

Dearly beloved in Christ,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

Thank you so much for all your prayers and support. We are bound to thank our God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ for you and for your love for us and our ministry. God has helped us to successfully conduct the 35th batch of our Short Term Intensive Course. He has enlightened each and every one of the candidates with His powerful revelation and transformed old mind patterns. Everybody was very much excited and powerfully anointed and went back home with a life-transforming truth to shake the nations. This time we had more than 800 people from nations like Germany, Nepal, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Norway, Sri Lanka, South Africa as well as from many states of India. Our coordinator Bro. Job Jeyapandian did a wonderful job with anointing and authority. Please find his detailed report in this issue.

The greatest miracle that ever had happened in our lives is our born again experience. God has recreated our spirit. He has given His life into our spirit. You have the very life of God in your spirit. You have the nature of God. You have the mind of Christ. Therefore fill your mind daily with the Word of God. Renewing your mind is the answer for your victorious life. Don't believe the lies of the devil. Understand what manner of spirit you are of, what potential and ability God has deposited in your spirit. Meditate on those things from the Word of God. Your life will never be up and down. As the Word of God says, your life will be like a shining sun that shines ever brighter unto the perfect day (Pr.4:18). I have shared this God given prophetic revelation in this STC, you can get the DVDs from our office. You shall know the truth and only the truth shall set you free.

God has started to unite likeminded, potential people together to form a team and to work with us for His Kingdom. Thank you once again for all your prayers. Continue to pray for the recording of the prophetic New Testament commentary. Help us to carry this vision in whichever way you can and also connect the right people with us.



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Visit our website www.ezekiahfrancis.org and Facebook for updates, and follow us on Twitter EzekiahBPM.

Continue to pray for our European TV programs in German language and our ministry in Hamburg, Germany (28.-30.11.). Pray also for my dear wife, our aged parents, counselors, key leaders, coordinators, staff and partners.

May God bless you and your generations!

In Him,

Your loving brother

Ezekiah Francis



FEASTS IN CHRIST

Dr. Ezekiah Francis

Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: 'The feasts of the Lord, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, these are My feasts' (Lev.23:2).

And bring out that [wheat-]fatted calf and kill it; and let us revel and feast and be happy and make merry (Lk.15:23, AMP).

There are eight feasts of the Lord mentioned here, including the regular Sabbath (Lev.23). The Israelites were known for their regular feasts, their regular offerings and their various ceremonies. Almost every day, they were offering something to God. Zion was called the "city of feasts and solemnities" (Isa.33:20). If people under the Old Covenant could enjoy so many feasts, how much more your life should be a constant feast and celebration! It shows God's participation in human activities. Let us see some of God's reasons for the feasts.

Rejoicing in His provisions: The study of the feasts shows the heart of God who longs for the happiness and joy of His covenant people. The reason for God-ordained feasts was to make His people rejoice in Him and His blessings. During these celebrations, people could forget their hard labor and sorrows and enjoy the festive mood. The psalmist Ethan sang about the blessing and happiness of the people who know the joyful sound and appreciate the spiritual blessings symbolized by the feasts (Ps.89:15). God commanded, "You shall rejoice in your feast, you and your son and your daughter, your male servant and your female servant and the Levite, the stranger and the fatherless and the widow, who are within your gates" (De.16:14-15).

In Christ, you are called to rejoice always (Phil.4:4). The fruit of your new nature is joy (Ga.5:22). He has anointed you with the Oil of Gladness, more than all your companions (Heb.1:9). Jesus Christ has become your Feast, your Joy and your Delight. You are the branch that draws His joy constantly and bears abundant fruit (Jn.15:11,16). In Christ, all your grief will turn to

joy (Jn.16:20). Learn to rejoice in God's victory and blessings!

Remembering His past blessings: Every feast speaks of what God has done in people's lives. For example, the Feasts of Passover and of Unleavened Bread speak of the great deliverance the Lord wrought from the Egyptians (Ex.12:14-20). The Feast of Tabernacles speaks of their lives spent in booths when they were brought out of Egypt (Lev.23:43). God knows people easily forget His past victories and blessings. In order to remind them, God installed these feasts, offerings, rituals and memorial stones and monuments.

In Christ, God did everything for you and blessed you with all His riches, nature, authority and power. Constantly remembering what you have in Christ is the way to enjoy God's abundant life! Knowing who you are in Christ will keep you free from deception, depression, discouragement, guilt, condemnation, and feelings of insufficiency and insecurity. It's in your hand to make your life a continuous feast!

Resting and Refreshing: On every one of these feasts, people were commanded not to work but to rest and rejuvenate their bodies. Even slaves or bond-servants were able to find rest for their body and soul (Lev.23:3,8,21,32,36). God cares for His people so much that He wants them to be rested and refreshed for their God-given task. He is not a hard task-master to load you with heavy work beyond your capacity. In fact, He wanted His man to start every week with a day of rest and refreshing. See the caring and understanding heart of God!

In Christ, all your burdens and heavy loads were taken away from you. Now, you enjoy heavenly rest and ease for your soul. His yoke upon you is not harsh, hard or pressing but comfortable, gracious and pleasant (Mt.11:28-30). His peace which surpasses all understanding is guarding you in and out (Phil.4:6-7). The peace of the Prince of Peace is constantly filling and flooding you (Isa.9:6). Stop allowing yourself to be

agitated and disturbed (Jn.14:27)!

Beloved, Christians should be the happiest and most joyful people on this earth. The Kingdom of God is like a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son (Mt.22:2-4). You were invited by the King of the universe to His banquet the very day of your salvation. Your Heavenly Father is calling you to enter His joy (Lk.15:31-32). Constantly meditate upon the blessings and the peace available to you in Christ. Make your life enjoyable TODAY!

Thank You, Lord, I rejoice in You always. You are my Strength and my Shield. My heart trusted in You, and I am helped. Therefore my heart greatly rejoices, and with my song I praise You. I am anxious for nothing, and Your peace, which surpasses all understanding, guards my heart and mind because I am in Christ.

Phil.4:4; Ps.28:7; Phil.4:6-7

PURPOSE OF FEASTS IN CHRIST

These are the feasts of the Lord, holy convocations which you shall proclaim at their appointed times. (Lev.23:4)

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. (Heb.10:25)

We continue our study of God's purposes for His appointed feasts. We have seen life in Christ is a continuous feast. Now, we will see four more reasons why we should always have a festive attitude.

Renewing the consecration: Under the Old Covenant, every Israelite was separated and consecrated for God. All the offerings, ceremonies and feasts of the Lord reminded them time and again of their consecration to God. The festival days were called holy and sacred days (Lev.23:3). They offered all kinds of sacrifices to God to renew their commitment to Him (Lev.23:8,12-13,25,32).

In Christ, you are sanctified for His service. You are totally separated from the profane and the natural for His holy and noble purpose. Every time you celebrate your life in Christ, you realize the greatness of your sanctification, redemption and justification. This should make you boast in your Lord!

Reunion of God's people: God wanted His covenant people to gather together to celebrate Him with their friends and relatives. Three times in a year, all the men were to gather in God's Presence (Ex.23:14,17; 34:23-24; Dt.16:16). I can easily imagine the unity among the men of the Israelites. Even the women and children in their places would have come much closer in these times for their own safety. It was God's intention that His covenant tribes must live together in joyous celebration. In fact, these feasts were called feasts of holy convocations or holy assemblies (Lev.23:2-4,7-8,21,24,27,35-37). Assembling of the brethren released the precious anointing, the dew of heaven and the blessings forevermore (Ps.133). Almost all these festivals started and ended with the gathering of a holy convocation (Lev.23:7-8,21,27,35-36).

Life in Christ is a life of unity and fellowship. If the Old Covenant people gathered at the tent of meeting or at Shechem or in Jerusalem, how much more the Body of Christ must gather regularly with all the saints to understand the length and breadth and height of Christ's love (Eph.3:18-19; Heb.10:25)! The Early Church gathered regularly on the first day of the week to celebrate God (Jn.20:19; Ac.20:7; 1.Co.16:2). There, God manifested with all His gifts (1.Co.14:26). Neglecting the gathering of the saints cuts you off from enjoying the fullness of your life in Christ. Beware!

Reminding them of their coming Messiah:

All the feasts of the Lord are shadows of the great Substance, your Lord Jesus. Every feast speaks something of Christ, His work on the cross and His resurrection. Someone said rightly, 'The New Testament is contained in the Old Testament, and the Old Testament is explained in the New Testament.' Everything of the Old Testament points toward Christ. Christ is the central focus of the entire Bible and God's redemptive plan.

In Christ, you have every reason to boast about Christ. He is your Sabbath rest. He is your Passover Lamb. He is the Firstfruit in His resurrection. He is the reason for your Pentecost. He is your Heavenly Bridegroom. He is the Great High Priest of your Great Atonement. He is your Sin Offering and also your Scape Goat. He is everything and all in all to you! Delight in Him TODAY!

Recalling God's time table: All the festivals speak of God's time table, both for the Israelites and for His New Covenant people. The covenant-life starts with

Passover and ends with the Feast of Tabernacles. Bible scholars see God's prophetic calendar for the end time church through these feasts of the Lord. Remember, everything God ordains contains multi-purposes. He is a God of manifold wisdom (Eph.3:10).

Beloved, Christian life is not a boredom! It's a life of exuberant joy and jubilation. There is no depressed Christian in Christ! No room for gloom in Christ! Your Lord and the Early Church rejoiced even in their shame and suffering. They knew the fullness of life in God. When you came to Christ, you were engrafted in the abundant and overflowing life of Christ (Jn.10:10). Jesus came to make your life enjoyable. Celebrate Him TODAY!

Thank You, Lord, I am sanctified, called to be a saint. All things were created through You and for You. You are before all things, and in You all things consist. You are the Head of the Body, the Church, who is the Beginning, the Firstborn from the dead, that in all things You may have the preeminence. I don't forsake the assembling together, as is the manner of some. I exhort and receive exhortation, and so much the more as I see the Day approaching because I am in Christ.

1.Co.1:2; Heb.10:25; Col.1:17-18

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LAZY MAN

Rev. Benita Francis

In our last magazine issue we have seen that your very active God has already created all the needed equipment, environment and circumstances for you to GO, GO, GO into all the world and preach His Gospel of salvation to every creature (Jn.19:30; Ac.2:2-4; Mt.28:18-20). Have you taken His Word serious and started working in this most noble and rewarding work of all works in this universe, the work angels would love to be allowed to do (1.Pe.1:12)?

Let us have a closer look at this beautiful verse of Scripture. "To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you through those who have preached the Gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven - things which angels desire to look into." The very angels of God are wondering and desiring to see and experience the wonderful privilege of living and sharing the glorious Gospel of salvation! Think about it! You have a privilege which no angel has! Will you not start using it to the fullest today itself?

Of course, preaching the Gospel is quite hard physical labor: "Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and doctrine" (1.Ti.5:17). It can cost you your very life (Rev.20:4). It requires serious and meticulous preparation. You are required to "Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2.Ti.2:15). If you don't rightly divide and preach the Word, you can lead many people astray, as it has happened in certain cults. You are required to pray and intercede, which is also hard labor, as the great apostle Paul reveals in his appeal to strive together with him in prayers to God for him and also in this heart-sigh: "My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you" (Ga.4:19; Ro.15:30).

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Can you see it? Preaching the Gospel, being a servant of God, is definitely the noblest work of all, but it still is a WORK! Ministry is not for lazy or dummy people, let me assure you! Tragically, some people think that if they are not able to do anything else, or if they fail in their studies, they can always go into God's ministry. What an insult to God! What an utter foolishness! Representing the King of all kings and Lord of all lords as an ambassador definitely requires all the preparation of spirit, mind and body you can possibly get!

So make sure you don't waste one more second of your life! If you don't have any job right now, the best thing you could ever do is apply in God's army. Your Lord Jesus said, "The harvest truly *is* great, but the laborers *are* few; therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" (Lk.10:2). He is always enrolling true workers, true laborers for His cause. Use your time to pray, study His Word, worship, fellowship with other believers and evangelize. Invest time in exercise to keep your body strong and healthy so it can carry you all around the world to preach God's Word. As you show yourself diligent, God will surely pick you up and use you for His joy and glory!

Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner" (Jn.5:19)

Maybe you have been wondering, "Sister, I am very willing to work, but how can I ever do the work of God?" Well, it is actually very simple and easy. Have you noticed the way children learn? They just imitate their parents or whomever they

admire. Now let me ask you - who are you? You are a beloved child of God (Jn.1:12; Ro.8:16,21; 1.Jn.3:1-2)! So imitating your Heavenly Father is the most natural, normal thing for you to do! There is nothing difficult or complicated about it. Just admire and watch your mighty Daddy, and you will be transformed into His image from glory to glory more and more each day (2.Co.3:18)!

Children learn everything in a very natural, easy way. That is why your Lord Jesus said so plainly, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the Kingdom of heaven" (Mt.18:3; Mk.10:15; Lk.18:17)! In all the synoptic Gospels you can see His statement, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the Kingdom of God" (Mt.19:14; Mk.10:14; Lk.18:16).

What then is the Kingdom of God? It will not come with observation, but it is in and among you (Lk.17:20-21). It is present when the sick are healed and the demons are cast out (Mt.12:28; Lk.9:2; 10:9; 11:20). It is manifested by the power of the Holy Spirit (Mt.12:28). In short, the kingdom of God *is* not in word but in power (1.Co.4:20). Imagine! All this power of heaven is entrusted to those who watch and imitate their Heavenly Father just like a little child would do! You can do the works of God if you just trust Him like a little child trusts his father and mother.

Sisters, do you remember how much you enjoyed as a little girl working with your mom in the kitchen, imitating her each and every move? Still today, people recognize your mom's taste in your dishes, isn't it? Brothers, do you remember repairing that equipment with your dad or doing that sport with him? I am sure these little things are some of your fondest childhood memories, and they thoroughly formed your life into the same pattern!

In western nations, teenage is a difficult age for parents. All too often, formerly loving children withdraw and don't allow the parents to see their hearts and feelings any more. In this situation, probably the best way for fathers and sons to connect is by doing some work together. Somehow, words flow more freely, and feelings can more easily be explained and shared. Many mothers have

won their daughters' hearts again during a casual stroll through a shopping mall with a cup of coffee in a coffee shop. All these shared activities shape lives and ensure that family traits and traditions are kept alive throughout many generations. In the very same way, by fellowship and imitating, the power of God is transmitted and manifested throughout the ages.

Now again, how do you learn to do the works of Jesus? How do you watch what the Father is doing, and how do you do likewise? The first step is to spend time with God. Include Him in your everyday life. Keep talking to Him like to your very best, closest friend. Freely open your heart to Him and allow Him to open His Heart to you. Very soon, you will start to feel His love and His burden for suffering humanity, and you will hear His Heart cry, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us" (Isa.6:9). You will see people with His eyes full of compassion as "weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd" (Mt.9:36). This very compassion will compel you into your ministry and into doing the works of God (2.Co.5:14-20).

The very best way to imitate Him is to keep your eyes on the Word of God. Jesus said, He who has seen Me has seen the Father (Jn.14:9). What you see Jesus do in God's Word is what God is doing and what God wants to be done in this earth. Do you really want to be like Jesus? Well, then imitate Him as He imitates the Father (Jn.5:19)!

Another important way to see what the Father is doing and to learn to do likewise is watching anointed servants of God. Pray for opportunities to be as close as possible to God's chosen vessels. Watch not only their ministry but also their lives. "Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of *their* conduct" (Heb.13:7).

When the Lord gave me the great privilege of translating for His beloved servants from many continents, I thoroughly enjoyed translating the sermons and the personal prayers after the meetings. My favorite times, however, were the meals together where God's servants would share experiences, ask each other questions and compare their insights from the Word of God. I would just suck up

all this wisdom like a dry sponge and be tremendously edified in my spirit. Still today, their godly example shapes my decisions in many ways.

Fellowship with believers is another wonderful way to see what the Father is doing. I will never forget the awe and wonder, admiration and adoration I felt when the Lord took me to Cook Islands, a small group of South Pacific islands, for my Discipleship Training School with YWAM. What a wonder to see those islanders who look, smell and live so completely differently than we do, being trained and disciplined by the same loving, caring but strict Heavenly Father. I could very clearly see the same handwriting, the same strategies, and I learned so much about God's ways, God's father heart and God's doings just by watching them and listening to their testimonies. Seeing Jesus and His dealings in fellow believers will prepare you to be and do like you see your Father doing. And never forget, chastening is a blessing: God treats you as His son, as His daughter (Heb.12:5-11)!

Worship is yet another way to understand the Heart of God and to act according to His plans and pleasure. Years ago, while I was worshipping Jesus alone at home with my guitar, He suddenly started speaking to me. He explained to me that when revival came, He needed people who can draw others into his Presence where he Himself could deal with them, because the greatest transformation happens as we see God face to face, as is the case in true, deep worship. As we behold Him, we are transformed from glory to glory into his image (2.Co.3:18)! Hallelujah!

Your Lord Jesus Himself said, "As the Father has sent me, I also send you" (Jn.20:21). As He is, so are you in this world (1.Jn.4:17). There is no reason why you should not display the power, glory and authority of God Himself to the world around you. Your God has already filled and anointed you with every possible spiritual blessing (Eph.1:3; Ps.92:10). You lack absolute nothing. You are complete in Him who is the Head of all principality and power (Col.2:10)! You have the strength and boldness of a buffalo and of a royal lion (Nu.23:22; 24:8-9). Nothing and nobody can stop you! As God told Gideon, so He tells you today: "The LORD *is* with you, you mighty man of valor! Go in this might of yours, and you shall save Israel from the hand of the Midianites. Have I not sent you?" (Jdg.6:12,14).

Can you see it? There is just no way around it, no possibility to misunderstand! God is again and again telling you to GO, GO, GO, work for Him and bring salvation to the world around you! Will you allow laziness to destroy your God-given privilege and commission?

My prayer for you is that you imitate your beloved Lord Jesus also in this decision and declare together with Him: "***I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work***" (Jn.9:4). ***As you do, you will see His glory manifest through you in an ever increasing manner.***

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Dear Anna and Annie,

Just wanted to let you know how blessed I am with your teachings.

I came to STC with a burden. I had never prayed or thought about marriage. I always believed and things always happened even before asking as my Father in heaven knows about my requirement and He has always fulfilled them. However there were two proposals which I received. Both were good proposals, and my parents were waiting for my decision. As I was confused, I left the decision to the Lord. However after coming to STC, within 2 days the Lord gave me the confirmation as well as you both gave me the knowledge and wisdom to make the decision. The Lord revealed to me that though both are believers and well settled in life, their relationship with the Lord is not as strong as I am looking for in my life partner.

After coming from Berachah, it was a real battle. I had to put to practice all that I learnt from both of you. There was an opportunity to be promoted to the next level, however to attend STC I left the promotion. I thought it must have happened in my absence. The Lord is great! They were waiting for me. My interview is done and I got the promotion. Not just that, the Lord blessed me with an I Phone 4S h/s. I never even thought or desired it. Miraculously the phone was gifted to me, I did not pay anything.

Before coming to Berachah I knew that I am the child of God and that I had knowledge and wisdom. However I was not a confident person and there was something that was holding me back. Now my family members, friends, church members and my colleagues at work (unbelievers), have seen a major difference in me. After getting the revelation of who lives in me, I have the living water, that knowledge has made me more confident, not over confident.

A Big THANK YOU to both of you. As I have promised I am praying 1 hour in a week for Berachah. I have also started contributing monthly offering for the ministry.

God Bless You!

Your faithful daughter in the Lord.

Rinah Naik, Mumbai

Dear Mighty Man of God,

This is Deeksha Mythily from Andhra Pradesh. I am so glad to share the blessings I received through your book “WONDERWAY TO WONDERWORLD”. Thank you for such a wonderful book. My brother in law blessed me with this book. When I started reading this book I didn’t read consistently. First I read four chapters then I stopped. Every day my spirit says to read but I couldn’t. One day the Holy Spirit gently whispered to read this book completely. I started reading again from the beginning. I read the book completely and consistently with a passion in my heart. It took 3 days to finish it. All my doubts were cleared and am having a great time with God; feeling His presence every time when I speak in tongues and thank you so much dear Man of God. I just felt in my spirit to share this. Once again thank you so much. May God use you more and more for His Kingdom. God bless you.

With love

Deeksha

Worshippers in the Holy Bible

(DAVID)

Bro. Manuel Jeyaraj

Let's continue to study about the life and calling of David pertaining to worship. The Bible says in I Samuel 16:14 that the Spirit of the Lord departed from King Saul and an evil spirit from the Lord terrorized him. God actually wants you to be in His grip and not in the hands of the devil. Sometimes we lose His grip but that's not the will of God for us. God's intention is not to take away His Spirit away from us. His intention is to make you His fullness. This day, I want to address the Body of Christ as His fullness (Eph. 1:23). His Spirit in you is His fullness. But when you are away from the Spirit, you are an open target to the devil. Saul didn't value God's anointing on him. And so, he became vulnerable to the works of the devil. **A true worshiper will value the anointing of the Holy Spirit in his life.**

May the Lord open your eyes for the truths which I am going to share with you now. I used to be in tears whenever I read the verses 14-17 of the 16th chapter. What a great leader Saul was in Israel! But when he did not know the value of God's anointing on him, he became a secondary person to his servants even though he was a king. The servants were the ones who saw an evil spirit troubling him. They suggested that a skillful harp player should be brought to refresh the king. A person who should have been the deliverer and a leader had gone into bondage and the result of which was shame. Do you think a king's weakness should be known to his subordinates? Do you think it will bring glory to his name? It became a shame to King Saul. He lost his authority and leadership. He was unable to feel the presence of God. He became the talk of his subordinates. Do you know how it all happened? King Saul never gave glory to God. But David gave importance to the presence and the anointing of God on his life. He gave glory to God. He obeyed God. He learned from God that obedience was better than sacrifice. And God made David a leader and a commander of people. Here we see Saul's servants suggesting ideas to him. Saul's servants knew the power of worship, whereas Saul was not aware of it. David knew the power of worship and so he brought praise and

worship in his tabernacle. Dear leader (worshiper), when you miss the will of God (worship and valuable anointing) in your life, you will surely miss your leadership. If you do not want to miss the will of God in your life, then keep praising and worshipping like David.

Worshippers are called to release prisoners from their bondages. Worshipers are bondage breakers and they cannot be in bondages. David was a skillful harp player. He had the gift of refreshing people from their weariness. The evil spirit departed from King Saul when David played on his harp. That's an anointing and a ministry. I have seen this many times in my life how I got refreshed because of playing strings on keyboard. God likes string instruments. Many of David's Psalms were written to be played on string instruments.

My wife, Deborah Jeyaraj has this anointing. Years back when she used to play the keyboard, she has witnessed demons screaming and falling down before the keyboard in Ezekiah Annan's meetings. I have witnessed many demons screaming and leaving from the people in many of the meetings I played. In most of our Berachah meetings, my wife and I have heard many people say to us that they felt the heavy presence of God when I played the keyboard. My wife and I give all glory to God. We are just His instruments giving Him what belongs to him. If you want to specialize in this ministry, you will have to spend hours and hours in the presence of God playing and singing His praises. That manifests the presence of God. It is not only a skill but also the anointing that is emphasized here.

In my life, I have seen people who rejected my playing. I have seen people who would walk straight to my keyboard and reduce the sound of the keyboard because of jealousy. Sometimes people would not call me because I was a better player than others who would be their relatives. But God worked in many marvelous ways that the same people who rejected me had to call me several times and they ended up appreciating my playing. Do you know how it all happened? It is nothing

but praise and worship.

Be a Bethlehemite, if you want to have a mighty worship ministry. David was from the city of Bethlehem. Jesus was from Bethlehem. Fill yourself with the words of Jesus as He was filled with the Law even as a boy and start singing them. Become a house of bread (Word). As per the Old Testament, the fact is that people would search for the word of God from the mouth of the priest. And so, a worshiper has to be completely filled with God's word. Only that decides your powerful worship ministry. It is not your skill of playing and singing that can run a powerful ministry of worship, it is His word in your mouth. That's why David sang the songs of His word. He changed all God's word into songs.

Not only that, David was also identified as a man of mighty valor. **A worshiper is a mighty man of God's might.** When you are full of His word, He becomes your strength. The New Testament echoes that Jesus has become our strength and might. Worshipers are people with great might. They draw their strength from the Lord. The Bible says, "Blessed are they who draw their strength from the Lord". Anyone could witness the raw strength of the Holy Ghost when he/she starts praising and worshiping. His joy is our strength. When Jesus is over you, it's a mighty power. Rejoicing always in the Lord was David's lifestyle. He never wanted to enter His courts without joy. He was glad when he went to His temple. He thought His temple is a better place to live than his palace. This is the one who killed a lion and a bear. He was the one who killed the mighty giant Goliath. He also destroyed the lineage of giants.

David was also prudent in speech. **Worshipers have great ability to speak God's word with all clarity.** He spoke to Goliath the words that changed the tough situation. He spoke God's name first-the Lord of Hosts. He spoke powerfully the mighty deeds of the Lord. He was careful in his talk with anyone. He knew the power of talking carefully and wisely. He was a great administrator. It was because of his prudent speech, he ruled Israel for many years like any other king.

David was a handsome man. **All worshipers are handsome people to God.** Every worshiper is a glory to God Himself. God admires your beauty. Dear Bride of Jesus, you will be ever admired for your beauty. Oh! Eternal Bride, you are His delight. Put on Christ and may your Bridegroom delight in you.

The Bible says, "and the Lord was with him". **Worshipers have their Lord with them.** They become the abode of the triune God because God inhabits the praises of His people. It is their Lord who will lead, guide and establish them. They are not alone. They always have their God with them. They are the temple of the Holy Ghost. They are the dwelling place of God. Many times God proved to David His presence, His guidance and His victory. No enemy was able to prevail against David because of the presence of God which was on him. He was able to feel and see His mighty presence whenever he overthrew his enemies. So become the power house of praise and not prayer. You will be full of faith, if you have His praises in your lips.

So David was invited to come to Saul to refresh him. **Worshipers are mighty armor bearers.** David became the armor bearer to King Saul. Let me share the burden of the Holy Spirit to pastors and leaders of different churches and ministries. Dear leaders, you may need many counselors for the growth of your ministry, I don't deny that truth. But what you need the most is worshipers who will become your armor bearers (your bodyguards). You will need them till you complete your ministry on this earth. May be, worship ministry appears to be very attractive and popular, but never forget to understand that it is the pulse/lifeline for all ministries that God ordained in His church. I am sometimes astonished and shocked to see some pastors and leaders who have so many prejudices and criticisms about worship leaders and worship ministry. I really cry for those leaders to the Lord that He may open the eyes of them. If Saul had not known David, King Saul and the armies of Israel would have fallen into the mighty hands of the philistines. They would have lost in many of their wars. David's presence made King Saul win many of his battles against the Philistines. How was this possible? It was possible because David was a worshiper.

A worshiper wins battles for his leader, saves the leader from perishing, informs the leader about the strategies of God and the devil, brings the voice of God to the leader and remains to be the abode of the presence of God with his leader. See how marvelous the role of a worshiper is! God ordained this ministry. No man should be against it. The devil has created prejudices and criticisms inside churches and ministries against this ministry. All devil's deeds will have to go out of the churches and ministries in the mighty name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Embrace worship leaders and

worshippers. They are a strength to you and not a trap. When they shine better than you, please admire them and lift them. They don't hurt others but they can easily get hurt. They are the ones who supply the right weapon to you because God has given them to you as powerful armor bearers. They are the ones who pray for you and uphold you. They stand with you when others run away from you. When your faith fails you that will be the time when they sing the high praises of God for your sake. High praises will overthrow the works of the devil.

Dear leaders, God has not called you for a heroic (one man show) ministry. He incorporates the worship ministers into your ministry to help you win your fights. There are some battles which cannot be won single-handed; you need a corporate move for that. Many times praise and worship became the corporate move for the armies of Israel. So many battles recorded in the Old Testament were not won by Israel but by God Himself. Do you know how? When the leaders trusted the priestly ministry, they saw God intervening supernaturally. **An armor bearer is more or less an ark bearer.** Leaders, trust the real worshippers of God. You need them. Do not consider them to be your competitors. They can never

play your role better than you. And you can never play their role better than them. Both need each other. I pray God, this unity come into His church in the name of Jesus Christ.

Saul appointed David to be with him. Whenever I read the 23rd verse of 16th chapter, I sincerely pray God that He should restore this ministry back into His church just for the sake of the leaders. I know in the present world how ministers of God struggle in their ministry walk. Oh! They have seen enough troubles and sufferings. Though, on one side it all results in glory, on the other side what they need is great refreshment. A refreshment period is a time for renewing strength and time to make His presence real. **Worshippers, you can help refresh your leaders in their hard walk of ministry.** King Saul got refreshed when he was oppressed by the evil spirit. Sometimes our leaders can become tired of life and ministry. But **praise and worship happens to be a powerful ministry refreshing our tired leaders.**

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REPORT - 35TH BATCH STC

- Br. Job, Coordinator

The 35th Short Term Intensive Course (STC) was conducted from 20th August to 30th August 2012 in the Berachah Camp site in Poondi, Thiruvallur Dist. Like the previous batches, this batch was also very unique because of the diversity of people from many different parts of the world. We had people from Middle East, Nepal, South Africa, Germany, Switzerland, Sri Lanka, Norway and India. We had around 850 people for this batch.

The first three days were hot and humid, but as Prophet Dr. Ezekiah Francis and other anointed people of God in the Berachah family prayed, nature listened to the words of faith and the climate was drastically changed from hot and humid to a pleasant and cold breeze. The glory of God was further revealed when it rained and the whole climatic condition was changed into a pleasant atmosphere which was very favorable for the delegates as well as the preachers.

Around seventy percent of the delegates were full time ministers. It was very encouraging to see many delegates who had sacrificed their personal comforts, food and families and spent these ten days in God's Presence with so much expectation. There were many testimonies for the glory of God. Many delegates experienced healing, many were comforted by the presence of God, many received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, many operated in the gifts of the Holy Spirit, often for the first time in their lives, and many delegates' minds were enlightened. The delegates received new revelations when our dear beloved Prophet Dr. Ezekiah Francis spoke on the inner man, what manner of the spirit we are of, the rivers inside of believers, the love of God, the ten ministry gifts, and particularly the Five Fold ministries. People were thrilled and excited about this great revelation. They were completely filled with the Word and the anointing and renewed in their minds from the old pattern.

Pr. Alex started the preparatory session with a welcome address. Pr. Thomas gave the word of God. Pr. Nehemiah taught on anointing and deliverance. Rev. Benita Francis opened the eyes of the delegates by teaching how curses could operate in believer's lives. She also broke the curses and soulties that were binding the people for generations. We had many mighty testimonies after the curse breaking session. She also taught on health, family and biblical finance and prosperity. We could see an immediate mighty breakthrough in the delegates' finances as they obeyed the Word of God. Mrs. Kiruba Jayaseelan taught on the gift of tongues and interpretation. Apostle Paulose taught on discipleship, Apostle John Elangovan taught on the importance of prayer and intercession. Pr. Jayaseelan taught on praise and worship, Br. Jeyaraj taught on Hebrew and Greek meanings in worship with wonderful relevant worship songs. Pr. Thomas taught on the gifts of the Holy Spirit, particularly the word of knowledge and the word of wisdom. He also operated in the gifts of the Holy Spirit and demonstrated that anyone can operate in the gifts by calling some of the delegates. He made our fresh trainee delegates operate mightily in the word of knowledge and the word of wisdom. Pr. Alex taught on healing and Bro. Hebic taught on Blood Covenant. Father Berchmans who is one of the senior counselors of Berachah Prophetic Ministries distributed the course certificates on the graduation ceremony.

Pr. Alex, Mrs. Sudha Alex, Pr. Milton, Bro. Sahayam, and Br. Jawahar Joshua did wonderful translations from English to Tamil. We also arranged translators from our dear delegates who translated from English to Telegu and English to Hindi for those who can understand only Telegu and Hindi. Many volunteers and BPM office staff helped and assisted in different assignments.

Father Berchmans, Pr. Jayaseelan, Pr. Nehemiah, Bro. Jeyaraj, Mrs. Deborah Jeyaraj, Br. Jawahar, Pr. Milton and the wonderful music team led the delegates into Spirit filled praise and worship. The delegates experienced the awesome presence of God when they worshiped the Father in Truth and Spirit and were drenched in the Holy Spirit. The School of the Holy Spirit students both current men batch and previous Ladies batch also led the worship.

Every teaching was eye-opening, faith-building, heart-touching, life-challenging, and forever transforming. Impartation released everyone into the supernatural with a changed perspective. Finally all the delegates went back to their respective places knowing their calling, purpose, ability, authority, gifting, anointing and grace given by the Lord Jesus Christ. The Word and the Holy Spirit did a deep work in them and they will never be the same again. Already we have started receiving mighty testimonies. All Glory to God. Amen!!

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