

2020: Let's Grow Together!



- ❧ Making the most of each day
- ❧ Getting closer to Jesus
- ❧ Helping others

Unshakable Hope



❧ Starts

Monday, 1/13,
630pm

❧ Reading book,
workbook,
and video

❧ Both books
\$20

New Year's ReVolution



- ❧ Will you grow in GRACE?
 - ❧ Or groan in Disgrace?
 - ❧ A new year to grow in active faith!
 - ❧¹⁸ *but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.*
 - ❧ *To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.*
- ❧ 2 Peter 3:18 (NKJV)

God is *in Charge* -
do you really believe it?



Behold, the Lord GOD shall come with a strong *hand*,
And His arm shall rule for Him;
Behold, His reward *is* with Him,
And His work before Him.
¹¹ He will feed His flock like a shepherd;
He will gather the lambs with His arm,
And carry *them* in His bosom,
And gently lead those who are with young.



✧¹² Who has measured the waters in the
hollow of His hand,
Measured heaven with a span
And calculated the dust of the earth in a
measure?
Weighed the mountains in scales
And the hills in a balance?
¹³ Who has directed the Spirit of the LORD,
Or *as* His counselor has taught Him?



- ❧¹⁴ With whom did He take counsel,
and *who* instructed Him,
And taught Him in the path of justice?
Who taught Him knowledge,
And showed Him the way of understanding?
- ❧¹⁵ Behold, the nations *are* as a drop in a
bucket, And are counted as the small dust on
the scales; Look, He lifts up the isles as a very
little thing.



16 And Lebanon *is* not sufficient to
burn,
Nor its beasts sufficient for a burnt
offering.

17 All nations before Him *are* as nothing,
And they are counted by Him less than
nothing and worthless.



☞¹⁸ To whom then will you liken God?
Or what likeness will you compare to
Him?

¹⁹ The workman molds an image,
The goldsmith overspreads it with
gold,
And the silversmith casts silver chains.



✻²⁰ Whoever *is* too impoverished
for *such* a contribution
Chooses a tree *that* will not rot;
He seeks for himself a skillful workman
To prepare a carved image *that* will not
totter.



21 Have you not known? Have you not heard?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?



22 It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, And its inhabitants *are* like grasshoppers, Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, And spreads them out like a tent to dwell in.

23 He brings the princes to nothing; He makes the judges of the earth useless.



✧²⁵ “To whom then will you liken Me,
Or *to whom* shall I be equal?” says the Holy
One.

²⁶ Lift up your eyes on high,
And see who has created these *things*,
Who brings out their host by number;
He calls them all by name,
By the greatness of His might
And the strength of *His* power;
Not one is missing.



✧²⁸ Have you not known?

Have you not heard?

The *everlasting God*, the LORD,

The Creator of the ends of the earth,

Neither faints nor is weary.

His understanding is unsearchable.

²⁹ He gives power to the weak,

And to *those who have* no might He increases strength.



30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary,
And the young men shall utterly fall,
31 But those who wait on the LORD
Shall renew *their* strength;
They shall mount up with wings like eagles,
They shall run and not be weary,
They shall walk and not faint.

Our Problem: God substitutes



- ☞ Are there any idols in your life?
- ☞ Time to get rid of them!
- ☞ Focus on the ONE & ONLY GOD!
- ☞ Focus on His greatness!!

The Heavens Declare



- ❧ *how many stars are there in the Milky Way?*
- ❧ there are 200-400 billion stars in our galaxy.
- ❧ there could be as many as 500 billion galaxies in the Universe,
- ❧ 2×10^{23} stars in the Universe.
- ❧ That's 200,000,000,000,000,000,000,000.
- ❧ <https://www.universetoday.com/25145/interesting-facts-about-stars/>

God knows!



☞²² Then He said to His disciples, “Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; nor about the body, what you will put on. ²³ Life is more than food, and the body *is more* than clothing.



✧²⁴ Consider the ravens, for they neither sow nor reap, which have neither storehouse nor barn; and God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds? ²⁵ And which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature?



✧²⁶ If you then are not able to do *the* least, why are you anxious for the rest? ²⁷ Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.



☞²⁸ If then God so clothes the grass,
which today is in the field and
tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how
much more *will He clothe you,*
O *you* of little faith?

☞²⁹ “ And do not seek what you should
eat or what you should drink, nor have
an anxious mind.



☞³⁰ For all these things the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you need these things. ³¹ But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you.



❧³² “Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

❧ Luke 12

So, how big is your problem?



Or, how *big is your God?*

Spending time with the Lord, in the bible, in prayer, reminds us:

God is *all powerful*

God *loves us*

God will *care for us!*