GOD OF WONDERS

"Anchor Your Soul from Drifting"

Awaken Others:

Don't be afraid to talk to others because you are afraid that you will make them mad, if the truth is what makes them mad. (God sent it). It is much better for someone to get angry than it is for them to go to sleep.

Sometimes people are (sound asleep). You see, that's the problem. It is much better to awaken them, even if they wake up mad!

Help Others to (awaken) lay aside the things that are entangling them so they may get in the race that's been marked out for them.

Pray for Others: Ephesians 3: 14-21 NIV

14 For this reason I kneel before the Father, 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. 16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people. to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.20 Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

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"Fill me up with You, O God, so I might pour out to others, then fill me up again." Stephanie Harrison And those who "know" <u>Your name</u> put their "trust" in you, for you, O Lord, you have not forsaken those who seek you. **Psalm 9:10**

1. Prepare your hearts to trust in His Great Name.

a. Trust Him further than you can see Him.
"Even though you say that you do not see Him, yet justice is before Him, and you must wait for Him!
Job 35:14 AMP

b. Trust Him when danger comes.

12 ... For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you." **2 Chron 20:12 NIV**

2. Prepare your heart to be united to fear His Name.

a. A prepared heart as an undivided heart. The Psalmist wrote, "Teach me Your way, O Lord; I will walk in Your truth; unite my heart to hear your Name." **Psalm 86:11**

b. A prepared heart has an upward focus: "Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth." **Colossians 3:2**

3. Prepare your heart to seek God.

10 For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the Law of the Lord, and to do it, and to teach statutes and ordinances in Israel. **Ezra 7:10**

19 and the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things entering in choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. Mark4:19 NKJV

12 Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground, for it is time to seek the Lord, till He comes and rains righteousness on you. **Hosea 10:12 NKJV**

4. Prepare your heart to surrender to His Will.

"Abraham"

Abraham made a full surrender to God's will...

Abram <u>surrendered</u> his <u>family</u> to go to a place God would show him. **Gen 12: 1-4**

Abram <u>surrendered</u> the <u>land</u> to his nephew Lot. He let him choose the land he wanted. **Gen 13: 14-18; 15:18**

Abram <u>surrendered</u> his <u>temptation</u> to get rich at the hands of the King of Sodom **Gen. 22: 8; 11-12.** Abram <u>surrendered</u> his <u>only son</u> and offered him as a sacrifice. The idol of his life. **Gen 22:8; 11-12.** **Examine:** "There must not be an idol in your heart if you are going to carry out the will of God" God Provided a Sacrifice

Promise: When you make a full surrender to God's will, He will give you a renewed vision of Jesus and He will give you secrets of heaven. Matthew 13:11 ESV

5. Prepare your heart to "know" God and "experience" His attributes, which every one of them is going to "<u>Anchor our Soul from Drifting"</u>

Application:

 Examine your heart: What does an awakened life mean to you? (How do we wake up our heart and soul?) Read - Ephesians 3:14-21

2. Can you trust in the Lord when things seem impossible? How? Read - Psalm 86:8-10
3. Is your heart undivided from the truth in God's word?

Read - Psalm 86:11; Colossians 3:2

4. Ezra had prepared his heart to "seek" the Lord, and "do" what God said. Discuss the difference between "seeking" and "doing" what God says. Read
- Ezra 7:10

5. How can you surrender your will to the will of God?(ESV) James 4:7; Proverbs 3:5-6; Psalm 9:10;
Psalm 25: 5; Psalm 46:10; 1 Peter 5:7.

6. Preparing your heart to "know" and "experience"
God, will keep our "Soul Anchored and from Drifting"
Scriptural Reading – Isaiah 43 & 44

Redeemed through Water and Fire

But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by your name; You are Mine." Says the LORD, who created you...and He who When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned,

Nor shall the flame scorch you. For I am the LORD your God, The Holy One of Israel, your Savior;

I gave Egypt for your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in your place.

Since you were precious in My sight, You have been honored, And I have loved you; Therefore I will give men for you, And people for your life. Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your descendants from the east, And gather you from the west; I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' And to the south, 'Do not keep them back!' Bring My sons from afar, And My daughters from the ends of the earth; Everyone who is called by My name, Whom I have created for My glory; I have formed him, yes, I have made him. Bring out the blind people who have eyes, And the deaf who have ears. Let all the nations be gathered together, And let the people be assembled. Who among them can declare this, And show us former things? Let them bring out their witnesses, that they may be justified; Or let them hear, and say, "It is truth." "You are My witnesses," says the LORD, "And My servant whom I have chosen, That you may know and believe Me, And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed. Nor shall there be after Me. I, even I, am the LORD, And besides Me there is no savior. I have declared and saved. I have proclaimed, And there was no foreign god among you; Therefore you are My witnesses," Says the LORD, "that I am God.

Indeed before the day was, I am He; And there is no one who can deliver out of My hand;

I work, and who will reverse it?"

Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer,

The Holy One of Israel:

"For your sake I will send to Babylon, And bring them all down as fugitives— The Chaldeans, who rejoice in their ships. I am the LORD, your Holy One, The Creator of Israel, your King."

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea and a path through the mighty waters, Who brings forth the chariot and horse,

The army and the power They shall lie down together, they shall not rise;

They are extinguished, they are quenched like a wick):

Do not remember the former things,

Nor consider the things of old.

Behold, I will do a new thing,

Now it shall spring forth;

Shall you not know it?

I will even make a road in the wilderness

And rivers in the desert.

The beast of the field will honor Me,

The jackals and the ostriches,

Because I give waters in the wilderness And rivers in the desert, to give drink To My people, My chosen. This people I have formed for Myself; They shall declare My praise. Do not remember the former things: But you have not called upon Me, O Jacob; And you have been weary of Me, O Israel. You have not brought Me the sheep for your burnt offerings,

Nor have you honored Me with your sacrifices. I have not caused you to serve with grain offerings,

Nor wearied you with incense.

You have bought Me no sweet cane with money, Nor have you satisfied Me with the fat of your sacrifices; But you have burdened Me with your sins, You have wearied Me with your iniquities.

I, even I, am He who blots out your

transgressions for My own sake;

And I will not remember your sins.

Put Me in remembrance;

Let us contend together;

State your case, that you may be acquitted.

Your first father sinned,

And your mediators have transgressed against Me.

Therefore I will profane the princes of the sanctuary; I will give Jacob to the curse, And Israel to reproaches. I, even I, am He who blots out your transgressions...I will not remember your sins: