Memory Verse OF THE WEEK

"I TELL YOU THE TRUTH, ANYONE WHO WELCOMES MY **MESSENGER IS** WELCOMING ME, AND **ANYONE WHO WELCOMES ME IS WELCOMING THE FATHER WHO SENT** ME."

John 13:20



Wednesdays, 8:00 am HCM website or Facebook page

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✓CHECK WHEN COMPLETED!

Something to Chew On

I remember when Covid-19 first began, I walked into Kaiser clinic for my son to get a regular check-up and we had to be screened at the entrance. It was an uncomfortable moment for me. I am sure vou have wondered, is God in control, does He know what is happening? Yes He does and you are precious to Him in all this! Matthew 10:31 says, "So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows." You are not just "valuable," you are valuable to a loving Father. I love this other verse I came across in Job 42:2, which says, "I know that you can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted." Wow! When I think of a loving Father combined with His power, where nothing in this world can stop his intentions, I find peace and comfort knowing that it will all work out.

READ JOHN 13:1-17

Peter was disturbed when Jesus attempted to wash his feet. He could not fathom how the King of Kings could stoop so low to do such a humiliating act. 'Jesus replied, "You don't understand now what I am doing, but someday you will." Sometimes we do not understand why God does things in our life. But it is this struggle, this humbling experience for us to learn and "wash" other people's feet as well. It is for us to be like Christ, to take the high road through the low posture of humility.

READ GENESIS 36-37

I'm sure Joseph's brothers weren't happy that they were being told upon by their youngest brother. They were not pleased their father favored him over them. And to add fuel to the fire. Joseph told his brothers about the dream that he had. If I was Joseph, because of the already brittle relationship with the siblings, maybe I would have kept those dreams close to heart until it came to pass. Maybe Joseph did not act in wisdom and could have been a little more careful so as to not have suffered the consequences He faced. But then maybe it was all part of God's plan, where He uses our weaknesses and shortcomings for His greater glory. We all have made foolish mistakes where we might have to face the "music." The comfort for us is that God has a plan and purpose in all that.

READ GENESIS 38

Like Onan, sometimes we prefer not to do what God has required or called of us to do. A life surrendered to God and His plan is the only that would prosper..

READ JOHN 13:18-30

"Welcoming a messenger - I remember welcoming a missionary couple to stay at our home, the result, we have formed an eternal friendship.

READ JOHN 13:31-38

What is the key to a true recognition of who we are as sons & daughters of God?

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!