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New Year greetings and blessings!

May this year bring forth all the riches of heaven and earth to you! This New Year shall be a year of your dream fulfillment, great expansion, great harvest, and great walk with God! My heart is filled with gratitude for you and for what you have done to us. You stood with us in your prayer, financial help and support faithfully these years, to carry on God's mandate.

Last year we have trained nearly eighteen thousand mighty men and women of God from all over India and some other countries through our seminars and schools by the grace of God. Only heaven knows how much our literature and media is ministering to the Body of Christ. All the glory goes to God, for He alone deserves all of it.

This year is going to be one of the breakthrough years for you and us. This year is the year of enlargement and expansion, breaking all your limitations (Ps.118:5). This year is the year of possessing the hidden treasures (Isa.45:1-3). What we were not able to accomplish all these years could be done quickly in this year if we dare to expand and enlarge. Nothing is impossible to God and you, His partner.

We had nearly three thousand people in the three days fasting prayer from January 15th to 17th in Theni, Tamil Nadu. We prayed powerfully and prophetically for our national issues. Many youngsters attended this fasting prayer and they committed their life to run for the Kingdom of God.

We have total 293 students from 19 states and two countries for this

In Christ, the word 'worry' has no place in your dictionary! Erase the word from your mind NOW! Enjoy His abundance, abounding in praises!

- Prophet Ezekiah Francis

Leadership Training School, 2019. Most of them are already in the ministry and in the leadership. Pray that the Holy Spirit completely take over this school and make them as mighty leaders who carry the heart of the Father to the nations.

As usual Apostles and Prophets around the globe will gather for the mighty encounter of God from February 18th to 22nd. Don't miss this golden opportunity! Rush for your registration! I beg you this will change the course of your life and ministry.

Women! You are most welcome for the School of the Holy Spirit for women in the month of March from 1st to 31st. You will be a totally new person once when you leave the school. Don't confer with your flesh and blood just obey the voice of the Spirit and strife to be here.

We have big visions from the Lord to train many thousands of God's people especially in North India. We earnestly covet your sincere prayers for all our programs and for God's strength to accomplish it. Please remember God will never forget what you do for His ministry and vision. Expect prophetic reward this year as never before. We need people who can offer their expertise to help our ministry in various ways. Please contact us and be a part of this great endeavor. Continuous miracle will follow you as you seek God's Kingdom first. Prove it this year.

Kindly pray for me and my wife and our aged parents and all our leaders and partners and staff as we enter into this New Year with new vigor, vision and adventure.

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SEE YOURSELF IN CHRIST

Prophet Ezekiah Francis

ALPHA AND OMEGA IN CHRIST

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty" (Ge.1:1; Rev.1:8)

hat a privilege to begin this year with God! "In the beginning God..." is the first sentence in the Bible. This is the great specialty of God's Word. God is always the Beginner. He is the Initiator. He is the First. He is the Foundation. He laid the foundation of the earth. He is the Author. The heavens are the work of His hands. He is eternal. His years go on through all generations and will never end (Ps. 102:25-27). He is the Source. All life and breath come from Him (Ac.17:25). You will lack nothing (Ps.23:1). He began this year for you.

Jesus your Lord is also the beginning. He was with God before He even created the heavens and the earth (Pr.8:22-31; Jn.1:1-2). He is the Firstborn over all creation. By Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist (Col.1:15-17).

The great Holy Spirit was hovering over the face of the waters before anything was created. He is the Breath of the Almighty (Ge.1:2; Job 33:4; Ps.104;30).

The moment you came to Christ, you became one with this Great Beginner. He began His good work in you (Phil.1:6). He loved you first, and He chose you first (Jn.15:16). Your life in Christ is God's idea even before the foundation of the world (Eph.1:4). Christ was present from the very beginning, and you were in Him.

You are the child of this Great Author and Finisher of life. He began His life in you, and He will complete it till the end. He is not only the beginning, He is also the end. He is Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last (Rev.1:8,11; 21:6; 22:13). Whatever He begins, He finishes perfectly. He initiates, and He completes. Since you are of God, nobody can overthrow you (Ac.5:39). Since the Great Elohim and His Word are your foundation, no rain, flood or wind can shake you even a bit (Mt.7:25).

In Christ, you will always be the first in everything. You will be the head, not the tail. You will excel in every area of your life. You will always be on top, never beneath (Dt.28:13).

Remember, the devil is not the beginning or the end of your life. He is not Alpha nor Omega. He came in between and will vanish on the way. Before he even conceives his evil plans for you, God has already planned victory for you. No matter how much he attacked and oppressed you, he cannot stay till the end. He can never succeed. He has to pack up and run! All your life problems are not with you from the beginning, and they won't stay until the end. The ultimate victory is yours!

Beloved, in the first chapter of the Bible, you only see God and his awesome power and ability. In the second chapter, you see man and his God-given potential. Only in the third chapter, you see satan and his craftiness. See, your God and you are first, not your enemy! Cheer up!

Come, explore and see who you are in Christ. This revelation will thoroughly transform you and give you tremendous breakthroughs in this new year. In Christ, you are everything Christ is. He is the Firstborn over all creation. You are the first and the crown of all creation. In Christ, you are the image of the invisible God. In Christ, all things in heaven, on earth, visible and invisible, even the demonic world, satan's thrones, his dominions, his principalities and powers are created for you. In Christ, all things consist in you. Jesus is your head. You are His Body. In Christ, He and you have preeminence in every walk of life (Col.1:15-18).

You began this year with God, and you will complete this year with God's glory and perfection. Day by day, your light shall shine brighter and brighter (Pr.4:18).

Thank You, Lord, You are the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End of my life. I am confident that You have begun a good work in me, and You will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. Though my beginning was small, my latter end will increase abundantly because I am in Christ.

CREATION AND RECREATION IN CHRIST

The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light...

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new

(Ge.1:2-3; 2.Co.5:17)
et's compare God's creation of the earth and our new creation. We can see some unique features that apply to both creations.

Perfection: This is the first characteristics of God's creation. The earth was formless, void and dark, maybe due to the fall of Lucifer. So God

created everything to make it perfect and complete. This also happened to you, the new creation. God created man with all perfection but through the fall, man became imperfect. God took this fallen man and made him a perfect new creation in Christ. There is no imperfect believer in Christ. You are complete in Him, with all the fullness and beauty of God (Col.2:9-10).

Now you are His new creation, old things are gone forever (2.Co.5:17). In Christ, you have His form and structure, so don't accept your past unstructured lifestyle any longer. In Christ, you are full and complete, so don't allow wastage and emptiness. In Christ, you are light, so resist any kind of darkness (Eph.5:8-14). The perfect creation portrays the character of the perfect Creator. When He recreated you, He did everything perfect.

Spirit and Word: God creates everything by His Spirit and His Word. Both the creation of the earth and the new creation were accomplished by God's Word and God's Spirit. As God's Spirit was hovering over the earth, God's Spirit was hovering over you. When you heard God's Word, God's Spirit breathed new life into you (Jn.1:12; Heb.1:3; 11:3; Jas.1:18). You are born again by the Spirit and the Word (Jn.3:3,5). As Jesus was conceived in Mary's womb by God's Word and the overshadowing power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus was conceived in you by His Word and Spirit (Lk.1:35). In Christ, you have His Spirit and His Word to create your world as God designed.

Light: The first day, God commanded light, divided it from darkness, and called it day. When you were formed in Christ, the first thing He did was to cause His light to shine in your heart. You received His glory (2.Co.4:6). God, the true and great Light, is shining in you. Think about it!

In Christ, you are delivered from the powers of darkness and transferred into the Kingdom of His true Light (Col.1:12-14). You share the inheritance of His saints in the light. This all happened the day you put your trust in Jesus.

Salvation is not simply obtaining forgiveness of sins. It is a total transfer from the world of darkness to the world of light (Col.1:13). Resist every form of darkness wherever it tries to control or dominate you. Shout to the devil that now you are a well-qualified citizen of God's Kingdom

(Phil.3:20).

You are the light of the world (Mt.5:14). If so, how much more can you bring light to your own family, friends and circle! Your spirit man is the lamp of God in you that can enlighten your emotions, feelings, look and your entire body. Stephen's spirit was so bright that even his face reflected it (Ac.6.15). You are a glory-carrier!

Beloved, now you are full of God's perfection and glory. Every cell of your body is radiating with God's light. Wherever you go, you dispel darkness and bring His light. Once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light! Rebuke the deeds of darkness! Put on the full armor of light. Let your light shine before men and bring glory to your Father by your good works (Mt.5:16). Be decent and true in everything you do, as in the open light of day, so that everyone can approve of your behavior (1.Thes.5:5-9; Ro.13:11-14; Eph.5:8). God called you the Light and the Day. Call yourself so constantly! This will revolutionize your life. Shine today!

Thank You, Lord, in Christ, I am perfect just as my Father in heaven is perfect. I have been born again through the Word of God that lives and abides forever. I am a child of light and child of day, not of the night nor of darkness because I am in Christ.

SEPARATION IN CHRIST

And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness...

Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? (Ge.1:4; 2.Co.6:14)

s we continue comparing our new creation with the creation of the world, we see many of God's characteristics. This throws light on what He did in our new creation.

Separation: God is a God of distinction and separation. After creating the light, He separated it from the darkness and made night and day. Then again, He divided the heaven, earth and the sea. He separated the things of heaven from the things of the earth.

Similarly, the moment you accepted Christ, you were separated from this world. Jesus said, you are in the world but not of the world (Jn.17:14,16). You became a heavenly person. He that comes from heaven speaks the things of heaven. You think heaven's thoughts and you speak the things of heaven. Likewise, the earthly man thinks and speaks the earthly things (Jn.3:31).

Jesus lived His life constantly in heaven-consciousness. He received instructions and directions from heaven (Jn.5:19-20). In Christ, you know how to divide the things of heaven from the things of this earth, the things of the spirit from the things of the flesh (1.Co.2:14-15). Paul was so sensitive to distinguish between what comes from the Lord and his own opinion. He knew the art of dividing between spirit and soul. God's Word, as a

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sharp two-edged sword, is given to you primarily to discern what comes from your spirit and what comes from your soul (Heb.4:12). Don't mix spirit and soul. This would mar the brightness of your new creation.

Heaven controls: In God's creation. everything is under heaven's rule. Heaven is controlling the earth. God created sun and moon and stars to control seasons, days and years (Ge.1:14). As the heavenly bodies govern day and night and all the seasons, heaven controls and governs you, the new creation.

As you are governed by heaven, you govern this earth as a heavenly ambassador (Phil.3:20; 2.Co.5:20). Through you, God's will is done on earth as it is in heaven (Mt.6:10). By using your authority of binding and loosing, you bring down heaven on this earth (Mt.16:18). All your directions come from heaven. In Christ, you are called and authorized to represent God's Kingdom through your prayer and proclamation.

In Christ, you are a heavenly person. You breathe the heavenly breeze. Your very presence brings heavenly atmosphere. Your life is hidden

with Christ in God (Col.3:3). Christ is living in you, and you in Him. He moves wherever you move.

As the heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament shows His handiwork, you declare the glory of God and show His handiwork (Ps.8:1: 19:1). Anyone who sees you will be wonderstruck to see God's majesty and power in your life. This is the very purpose of your existence in this world. You are created for God's pleasure and for the praises of His glory (Eph. 1:6, 12, 14).

Beloved, you are a heavenly ambassador on this earth with a heavenly commission and authority. You are heaven's channel to release heavenly blessings on earthly beings. In Christ, you are authorized to control and govern this earth. Live up to your position!

Thank You, Lord, I am not of this world as You are not of this world. My citizenship is in heaven. You made me righteous, a light, a little Christ, a believer and a temple of God. You dwell in me and walk in me. You are my Father, and I am Your child because I am in Christ.

BERACHAH TRAINING CENTER

CENTER OF HEALING FOR ALL NATIONS - Building Phase III

"Arise and begin working, and the LORD be with you" (1 Chronicles 22:16)

God has been faithful in fulfilling the vision which HE entrusted to us. Believers from many nations have already been blessed in our "CENTER OF HEALING FOR ALL NATIONS" in Poondi. A young generation of leaders is being raised, a generation with great zeal to shake the nations with the anointing power of the Holy Ghost. The painfully limiting factor is accommodation as well as a nice all-weather dining hall. We have therefore ventured out into a

3.36 Crore Project. This is the cost of the building alone, without any interiors or furniture. The building will host a dining hall for 650 people. 29 new guestrooms and a smaller auditorium for 800 people, mainly for schools, are being built.

Extension work planned:

Dining Hall (Ground Floor) -6420 sq.ft

©29 Rooms -7819 sq.ft Meeting Hall -8157 sq.ft

Total

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SCHOOL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR LADIES - 14TH BATCH

- * After attending this 14th batch of School of the Holy Spirit for Ladies at Berachah, God is using me more than ever before. When I minister individuals, God gives prophetic word for each of them. It amazes me. I am cheerfully thanking Berachah Prophetic Ministry Ruth, Bareily, UP.
- *Praise the Lord! I came to the 14th batch of the School of the Holy Spirit, resigning my job. Even my family didn't know about my belief in Jesus. I am the only one got saved in my family. But God gave a good job better than the earlier one. As Rev. Benita Francis prophesied that I will see miracles and wonders after coming from school, really the miracles started to happen in my life. I cheerfully thank Berachah Prophetic Ministries, Prophet Ezekiah Francis, Rev. Benita Francis, Sis. Sudha, Bro. Alex and all the staff Kusuma, Bangalore
- * Praise the Lord!!! Thanks to the Family of BPM. God is doing wonderful miracles through me after the School of the Holy Spirit. People touch my clothes and get filled with the anointing of the Holy Spirit. It's beyond my imagination! We do curse breaking in our camp. Many people are getting healed and receiving breakthrough. God is giving many revelations while preaching the word. I am getting many invitations from many churches. All glory to God! Thanking God for Prophet Ezekiah Francis, Rev. Benita Francis, Sis. Sudha, Bro. Alex. and the Berachah Team. Sonali Gaikwad, Pune, Maharashtra.
- * Praise God, as we are from the CSI (Church of South India) background my family have less belief on the Holy Spirit of God and they never believe speaking in tongues. When I came back from the School of the Holy Spirit, I preached them about tongues and the Holy Spirit, immediately my younger brother and my sister in law received tongues and started speaking. Coming to my parents I gave "How to break cruel curses" book to my parents, when my father read the second chapter and prayed the prayer mentioned in the ending of the chapter, he was started sweating and he testified that something left him. Now my father wants to gift the "How to break cruel curses" book to every family of CSI church. Though still we have trials about my elder brother, I know within no time he will be back to God. I testify all this in Jesus Name! Ankitha, Hyderabad
- *The Lord is using me to comfort and strengthen my mother who is very much heart-broken. I am taking classes for her from my School of the Holy Spirit notes and she is so excited. She wants to come for the next school Chanjal

Next Batch
SCHOOL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT for Ladies
unquenchable desire
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The Secret Key To A Divine Healing Ministry By John G Laka

John G. Lake Ministries, 1999 edition



- I. The most frustrating position in which Christians that believe in divine healing can find themselves, is to know that God can heal, that God does heal and that He will heal the sick, and to know the "A, B, C's" of divine healing ministry: availability, boldness, and compassion, and yet still not be used of God to heal the sick.
 - A. Christians everywhere are looking for that one book that can give them what they need to get started in healing ministry.
 - B. They are looking for that one key that will instantly change everything.
 - C. They think (and are often taught) that if they hear enough "Word" preaching, they will gradually get filled up with faith and then they will explode upon the world scene as the next world-renowned healing evangelist.
 - D. They think that if they just get that new book out by the man with that great healing ministry, they will "get it".
 - E. That is their problem. They are trying to get "it" rather than get "Him"
- II. The #1 secret of a healing ministry: Acts 4:13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marveled: and they took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus.

A. The first secret key is to know that there is <u>no</u> secret key.

- 1. Availability is an important key, but without it you could still be used by God to heal the sick. Boldness is an important key, but without it you could still be used by God to heal the sick. Compassion is an important key, but without it you could still be used by God to heal the sick, at least for a while.
- 2. But without having been with Jesus, your ministry to heal the sick will be weak, unproductive, and short lived.
- 3. Availability can be produced deciding to be available.
- 4. Boldness can be a natural tendency you already possess, or it can come through being convinced that you must do a particular thing.
- 5. Compassion can be the "natural" outflow of the nature of God in a Christian life.
- 6. Many Christians are compassionate towards the sick, and try to alleviate their suffering using the natural remedies of medical science. But when a Christian begins to spend time with God, they begin to think, and act like Him.

B. The answer is not usually in major changes, most often it is minor adjustments that makes a major difference.

- 1. Many times when things are not going the way we believe they should, we begin to make major changes. While we are making the big changes, we often overlook the few small things that would have made a big difference if we had just made the adjustments.
- 2. If you are a Christian, you are probably trying to serve God. It is unlikely that you should, could, or would make large sweeping changes even if they were needed. It is like taking medicine or vitamins, if you begin taking several different kinds at the same time, you will have no way of knowing what each individual ingredient did. It would be better to start taking them one at a time so that you can tell what effect each one had on your body. A Basic Course in Divine Healing Page: 37
- 3. If you are available, bold and compassionate, yet for some reason you are still not seeing the kind of flow of the Spirit of God in your life that you want to see, there are only a few things that could be standing in the way.

Legends continue writing...

YOUARBAY JIBWEL (2019 PROMISE) Rev. Benita Francis

"They shall be Mine," says the LORD of hosts, "On the day that I make them My jewels. And I will spare them as a man spares his own son who serves him" (Malachi 3:17)

The LORD their God will save them in that day, as the flock of His people. For they shall be like the jewels of a crown, lifted like a banner over His land (Zechariah 9:16)

In 2019, those who were formed in darkness under pressure, those who purified themselves from any filthiness of the flesh and spirit and perfect holiness in the fear of God will shine ever brighter. Those who allow God to put them into the correct settings will be suddenly lifted up by none other than God Himself (2 Timothy 2:20-21; 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1).

In 2019, God will show forth His people as shining jewels, as a crown of glory, as a royal diadem (Isaiah 62:3).

In 2019, God will proclaim proud ownership and show Himself as Yahweh God, Almighty God, Eternal God and Father God of His people all over the world (Malachi 3:17).

In 2019, those who fear God and His Word, those who set their hearts on finding and doing His will, will experience God's closeness like never before. Their smallest whisper will be heard and answered, many times to their own surprise

(Malachi 3:16).

In 2019, God will proudly take possession of His jewels, and He will reward them from His book of remembrance like Mordechai and the Shunammite woman were rewarded (Malachi 3:16; Esther 6:1-11; 2.Kings 8:2-6).

In 2019, both God-fearing lay people and leaders will many times unwittingly become catalysts for mayor world events as they simply talk the things of God (Malachi 3:16).

In 2019, God will spare His people and deliver them out of countless calamities. "Fear not!" will be their battle cry as tumults break out around them. God's people will stand strong and be a comfort and protection for many (Psalm 91:7).

In 2019, the testimonies of God's people miraculously spared from major disasters will be manifold. Angelic rescuers will appear out of nowhere to save those who fear God and love Jesus (Acts 27:23-24).

In 2019, unexpected supplies will be provided in impossible places (1 Kings 19:5-8). Believers will be shocked to literally find tables prepared for them right in the face of their enemies (Psalm 23:5).

In 2019, God's love and favor toward those who serve Him will catapult them into positions they are not even qualified for, like shepherd boy David becoming king of God's people (2 Samuel 7:8). This will happen both in the spiritual and in the secular world. Many will oppose such positioning but they will be proven wrong by the undeniable wisdom and success God's appointees operate in (Acts 6:10).

In 2019, Joseph's and Daniel's stories will become the story of many believers. Secular leaders of all levels will once again exclaim, "Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the Spirit of God?" (Genesis 41:38).

In 2019, be ready for real challenges as national leaders will once again demand, "...all the wise men of my kingdom are not able to make known to me the interpretation; but you are able, for the Spirit of the Holy God is in you" (Daniel 4:18).

In 2019, dangerous and impossible situations will be turned around unexpectedly by God showing His favor to His faithful ones. God's jewels will show the difference between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve Him (Malachi 3:18).

In 2019, Christians will increasingly rejoice in their salvation and receive deeper revelation about the character of their Savior. A new awareness of the righteousness and humility of Jesus will create in Christians a renewed desire to be like Him, both in power and in purity (Zechariah 9:9; Hebrews 1:9; Matthew 11:29).

In 2019, this revelatory move of God's Spirit will bring forth both miracles of mercy and miracles of judgment which will boost the image of Christianity around the world. Once again, outsiders will esteem God's true jewels highly and feel a sacred fear of joining them. Believers, however, will be increasingly added to the church, and God's mighty power will be displayed publicly (Acts 5:1-16).

In 2019, the Blood of the Covenant will become a subject of interest among many different denominations and create deliverance, peace and rejoicing among those suffering spiritual captivity, both within and outside the Body of Christ (Zechariah 9:10-11).

In 2019, Christians will receive a fresh revelation of Christ in them, the hope of glory as well as the practical implications of this truth in everyday life. A wave of salvation will encompass the earth as born-again, Spirit-filled believers learn to look inside instead of outside and start drawing with joy from the wells of salvation inside their spirit (Colossians 1:27; Isaiah 12:2-5).

In 2019, many believers will rise up to their privilege of speaking peace to the nations as ambassadors of Christ, drawing from the

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indwelling Presence and power of the Creator Himself (Zechariah 9:10; 2 Corinthians 5:20). Once again, satan's plans of worldwide doom and destruction will be thwarted by the prayers and proclamations of God's children.

In 2019, evil will raise its ugly head in many nations and situations. Ungodly laws and leaders will be pushed to the forefront like by mighty rushing waves. However, in midst of many alarming news, God assures His own jewels: Though evil's waves toss to and fro, yet they cannot prevail; though they roar, yet they cannot pass over God's borders and boundaries (Jeremiah 5:22).

In 2019, God will set limits for evil just as He set limits for the sea. Many evil plans will be thwarted by nothing but divine intervention. To the proud and their arrogant aspirations, God will say, 'This far you may come, but no farther, and here your proud waves must stop!' (Job 38:8-11).

In 2019, God will play His enemies almost like in a hide and seek game. He will allow them to think they are winning, but to the delight of His jewels who serve Him, He will turn the tables on His enemies each and every time. His own will be spared, and His praises will sound all over the earth (Malachi 3:17).

In 2019, the LORD will be seen over His people, and His arrow will go forth like lightning. Supernatural manifestations will increase and prove God's favor and ever-present Hand of deliverance. The Lord GOD will blow the victory trumpet, and He will defend His jewels (Isaiah 60:1; Zechariah 9:14).

In 2019, God's jewels will gain many victories over their enemies, both spiritual and physical. Key to these victories will be a thirst for God's Holy Spirit which will result in a powerful move of God in the nations. Believers will increasingly understand that victory in life is not by might nor by power, but by God's Spirit (Zechariah 4:6; 9:14).

In 2019, believers who are willing to drop their alcohol and instead drink of God's Spirit as of wine will make exploits. They will experience that the joy of the Lord, the oil of joy, the wine of the

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- The Parliament passed the Bill paving way for giving ten per cent reservation for the economically poor among the 'Other Category,' in education and government jobs. Known as the Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty Fourth Amendment) Bill, 2019, it was introduced on the last day of the recent winter session of Lok Sabha, and was passed the same day. The Rajya Sabha sat for an additional day than originally planned and passed it expeditiously. The DMK and the AIADMK opposed the bill during the debate saying, reservation is meant for the socially backward as they were denied opportunities for long. They said reservation cannot be given based on economic condition, as it keeps changing. However, the AIADMK staged a walk out without participating in the voting, while the DMK voted against it in the Upper House where it has members. President Ramnath Kovind gave his assent to the Bill, making it into law.
- The Union Cabinet has decided to amend the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, for making punishment more stringent for sexual crimes against children. The death penalty is envisaged for aggravated sexual assault against minors. For other crimes falling under the POCSO Act's purview, punishments ranging from single to multiple life terms including jail for life are being contemplated.
- *ISRO Chairman Dr K Sivan has said, India's second lunar probe Chandrayaan-2 with an orbiter, a lander and a rover will be launched early this year. He said, the manned mission to space known as Gaganyaan is scheduled for 2021, for which two preparatory test missions would be made in advance.
- In India, about 96 per cent of children in rural areas are now found to be attending schools. However, the Annual Status of Education Report based on a survey across 596 districts last year says, one in four children coming out from eighth grade does not have basic reading skills. More than 50 per cent of them can't do basic mathematics. The national average of third standard students in Government schools who could do simple subtraction is 20.9 per cent. Educational experts have called for more efforts to improve the standard of school education.
- India retained the Border-Gavaskar Trophy by winning the test cricket series against Australia. This is the first ever test series win for India in the Australian soil. The men led by Virat Kohli won two matches, conceding one to the host country, while another ended in a draw. India also won the bilateral One Day International series against Australia for the first time in their soil by winning two of the three matches in style. The T20 series ended in a win each for both the teams.

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Spirit is their real strength in all adversity. By drinking of God's Spirit, Christians will be able to let go of their anti-depressants and other mindaltering medications. Many believers will finally find the joyful, victorious life Jesus bought for them as they obey God's command to be filled with the Spirit (Ephesians 5:18; Zechariah 9:14-15; Nehemiah 8:10; Isaiah 63:3).

In 2019, believers who are truly Spirit-filled will perform notable signs, wonders and miracles. They will preach God's Word with such boldness and clarity that no one can refute (Acts 3:6-10: 4:8-14).

In 2019, Holy-Spirit-filled Christians will boldly address the evil powers and evil people surrounding national leaders and thus spark widespread repentance and revival (Acts 13:6-12).

In 2019, God's people will be lifted like a banner over His land. His jewels, His precious living stones, will cover the nations with praise, prayer and proclamation like with a divine banner. Many nations will experience the protection of God-

fearing leaders, covering the nation like with a net that blocks the desires and powers of darkness (Zechariah 9:16).

In 2019, the grain of God's Word and the new wine of God's Spirit will make God's people, especially the vouth, thrive. Many will use today's technology as tools to study God's Word and to experience God's Spirit. As they do, technology will automatically lose its addictive grip on their minds and hearts (Zechariah 9:17).

In 2019, new apps will be developed to help people experience Jesus and learn to do His works in the safety and privacy of their homes, especially in places where Christianity is persecuted. Once secular and religious pressure is lifted, God's jewels, His born-again believers, will appear from their homes where they have been hiding and secretly growing in God's Word and God's Spirit. To the surprise of nations, a fully functional, national Body of Christ will suddenly stand up. ready to do the works of Jesus and even greater works, ready to destroy the works of the devil (Zechariah 9:17; Ephesians 2:17-22; John 14:12; 1 John 3:8).



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