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THE SPIRITUAL MATURITY

The beginning of the spiritual life is the event of regeneration. Nobody is linked to the kingdom of God by his good work, hereditary, morality or ritual. When a man accepts Lord Jesus Christ, who died on the Calvary cross for his sins and trespasses, as his personal savior he receives a new life. When he hears the

gospel, the Holy Spirit works in him and makes him understand about the lost blessing and the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ. And he forwards with the new steps of heavenly vision. All other faith and conversions are fraud. **Act 8:13** Simon himself also believed; and after being baptized, he stayed close to Philip and was astounded when he saw the

great wonders and miracles that were being performed. But he never had lot and part in gospel. But it is a sad thing to say that there such Simons are present in spiritual leadership and in Bible colleges. When a man is lead to the experience of salvation and conversion, God starts His good work in him. God's will is that a disciplined and

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Rajasthan Campaign Got Started

The YMEF ND wound up the campaign in Pokran and they reached Jaisalmer on 6.3.2010. Brother V M Samuel has arranged for our stay in the Emmanuel School. The inhabitants of these are mainly Meghawal, Rajaputhra, Marwadis and the tribes of Beel. The villages are filled with idols and supertitious beliefs. Most of the villagers are illiterate. The Lord enabled us to share gospel in 22 villages on 3.3.2010 we shared gospel in the village called Sekhave and the people listened to it very carefully. We were able to distribute bibles and other literature and they bought few copies of the Bible. We prayed for Bismillah a girl under the influence of the evil spirit. We could share gospel in Darbani, Dabla Chuthara and Dani. The inhabitants of these villages showed much interest in gospel and bought many books. The responses in the village Bambul was mixed one. The residents of the village of Bagla ignored this good news and turned their deaf ear to it. Then we went to the villages Battoda, Raising Nagar, Nimbo Colony and Gagiya. There we were able to share gospel and we distributed books and book lets.

We had got number of contacts during the 2002-2003 campaign. Brother Darshan Singh conducted follow up and assembly was formed in the village. More than 50 believers gather there. There is the possibility of the formation of two assemblies in different villages which is some 13kms away from . Plots for two assemblies have already been donated by the believers of that place. We were able to take part in the different cottage meetings. Let us remember these dear brethren who are in the battle front

P V Johny

Leather Vessel "Thuruthi"

In the scripture we can see about so many vessels. It is good to learn in detail about vessels. But the specific reference about your vessel could be seen only in the Holy Bible. Every utensils and vessels have their own uses. Even our body has been compared to an earthen vessel. The vessel which we considered has many specialities. This vessel is the leather vessel of our God. It is kept in His presence. There may be a vessel for each and every one. If we got to the kitchen at lunch time we can see

many vessels which are covered with their lids. Some may often to see to identify by the dishes prepared for them. Likewise it is good to open vessels which are kept for His presence. Otherwise in the end we may have to stand in His presence like a pauper. Let this vessel be known as the vessel of tears. Let it be filled with tears and tears alone.

There had been times when the church of God had wept. We can see incidents when families and individuals have wept. The prophet Jeremiah

is the person recorded in the scriptures as one who wept the most. He did not weep for him. He cried for the Israel who had slipped back in their love to God. He was crying against their blacksliding. The whole book of lamentation gives us the call to cry. In Lamentation 2:18 we read like this Let tears run down like a river day and night. Dear saints let us transform ourselves to cry We can see the idea of weep or weeping many times in the scripture. In Job it can be seen 18times,

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WILL HAVE TO GIVE ACCOUNT

The heading of this article are the words said by an elderly brother at the time of his wife's funeral, which was once said by his wife to him.

One day that evangelist was sitting at home lazily. Farmers had gone to the field. Children had gone to the schools. Office workers and other responsible people had gone to their offices. Market place was busy with vendor and consumers. At this time his wife told him that "You will have to give account for everything".

Nobody will be able to preach about the above subject better than us. Because we teach very well that the stewards are responsible for everything and we have to stand before the judgment seat of Christ. But how much we are sincere towards these teachings? Each and every child of God has to think about this subject very seriously.

In what all matters we have to give account? Many believers think that the evangelistic work is only for the evangelist. And others never take responsibility for that task. But our Lord said that "Ye shall be My witness". None of the believers can escape from this duty.

Is our responsibility only towards the evangelism? Are we not elected for the holiness in life? How many of us are keeping the doctrinal truths in our life? Many are going for the gathering of the false teachers. They are satisfied by the crowd and outward appearance and performance. They are attracted by the prosperity gospel. Their preaching is based on few verses of the Bible without the complete context. They are not ready to say Amen for others prayer whom they do not like, keep enmity and rivalry towards the fellow believers. How many things are left behind to give account?

This elderly brother examined himself before his wife's words. Even though today he is an aged person, he is very active in the spiritual field. Let us praise God for that. He is a well equipped soldier in battle field. He is well aware of the words **Will have to give account**. The former chief minister of Kerala E.M.Sankaran Namboothiripad asked a question to the evangelist like this. Do you really believe that a day will come like the furnace? This question is applicable today also. If we believe sincerely how much sincerely we have to do our duties? How much sincerely we have to work to take out some people from that burning fire. If we had worked with that fear our assemblies would have grown. Let us pray that those who are responsible to give account may work hard to prove that.

V.S.Mathew

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regular work should progress in him. If a baby is not growing according to the age, how sad it will be for the parents? It is also sad for our creator if we, the children of God do not grow. It is our marked duty to grow spiritually. [2Pe 3:18](#) But **continue to grow** in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory, now and forever! Amen. This is a message given by Apostle

Peter. In a parable about the Kingdom of God we see that lesson. [Mar 4:28](#) The soil itself makes the plants grow and bear fruit; first the tender stalk appears, then the head, and finally the head full of grain. For the entry of the kingdom of God a complete surrender and becoming like a child is a must. But remain like a child is not allowed. Those who have spiritual life should grow spiritually. [Eph 4:15](#) Instead, by

speaking the truth in a spirit of love, **we must grow up in every way to Christ, who is the head**. Not the milk but the solid food should be taken by the believers. We should be able to know the good and bad. The children are illiterate. But when they grow up they will get instructions and teachings from teachers and parents. Therefore they grow in knowledge.

The scripture is the basic law for a believer. But today many are wandering without the basic knowledge. They move like the waves. Since they are not growing spiritually they are not strong. So they are cheated like the children. Many of them are changing the churches and fellowships. This is because of the lack of spiritual knowledge. This condition of moving here and

there is shameful for the name of God. But what is the remedy for this? Those who are redeemed by the word of God should grow with the same word. [1Pe 1:25](#) but the word of the Lord remains forever." This word is the Good News that was proclaimed to you. [1Pe 2:1](#) Rid yourselves, then, of all evil; no more lying or hypocrisy or jealousy or insulting language.

YMEF News

Kozhikodu: A one day out reach was held in association with the Maikkavu Brethren Assembly on 16.3.2010. Brother Paul P Skariah delivered the Word. This centre is planning a gospel camp at Thamarasserry in association with the Thamarasserry Brethren Assembly on 8,9,10 of April 2010. We are planning house visits, open airs and evening meetings along with this programmes. Kindly pray for the spiritual blessings of this ministry. Paul P Skariah

Kumbanadu: The Kumbanadu centre wishes to conduct a one day meeting in the Koipuram Brethren Assembly in association with that assembly. The meeting will be held from 9am. The subject for meditation is the Epistle of Philemon. We solicit the presence of all the dear sisters and brothers during this meeting. Brother Thomas Mathew has been elected as the new secretary for this centre. Telephone No: 0469 2795062

SBS News

General Prayer

The monthly prayer meeting under the auspices of the SBS General for this month will be held at the SBS Camp Centre Puthencavu on 7th April 6pm. All are requested to attend this prayer meeting. C M Chacko Prayer Co ordinator.

Centre Camp

Valakom: If it be the will of the Lord the centre camp of the Valakom SBS Centre will be held at the Keezhillam Evangelical Retreat Centre from April 28 to May 1 Saturday noon. The Theme of the Camp is Proverbs 4:23. The main leaders of this camp are Joy John, Binu Samuel, Regi K Thomas and Dharmarajan. Competitions for the children are also arranged along with this camp. For more information: **Babu Paul 9447462717.**

The Prayer Meeting of the Evangelist

Kottarakkara: If it be the will of the Lord the monthly prayer meeting of the evangelists will be held on April 6 at the Gospel Hall Kottarakkara from 10am. All the evangelist are requested to attend this prayer meeting.

C S F Sisters Camp

Venue: **Always YMCA Camp Site Time: 13.4.2010 5pm to 17.4.2010 2pm.** Main Speakers Varghese Kurian, K V Thomas. For more information Ammini Philip

Sisters Conference

Venue: Sodari Bhavan Kollam Date: April 8 9,30 am to 10 April 1pm. Theme: Fight the good fight of faith 1Tim ^:12. Speakers: K Biju, Sam Zachariah and Jose Mankudy. Eligibility Sisters between the age group 14-25. Joice Mathew

Sodari Samajam

Kottarakkara: God willing the next meeting of the Sodari Samajam Kottarakkara centre will be

held on April 14, 2010 at 10am in the Mainagapally Brethren Assembly Hall. All sisters are requested to attend it with prayer. Bible Quiz Genesis 21-25. Chinnamma Varghese

Gospel Meetings

Thrissur: God willing gospel meetings will be held under the responsibility of the East Fort Brethren Assembly from 1.4.2010 to 4.4.2010. The evening meetings will be held from 6.30 to 8.30pm. Brother George Chacko and Sunny Thomas are the main speakers. Bible Classes will be conducted in the mornings of Friday and Saturday from 7.30 and after 3.30 on Friday the anniversary of the Sunday School will take place. Sisters meetings will be held on Saturday from 3.30 pm. Kindly pray for the spiritual blessing of this meeting. M A Joy.

Kumbanadu: The 107th Kumbanadu Convention went on well by the grace of God. It has been decided in the committee convened on 2.3.2010 to conduct the 108th convention from 19th December to 26th December. The convention is held in association with the 125 local assemblies in and around Kumbanadu. Kindly pray for the blessings of this convention. Convenor

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God can shed it. We see that wailing of many in the T V Screens. These are all out of personal pain and loss. There is eternal wailing and cries in the hell too. Once a servant of God prayed for Scotland for a long time. Finally he prayed like this Lord give me Scotland or take my life. The result was seen soon. Dear saints can we pray like this Lord give us India or take our life. Let the tears for our country fall in the place where we are. The elephant with two small eyes cannot ascertain its strength, likewise we do not know our strength in this regard. We haven't yet understand the value of our tears or the potential of our Lord. After our departure from here this gland will not function.

If our Lord displays the content of our vessel at His judgement seat in the presence of all the saints will there be anything in it. We may be able to present many lame excuses there about our concerns and busy schedules. But mind that none of these excuses will be considered on that day which is so soon to happen.

There are many saints in the world who collect tears in this vessel. Let us thank the Lord for such. Moreover let us cry that more saints may come forward to shed tears for our nation. Our worldly life is to shed tears for this world. It is not for our enjoyment. Our greatest treasure for the future is our tears for the children. This vessel has some specialities. We cannot fill this vessel with anything else. It cannot be filled with duplicate

tears. It will never overflow. It will not vapourise too. Dear saints how will you be able to face the judgement seat of Christ when we are busy in filling our vessels of luxury and beautification. Let us cry weep so that we shall not become a cancer patient. Let us cry for our children not after they go astray but before that. Let us not cry after being fallen adversities and dangers instead let us cry before that. May God help us to shed sincere tears for our country when lot of hypocritical tears are fallen.

1Pe 2:2 Be like newborn babies, always thirsty for the pure spiritual milk, so that by drinking it you may grow up and be saved.

1Pe 2:3 As the scripture says, "You have found out for yourselves how kind the Lord is."

Act 20:32 "And now I commend you to the care of God and to the message of his grace, which is able to build you up and give you the blessings God has for all his people. **Act 17:10** As soon as night came, the believers sent Paul and Silas to Berea. When they

arrived, they went to the synagogue.

Act 17:11 The people there were more open-minded than the people in Thessalonica. They listened to the message with great eagerness, and every day they studied the Scriptures to see if what Paul said was really true.

Joh 7:17 Whoever is willing to do what God wants will know whether what I teach comes from God or whether I speak on my own authority. Those who are willing to know the truths of the word of God, God will reveal everything.

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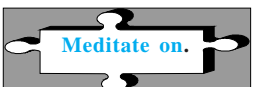
Psalms 54, Jeremiah 35 and Isaiah 36. In the future Israel has to pass through a great wailing or lamentation during the period of tribulation.

It is my wish that the saints in the world should have a desire to cry or to weep. It is not for the sufferings or sickness or any material things. These tears should be for the lost soul around damnation. If we send the vapours of our tears to heaven then God will send His spiritual blessings to us. Thus the power that sent the whole of Nineveh to repentance and

confession. The power which was in Mount Sinai the power which brought back Jesus Christ. Is no less today. Our God is an Omnipotent God. The gland of tears bestowed us by our Lord is to cry for the saints, the local assemblies and the lost souls.

We should not go back to our Fathers house without giving work to this gland. Once a sister told that she would never cry at any cost. Let us not harden our heart. This tendency to cry or weep is not a weakness but it is His grace. Our tears are the spiritual atom bombs. With its power we can move the heaven. We can break the knees of the Arch reveal and can easily shatter his fortress. Our prefers the tears is our veseel to our wealth preaching and our givings. Our God has given us many glands in our bodies. These glands produce the necessary chemicals like saliva for the proper functioning of our body. When one of our glands stops functioning then some symptoms of som disease will appear on us. The glands for tears is an exception. We have to make it work. The tears of a saint for the lost is much precious than the tears that we shed for pains and sufferings. This tears will be kept in Gods vessel. It is very precious. Only a child of

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That Rock was Jesus Christ

We feel very happy to hear that we saw the rock while digging for the foundation for a house. But it is not good to hear that rock is seen while digging a well. Whatever it is the rock shows a firm state. We can see in many places in the scripture that Jesus Christ is compared as a rock. If a person started to build his life as a house on the basis of Jesus Christ as the rock, it will overcome all tribulations in every circumstances. The reason is that its beginning was from a place of firm foundation. Therefore it will acquire more strength and prosperity for the construction of the upward structure.

"Augustus M Do Pladdy", the author of "Rock of ages cleft for me" came to Lord Jesus at the age of 16. Do Pladdy attend the meetings conducted by a common man called as Mons Morris. Once Mons Morris was conducting a meeting in a barn. On that day he was preaching from Eph. 2:13. During the altar call at the end of the message by Mons

Morris, Do Pladdy surrendered his life to Jesus Christ. That day was a remarkable day in his life. He wrote about his experience like this. It is very relieving that I was living under the grace of England for a long time and now I am called out for God through the service of a man who was not well in his language in the midst of very few people gathered in a barn in Ireland.

After few to Pladdy was caught in a severe storm and flood occurred in reserved and hilly place known as Barington Cobe. In order to save himself he searched for a shelter and he saw a rock with a deep cleft. Suddenly he went inside the cleft for his shelter. When he was thanking God for providing him that shelter, his mind was overwhelmed with the thoughts of Christ, the rock who was literally broken. Immediately when he was sitting at that place, he wrote the lines of that famous hymn.

The saints of olden days tune their songs on the

basis of their life experiences. The thoughts that came from the tribulations that came across in their spiritual life are changed into poems and songs. Just like the prophet Habakkuk had told; those who found shelter in the Jehovah, the eternal rock can sing in adverse conditions and pains. Today many believers are surviving only because they found their trust in Jehovah, the rock of ages. They built up their spiritual lives on this rock. But today there are many who say falsely that they put foundation on Christ and are building on sand to achieve their temporary achievements. They fell down when the storm blows in the midst of sufferings. Many are still falling. Let it not happened to us. However trusts in Him will be never ashamed. Are we having our trust in that rock which is cleaved? Let us think about it for a moment. May the Lord help us. **TVS**

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