

REDEMPTION CHURCH OF CHRIST OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH



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Thank you for visiting us today at Redemption Church of Christ! We pray you will enjoy the service. We know that there are no mistakes with God.

Ask Him for guidance in your life, and allow Him to speak to you this morning through the Word of God.

*If you have any questions, feel free to ask!
Elder and Sis. Massey*

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Be Transformed

by Pastor John Massey, Jr.

Today is another day that you are either getting closer or further from God. Our Christian walk is like a person swimming upstream. When you stop swimming, you drift downstream. We must be proactive and not get hung up on resources by forgetting the Source--God. Resources come and go, but God is always be there.

What is the one thing you ought to be doing and are not doing it? Why aren't you? We must prioritize our life. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God" (Romans 12:1-2).

A Christian's life should be transformed and not blend in with the world. King Solomon described it this way: "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man" (Ecclesiastes 12:13). During the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus explained: "Ye are the salt of the earth....Ye are the light of the world" (Matthew 5:13-14).

Battles are first won or lost in the mind. You are "transformed by the renewing of your mind" (Romans 12:2). "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he" (Proverbs 23:7). Apostle Paul exhorted believers "For I say....to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly" (Romans 12:3). As long as you have the Holy Ghost, you have adequate faith to get you started. "For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath"(II Corinthians 8:12).

The devil is a formidable foe, but he will get the advantage only if we give it to him. "Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world" (I John 4:4). One of the devil's tactics is worry. He will try to get you to rehash the past or imagine the worst possible scenario. Having a victim's mentality feeds into this. Do not allow the enemy to exploit and capitalize on your weaknesses. "Worrying gives a small thing a big shadow" (Swedish proverb). Do not worry. "For your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him" (Matthew 6:8).

In spite of how you feel, be thankful because your trials could always be worse. "In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you" (I Thessalonians 5:18). Our determination, purpose, and enthusiasm makes overcoming academic. "And we know that all things work together for the good to them that love the Lord" (Romans 8:28). "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith" (I John 5:4).

Jesus warned Peter: "Behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat" (Luke 22:31). The adversary's intent is to

shatter, fragment, and break us. We first break up internally, lose our spiritual focus, and begin making decisions based on emotions. Next we break up externally. You do not have to fall apart just because your circumstances are falling apart. You may be struggling, but you do not have to quit. Choose to make the best of your circumstances. Be optimistic about what God can do: "I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight" (Isaiah 45:2).

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths" (Proverbs 3:6). Get someone involved in prayer when you are struggling. "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). Ask the Lord to put a true friend in your life. "Faithful are the wounds of a friend" (Proverbs 27:6). Stop looking back with regret. Let go of the hurts and pains of the past, and view this as the first day of the rest of your life. Take one day at a time, and remember that success comes in increments.

Moses sent out twelve men to spy out the promised land. Ten of the spies brought back an evil report: "We were in our our sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their own sight " (Numbers 13:33). The majority is not always right. Caleb and Joshua saw their circumstances through faith: "Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it" (verse 30).

Are your struggles prolonged? Then you are getting the victory. "The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands shall be stronger and stronger" (Job 17:9).

To change how you feel, you must change how you think. Get a Biblical perspective on your trials: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (I Corinthians 4:13). God allowed your circumstances to happen. To become an overcomer is your choice. "If God be for us, who can be against us?...In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us" (Romans 8:31 - 37).

Schedule of Services

Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship 12:30 p.m.

Monday Women of Faith/Men of Honor 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

Friday End Time Prophecy Conference 7:00 p.m.

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