

Overflowing Life & the Way we Talk

HUMANITY – Created by the Word of God

Matt 6.9 Pray then like this:

“**Our Father** in heaven, **Family Relationship w God**
hallowed be your name.

Unique in All Creation

Ps 8.1 O LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

2 **Out of the mouth** of babies and infants,
you have ***established strength*** because of your foes,
to still the enemy and the avenger.

** Heb. **Lay a foundation** for strength, power, might

Mt. 21:16 **prepared praise** (*mend, restore, create*) declaration of ...

3 When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

4 **what is man** that you are mindful of him,
and **the son of man** that you care for him?

5 Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings
and **crowned him with glory and honor.**

6 You **have given him dominion over the works of your hands;**
you have put all things under his feet, ...

9 O LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

THE INTENTION OF THE INCARNATION

John 10.10 **ESV** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I
came that they may have life and have it abundantly.¹

Sin is a violation of divine design; Truth brings FREEDOM

¹ Greek – excessive, running over.

ABUNDANT LIFE and MORE BOLDLY

Background... Acts 3 – lame man healed

Acts 4.1 And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, **2 greatly annoyed** because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. **3** And they **arrested them and put them in custody** until the next day, for it was already evening. **4** But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about **five thousand**.

RELIGIOUS SPIRIT & POLITICAL SPIRIT – division & popularity

Compelled by Love; Ministers of Reconciliation

4:7 And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “By **what power** or by **what name** did you do this?” **8** Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “... **10 let it be known** to all of you and to all the people of Israel that **by the name** of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom **you crucified**, whom **God raised from the dead**—by him this man is standing before you well. **11** This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. **12** And there is **salvation in no one else**, for there is **no other name** under heaven given among men by which we **must be saved**.”

13 Now when **they saw the boldness of Peter and John**, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were **astounded**. And they **recognized** that they had been with Jesus. **14** But seeing the man who was healed standing beside them, **they had nothing to say** in opposition. **15** But when they had commanded them to leave the council, they conferred with one another, **16** saying, “What shall we do with these men? For that a notable sign has been performed through them is evident to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. **17** But in order that it may spread no further among the people, let us **warn them to speak no more** to anyone **in this name**.” **18** So

they called them and charged them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. 19 But Peter and John answered them, *“Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge,* 20 **for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard.”** 21 And when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way to punish them, because of the people, for all were praising God for what had happened. 22 For the man on whom this sign of healing was performed was more than forty years old.

POLITICAL SPIRIT & RELIGIOUS SPIRIT both feed on division and accusation.

23 When they were released, they went to their friends and reported 24 And when they heard it, **they lifted their voices together to God** ... < Ps 2 >

29 And now, Lord, **look upon their threats** and grant to your servants to **continue to speak your word with all boldness,** 30 while you **stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed** through the **name of** your holy servant **Jesus.”** 31 And when they had prayed, **the place in which they were gathered together was shaken,** and **they were all filled with the Holy Spirit** and continued to **speak the word of God with boldness.**

DON'T BE SILENT; DON'T BE INTIMIDATED BY POLITICAL CORRECTNESS.

A Friend — PC is proof that stupidity is contagious.

Acts 5.17 But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy 18 they **arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison.** 19 But **during the night an angel of the Lord** opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, 20 “Go and stand in the temple and **speak to the people all the words of this Life.”**

Acts 5.27 And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, 28 saying,

“We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man’s blood upon us.” 29 But Peter and the apostles answered, **“We must obey God rather than men. ...”**

33 When they heard this, they were **enraged** and **wanted to kill** them. 34 But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel,... 40 and when they had called in the apostles, they **beat them and charged them not to speak** in the name of Jesus, and let them go. 41 Then they left the presence of the council, **rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name.**

HOLY SPIRIT – Bears Witness to the Paternity

Rom 8.15 For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, **“Abba! Father!”** 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are **children of God**, 17 and if children, then heirs—**heirs of God** and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. 19 For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. 20 For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope 21 that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

We Have Supernatural Love & Hope!

SEE IT!!!

1 John 3.1 **ESV** See what kind of love **the Father** has given [bestowed, lavished upon] to us, that we should be called **children of God**; and so we are. The reason why **the world does not know us** is that **it did not know him.**

You are endlessly filled with eternal Encouragement

2 **Thess 2.15 NIV** So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter.

16 May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us **eternal encouragement** and **good hope**, 17 **encourage** your hearts and strengthen you in **every good deed and word**.

****PRAYER FOR ENDLESS ENCOURAGEMENT & OVERFLOWING HOPE (DON'T BE DISTRACTED)**

Rom 15.13 NIV May the **God of hope fill you** with **all joy and peace** as you trust in him, so that **you may overflow with hope** by the **power of the Holy Spirit**. 14 I myself am convinced, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness, complete in knowledge and competent to instruct one another.

**PRAYER FOR THE NATION, FOR THE GOVERNMENT LEADERS,
REVEAL YOUR GLORY TO THEM!**

WE WILL NOT KEEP SILENT!