have been washed and cleansed by the precious blood of my Lord, my Savior, my King Yahshua the Messiah.

I therefore rebuke you and destroy all your works in the name of Yahshua the Messiah. Go away from me; I do not want to have anything to do with you liar, deceiver, killer, destroyer. In the name of Yahshua the Messiah, I render you harmless against me and my family. I further remind you satan that there is power in the blood of the Lamb-Yahshua the Messiah, and whosoever believes in him will not perish but have abundant and eternal life.

Then continue walking in the light. Constantly seek the Father's righteousness, and His Kingdom by doing His will.

#### Anxious and worried?

Be comforted and keep calm! Generally, men and women or parents are anxious about their future and the future of their children. They are worried about many things.... But my dear brethren, Yahshua the Messiah said:

"Do not be worried about food and drink you need in order to stay alive, and clothes for your body. Or say, where will my food and drink come from? Or my clothes?

"Your life is worth more than food. Your body is worth more than clothes. Look at the birds, they don't plant seeds, gather a harvest and put it in barns. Yet, your heavenly Father takes care of them. Aren't you worth much more than birds?"

"Instead, Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. So do not worry about tomorrow; it will have enough worries of its own. There is no need to add to the troubles each day brings." Truly, my brethren, "there is no need to add to the troubles each day brings." If we add the weight of the troubles today by worrying about tomorrow, the load would be very heavy already that we won't have enough strength for tomorrow. Instead, believe in our Father and Savior. Trust that He loves us and He will take care of us.

Live one day at a time; do not worry about tomorrow. Our loving Father will not abandon those who belong to Him. He will take care of our needs tomorrow. He is never and will never be late in providing the needs of those who put their trust in Him. He is always on time. So, trust, keep calm, and wait.

Worrying will only bring more troubles like: sleepless nights, irritability, misunderstanding, quarrel, and sickness. It is best to have faith in the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit. Trust and wait on the mercy and provision of our Father and Savior who is the Source of life and of all good things.

Naturally, Trust involves risk. When we put our trust and hope in money or wealth, in institutions like bank, and in man-who knows, our hopes and expectations will not turn right? Our hopes, then, will be in vain. But my dear brethren, our trust and hope in our Father in heaven is sure and will never fail because He is the Almighty, the Supernatural Being who is able to do everything.

When we put our trust and hope in our Father in heaven, we have all the good things to gain. Even life eternal in heaven.

#### **Broken - Hearted?**

Is your heart broken in sadness and sorrow Because of the loss of a loved one? Is your soul in anguish like no one has ever had such pain as you have? Does your soul groan, moan, and mourn For pain like nothing could ease and appease? Do you sigh and cry, or shed tears night and day?

Remember, how great and loving is the Almighty. He created the universe and all natural things therein out of nothing.

*He only spoke the word and everything existed according to His holy words* 

Because He is all-powerful and supreme over all, With Him nothing is impossible.

*He is ready to heal every broken-heart and mend the Broken pieces together for His glory.* 

Pour out your heart to the Lord God Almighty. His love for you is steadfast and His mercy is unfailing.

The Lord God is merciful to the humble He will never ignore and reject the prayers of the faithful. Open your heart to Him and pray night and day. Tell Him you need His help to keep you firm all day No matter what storm may come along your way. Offer yourself to Him and beg Him to heal you and use you freely.

And to make your life meaningful, fruitful, and happy.

#### Do you Feel God is Far Away?

My dear brethren, do you feel that God is far away although you follow God's will not your own desires? Are you tempted to think that doing God's will is useless? Do you feel that God does not hear your prayers; God does not care about you, He is even against you?

Do not be sad; do not be terrified!

The fact that you truly love God; you worship Him in spirit and in truth, and you do His will, God is certainly not against you. Remember, many of our brethren and ancestors in the faith have felt and suffered the way you do. You are not alone!

Our ancestor Job had said:

"I complain against God, I cannot keep from groaning. How I wish I knew where to find Him and knew where to go where He is. I would state my case before Him and present all the arguments in my favor. I want to know what He would say and how He would answer me...."

"I have searched in the east, but God is not there; I have not found Him when I searched in the west...." Yet God knows every step I take; if He tests me, He will find me pure... Because I always do what God commands; I follow His will not my own desires."

My dear ones, imagine how Job suffered and groaned in pain. Think what grief and anguish Job had in his mind. Job sincerely worshiped and served God Almighty, but in a wink all that God had blessed him were destroyed and gone. Job lost all his children and the house where his children gathered when a raging storm hit them and killed them all.

Job also lost all his property – his thousands of sheep, cattle, donkeys, camels, and servants. Practically, Job lost everyone and everything precious to him. In addition, Job was terribly sick physically; he had boils all over his body. Furthermore, his friends were not kind and sympathetic to him. They thought and presumed Job was guilty of sin and because of his sins God severely punished him.

Job's friends said:

*"Have you confessed your sins to God and promised not to sin again?"* 

"Have you asked God to show you your faults, and have you agreed to stop doing evil? "Job, you know that from ancient time no wicked man will be happy for long. Everything he has saved is destroyed by fire not lit by human hands burns him and his family. Heaven reveals this man's sin, and the earth gives testimony against him."

Job answered:

*"How could I lie and say I am wrong? I am fatally wounded, but I am sinless."* 

"You came to comfort me, but your comfort is torment."

My dear brethren, Job's pain and suffering was beyond measure. But, did Job give up his faith in God because of grief and anguish? Absolutely No. He kept the faith and waited for better times. Job said: "I will wait for better times. Wait till this time of trouble is ended."

Surely, Job did not suffer for nothing; Job did not wait in vain. He won the victory over satan – the devil by simply waiting patiently. He won the victory for God's honor and glory because he defeated satan who challenged God to allow him to test Job's faith in God – Yahweh Almighty and see if he would remain faithful. HalleluYah! Job had the faith that is strong, unmovable, and steadfast no matter what the *circumstance.* The faith that prophet Isaiah also declares: "Faith that is firm is also patient" (Isaiah 28: 16).

Prophet Jeremiah:

Prophet Jeremiah, the weeping prophet complained to God Almighty saying: "Lord everyone makes fun of me; they laugh at me all day long. I am ridiculed and scorned all the time because I proclaim your message. But when I say, 'I will forget the Lord and no longer speak in his name,' then your message is like a fire burning deep within me.

I try my best to hold it in, but can no longer keep it back.... Curse the day I was born! Forget the day my mother gave birth....why was I born? Was it only to have trouble and sorrow, to end my life in disgrace?

Certainly, everyone knows that the words of Prophet Jeremiah are words of pain and anguish. But, did Jeremiah suffer in vain? Absolutely No. Through the life of Jeremiah; through his sufferings the whole world is given the opportunity to hear God and to know that God cares for His people and He is not willing that any man would perish but that all men should come to repentance and live with him forever. Above all, Prophet Jeremiah brought honor and glory to God our Father in heaven forever and ever!

### "Walk by Faith not by Sight"

#### Let us walk by faith.... Let us live by faith not by sight!

Life in this world is not easy. To many people around the world, it is really hard especially to those who are called by the Lord God in the ministry. I know this very well because I have experienced this personally together with my family.

My dear brethren, the Lord does not call us because we are financially stable or we have this and that property. He does not call us because we are graduates of this or that course and we are well equipped. The Lord does not call us because a barn of rice, corn, wheat, etc. is already prepared for us.

He neither call us because we are popular and we could easily get people to support us. Certainly, all these are good and important but the Lord does not call us because of these. The Lord calls us because it is His pleasure to use us, regardless of our social and economic standing in the world.

In my case together with my family, the Lord called us when we had nothing; when we were practically empty of material things. No money on hand, no savings, no job because I have decided to attend full time to my four children. Fortunately, it was at this time, the time when I simply laid my life before the Lord and depended on His love and mercy; the time when I have decided to live by faith not by sight that I heard the Lord clearly.

Gladly, it was also during this time that I have felt the love, the mercy, and power of the Lord wonderfully. I understand the Lord has many ways in doing things but this is how it happened to me. Truly, the Lord is good, merciful and faithful to all who love Him and honor Him.

By His grace, mercy, and blessing through His unfailing love to His children, we sailed slowly but safely until we become what we are today.

Brethren, when you hear the call of our Lord and Savior, do not be afraid. Do not be anxious and worried about tomorrow. Be strong and courageous. Live by faith not by sight.

The Lord who called you is surely able to take care of you. "He will never fail you nor forsake you." Day by day, let us saturate ourselves with the holy words and promises of our Father and Savior. Remember, He who promised us beautiful, wonderful, glorious future is holy and faithful. It is impossible for Him to lie. Let us believe with all our heart that no matter what the circumstance be, no matter what the world think and say, that does not make the words and promises of our Father and Savior null and void. For, there is nothing in this world or the worlds above and below that can make the words and promises of our Father and Savior null and void.

### The Lord God Says:

"Call unto me and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not." "I will never abandon you."

"Put me to the test and you will see that I will open the windows of heaven and pour out on you in abundance all kinds of good things."

"Grass withers and flowers fade, but the words of our God endure forever." "Heaven and earth may pass away but my words will never pass away" (Jeremiah 33: 3; Hebrews 13: 5; Malachi 3: 10b; Isaiah 40: 8; Matthew 24: 35).

Let us "walk by faith..." Let us live by faith not by sight. The Lord God who calls us is ever able to see us through. HalleluYah!



When Hope is crushed, the heart is crushed, but a wish come true fills you with joy. Proverbs 13: 12

For it was by hope that we were saved; but if we see what we hope for, then it is not really hope. For who hopes for something he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Romans 8: 24-25

...I will quietly wait for the time to come when God will punish those who attack us. Even though the fig trees have no fruit and no grapes grow on the vines, even though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no grain, even though the sheep all die and the cattle stalls are empty, I will be joyful and glad, because the Lord God is my Savior Habakkuk 3: 16-18 We boast of the hope we have of sharing God's glory! We also boast of our troubles, because we know that trouble produces endurance, endurance brings God's approval, and his approval creates hope. Romans 5: 2-4

"A man may live for 40 days without food." "A man my live for 7 days without water." "A man may live for 5 minutes without an air." "But a man without hope may only last for a second."

## Bereaved and Lonely?

Take courage and be strong! Trust in the Lord God Almighty Who is the Source of all good things. The Lord is good and compassionate He looks upon His people with great compassion. His favor is upon the humble.

*He is near to all who call to Him sincerely. He is always ready to help the needy.* 

Yahweh Almighty our God and Father Through His Son Yahshua the Messiah and The Holy Spirit is omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent.

He is the Lord of the past, the present, and the future. He knows you and all that has been happening with you, He cares for you.

He has beautiful plans for your life and your future.

He said:

"I know the plans I have for you, plans for good and not disaster; plans to give you the future that you hope for" (Jeremiah 29: 11).

The Lord God loves you! Allow Him to comfort you. Say: Lord touch me and heal me, and I will be healed. Bless me and keep me strong and make me a blessing to others for your honor and glory.

While the Lord is healing you and making you well again, Remember, there's a time or season for everything.

"A time to find and a time to lose."

"A time to be born and a time to die."

"A time for joy and a time for sorrow."

"A time to laugh and a time to cry."

"A time for mourning and a time for dancing."

Hope for the time when new, good, beautiful things will be born. Hope for a wonderful future – Hope for the time when you will laugh and dance for joy. No one who puts his trust and hope in the Lord God will be disappointed.

## Hope In God's Promises

Lord, how happy I am because of your promises-I place my hope in you alone, in your constant love and promises that will never fail. With thanksgiving in my heart

I sing songs of praise because: Your love for us is steadfast Your faithfulness lasts forever Your mercy endures from generation to generation.

Your promises are pure and dependable Your promises are as good as fulfilled already because You are holy, just, and faithful. Your words are holy, sharp, quick, and powerful.

Lord, thank you that you Keep us safe, and bless us I pray with Blessings beyond measure according To your promises to us all.

## "God is Everywhere"

God sees and knows everyone and everything. No one can hide from Him. Nothing is kept secret to Him. He knows when we are in pain and in sorrow.

He feels our pain and shares our sorrows-He loves us; His love for us is unconditional!

He knows when people wronged us and despised us. He knows when we are taken advantaged of or people are unjust to us. He is everywhere and he knows everything!

Our God is a God who punishes evil. His anger burns against all evil doers. God is holy and just and He cares for us! God does not tolerate evil and He will surely reward everyone According to what each one has done.

#### God said:

"Blessed are the merciful: they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the humble: they shall be exalted. Blessed are the pure in heart: they shall see God. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness: they shall be filled Blessed are the peacemakers:

they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they that mourn: they shall be comforted. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake: the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them."

"It is more blessed to give than to receive."

#### Think About The Lord

Have you been disgraced and put to shame? Do you feel completely helpless? Do you feel that all those you hoped to be with you have deserted you? Are you in crises emotionally....?

Are your wounds deep and serious? Do you feel that people dislike you, even hate you? Do you feel and think that no one cares about you?

Think of the Lord Yahshua the Messiah. Think how deep and wide; how high and long; how broad was His love for mankind. Think how the people treated Him in spite of all the good things He was doing.

He was severely mistreated and slandered. He was falsely accused. He was slapped and spat on the face. He was beaten and crowned with thorns. He was forced to carry a heavy cross and on it He was crucified.

In provocation, the soldiers made fun of Him. They said: "If you are the Son of God, save yourself. Come down from the cross." They hit Him and said: "Prophesy who hit you, prophet." Think about the Lord – what did He do? The Lord Yahshua the Messiah quietly bore all the pains and shame. He did not argue with anyone. Why? It's no use arguing with people who refuse to understand.

He did not quarrel somebody. Yahshua the Messiah did not give up because of the cross. Instead, He constantly prayed in private and in the open field or hills and mountains.

He consistently proclaimed the truth and did the will of God the Father. He kept the faith that God the Father –Yahweh Almighty will one day give Him final victory, honor, and glory.

Indeed, everyone should fall their knees and bow to Him forever Every tongue should confess that Yahshua the Messiah is the Lord and King.

The Lord of lords; the King of kings to the Glory of the Father in heaven!

### Mocked and Insulted?

Are you persecuted; humiliated, mocked and insulted because you do not conform to the standards of the world?

Do people look on you with contempt because you decided to do the will of God and disregarded the great opportunity to earn much money and live a materially comfortable life?

Hope thou in the Lord God whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

The Lord God who said: "Man shall not live by bread alone but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God-Yahweh Almighty."

"If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you." "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matthew 6: 33 My brethren, Congratulations! You are doing the right thing. May your number increase and may you prosper in all you do. The scripture teaches us:

Those who love money shall never be satisfied but those who love the Lord shall never lack any good thing. The Psalmist boldly declared: "I am an old man now; I have live a long time, but I have never seen a good man abandoned by the Lord or his children begging for food, at all times he gives freely and lends to others, and his children are a blessing."

People of the world, "Know the truth and the truth will set you free." Learn to put your trust and hope in the Lord and trust in Him always, not in wealth that are corruptible or in riches that thieves and robbers can steal.

Remember, that the world and the lust thereof passeth away but those who do the will of the Father abide forever" (I John 2: 16-17). "The righteous shall inherit the land and dwell therein but the wicked shall be rooted out of it." (Psalm 37; Proverbs 2)

## Plea for Help

Lord, I cry out to you. I cry out to you for help For, I have no one else to turn to.

I am in pain, weak, and in despair. Help me, I pray. Don't let me down. Let me feel afresh your love and mercy.

Show me your precious and great salvation. I am not worthy, but, Lord I plead for your mercy and favor.

Grant me the joy of receiving your great salvation, I pray.

I am all alone and in pain All those I hoped to comfort me and help me Have deserted me; they have turned against me, But you are God and not man. You are righteous and holy. You love to do what is right.

You are always ready to help and rescue any one who calls out to you for mercy.

Lord, thank you that: "You are a very present help in trouble."

"You are my light and salvation." "You are my refuge and strength."

You are my Rock of safety. You are my deliverer; my protector. Lord, thank you that you will never forsake me.

### You Are My Joy and My Hope

Dear Lord, you know very well what this world is like. You know how dark and chaotic it is. Being in this world, makes righteous people uncomfortable, even sick.

The philosopher was really right when he said: "In this world, sometimes righteous men get the punishment of the wicked, and wicked men get the reward of the righteous." "Capable men do not always rise to high positions. The brave do not always win the battles." Yes, because in this world, there are many hidden factors that count much for one to become a victor.

But, Lord you are my joy and my hope. Your presence in my life and knowing how much you love me is my greatest joy. Your holy and wonderful words to me, about me, and for me together with everyone you blessed me; your sweet and everlasting promises are my greatest hope.

Lord, thank you for the joy and the hope that you are ever ready to bless us day by day. The joy and the hope that keep us moving forward even through the darkest valley. In our journey, thank you that you are our strength, our light, our everything, until all the darkness in this world is swallowed up by your glorious light that is upon us your children.

Dear Lord, I am yours together with my loved ones and all that you have blessed me. Let your light shine upon us always so brightly, and let the whole world see the wonders of your love, mercy, power, and majesty until the whole world will be completely one with me to say: Truly, Lord, there is none like Thee!

#### The Future You Hope For

The merciful God and Father in heaven says to His faithful people: "Call unto me, pray unto me and I will answer thee. I will show you great and mighty things which you have not known."

"I alone know the plans I have for you, plans to bring you prosperity and not disaster, plans to bring about the future you hope for."

On the other hand, the Lord God declares: "I will pursue the wicked, the proud and arrogant, the faithless and disobedient, and those who do evil with war, starvation, and disease. They will be hungry and thirsty.

"They will cry with a broken heart. Many will die and perish from the earth, others will be scattered, made weak and disgraced forever because when I called they did not answer. When I spoke they did not listen and obey."

But as for you who obey me: "I am making a new earth and new heavens. The events of the past will be completely forgotten. Be glad and rejoice forever in what I create... There will be no weeping there, no calling for help. Babies will no longer die in infancy, and all people will live out their life span.

"Those who live to be a hundred will be considered young... They will freely enjoy the things they have worked for. The work they do will be successful, and their children will not meet with disaster.

"I will bless them and their descendants for all time to come. Even before they finish praying to me I will answer their prayers. Wolves and lambs will eat together; lions will eat straw as cattle do, snakes will no longer be dangerous. There will nothing harmful or evil."

#### HalleluYah!

## This is the future the Lord God our Father in heaven has prepared for us His children.

### "On the Day when I Act"

Blessed are you, humble and faithful people. You who have been suffering for the sake of truth, justice, and righteousness.

Blessed are you, for the Lord God has chosen you for salvation and to reveal His goodness and righteousness to the nations.

Now, you groan in pain because of the harshness of evil and sin. You moan in grief and sorrow. You mourn and weep in sadness. You sigh and cry in distress

But, give thanks in everything!

"Be strong and steadfast

Always abounding in the works of the Lord"

For, the Lord God has promised:

"The day is coming when all proud and evil people will burn like straw.

"On that day they will burn up, and there will be nothing left of them.

"But for you who obey me my saving power will rise on you like the sun and bring healing like the sun's rays. You will be as free and happy as calves let out of a stall. On the day when I act, you will overcome the wicked, and they will be like dust under your feet." "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy." Psalm 126: 5

### Sowing in Tears

Brethren, have you been sowing in tears? Are your pockets, rice buckets, your barn empty as you go out To sow heavenly seeds in the vineyard of our Father? Seeds of truth, faith, and hope;

Seeds of love and kindness according To the will of our Lord God and Master? Hope thou in the Lord God Almighty From whom all helps come, and

Remember: "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth Bearing precious seeds, shall Doubtless come again with rejoicing..."

A very striking and meaningful illustration of faith and hope That should serve as our inspiration is the hope of Prophet Habakkuk. The Prophet said:

"I will quietly wait for the time to come... Even though the fig trees have no fruit and no grapes grow on the vines, even though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no grain, even though the sheep all die and the cattle stalls are empty, I will still be joyful and glad because the Lord God is my Savior" (Habakkuk 3).

My dear brethren like our ancestor Habakkuk Let us be joyful regardless of circumstances. Even though our pockets, and rice buckets are empty Even though the world may be against us.

Let us be joyful and hopeful because The Lord God is our Savior. The Lord God who love us is ever ready To show us His salvation.

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## My Great Protector and Defender

Dear Lord God, my Father, I lift up my hands to you in prayers; in praise and thanksgiving. For, you have been my great protector and defender. Your protection upon me made my enemies tremble in fear and they are disgraced forever. You are ever ready to protect me from hidden danger, in your loving care I am always safe.

You have rescued me from all my enemies, from those liars and deceivers who love to see the ruin of your children. In the name of justice and righteousness You caused them to fall into the deep pits they have dug for me and be snared by the traps they have set for me. So, the wicked are destroyed by their own weapons, for all peoples around the world to learn their lessons.

I patiently waited for the Almighty and He saved me. He will never fail those who love Him sincerely. So, brethren, wait for His help more eagerly everyday. He is good and merciful to the humble and faithful. He is ready to save them from their oppressors. He is eager to show His righteousness to those who are oppressed, and to show his saving power to the needy and helpless.

# Hard Trials

Disappointments, failures, frustrations, mistakes and wrongs we have done and done to us are the very common trials and circumstances that cause people pains, sadness, sorrows, troubles, and suffering. So common that I believe, no one person who has ever lived on this earth is exempted and excused.

Trials are a test of our faith and capacity to endure and conquer or rise above our prevailing circumstances. To each of these trials, people have different reactions and response. Some are challenged and encouraged to be strong and do better – so, they grow higher and stronger.

Some are pushed to gain valuable insights and learn lessons, thus, they become wiser. Unfortunately, some others grow weak and hopeless. Devastated, slowly, they are sinking until they are entangled and imprisoned by depression.

But, this should not be my brethren. We should never be hopeless. We should instead pass the tests for we have a powerful God in heaven whose holy name is Yahweh. The God whose grace is abundant and sufficient for us His children. The God of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Joshua, David, Daniel... The God who miraculously rescued our ancestors from their troubles. The God whose words are dependable.

The God who said:

"When you pass through deep waters I will be with you. When you pass through fires, you will not be burned. Your troubles will not overwhelm you. The hard trials that come will not hurt you. I will save you because I love you."

Brethren, Yahweh our Father in heaven is a God whose love never ceases, whose mercy never comes to an end. HalleluYah!

Let us always remember that He is the God who did not withhold even His only begotten Son. But gave Him up for our salvation.

#### In Pain and Despair?

Hope thou in God our Father and Savior! The God who is ever ready to help the needy. Trust in our Father and Savior; do not despair. He will surely hear your cry for help.

Pray unto Him and say: Save me dear God and help me, I pray. I am worn out and in despair, and I have no one else to turn to but you.

Lift me up for the sake of your holy Name.

Don't let me bring disgrace to your precious Name and to my brethren - the people who worship you. Don't let me down dear God, save me I pray. Don't let me bring shame on those who trust in you.

In your great compassion, turn to me and bless me. Don't hide yourself from me, for, you are my only hope. In your great goodness answer me and rescue me from all my troubles. So that I can gladly worship you and joyfully sing songs of praise to you, dear God. Let me tell the whole world your great goodness and tender mercies.

Let my life be a mirror for all people to see and feel your unfailing love so that they too will worship you, praise you, and thank you with me forever and ever. In the Name of Yahshua the Messiah.

HalleluYah!

## When Hopes Are Small\*

When crises beat you like big waves Tossed here and there – life seems so cruel, Embitter and afraid, hopes are so small; Look up to see the wide blue sky above all!

When love fades like the tide that ebbs, When light grows dim, your soul is darkened, Worried and terrified, hopes are so small; Look around you to see how the trees became tall!

When strength is weakened – mind is burdened, A body can't stand, works are not done, The joy and laughter you had is now gone; Imagine how a river flows far beyond.

When sad and weary hands and tongue Have nothing to do and say, Walk by the pathway or by the sea. When hopes are small, remember, How great is thy and their Creator!

When worried about food to eat and clothes to wear – Look at the lilies in the fields and the fowls in the air; They neither toil nor spin, but the Heavenly Father feeds them! Trust and obey – Seek His will everyday, Food and clothes will amazingly come your way; Seek His righteousness and His kingdom, too All good things shall be added unto you!

"So do not start worrying: 'where will my food come from? Or my drink? Or my clothes?' (These are the things the pagans are always concerned about.) Your Father in heaven knows that you need all these things. Instead, be concerned above everything else with what he requires of you, and he will provide you with all these things."

Matthew 6: 31- 33

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