

Good Morning Holy Spirit

Believe, Achieve and Succeed!



Don't Lose Focus!

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As a child of God, there will never be a time when Satan will have compassion on you or anyone who confesses the name of Jesus, because the evil he started in the Garden of Eden continues today. Satan hates Christians and Christian marriages with a passion for he knows that godly, dedicated couples can shake the world and turn it upside down for Christ. He will never think, "I have really put them through a lot so I am going to leave them alone." Let it be registered in your minds that his primary motive is to kill, steal and destroy. I pray that these three ministries of Satan will not be successful in your life, in the name of Jesus.

In order to avoid becoming casualties of satanic wiles, we must be determined to remain steadfast in our Christian walk and always concentrate on things pertaining to God. However, the question remains, "What can one do so as not to *lose focus*?"

First, be convinced that God is more powerful than all the demons and their master, Satan, combined. Psalm 62:11 informs us that "*God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power belongeth unto God.*" Therefore, meditate on the fact that the sovereign God is our Father; He is the omnipotent One; He is a Man of War and the creator of all things visible and invisible; He loves you with an everlasting love and has promised that He will not allow your enemies to triumph over you. Such convictions will embolden you to stand in the day of calamity, press on despite all opposition and fight the good fight of faith fearlessly. Then you will be empowered to keep your eyes on Jesus and not *lose focus*.

Second, you must know that the trial of your faith is to draw you closer to God. Psalm 119:71 says, "*It is good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn Thy statutes.*" Romans 5:3 says that "*...tribulation worketh patience,*" which is a fruit of the Spirit. These scriptures reveal that tests, trials and tribulations, when dealt with in light of God's word will result in appreciation for godly principles, the development of godly characteristics, a closer walk with God and an undying determination to keep our eyes on Jesus and not *lose focus*.

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A note to you....

Jesus Christ our Lord, knowing of the trials His people would face cautions, "*... In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world;*" (John 16:33). What consolation, what assurance, what confidence these words bring to the heart.

The Bible is replete with uplifting promises and reminders from our Lord. For example, we are told that Christ dwells in our hearts by faith; He said, "*I am with you always, even unto the end of the world*" (Matthew 28:20); He gave us power over all the power of the enemy and assured us that nothing shall by any means hurt us; He left us an example that we should follow His steps, and told us that God loves us just as He loves Him (Jesus).

Therefore, in light of our divinely-endowed positions, powers and privileges, we must totally yield to Jesus so that our hearts can become His home. Then and only then will we answer a resounding "Yes!" to the question, "Does Jesus feel at home in your heart?"

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Shalom,
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Third, know that God is not the author of confusion and He will never allow you to be tempted more than you can bear. His word says, *“Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; Who comforteth us in all our tribulation ...”* (2 Corinthians 1:3-5). This means that although the Christian walk is fraught with troubles and temptations, our loving God has promised to deliver us. Additionally, 1 Corinthians 10:13 says, *“There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, Who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.”* God is a God of order, His words stand forever and His thoughts for us are for peace and not of evil. Therefore, if we are determined to follow the Comforter, the Way Maker and the Deliverer, we will never be swallowed by the devourer and we will not *lose focus*.



Fourth, know that what is happening or has happened to you is not uncommon to man. *“Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ’s sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy”* (1 Peter 4:12-13). Our challenges are not new or strange to God or the body of Christ. Like the refiner in Malachi 3:3, our God watches us and keeps us safely in the fire (trials) until all impurities are purged out and He sees the image of His Son in us. Therefore, if we consider the end result rather than the process, we will not *lose focus*.

Consequences of Losing Focus

In the bible there are numerous records of individuals who yielded to fear and other ungodly influences, lost their focus and suffered spiritual shipwreck. Consider the following:

Abraham: God made a promise to Abraham that he would be a father of many nations when both he and Sarah, his wife, were old and she was past child-bearing age. God was so confident that His promise would come to pass He changed his name from Abram (exalted father) to Abraham (father of a multitude) (Genesis 17:5). And to eliminate all doubt God reminded Abraham of His omnipotence with the question, *“Is anything too hard for the Lord?”* (Genesis 18:14). But Abraham and Sarah looked upon their aged bodies and decided that Hagar, Sarah’s maidservant, should bear the heir. Hagar brought forth Ishmael and in time Sarah brought forth the promised heir, Isaac. Sadly, the consequence of their actions is still evident in the Middle East today with strife and unrest between the Jews (children of Isaac) and Arabs (children of Ishmael), just because Abraham *lost focus*.

The Ten Israelite Spies: All Hebrews received divine protection when God unleashed ten plagues on the Egyptians and they all witnessed the destruction of Pharaoh and his army in the Red Sea. They heard the voice of God coming from the mountaintop, ate manna from heaven, drank water from the flinty rock and saw numerous other miracles wrought by the hand of God. Yet ten out of the twelve sent to spy out the land of Canaan became consumed with fear, viewed the inhabitants as indestructible and brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel (Numbers 13:32). The Israelites were punished with a 40-year wilderness sojourn and the elimination of everyone twenty years old and upward (except Joshua and Caleb), just because the spies *lost focus*.

King David: As was the custom, it was the responsibility of King David to go out in battle with his army. However, a casual attitude that caused him to remain at home resulted in an illicit relationship with Bathsheba, wife of Uriah the Hittite, one of David’s military heroes. When David learned that Bathsheba was pregnant he conspired with Joab, the captain of the army, to have Uriah killed in battle. As a consequence of his crimes, David’s house was plagued with trouble according to God’s word delivered by the prophet Nathan, *“... the sword shall never depart from thine house ...”* (2 Samuel 12:10). David’s son, Absalom, led an insurrection against him, the country was plunged into chaos and King David had to flee, barefoot, from Israel (2 Samuel 15:30), just because he *lost focus*.

Solomon: God named Solomon, the son of David and Bathsheba, Jedidiah, which means “beloved of the Lord” or “the Lord’s darling.” God loved Solomon. Solomon had the grand privilege of building the first temple in Israel, was divinely blessed with wisdom and riches and Israel flourished. The bible says that silver *“was nothing accounted of in the days of Solomon”* (1 Kings 10:21) and the land was peaceful during his reign, for the name Solomon means “peace.” Sadly, Solomon blatantly violated God’s laws. He loved and took foreign wives, worshipped false gods, imposed heavy taxes on the people and consequently earned God’s disfavor, just because he *lost focus*.

Walk Circumspectly

The preceding examples loudly caution: *“Don’t lose focus!”* Therefore, fear God and eschew evil; look unto Jesus the author and finisher of your faith; regularly fellowship with the Holy Spirit; pray without ceasing; engage in bible reading and study; avoid all occasions of sin; keep yourselves unspotted from the world; be examples of the believers *“...in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity”* (1 Timothy 4:12) and **“Don’t Lose Focus!”** *Shalom!*

By the Words of Their Testimony

1

Children of God, help me shout Hallelujah! My daughter who was looking for the fruit of the womb has been blessed with a handsome baby boy. Praise the Lord!

Sister MB

2

I thank God that He has taken away my loneliness. My first husband passed away in 2010 and I joined the prayer line in 2011 during the Seventy Days Prayer Program. Now I have remarried and God is continuing to do wonderful things in my life. I thank you for teaching me how to pray.

KC, Columbus, Ohio

3

To God be the glory! After a long wait, my husband and I were married on May 26, 2012. This was the Lord's doing and it is marvelous in our eyes.

4

Thank you for allowing God to use you in His vineyard. During the January 2012 Prayer and Fasting Program, I wrote down my prayer requests as instructed by our Mommy on GMHS. Since then, my husband has been blessed with pastoring a church and I have experienced healing in different areas of my life.

Sister AA

5

I bless the name of the Lord. I asked for a child from God during the 2011 Seventy Days Prayer Program and He blessed me with a beautiful daughter. May the Lord continue to increase the anointing on the Ministry of GMHS.

6

God has been good to me and my family. I delivered my second child with no difficulty and no bed rest. Father Omega, I will worship You all the days of my life.

JA, Houston, TX

7

My family is truly blessed. One daughter delivered her third child, a baby girl, on October 5 and the other was married on November 24. May God bless your ministry abundantly.

GA, New Jersey



Pray Without Ceasing

1. My Father, the great and mighty warrior, appear in my marriage, in the name of Jesus.
2. Every evil seed of repeated failure and discouragement in the land of my marriage, be destroyed by fire, in the name of Jesus.
3. Every invisible hand causing problems in my marriage, wither, in the name of Jesus.
4. By the authority in the blood of Jesus, I renounce every work of darkness in my life, in the name of Jesus.
5. My glory, reject evil exchange and evil transfer, in the name of Jesus.
6. O God, arise and break the confidence of the wicked over my glory, in the name of Jesus.
7. My Father, lift up Your countenance upon my life, in the name of Jesus.



It's Springtime!

Creation is refreshed and new life springs up everywhere.

Look up and bless the Lord, for "He hath made everything beautiful in His time" ... (Ecclesiastes 3:11).

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and come, bask in the "Sun of Righteousness" (Malachi 4:2).

Words of Wisdom

In your walk with God, you do not have to be the fastest, just be steadfast.
(1 Corinthians 15:58)

Even though it seems that you pray more and God answers less while you are in the wilderness, keep praying.
(Luke 18:1)

Be humble; reject pride. God does not bless gods, He blesses His children.
(1 Peter 5:5)

With God, you're not only in the inner circle; you're also in the "winner" circle.
(Romans 8:31)

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