

God's Got Your Back He'll get YOU back on track

People are looking for God everywhere. Most of them will never find Him. That's because they are looking for God outside, whereas God is found on the inside -- in the stillness of the heart and mind.

Jesus said, "I am knocking on the door of your heart." If you pause to listen to the still small voice within, you will hear God saying, "Don't worry. I got your back."

God cares about you more than you care about yourself. He wants us to live life to the fullest. He wants us to have it all. He wants us to have to best. That's why He sent Jesus to die for us. So that we may live for Him.

When you see Jesus hanging on the cross... that's God saying "You are totally worth dying for." Jesus is LOVE personified.

Satan, on the other hand, is out to destroy you. He wants to steal every good thing God has given you and enslave you. That's why he tries to ensnare people through vices such as greed, envy, gluttony, anger and lust. Every time you turn around to check out that good-

looking person who just walked by, or watch an A-rated film, you are, in fact, selling a little bit of your soul to the devil.

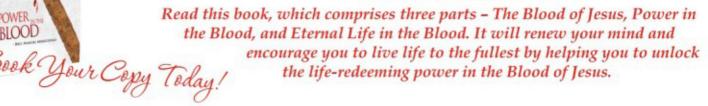
Therefore, be careful what you see. It's the second glance that ties your hands as darkness pulls the strings. Be careful what you hear, for when flattery leads to compromise, the end is always near. Be careful what you say, for empty words and promises lead broken hearts astray. Be careful where you go, for it's the little feet behind you that are sure to follow. Remember, it's all about the choices you make. People never crumble in a day. It's a slow fade.

Decisions decide destiny. God is here for you. When the going gets tough, all you need to do is dig your feet in, raise your hands and make a stand.

Call out to God. That's all you need to do. God will come to your aid. He will bring relief. I don't know how He will do it for you, but I know He will. Jesus never fails.

Call out for help! God is listening. Ask and you shall receive.

- Bro. Manuel Mergulhao





When you think about the Bible, romance is probably the last thing that comes to mind. But the Bible has something for everyone—even diehard romantics.

Take the story of Hannah for instance. Her husband, Elkanah, the father of Samuel, is by far the most romantic character in the Bible.

Here's the story.

Hannah desperately wants to have a child with her husband. After all, a little child that embodies attributes of both the father and mother is the strongest declaration that "the two of us are one".

I can understand Hannah's desperation. Back in the day, women who could not conceive were ostracized by society. They would be treated badly, even by their own family.

But our man Elkanah was of a different breed. When he saw how upset Hannah was, he took her in his arms, held her tear-stained face in his hands, looked deep into her eyes, wiped her tears away, kissed her on the cheeks and whispered, "Why so sad, pretty face? Don't I mean more to you than ten sons?"

Okay, he did not exactly say that. But he said something exactly like that. (Look up 1 Samuel 1 for details.) In any case, that's like the most romantic line in the Bible.

Unlike the men of his time, Elkanah does not blame Hannah for not bearing children for him. Instead, he comforts her saying, "Don't fret about it, sweetheart. Don't worry about what the world says. We've got each other. And that's all we need."

This is a good guy. He loves his wife and treats her the way all women ought to be treated — with love and respect. I think God likes that in a man too. God does not expect a man to understand his wife; He only expects him to love, respect and care for her... just like Jesus cares for all of us.

And therefore when God finally blesses Hannah, He is in essence blessing Elkanah too. Guess how many kids they have? Not one, not two, not three, not four...they have six.

I can almost envision Hannah surrounded by her little tots, beaming from ear to ear...with Elkanah right there with his arms around her. So realistically romantic.

- Editorial Desk

Are We Robbing God?

So often we hear of shrines, religious places and prayer houses Being robbed of their idols and things called valuables. Where is the security we create for people? This has made the victims of loss feel terrible (Ps. 127:1)

Temples with their wealth, idols, treasures and devotees
Washed away by floods and various other calamities.
All things work for the good of those who love the Lord
And work according to His purpose (Rom 8:28)
God warned us about, "unexpected disasters and all of these."

(Eze 7:5; Jer 1:16)

"Trust in Me and put Me to the test," (Malachi 3:10)
And think over the things in which you invest,
Heaven and earth will pass away.
But my Word will forever stay."(Isa: 40:8)

We often rob God, even in our tit bits and tithes, Explaining in our words, our legitimate rights. We rob God of His invisible, eternal, loveable And ever present properties, and made Him of human art With colour, sizes and varieties. (Jer 10: 9)

It was then locked in places where we think He ought to be And its feast celebrated with fun and gaiety. (Exo 32: 5,6) They have eyes, but cannot see; have ears but cannot hear, And in tradition they fill people with undesirable fear. [Hence we live with all these calamities. (Rom 1:18 onwards)]

Our man-made gods have to be well looked after (Jer 10: 5)
Their faces are either grim or with smiles and laughter
They have hands, but cannot reach out for help
So we depend on our strength and self. (Jer 17: 5)

Whilst our Living God does not need help to do anything, (Acts 17:25)

Only our helpless body is all He needs us to bring...

Benedict Vivian Fernandez



The Fullness of Time!

We may be able to look at the calendar and say that two-thirds of the year 2013 is over, but we cannot say what part of our life is over.

For every pre-destined event, there is a 'fullness of time' at which it happens.

Galatians 4:4 says, "But when the fullness of time came, God sent forth His son, born of a woman, born under the law"

Each one of us has a 'fullness of time', from the smallest molecular happening to the greatest birth of a new star in the cosmos!

The development of the human embryo is in exact periods of sevens [i.e., 28 days (4x7)]. The accuracy of this law is amazing. Then, the full normal time is 280 days (40x7).

There is a definite Seal of the Creator, which is un-

alterable by man!

The chicks of a hen, whether they are placed under the hen or in the incubator, will be out only on the 21st day (3x7).

God has set these signs before us so that we may have some tangible evidence of His plan and purpose through Jesus Christ.

There is also a seal of our Creator on the period of our existence on earth at a particular time of history!

Can we just bow down before this plan and simply stop struggling with the unstoppable thought-flow and be still and know that He is God?

- Sis. Lynette Mergulhao

Dubai Outreach

Ecclesiastes 3:1 NIV – There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens.

Everything must come at its appropriate time. If you get something by being stubborn, you are in trouble. Half the problems of life arise because we are constantly trying to run our lives based on our limited understanding. We forget that there is a schedule and an appropriate time for everything. God exalts and humbles the same person. He raises nations up and brings them down.

It is easy to doubt that God has it all together when you look at the world. Peter felt the same way when he looked at the waves instead of looking at Jesus. The world today is filled with crime, abortion, homosexuality... Nations are in

debt. It can be pretty discouraging. But God has it all under control. All we need to do is keep walking in faith and not by sight. We must learn to surrender our lives to God and trust in His perfect will.

Colossians 1:17 describes God as "before all things," adding "in Him all things hold together."

Everything has already been set in motion. Even the date we were born and the date we will die are foreordained. The only non-binding clause is what we do with Jesus. God has left that decision to us and we can of our own free will accept Him or reject Him. Receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and trust that He will do what is best for you....He always does what is right.

- Editorial Desk



Because... "You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world." -1John 4:4

Hallelujah! Blessed is he who indeed is set apart by God for His kingdom. July 7, 2013 was a special day for the youth of BMM. That day, the Freedom Generation (the youth of Bro. Manuel Ministries) presented RISE, taking Praise & Worship in this ministry to a new level.

The evening began with spectacular performances by the BMM YOUTH Dance Group, who matched their steps to the beat of Catch the Fire (Whoopsi Daisy). There were also solo performances by Selvin Thomas (Tum Hi ho) and Sneha Tak (Aaye Khudha).

The Praise & Worship team led the crowd to a higher zone, where one Rises above every situation and circumstance and gives God all the glory and honor He deserves.

Bro. Manuel expounded on the Fire and the Love of God.

Noted Bollywood music director Mithoon Sharma also encouraged the youth with his testimony.

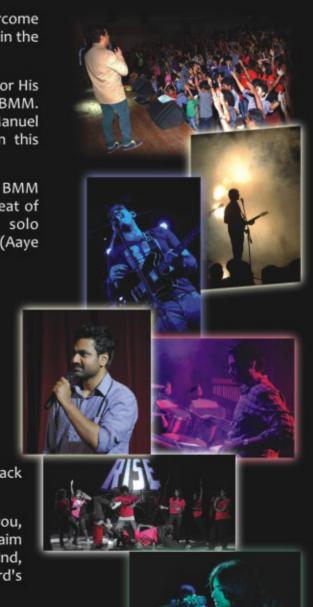
This much is true. With every new season, we are blooming in His glory. Yes! We are Rising and we will be back again. Until then, know this:

The Spirit of the Lord is on you, because He has anointed you, to preach good news to the poor. He has sent you to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor. Luke 4:18-19

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our Mother's Instructions PUZZLE

God gives us parents to help us learn about following his ways.

Cherishing our mothers means valuing their guidance.

Use the boxed word codes below to complete Proverbs 6:20-22 NIV

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DAILY SCRIPTURE READING - SEPTEMBER 2013

Date	Old Testament	Psalms	Proverbs	New Testament
Sept 1, 2013	Song of Songs 1:1-2:17	Psalms 104:1-9	Proverbs 24:15-16	1 Corinthians 11:17-34
Sept 2, 2013	Song of Songs 3:1-4:16	Psalms 104:10-23	Proverbs 24:17-18	1 Corinthians 12:1-31
Sept 3, 2013	Song of Songs 5:1-6:13	Psalms 104:24-30	Proverbs 24:19-20	1 Corinthians 13:1-13
Sept 4, 2013	Song of Songs 7:1-8:14	Psalms 104:31-35	Proverbs 24:21-22	1 Corinthians 14:1-20
Sept 5, 2013	Isaiah 1:1-2:22	Psalms 105:1-6	Proverbs 24:23-25	1 Corinthians 14:21-40
Sept 6, 2013	Isaiah 3:1-4:6	Psalms 105:7-22	Proverbs 24:26-27	1 Corinthians 15:1-28
Sept 7, 2013	Isaiah 5:1-6:13	Psalms 105:23-36	Proverbs 24:28-29	1 Corinthians 15:29-58
Sept 8, 2013	Isaiah 7:1-8:22	Psalms 105:37-45	Proverbs 24:30-34	1 Corinthians 16:1-24
Sept 9, 2013	Isaiah 9:1 - 10:34	Psalms 106:1-5	Proverbs 25:1-2	2 Corinthians 1:1-24
Sept 10, 2013	Isaiah 11:1-12:6	Psalms 106:6-18	Proverbs 25:3-5	2 Corinthians 2:1-17
Sept 11, 2013	Isaiah 13:1-14:32	Psalms 106:19-23	Proverbs 25:6-7	2 Corinthians 3:1-18
Sept 12, 2013	Isaiah 15:1-16:14	Psalms 106:24-31	Proverbs 25:8-10	2 Corinthians 4:1-18
Sept 13, 2013	Isaiah 17:1-18:7	Psalms 106:32-39	Proverbs 25:11-12	2 Corinthians 5:1-21
Sept 14, 2013	Isaiah 19:1-20:6	Psalms 106:40-48	Proverbs 25:13	2 Corinthians 6:1-18
Sept 15, 2013	Isaiah 21:1-22:25	Psalms 107:1-9	Proverbs 25:14-16	2 Corinthians 7:1-16
Sept 16, 2013	Isaiah 23:1-24:23	Psalms 107:10:22	Proverbs 25:17	2 Corinthians 8:1-24
Sept 17, 2013	Isaiah 25:1-26:21	Psalms 107:23-32	Proverbs 25:18-19	2 Corinthians 9:1-15
Sept 18, 2013	Isaiah 27:1-28:29	Psalms 107:33-34	Proverbs 25:20	2 Corinthians 10:1-18
Sept 19, 2013	Isaiah 29:1-24	Psalms 108:1-6	Proverbs 25:21-22	2 Corinthians 11:1-15
Sept 20, 2013	Isaiah 30:1-32:20	Psalms 108:7-13	Proverbs 25:23-24	2 Corinthians 11:16-33
Sept 21, 2013	Isaiah 33:1-34:17	Psalms 109:1-5	Proverbs 25:25-26	2 Corinthians 12:1-21
Sept 22, 2013	Isaiah 35:1-36:22	Psalms 109:6-13	Proverbs 25:27-28	2 Corinthians 13:1-14
Sept 23, 2013	Isaiah 37:1-38:22	Psalms 109:14-20	Proverbs 26:1	Galatians 1:1-24
Sept 24, 2013	Isaiah 39:1-40:31	Psalms 109:21-25	Proverbs 26:2	Galatians 2:1-21
Sept 25, 2013	Isaiah 41:1-42:25	Psalms 109:26-31	Proverbs 26:3-4	Galatians 3:1-29
Sept 26, 2013	Isaiah 43:1-44:28	Psalms 110:1-7	Proverbs 26:5-9	Galatians 4:1-31
Sept 27, 2013	Isaiah 45:1-46:13	Psalms 111:1-6	Proverbs 26:10	Galatians 5:1-26
Sept 28, 2013	Isaiah 47:1-48:22	Psalms 111:7-10	Proverbs 26:11-12	Galatians 6:1-18
Sept 29, 2013	Isaiah 49:1-50:11	Psalms 112:1-4	Proverbs 26:13-15	Ephesians 1:1-23
Sept 30, 2013	Isaiah 51:1-52:15	Psalms 112:5-10	Proverbs 26:16	Ephesians 2:1-22





I consulted a doctor over a big lump, who advised me to undergo an operation. Instead, I opted to attend the retreat organized by Bro. Manuel Ministries. I had a counselling session with Bro. Manuel and he prayed for me. I am happy to testify that I received full healing for my body and the lump disappeared without me having to undergo any operation.

Detosa Rebello



I had to undergo a laser operation for my left eye, but because the retina was affected, the doctor arranged for one more surgery. On the day of the operation, the doctor could not make it. I spoke to Bro. Manuel and he advised me to go on praying. I realized that God was keeping me form being operated upon again. It has been 3-4 years since then and I can see everything clearly. I don't even need spectacles. My vision is very good even though I am now 73 years of age.

Samuel Kedari



I have been wearing spectacles for the last 15 years. During the prayer meeting, I removed my spectacles and applied the Blood of Jesus on my eyes. When I put my spectacles back on, my vision was blurred. That's when I realised that my vision had been restored. I can see clearly now without the spectacles. Thank you, Jesus.

-Naina Kanetkar





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K4C Corner Puzzel Answer: "My son, keep your father's command and do not forsake your mother's teaching. Bind them always on your heart; fasten them around your neck. When you walk, they will guide you; when you sleep, they will watch over you; when you awake, they will speak to you.

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