

PLAYLIST OF THE DECADES 1970's September 9, 2018

Stayin' Alive

“Well you can tell by the way I use my walk; I'm a woman's man, no time to talk; Music loud & women warm, I've been kicked around since I was born; Now it's alright, it's okay; You may look the other way; We can try to understand; The New York Times' effect on man

Whether you're a brother or whether you're a mother; You're stayin' alive, stayin' alive; Feel the city breakin' & everybody shakin'; And we're stayin' alive, stayin' alive; Ah, ha, ha, ha, stayin' alive, stayin' alive; Ah, ha, ha, ha, stayin' alive...

Well now, I get low & I get high; And if I can't get either, I really try Got the wings of heaven on my shoes; I'm a dancin' man & I just can't lose; You know it's alright, it's okay; I'll live to see another day We can try to understand; The New York Times' effect on man

Chorus-

*Life goin' nowhere, somebody help me; Somebody help me, yeah
Life goin' nowhere, somebody help me, yeah; I'm stayin' alive”*

“STAYIN' ALIVE' IN CHRIST

Because of sin, death came & we were separated from God.

Romans 5:12 When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam's sin brought **death**, so **death** spread to everyone, for everyone sinned.

Man and woman were created to “be alive” with God.

Jesus came to give life and bring man back together with God.

Romans 5:17 For the sin of this one man, Adam, caused death to rule over many. But even greater is God's wonderful grace & His gift of righteousness, for all who receive it will live in triumph over sin & death through this one man, Jesus. **18** Adam's one sin brings condemnation for everyone, but Christ's one act of righteousness brings a right relationship with God & new life for everyone. **19** Because one person disobeyed God, many became sinners. But because one other person obeyed God, many will be made righteous. **20** God's law was given so that all people could see how sinful they were. But as people sinned more & more, God's wonderful grace became more abundant. **21** So just as sin ruled over all people & brought them to death, now God's wonderful grace rules instead, giving us right standing with God & resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ephesians 2:1 Once you were dead 'cause of your disobedience & your many sins. ²You used to live in sin, like the rest of the world, obeying the devil-the commander of the powers in the unseen world. He's the spirit at work in the hearts of those who refuse to obey God ³All of us used to live that way, following the passionate desires & inclinations of our sinful nature. By our very nature we were subject to God's anger just like everyone else ⁴But God is so rich in mercy & He loved us so much, ⁵even though we were dead because of our sins, He gave us life when He raised Christ from the dead. It's only by God's grace that you've been saved ⁶He raised us from the dead along with Christ & seated us with Him in the heavenly realms because we're united with Christ Jesus ⁷God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of His grace & kindness toward us, as shown in all He's done for us who are united with Christ Jesus. ⁸God saved you by His grace when you believed. You can't take credit for this; it's a gift from God. ⁹Salvation isn't a reward for the good things we've done, so none of us can boast about it ¹⁰We are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago.

John 14:6 Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.”

Romans 6:11 So you also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus.

“STAYIN’ ALIVE” IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

By receiving Jesus as Lord, our spirit is made “alive” by the Holy Spirit.

John 3:3 Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, unless you’re born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God” **4** “What do you mean?” exclaimed Nicodemus. “How can an old man go back into his mother’s womb & be born again?” **5** Jesus replied “I assure you no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water & the Spirit. **6** Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life.

We now have the Spirit of God living in us.

1 Corinthians 3:16 Don’t you realize that all of you together are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God lives in you?

The Holy Spirit is in us to fellowship and help us in every aspect of life.

John 14:15 “If you love Me, obey My commandments. **16** I’ll ask the Father & He’ll give you another Advocate, who’ll never leave you **17** He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive Him, because it isn’t looking for Him & doesn’t recognize Him. But you know Him, because He lives with you now & later will be in you **18** No, I’ll not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you. **19** Soon the world will no longer see Me, but you’ll see Me. Since I live, you also will live. **20** When I’m raised to life again you’ll know that I’m in my Father &

you're in Me & I'm in you... **23** Jesus replied, "All who love Me will do what I say. My Father will love them & We will come & make our home with each of them... **26** But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—He will teach you everything & will remind you of everything I've told you.

The Holy Spirit is all we need in this "Stayin' Alive" life

John 14:26 (AMP) But the Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, Standby), the Holy Spirit, Whom the Father will send in My name [in My place, to represent Me and act on My behalf], He will teach you all things. And He will cause you to recall (will remind you of, bring to your remembrance) everything I have told you.

Comforter—one called alongside to bring aid, support, & safety.

Counselor—one who gives advice & wisdom; a supervisor.

Helper—one who gives aide, assistance, backing, & support.

Advocate—one who pleads another's case; a defender; a lawyer.

Intercessor—one who goes between, negotiates, & mediates; one who makes request for another; stands in the gap.

Strengthener—one who increases the strength & ability of another.

Standby—one who is ready to serve and can always be counted on; a staunch supporter; one to be relied on.

Galatians 5:16 TPT As you **yield freely & fully to the dynamic life & power of the Holy Spirit**, you'll abandon the cravings of your self-life **17** Your self-life craves the things that offend the Holy Spirit & hinder Him from living free within you! The Holy Spirit's intense cravings hinder your old self-life from dominating you! The two incompatible & conflicting forces within you are your self-life of the flesh & the new creation life of the Spirit. **18** But when you're brought into the full freedom of the Spirit of grace, you'll no longer be living under the domination of the law, *but soaring above it!* **19** The cravings of the self-

life are obvious: Sexual immorality, lustful thoughts, pornography, **20** chasing after things instead of God, manipulating others, hatred of those who get in your way, senseless arguments, resentment when others are favored, temper tantrums, angry quarrels, only thinking of yourself, being in love with your own opinions, **21** being envious of the blessings of others, murder, uncontrolled addictions, wild parties, & all other similar behavior. Haven't I already warned you that those who use their "freedom" for these things will not inherit the kingdom realm of God! **22-23** But the fruit produced by the Holy Spirit within you is:

1. divine love in all its varied expressions
2. joy *that overflows,*
3. peace *that subdues,*
4. patience *that endures,*
5. kindness *in action,*
6. a life full of virtue,
7. faith *that prevails,*
8. gentleness *of heart,*
9. and strength *of spirit.*

Never set the law above these qualities, for they're meant to be limitless.

Paul's prayer for us, to help us live a "Stayin' Alive" in Jesus life

2 Corinthians 13:14 (AMP) The grace (favor & spiritual blessing) of the Lord Jesus Christ & the love of God & the presence & fellowship (the communion & sharing together & participation) in the Holy Spirit be with you all. *Amen (so be it).*