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Please memorize this portion

Proverbs 15:23-33

23. A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it!
24. The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.
25. The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: but he will establish the border of the widow.
26. The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the LORD: but the words of the pure are pleasant words.
27. He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that hateth gifts shall live.
28. The heart of the righteous studieth to answer: but the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things.
29. The LORD is far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous.
30. The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: and a good report maketh the bones fat.
31. The ear that heareth the reproof of life abideth among the wise.
32. He that refuseth instruction despiseth his won soul: but he that heareth reproof getteth understanding.
33. The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility.

GOD CAN RAISE YOU AND LIFT YOU!

Pr. S. Sam Selva Raj

“He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy out of the dunghill” (Psalm 113:7).

WHO WAS JOSHUA?

After the death of Moses, Joshua his Assistant became the leader of the people of Israel in his place. “...After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord it came to pass, that the Lord spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister...” (Joshua 1:1). “And it came to pass after these things, that Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the Lord, died, being an hundred and ten years old” (Joshua 24:29). The first verse says that Joshua was the Assistant of Moses and the last verse says that he was a Servant of the Lord.

“He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy out of the dunghill” (Psalm 113:7). The Lord is concerned about the oppressed, poor, needy and sick. God permitted a man to be the servant of another man and later made him the servant of Himself.

The real name of Joshua was Hoshea and Moses named him as Joshua. Joshua means 'The Lord is salvation'. The mission of Joshua's life was to possess the land which the Lord gave them. God exalted a man of eighty years and gave him authority and the keys to heaven! Joshua was not born in a rich family - he was born to a slave in Egypt.

Out of a burning bush God called Moses by name. When Saul was on his way to Damascus, he heard a voice, “Saul, Saul..” But Joshua was neither called by name nor had he any vision or sign. He was made the assistant of an old man Moses, who then taught him about the Lord God. Joshua received God's power by listening to an old man.

We know that the call for each person is different. No one is superior or inferior to another. Moses had a stammer, a man learnt the crafts of war and a tough and strong one. He needed a talking burning bush to get his attention! In the middle of the forest, a bush was burning; but it was not consumed.

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from your dearly beloved brother...



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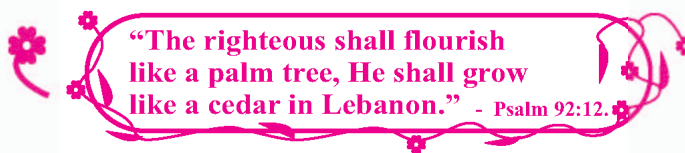
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“The righteous shall flourish
like a palm tree, He shall grow
like a cedar in Lebanon.” - Psalm 92:12.

Dearly beloved in the Lord,

“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ” (Philemon 1:3).

Believing in your sound health and happiness in the Lord, we continue to pray every day that the Lord would bless and protect you. Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who answers and rewards our prayers shall surely bless you. He shall cover you with His pinions (Psalm 91:4).

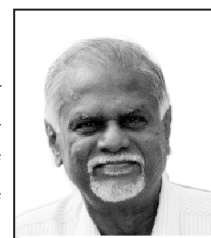
He shall protect you under His wings until your difficult times are passed by. Therefore be bold and do not fear; go forward as you take refuge under the shadow of His wings until destructions are passed by (Psalm 57:1). The mighty hand of God is with you.

In spite of various hurdles, we are systematically organizing every division of the **Echo of His Call Ministries**. God is adding new souls every day. On the other side we are excessively burdened beyond our strength by the struggles of the enemy, financial needs and other problems which cannot be mentioned in writing. Praise be to God that we are able to overcome all by the grace of God. We are also men of passion like you. Kindly uphold us in your fervent prayers. We are grateful for your prayers and support.



Rev. Dr. K.R.
Rajasekaran

God has miraculously united Rev. Dr. K.R. Rajasekaran and Dr. A. Richard Samuel with us, at the right time. God is so good. Praise and glory to God! Congratulations! God bless you our dear brothers!!



Dr. A Richard
Samuel

54th Annual convention and new workers induction service were held on the 6th & 7th of August in our **Echo of His Call Main Church**. God had mightily used Pastor S. Abraham, one of the Senior Pastors of Chennai and our close friend. My daughter Angeline interpreted his messages from Tamil to English. Sister Rhyma Getsie Alex Samson, Bro. J. Samuel and Sis. S. Kantha were officially inducted as full time workers in **Echo of His Call Ministries**. Our loving and respected brothers K. Puratchiventhan, A. Edward Durai, A. Alvin, K. Abraham,

Our Ministries: ECHO OF HIS CALL Monthly Magazines (16 languages) BIBLECOR - Postal Courses (3 languages)

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and Sis. Dhanalakshmi Chinnaiah were inducted as Board members for three years.

We firmly believe that God will take our ministry to the next level through these brethren. May the Lord continue to lead and keep **Echo of His Call Ministries** until His coming. And may the Lord Abundantly bless every one of you who are our strong supporters. We take pleasure in greeting and blessing all who have travelled with us for the past 53 years of our ministry. **One of our good friends Bro. Ken declared in his e.mail, "Dear Brother Sam, 54 years – that is amazing!"** It touched our hearts!! Praise be to our Lord Jesus Christ!!! We honor both our partners from the inception of the ministry and those who joined us new alike. **"God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord"** 1 Corinthians 1:9.

We gratefully greet every one of our Board members, Church members and ministers, magazine readers, Associate Editors, Prayer Partners, Faith Partners, Life Partners, Subscribing Partners, Great Commission Partners, Missionaries, Branch Pastors, State Co-ordinators, Overseas friends, Staff members of **St. Paul's Matriculation School, Nehemiah Bible College** and office etc. in this great occasion. Our joy in the Lord Jesus Christ overflows when we think of the ways in which He had led us from the year 1969 till today!

May the Lord bless you all. Amen.

Your servants in Christ Jesus,
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No one was around; yet a voice called him "Moses, Moses!" Any man facing such a situation would have been frightened. If God had asked Moses, "Please bring my children out of bondage from Egypt," definitely he would not have accepted the proposal. He needed to see himself the awesome power of God first.

But Joshua was of a different nature. His heart was open to hear the Word of God. So, straight-away God asked Moses to anoint him in his place.

When you obey His Word you will enjoy His blessings. God does things at the right time. We expect everything to happen fast. Our speed and God's time do not agree. Owing to this, delays happen to many people's lives, such as delay in their studies, delay in getting deliverance from diseases, delays in getting blessings in their personal lives etc. When such things happen, it doesn't mean that God has forgotten us. Instead, God is going to do something great. We

should humble ourselves in His mighty hand. Then God will bless you and you will get back all that you have lost – even your health! Your life span also will be increased by God.

When God raises a man from slavery, from poverty and from insufficiency He makes him stand before kings. Joshua was transformed into a conqueror and a judge for many years.

1. JOSHUA, MAN OF POSITIVE FAITH

If God has to perform some supernatural deed, we must believe in His word and in His promises. When we read chapters 13 and 14 of Numbers, we find that Moses sent men who were heads of the



Children of Israel, to spy the land of Canaan to see whether it was suitable for living. When they came back, they reported that the people living there were strong and of great stature and it was impossible to go there. Joshua also went to spy the land of Canaan. This man also saw men taller and stronger than the Israelites. But he did not give any importance to that, he reported, **"...The land, which we passed through to search it, is an exceeding good land... a land which floweth with milk and honey"** (Numbers 14: 7,8). He gave a positive report.

When our original Church building was old and in a dilapidated condition, we had no money at hand to mend it. There was no space for our office and conducting the worship service was difficult. We believed God to do everything for us – positive words of belief came. "In six month time, a church will be built, a press will be functioning – the building will be made beautiful". Did we have any funds? Did anyone promise to donate? Did

anyone give money? No one did. But we started the work by faith according to His promise and the work went on and on and our needs were met. The building rose up as planned, at the right time. A beautiful tall building is standing as we see today! The Lord will provide. Your loans will be wiped out, your tears will vanish, difficult time will pass away, the Lord will see to it.

2. JOSHUA, MAN WITH SPIRIT OF SERVANTHOOD

Joshua was the faithful assistant of Moses. If you wish that the Lord should bless you, there must be a spirit of service in your mind. Only such people are exalted to high positions. When you look at the life of great national leaders, you may think that they achieved that position easily. But if you look into their life closely, you would



realize that most of them would have achieved that position with much sacrifice. Honouring their sacrifice, God raised them. Whatever God says, He will fulfill. "...Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who hath with his hands fulfilled that which he spake with his mouth..." (II Chronicles 6:4).

"...Whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant" (Mathew 20:27). If someone wants to be the first, let him serve you, as the servant and

then God will bless him and make him a great leader.

In 1969, I was working under Bro. S. Devadason, the Editor of the Tamil magazine 'Varugaiyin Thoothan'. When I joined duty, the first work assigned to me was to clean the office and the tables inside it. Without any hesitation, I accepted the work happily. I also swept the floor of the office. Days passed – months passed- years passed – I continued my work. One day the Editor handed over all his responsibilities and the key of his office to me and said, "God's spirit is on you, you are the one clever in all things" God spoke to the Editor's mind to elevate my position. His anointing and love came on me and I became a servant of God. We should be filled with the spirit of service.

These days, many people come forward to become great preachers and leaders. But they are not willing to get trained under a

good servant of God, who has led a matured spiritual life. Without really knowing the true stages in spiritual life, many want to be called as Reverend, Doctor, Bishop, Pastor, Gifted man of God, International Speaker etc., Such people quickly get entangled in some temptation, difficulties, or suffering and lose their spirituality. It is necessary that everyone should work under a holy and spiritual servant of God, learn of his noble character, habits and Godly nature and follow those good qualities.

In my life of ministry to the Lord, I have learnt the following three good qualities from Late Pastor S. Devadason (Varugaiyin Thoothan).

(a) PUNCTUALITY:

Any work has to be done in the right time under the principle of 'Priority'. Whenever we go to

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SUPPORT (Romans 12:13)

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PRAISE & PRAYER POINTS - From 2022 September 19 To October 18

(Please take this sheet out, fold it and keep it in your Bible and pray continuously)



✝ PRAISE GOD FOR...

- September 19** ⇒ His blessings on our commitment to Magazine Ministry since 1969.
- September 20** ⇒ Providing new students for our Residential and Evening **Nehemiah Bible College**.
- September 21** ⇒ Enabling us to print and publish our magazine in 16 languages in our printing press and send to the mission fields.
- September 22** ⇒ His blessings showered upon families of our workers.
- September 23** ⇒ Our Prayer Partners, Subscribing Partners, Faith Partners, Life Partners, Great Commission Partners, and their families.
- September 24** ⇒ The growth of our Bible Correspondence Course and Theological Correspondence Course.
- September 25** ⇒ The blessings of our Associate Editors and their families.
- September 26** ⇒ Our Main Church and Branch Churches and its believers.
- September 27** ⇒ Providing new Associate Editor, Rev. Dr. K. R. Rajasekaran for our publications ministry.
- September 28** ⇒ Our **St. Paul's Matriculation School's** Principal, Teachers and other Staff members.
- September 29** ⇒ Safeguarding our **Echo of His Call Ministries** staff and their families.
- September 30** ⇒ Meeting our needs in the month of July
- October 01** ⇒ Enabling us to conduct Theological Seminars regularly.
- October 02** ⇒ Senior Pastor for his commitment to propagate the gospel through multifarious ministries.

- October 03** ⇒ Having blessed with new believers in our Church.

✝ PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

- October 04** ⇒ Integrity among the believers of all nations towards God.
- October 05** ⇒ The blessings of our organization, all staff and their families.
- October 06** ⇒ His magnanimous allowing and leading over our Senior Pastor's writing of his Autobiography.
- October 07** ⇒ The unity and peace of all countries.
- October 08** ⇒ Providing new student admission in our **St. Paul's Matriculation School** (Village High School).
- October 09** ⇒ Our Partners and State Co-ordinators and their families.
- October 10** ⇒ The blessing for our Gospel Printing Press.
- October 11** ⇒ The safety of the people all over the world.
- October 12** ⇒ To meet all our needs in this month.
- October 13** ⇒ To meet every alcoholic and evil doer to commit into repentance.
- October 14** ⇒ The safety of all women and children in the world.
- October 15** ⇒ Giving us the focused visions to build His Kingdom on earth.
- October 16** ⇒ The youth and outreach ministries of **Echo of His Call**.
- October 17** ⇒ Enabling us to reach the unreached of India.
- October 18** ⇒ The sound health of our Senior Pastor S. Sam Selva Raj and his family.

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perform our duties, we should always keep in mind the possible hindrances from nature such as, rain or wind and the traffic block and so we have to set apart some time (cushion time) and start early. We should never be late either to the work place or Church. If we are late we are sure to face failures.

(b) RESPONSIBILITY:

Even simple work has to be carried out with a sense of responsibility. 'Anything should be done perfectly'. According to a Tamil proverb, people who hold responsible positions must keep in mind the needs of those depending on them. This is the dictum;

- (i). Whatever we do, we must use our utmost knowledge and intelligence.
- (ii). We must do everything with confidence using our efficiency and knowledge and fear of God.

For example, some do not have the habit of checking what they themselves have done. They are least bothered about their work. These people think, "If those who are above me are skillful enough to find out my mistakes, I can correct them later". This is a dangerous trend. We must have the conscience to do everything correctly. If at all anything goes wrong we must feel ashamed of it and vouch that such things should not repeat.

(c) INVOLVEMENT:

Every duty has to be performed with a personal touch. If you think, "this is not my work; this is not my personal property; I'm not concerned about the profit or loss of this endeavour," you're sure to be a failure.

You may be a sweeper or person holding a high position in an organization. Instead of simply performing the duties for duty's sake, you must show interest in your work and do it with real involvement putting your heart and soul into it. Then you will rise high in your life.

It is good to be always ready to learn from elders.

3. JOSHUA, MAN WITH OBEDIENCE TO AUTHORITY

Amalek came and fought with Israel in Rephidim (Exodus 17:8). Moses said to Joshua to take some men and fight with the Amalek. Joshua immediately entered the battlefield and obeyed the command of Moses. There are many people who do not obey their superiors or God Himself! Only people, who are obedient to their superiors and to God, can become

good leaders and exercise authority. Joshua respected authority. When Moses asked him to go to war, he immediately went to the battle-field. He did not say that he had no training to be a soldier and try to escape from the work given to him. Immediately he obeyed.

4. JOSHUA, MAN WHO HONOURED THE TABERNACLE OF GOD

Joshua was a good leader. A man loved by the Lord. Joshua loved the tabernacle (temple of God). He lived in the tabernacle. "...Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the tabernacle" (Exodus 33:11). God exalts those who love the Church and the various ministries of the Church. Leaders should strictly ask the people to attend the Church. God loves the gathering of

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PIT TO PALACE

(Life experiences of Pastor S. Sam Selva Raj)

“Whoever reads, let him understand” (Matthew 24:15)



The other side of my youth!

My heart was very intimate with God and for the things about His Kingdom in my youth. Fear of God was my breath of life and Holiness unto the Lord was the hub of my life. Without losing His purpose in my heart and His care for me, God guided me. My mind was so sharp in Godly matters and very blunt in worldly matters. My prayer life was very fervent. Above all these, I considered every single minute of my life a great blessing and honor.

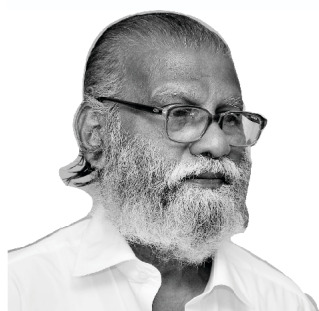
I could clearly understand my inner passion to accomplish something solid for God was destroying my self-ambitions by shaping up a new creature within me. I had a focussed and spirit-controlled guidance, which the world could not understand.

My desire to take the good news of Christ was ever burning within me. So like-minded friends of

my Nellaraikonam Village CSI Church, brothers S. Abraham, J. Albert Devadass, P. Samraj, Y. Thangamani, S. Paulus, J. George Robinson, S. Benson Jesudass, Sisters D. Baby Suseela, and J. Kanagammal joined along with me. On the 10th of August 1969, by God grace, '**Good News Prayer Band**' was born. The first monthly income of our ministry was Rupees two. I am still treasuring those account and minutes books. We conducted prayer meetings and gospel meetings in the Churches. As a result of the effort, many people were saved and many joined the ministry. At this time, Brothers G. Jeyananda Paulmony, A. Selvaraj, Wesley Devadasan, John Rosh Kamalam, and J. Jeya chandran had come forward to join me in the ministry. I played harmonium, Wesley Devadasan was a guitarist, David Reginald and John Rosh Kamalam were violinists and P. Samraj played bongos. Our gospel team with musical instruments drew people to our meetings. Along with melodious we preached the gospel free to the people.

Apart from our Village Church, we conducted Gospel meetings in and other places like Thuckalay, Neyyoor, Udayarvillai, Colachal, Karungal, Kuzhithurai, Marthandam, Kadamalaikundru, Nagercoil, Moovatrumugam, Palliyadi, Pechiparai, Kodhayar, Kanyakumari, Muttam and so on.

Many young, elderly, and children gave their lives to Christ. Especially young people repented from their sinful ways to God and committed to living a godly life. Many sick people got healed and demon-possessed were delivered. This gave me a new enthusiasm to me; I started distributing tracts by walking 15 to 20 miles



Bro. Wesley Devadasan
(Herald of His Coming)



Rev. John Rosh Kamalam
(Presbyter, Church of South India)



Rev. J. Jeyachandran
(Presbyter, Assembly of God)



Bro. David Reginald
(Lay Preacher)

barefoot. Others thought I became mad. But my parents understood me as a Godly child.

Even though there was no favorable situation and encouragement from others for God's work at the

beginning of my ministry, I was very zealous to be proactive in the ministry. Following such a situation, God guided me to the next level in my ministry through printed pages. ■ ■ ■

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the Church. Choose a Church and take part in all its activities. Then you will receive the blessings of God without asking.

In today's world, people do not have the will to gather and worship in the Church. Sometimes even famous servants of God also do not encourage the people go to Church. We are aware that the Lord has commanded us to gather and worship Him in the Church. But well known evangelists telecast programmes on Sundays in TV channels preaching with the intention of having more supporters for themselves and their ministry. These evangelists who are to be as bridges between the Church and the people, divert them and make divisions among people! Ofcourse, such programmes are helpful for elders or the sick who cannot go to Church. They may stay at home and watch, while others must go to Church. But the evangelists should ask all able bodied persons to attend Church without fail.

5. JOSHUA, MAN WHO WAS TAKING DECISIONS

At crucial times, Joshua took decisive decisions. God exalts those who take good decisions. We must be firm in taking a decision and stick to it. God exalts such people. Joshua asked the congregation of the people of Israel to worship the Lord alone and set him as an example; "...But as for me and my house, we will serve

the Lord" (Joshua 24:15). God is looking for people who are mentally strong and take decisions boldly, and to stand by Him.



Moreover, people who receive God's revelation should challenge others without feeling ashamed or think of repercussions and show people the way to serve the Lord. These days ministries without a vision, without a call, without faith and without sound teachings abound. Hence believers who are not saved are also on the increase.

We should live our lives depending on God alone. We should be clear and true in our faith. When many people come to participate in our ministries we should not think of monetary benefits, rather we should make them repent for their sins and live a holy life as taught by Christ, because the world is going from bad to worse every day. To set people free from these dangerous evils, take firm decisions like Joshua. Your life will be completely transformed. God will bless you!

Psalm 103:1-5

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name!
2. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits;
3. Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases.
4. Who redeems your life from destruction, who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies.
5. Who satisfies your moth with good things, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

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