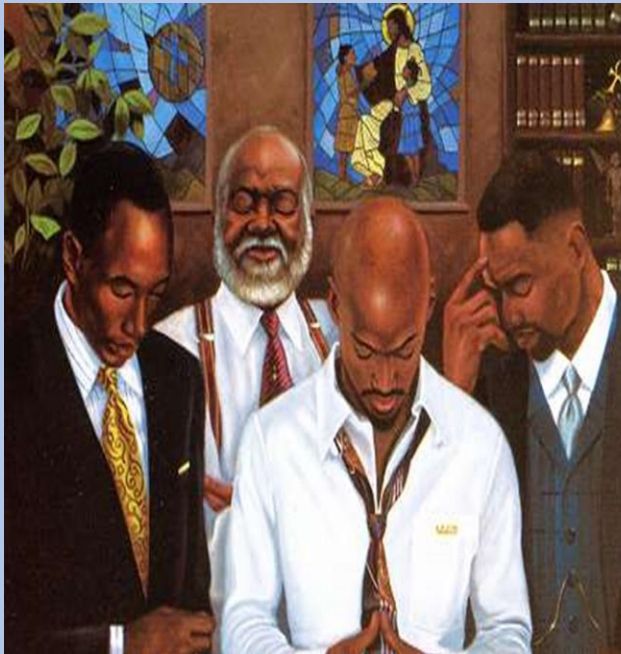


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# **Victory Temple Christian Counseling**

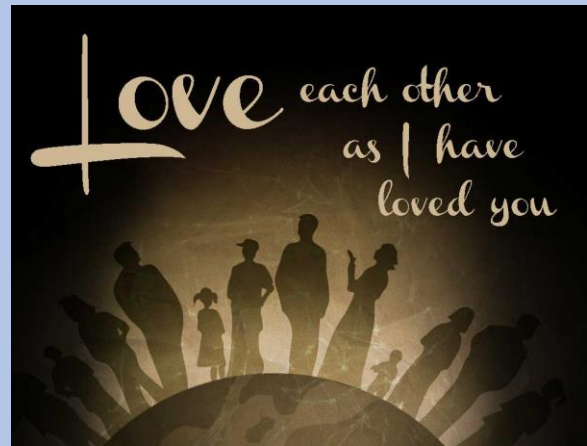
**A Newsletter to  
Encourage**

**A Brotherhood  
Dedicated To Christ**



Living for Christ means standing firm on what's truth according to the Word of God and that's the entire Word Of God.

**Proverbs 27:17: "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another."**



## **Psalms:1:1-6**

1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. <sup>2</sup>But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. <sup>3</sup>And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. <sup>4</sup>The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. <sup>5</sup>Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. <sup>6</sup>For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.



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**JEREMIAH 17:7**

**MEN... NO MORE COMPROMISING YOUR INTEGRITY**

Integrity is a hot issue of discussion today. In society, because of the lack of integrity or compromising, people feel they cannot trust anyone anymore. Integrity is a big deal... churches are looking for godly leaders they can honor and follow. Our generation of young people needs role models they can follow without falling into a ditch.

When integrity is the topic of discussion, we are talking about a person's trustworthiness. It means what you say and what you mean are the same. It means that when you make a promise, you intend to keep it.

There is a daily decision that we all must make, that is, compromise or integrity! Our awesome Bible character, Daniel, was a man who stood out for the right reasons. He incarnated integrity! Daniel was confronted with compromise and conformity, but he refused to bow. Daniel 6:1-28 illustrates what it takes to be a man of integrity rather than a man of compromise and conformity. Daniel served with distinction and displayed public and private integrity through daily disciplines.

You may ask... what does it take to obtain the kind of integrity Daniel had?

1. Do not wait around for anyone or for your environment to get better before you make a move. Integrity has to do with who you are on the inside, regardless of what is happening on the outside. If your level of integrity is not what it should be, do not blame others or your circumstances.

2. Set your standards in advance. Decide on the things you will not compromise on according to God's standards before you find yourself in the middle of a

problem. We cannot wait until the action gets hot and heavy to decide on integrity.

3. Develop a daily devotional life. Make spending time with God the rule, not the exception. As we see in the case of Daniel, cultivating your walk with God will help you to become a man of integrity.

4. Find godly friends who will hold you accountable. Ask for God's assistance for those friends who will ask the hard questions about what you are doing and not doing.

5. Focus on God and not your circumstances.

If Daniel had focused on his circumstances, he would never have maintained his integrity. If you have fallen into compromise and conformity... through the grace of God, you can experience forgiveness and restoration. Man of God, do you want to see God's power operating on your behalf? Become a man of integrity who refuses to make excuses. The good news is that Jesus is in the editing room working with the videotape of our lives. Whatever is keeping you out of Jesus' editing room, do not excuse it. Bring it to Him, let Him take care of it, and live with integrity.

Truly my prayers are with you.

Pastor Luis C Polk





Top row from left to right: Deacon Charles Harris, Pastor Luis C Polk, Elder Carl Simpson Sr. Second row left to right Bro's Chris McLemore, Sherman Robinson, Eric Thompson, Duwon Hart, Elder General Mayberry. Third row little Bro's Quin Robinson, Supt. Leroy Thompson, with great grandsons in middle little Bro Kendall Louis Chambers and little Bro. JT Thompson

Below from left to right is Bro Eric Thompson, Pastor Polk, and Bro. Luke McGee.





Abo left to right Bro. Ethan Sowell, Bro. Joe Massington and Pastor Luis C. Polk and then we have Elder LV Chaney and Bro. Jose Rodriguez.

**Worship Opportunities:**

**Sunday Morning Prayer.....9:00am**

**Sunday School..... 9:30am**

**Sunday Morning Worship.....11:30am**

**Wednesday Bible Study.....6:00pm**

**Conference Call Line 978-990-5000 Code 328062#**

**Discipleship Training**

**every other Thursday..... 6:30pm**

**Friday Morning Prayer..... 11:00am**

**Conference Call Line 978-990-5000 Code 328062#**

**Brotherhood every 2nd**

**and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday..... 8:00am**

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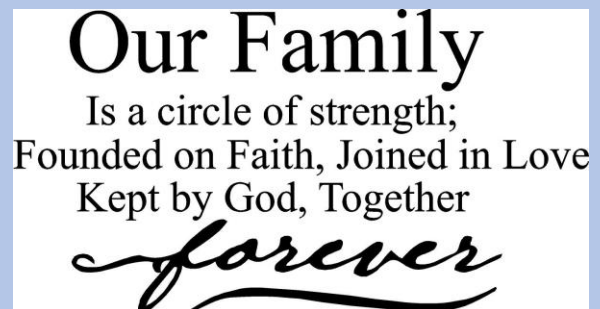
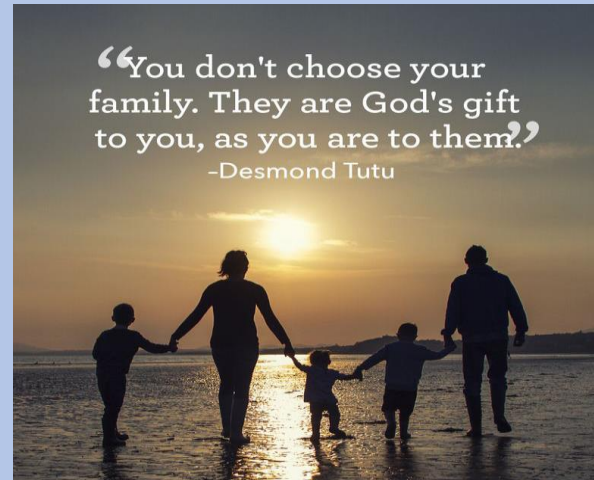


“Jesus gives us hope because He keeps us company, has a vision and knows the way we should go.” - Max Lucado

## To all Fathers

A faithful Christian husband and father will not wallow in his weakness, but he will glory in it. He will continually look to Christ and model this supremely Christian virtue before his family. He will be a man of prayer, knowing that much of his shepherding takes place upon his knees. Christian husbands and fathers, you have been given the glorious and wonderful task of leading your homes in Christ. Leading takes thought and intentionality. How are you leading your family in the Lord? What principles, practices, and pursuits are you employing for their good and the glory of our Head, Christ Jesus?

( statements read by Guest Blogger: Jason Helopoulos and KEVIN DEYOUNG from *10 Principles for Christian Husbands & Fathers* )



Proverbs 27:17 "Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend."

## **Bible Verses to Inspire Men**

Isaiah 40:31 - "but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

Joshua 1:9 - "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

Proverbs 3:5-6 - "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

James 1:2-4 - "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything."

Ephesians 6:11-18 - "Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our

struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."

"What gives me the most hope every day is God's grace; knowing that his grace is going to give me the strength for whatever I face, knowing that nothing is a surprise to God." - **Rick Warren**