



**UNTO THE LORD - 7 DAY FAST  
DAY 6  
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**Hello Victory family, welcome to DAY 4 of our Unto the Lord Fast. It is a true joy and honor to bring this devotion. I'd like to talk about The Living Voice of God. We made up our mind to be set apart, be sanctified and fully consecrated and holy unto the Lord. Let's jump right into the Word as we're coming into the next level of warfare in our personal lives and as a nation. One thing we know is, we do not fight in the flesh but in the spirit realm. The true Ecclesia of the Lord will arise strong.**

**In 2 Corinthians chapter 10 when Paul is talking about the weapons of our warfare, verse 5 says in the Amplified: We are destroying sophisticated arguments and every exalted and proud thing that sets itself up against the true knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought and purpose captive to the obedience of Christ.**

**As we are fasting and seeking the Lord, we are bringing our body and carnal flesh under the subjection of the Holy Spirit. We are tapping into the spirit realm where we hear His voice.**

**Jesus says in John 10:27-28 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.**

**We know there is a difference between the written Word (or Logos) and the spoken Word (or Rhema).**

**In Luke 24:44-45 we see Jesus opening his disciples' understanding of the Word of God. Remember, they were familiar with the written word, and here it becomes the Living Word:**

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Then He said to them, “These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were

written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me.” And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures.

Oh how He longs to speak to us and open our understanding, to reveal Himself to us, to reveal who He is in us!

In Matthew 4:1-4 when Jesus was tempted in the wilderness, He says it is written that man shall not live by bread alone but by every Word that proceeds from the mouth of God- that is the Rhema Word. It’s the living Word. It’s a spoken Word that is alive, active, and produces something.

Satan desires to derail us as well. But we know we have been born for this time, to establish His Kingdom on the earth. And we use the living Word to achieve this.

The living Voice of God spoken to us, and through us, will manifest power. The spirit of this world says you will die, you will not prosper, you are a victim, it’s too late for you. But the living voice of the Lord says you are My Son, My Daughter, you will prosper, you have the victory, you are a world changer, you will fulfill your calling and your destiny in Christ- Hallelujah!

Jesus said in John 6:63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.

The “word” in Greek, #4487 in the Strong’s is *rhēma*, a spoken word, made “by the living voice”. It is the dynamic, living word in a believer to inbirth faith.

**RHEMA WORDS PRODUCE FAITH.**

I would like to share a personal experience. The Lord spoke first to my covenant woman, my wife, in 2019 while we were living up north, “your move to Florida is coming, move now” (women often have the antennas up!)

**Man, how I struggled in my flesh for a while to give up a well paid**

**job and move to Florida with no idea what I would be doing for work. The Voice of the Lord said “Sarasota is your promised land, I will prosper you, you will fulfill your destiny and you will take down the giants”. So we made the leap of faith based on that Living Voice of God. Like we said earlier about Rhema, it births faith. Shortly after, the devil tried to take me out with a heart attack. The living voice of the Lord said “You will live and not die. I have called you to be a priest to stand before me, a husband, and a father to many”. I stood on this living Word; it created a great faith within me when the enemy tried to terrify me.**

**THE LIVING VOICE OF GOD CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE.**

**In the difficult days ahead in our nation, we will need specific instruction from the Lord about what to do concerning many decisions we need to make.**

**When Hebrews 4:12 says the Word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, The Greek word for sword here is Strong’s #3162 **máχaira** – a slaughter-knife; a short sword or dagger mainly used for stabbing; figuratively it means an instrument for exacting retribution.**

**The Living Word is compared to a SWORD, which is alive, it is a figurative slaughter knife, a very sharp, fine tool we use to make powerful decrees and declarations; His Kingdom come, His will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. As Pastor Brian says, revelation establishes authority.**

**My wife and I had a legal battle that lasted 14 years. It was corporate in nature, it was totally unfounded, we had done nothing wrong, but were told we would need to pay a company a huge amount of money. Since there was no precedent, even our lawyer said it was not guaranteed we would win, even if it seemed completely unjust to him. Bankruptcy was not even an option if we lost; he said we could be looking at having our wages garnished, for the rest of our lives, to satisfy that kind of sum of money.**

**But the Lord spoke clearly to us. The scriptures came to life for us, such as the battle at Ziklag (recovering ALL), and many others. One day the Lord said the voice of our opponent was actually the spirit of Jezebel, intent on terrifying us, intimidating us, and to shut us up and wear us out. (Sounds like what we are experiencing in our nation now, doesn't it?) Since hearing His Living Word, we didn't worry about the legal issue. We were peaceful. We took these Living Words of God, used our swords by declaring them, and finally the victory came. We did NOT have to pay a dime, but they had to pay us!**

**May this week of fasting be historic for us as individuals, and also corporately as the Victory family. God has chosen to speak His Living Voice, that we might become carriers of His glory and establish His will on earth. We cry Maranatha! God, I feel your presence, the fear of the Lord is hovering over us.**

**Be blessed, family. Love you!**