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Prayer meetings are taking place online via Zoom on Wednesdays at 7.00pm. If you need information on how to join the meeting please email connect@tpcf.org.uk

Let us pray for the many who have lost loved ones; those who are experiencing suffering as a result of the COVID-19, those caring for individuals, keyworkers, and those working on the front line.

Please pray for the grace, mercy, and favour of God in this season.

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SPRING INTO ACTION

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You Can Change

'We are the clay, and you are the potter.' Isaiah 64:8

Have you ever watched a lump of clay being transformed into something beautiful? The clay cannot change itself; the power to do that lies in the hands of the potter.

Isaiah says, 'We are the clay, and you are the potter. We are all formed by your hand.' That means you don't have to live the rest of your life with hang-ups; God can change you. Even if you've been a worrier all your life, you don't have to worry for the rest of your life.

You may ask "what if you

were born in poverty or prejudice?" This does not mean you have to continue life that way. Where did you get the idea that you can't change? What is the source of comments such as 'It's just my nature to worry,' or 'I'll always be pessimistic; I'm just that way,' or 'I come from a family of alcoholics and addicts so I'll never be free'? Would you make the same statement about your physical body? 'It's just my nature to have a broken leg. I can't do anything about it.' Of course not. If your body

malfunctions, you seek help. Shouldn't you do the same with your sinful appetites, sour attitudes, and selfish behaviours? What the world sees as rubbish, God sees as treasure. And like the potter, He can take you, mould you, and make you into a vessel of honour (see 2 Timothy 2:21).

All you have to do is place your life in His hands. We sing, 'Have Thine own way, Lord, have Thine own way. Thou art the potter, I am the clay.' When you stop trying to change yourself and surrender to God, true



This was provided to SIA by the late Sister Nelson in 1997. It was a blessing to have known Sister Nelson, always encouraging the saints. This has been used with permission by Sister Joy (Sister Nelson's daughter).

Faith

Faith may be defined as being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

The following important examples of faith should serve as encouragement to us, and help us to maintain our confidence in the power of our creator and our salvation.

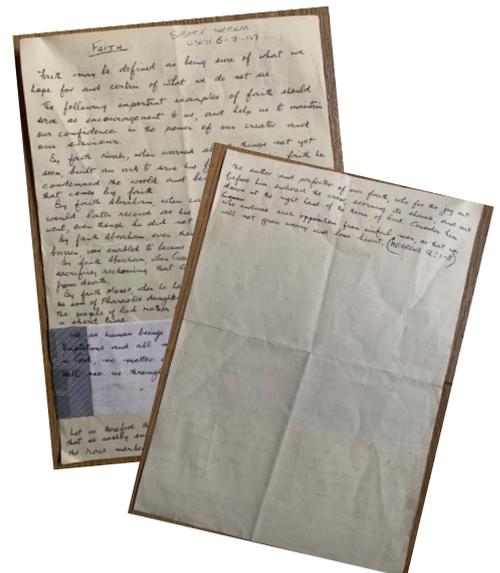
By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became an heir of righteousness that comes by faith. By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. By faith Abraham, even though he was very old, and his wife barren, was enabled to become a father. By faith Abraham, when God instructed him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice, reckoning that God would raise his son from death.

By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. He chose to be ill-treated along with the people of God, rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time.

We as human beings have to undergo many trials, sufferings, temptations and all manner of evils. But if we have faith in God, no matter what misfortunes come our way, He will see us through just as He did in times past.

Let us therefore through off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him, endured the cross, its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider Him who endured much opposition from sinful men, so that we will not grow weary and lose heart.

Based on Hebrews 12: 1-3



Be still
and know
that I am
God
-PSALM 46:10

Do you have some encouragement you would like to share with SIA's readers? Please e-mail it to SIA@tpcf.org.uk

Thought for the month

"I'm not trying to be a people pleaser; I am trying to please God" Galatians 1:10

A talented young musician studied under a famous violin teacher. Now it was time for his first recital. He performed magnificently and received numerous 'Bravos!' Strangely he seemed not to hear them, but kept glancing anxiously at the front row. It wasn't until a white-haired man rose and nodded graciously, that the young violinist started to smile. His master had praised his work! He had received the only approval that matters!

We should not be obsessed with the need to impress. Don't allow the approval of others to obstruct your view of yourself. Concerning Jesus we read, 'Some... Jewish leaders, believed in Him. But they wouldn't admit it... because of their fear that the Pharisees would expel them... For they loved human praise more than the praise of God.' (John 12:42-43)

Have the courage of your convictions. Do not let others stop you from doing what you know is right!

Whose approval do you seek?



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CELEBRATE! Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries in May

Derrick Brown Sun 2nd
 Marsha Ghann Sun 2nd
 Kevin Mon 3rd
 Naomi Falana Mon 3rd
 Simone McIntyre..... Tue 4th
 Patricia Wood Tue 4th
 Rouchard Tue 4th
 Emmanuel & Ruth Waldron
 celebrate their Wedding Anniversary
 on 4th May
 Tiannah Finegan Wed 6th
 Joy Wilson Fri 7th
 R'aya Bennett Fri 7th
 Melika Brown-Minott Sat 8th
 Erin Dash Sat 8th

Mervaline Cooper Sun 9th
 Juliet Rowe..... Sun 9th
 Seymour McCalla Sun 9th
 Chante Jimmie-Finegan Sun 9th
 Lendica Sun 9th
 Taiwo Ibrahim..... Mon 10th ,
 Kehinde xxx..... Mon 10th
 Tula Lynch..... Tue 11th
 Mary Thomas Tue 11th
 Simon..... Tue 11th
 Cos Roberts..... Thu 13th
 Karen Henry Fri 14th
 Tency McKay Sat 15th

Eden Hall..... Sun 16th
 Daniel & Makeda Alleyne
 Celebrate their Wedding Anniversary
 on 16th May
 Sister Henry..... Mon 17th
 Abel Ekpitini..... Tue 18th
 Sister Wood Fri 21st

Sister Veda Mon 24th
 Tunji and Naomi Falana
 Celebrate their Wedding Anniversary
 on 26th May
 Gloria Meade..... Thu 27th
 John Stephenson Thu 27th
 Anaiyah-Rae Daniel..... Sat 29th

ENCOURAGEMENT AS YOU CELEBRATE

“Therefore, with minds that are alert
 and fully sober, set your hope on the
 grace to be brought to you when
 Jesus Christ is revealed at his
 coming.”

1 Peter 1:13

“I love you, O LORD, my strength.
 The LORD is my rock, my fortress
 and my deliverer; my God is my
 rock, in whom I take refuge. He is
 my shield and the horn of my
 salvation, my stronghold.”

Psalms 18:1-2

“You are forgiving and good, O
 Lord, abounding in love to all who
 call to you. Hear my prayer, O
 LORD; listen to my cry for mercy.
 In the day of my trouble I will call
 to you, for you will answer me.”

Psalms 86: 5-7

“For I am convinced that neither
 death nor life, neither angels nor
 demons, neither the present nor the
 future, nor any powers, neither
 height nor depth, nor anything else
 in all creation, will be able to
 separate us from the love of God
 that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 8:38-39

We want to celebrate
 with you and your family.
 Whether you are a
 member or regularly
 attend PCF, let's
 celebrate together. E-
 mail your dates to
SIA@tpcf.org.uk and we
 will get them printed in
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Answers

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| 1) 969 years | 7) Forty days and nights |
| 2) Carpenter | 8) Elijah |
| 3) Golden calf | 9) A man that Jesus brought back from the dead |
| 4) Cut the baby in half | 10) A letter that became a book of the Bible |
| 5) He was jealous because God preferred Abel's sacrifice | 11) David |
| 6) Arranged to have her husband killed, then married her | 12) on a donkey |
| | 13) Joseph |

1. How long did Methuselah live?

- 3 months
- 33 years
- 99 years
- 969 years

2. What was the profession of Joseph, Jesus's earthly father?

- Carpenter
- Temple priest
- Farmer
- Cheesemaker

3. When Moses came down from Mt. Sinai what did he discover the Israelites worshipping?

- A golden calf
- A statue of Baal
- The sun
- Himself

4. What did King Solomon propose to do when two women were claiming to be a child's real mother?

- Give the child to the richer woman
- Take the child for himself
- Cut the baby in half
- Cast lots with the loser being stoned to death

5. Why did Cain kill Abel?

- He was jealous because God preferred Abel's sacrifice
- He coveted Abel's land
- For revenge after Abel stole his wife
- He wanted Abel's warm and beautiful coat

6. What did King David do when he became infatuated with Bathsheba?

- Arranged to have her husband killed, then married her
- Sang a song to her while playing the lyre
- Conquered Jerusalem
- Committed suicide

7. How long did it rain during the deluge that killed everyone except for Noah and his family?

- One day
- forty days and nights
- About one year
- Eleven years and a day

8. Which of these is NOT a book in the Bible?

- 1 Corinthians
- Job
- Exodus
- Elijah

9. Who was Lazarus?

- A money lender
- An angel cast out of heaven
- A king of Judea
- A man that Jesus brought back from the dead

10. Who or what is an epistle?

- A sermon given by Jesus
- A letter that became a book of the Bible
- A crown of thorns
- A person who spread the word of Jesus

11. Who is credited with writing about half of the Book of Psalms?

- Solomon
- Moses
- John the Baptist
- David

12. How did Jesus enter Jerusalem on Palm Sunday?

- On foot
- Carried in a chair by his disciples
- On his hands and knees
- on a donkey

13. Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt. But who led them into Egypt?

- Jeremiah
- Jezebel
- Joseph
- Jehoshaphat