Memory Verse OF THE WEEK

"BUT THOSE WHO TRUST IN THE LORD WILL FIND NEW STRENGTH. THEY WILL SOAR HIGH ON WINGS LIKE EAGLES. THEY WILL RUN AND **NOT GROW WEARY.** THEY WILL WALK AND NOT FAINT.

Isaiah 40:31



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✓CHECK WHEN COMPLETED!

Something to Chew On

There was an incident in 2 Kings 20 where King Hezekiah became deathly ill and was told to set his affairs in order because he was going to die. He wept before God and the Father heard his prayers. But instead of directly healing Hezekiah, God healed through Isaiah conveying this message in verse 7, "Make an ointment from figs." So Hezekiah's servants spread the ointment over the boil, and Hezekiah recovered. There were times when I've felt guilty relying on modern medicine instead of God's direct healing. Reading this gave me peace that God can direct the creation of cures to be used by doctors to apply to the sick. The Father is not limited in his ability to bring about healing.

READ GENESIS 34

Jacob's daughter, Dinah, was defiled and the perpetrator thought it was convenient enough to overlook the sin since he was in love with her and wanted to marry her. He thought maybe that would make everything right. His dad thought they could just excuse the rape and make a deal for appeasement. Of course, Dinah's brothers did not buy that and took revenge on all. Maybe you've committed an act that grieves the Lord and have tried to make a deal with Him. Although we may suffer the consequences of our sin, thankfully, we will not have to strike a deal with God because His provision in Christ has already been made.

READ GENESIS 35

'Jacob set up a stone pillar to mark the place where God had spoken to him. ... 'Genesis 35:14. Think of the different times God had rescued or spoken to you in a profound way. Now mark those times as a remembrance, keep His mighty acts in your life close to heart.

READ JOHN 12:1-19

'Jesus replied, "Leave her alone. She did this in preparation for my burial. 'John 12:7 I don't think Mary had any idea that Jesus was about to die. It is my belief that Mary didn't intend to prepare Jesus for his burial. None of the disciples actually knew what was really going to happen. And he is saying, this is my entrance into the greatest act ever known to mankind, and for mankind. that Jesus would die on the cross. What came from. I believe, was a heart of gratitude, Jesus turned it into a preparation for what He was about to do. We never know what God would do in our midst from a heart of gratitude. Never cease to be thankful.

READ JOHN 12:20-36

In verse 35, what does it mean to walk in the light while we can before we allow darkness to overtake us?

READ JOHN 12:37-50

What is God's stance on His judgment versus what He came to do?

APPLICATION

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Go Deeper...

PONDER

Hope and joy and peace sound terrific! Two things are vital for this to be a part of our lives. First, we must trust God to meet our needs and get us to where we need to be. Second, we expect the power of the Holy Spirit to bless us and empower us with God's qualities.

PRAY

Great and Mighty God, bless me with greater trust that you are nearby and long to help. Bless and empower me to be the person you want me to be. Fill me with your Spirit so I may live my life more like Jesus lived his life here on earth. Through him I pray.

Amen.

PUT INTO ACTION

Choose one thing that you depend on yourself to do, then put that trust into God's hands instead. Write it down in your journal or tell a friend to hold you accountable to it!