**Aflame Sunday Celebration Message – 10 January 2016**

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**Theme : Running the Set Race with GOD’s Given Vision.**

**New Year – Start Right, Aligning our Spiritual Eyes Upon GOD.**

**Importance to Be Strong in our Spiritman, so Not Crushed.
Last week : Article of single mum with 2 daughters and 40,000 sheep – Pushing through limitations.**

**Human mindset and weak spiritman is the greatest limitation. No Excuses for us in the LORD !**

**Only the Spiritually Born Again can See & Enter the Kingdom of GOD.**

**We may be in Church, but are we in HIS Kingdom ?**

**John 3: 3, 5 (AMP)**

JESUS answered him, I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, that unless a person is Born Again

(anew, from above), he cannot ever SEE (know, be acquainted with, and experience) the Kingdom of GOD.

JESUS answered, I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, unless a man is born of water and [even] the Spirit, he cannot [ever] ENTER the Kingdom of GOD.

**VISION is Important for Reaching Goals and your Destination.**

**Without it – Disorder, do not know where you are going.**

**We may have many visions but is it of GOD ?**

**GOD gave Adam & Eve HIS Vision for their lives and the generations.**

**Genesis 1: 28 (NLT)**

Then GOD blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it.

Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground."

**3 John 2**

Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.

**Without Continually Setting Sight on the LORD, Eve got distracted, deceived, and**

**led herself and generations to destruction.**

**Reference Genesis 3: 6 ~ Eve could ‘walk with GOD’ but GOD was not the Treasure of her heart.
Treasure = Something that is of Great Value (to you) which you Desire to Have, to Keep,**

 **to Hold Dearly.**

[**Matthew 6: 19**](http://bible.knowing-jesus.com/Matthew/6/19)

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.”

 **GOD Brought us into Victorious life In CHRIST. Do not go back to life of defeat.**

**1 Corinthians 6: 11 (AMP)**

And such some of you were [once]. But you were washed clean (purified by a complete atonement for sin and made free from the guilt of sin), and you were consecrated (set apart, hallowed), and

you were justified [pronounced righteous, by trusting] in the Name of the LORD JESUS CHRIST

and in the [Holy] SPIRIT of our GOD.

**The Word of GOD will always Remind and Lead us.**

**Proverbs 29: 18 (NKJ / NLT)**

Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; but happy is he who keeps the law.

When people do not accept divine guidance, they run wild. But whoever obeys the law is joyful.

**Proverbs 4: 20 – 22 (AMP)**

My son, pay attention to my words and be willing to learn; Open your ears to my sayings.
Do not let them escape from your sight; Keep them in the center of your heart.
For they are life to those who find them, and healing and health to all their flesh.

**Psalm 37: 23**

The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD, and HE delights in his way.

**Without the HOLY SPIRIT, we cannot Truly Understand GOD'S Word that Lead us to a Higher Life.**

**Human understanding is like walls blocking out the Truth to be Received in our Inward Part.**

**Ephesians 1: 17 – 19 (AMP)**

That the GOD of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, the FATHER of Glory, may give to you the

SPIRIT of Wisdom and Revelation in the knowledge of HIM.

By having the EYES of your heart flooded with Light, so that you can know and understand the Hope

to which HE has called you, and how Rich is HIS Glorious Inheritance in the saints (HIS set-apart ones).

And [so that you can know and understand] what is the immeasurable and unlimited and

surpassing Greatness of HIS Power in and for us who believe, as demonstrated in the

Working of HIS Mighty Strength.

**GOD’s Revealed Word gives Light of Understanding & Revives us to Pursue what is of HIM.**

**Psalm 119: 130**

The entrance of YOUR WORD gives Light; It gives Understanding to the simple.

**Proverbs 4: 12, 18**

When you walk, your steps will not be hindered, and when you run, you will not stumble.

But the path of the just is like the shining sun, that shines ever brighter unto the perfect day.

**GOD is Looking for Faithful Custodians – Active Followers of GOD's Given Vision.**

**Habakkuk 2: 1 – 4 (AMP)**

I will stand at my guard post and station myself on the tower;
And I will keep watch to see what HE will say to me,
And what answer I will give [as HIS spokesman] when I am reproved.
Then the LORD answered me and said,
“Write the vision and engrave it plainly on [clay] tablets so that the one who reads it will run.
For the vision is yet for the appointed [future] time. It hurries toward the goal [of fulfillment]; it will not fail.
Even though it delays, wait [patiently] for it, because it will certainly come; it will not delay.

Look at the proud one, his soul is not right within him, but the righteous will live by his faith

[in the True GOD]”.

**Aflame Community Church – Vision :**

**1. A Church Aflame to Bring GOD’s LOVE to our COMMUNITIES with HOPE, FAITH, PEACE & JOY.**

**2. A Church Aflame to LIVE PASSIONATELY according to GOD’s WORD and for HIS PURPOSE.**

**3. A Church Aflame WHOLEHEARTEDLY in WORSHIP & PRAYER.**

**Vision is never meant for self, but for GOD & for others, and worked toward in Unity Corporately.**

**The LORD Appoints & Anoints HIS Church for the Purpose to Run the Race of Pursuing**

**HIS Given Vision.**

**Ephesians 3: 9 – 12 (NKJ)**

And to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages

has been hidden in GOD Who created all things through JESUS CHRIST; to the intent that now

the manifold Wisdom of GOD might be made known by the Church to the principalities and powers

in the heavenly places, according to the Eternal Purpose which HE accomplished in CHRIST JESUS

our LORD, in Whom we have boldness and access with confidence through faith in HIM.

**John 4: 35 – 38**

“Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest' ?

Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest !

And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and

he who reaps may rejoice together.

For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.'

I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into

their labors."

**GOD knows our heart. When we Desire, GOD will Direct and Give according to HIS Purpose.**

**Learn to Surrender. Without Surrendering, many things hold us back, and we cannot receive.**

**We Set our Mind to Run this Race with HIS Given Vision by Faith, Endurance, Without Limitations, Trusting HIM.**

**The LORD Renews our human (natural) mind to Mind of CHRIST, so we have GOD’s Thoughts,**

**Setting ourselves on GOD’s Given Vision.**

**1 Corinthians 2: 14, 16 (Amplified)**

But the natural, nonspiritual man does not accept or welcome or admit into his heart the gifts and

teachings and Revelations of the SPIRIT of GOD, for they are folly (meaningless nonsense) to him;

and he is incapable of knowing them [of progressively recognizing, understanding, and becoming

better acquainted with them] because they are spiritually discerned and estimated and appreciated.

For who has known or understood the Mind (the counsels and purposes) of the LORD so as to guide

and instruct HIM and give HIM knowledge ?

But we have the Mind of CHRIST (the Messiah) and do hold the thoughts (feelings and purposes) of

HIS Heart.

**The LORD Empowers us by HIS HOLY SPIRIT to Break Through our limited human mind, so that**

**We may Operate with the Mind of CHRIST According to the Purpose & Desires of HIS Heart.**

**Mind of CHRIST Leads us with Clear Mind & Boldness to Run & Finish the Set Race for us.**

**2 Timothy 4: 5 – 8 (NLT)**

But you should keep a clear mind in every situation. Don't be afraid of suffering for the LORD.

Work at telling others the Good News, and fully carry out the ministry GOD has given you.

As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to GOD. The time of my death is near.

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful.

And now the Prize awaits me – the Crown of Righteousness, which the LORD, the Righteous Judge,

will give me on the Day of HIS Return.

And the Prize is not just for me but for all who eagerly look forward to HIS Appearing.

**The Race GOD has Set for us – The Good Fight of Faith in Working at Telling Others the Good News & Fully Carry Out the Ministry (Good Works) GOD has Given us.**

**Hebrews 11: 1 (Amplified)**

Now Faith is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for,

being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality

[faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses].

**Hebrews 10: 35 – 36 (NLT)**

So do not throw away this confident trust in the LORD. Remember the great reward it brings you !

Patient endurance is what you need now, so that you will continue to do GOD's Will.

Then you will receive all that HE has promised.

**We are not saved by chance or coincidence.**

**Aflame is not established by chance or coincidence.**

**We are not planted into this House of GOD by chance or coincidence.**

**GOD has Given us HIS Vision.**

**Let us Run the Set Race with HIS Vision, To Accomplish HIS Purpose,**

**Holding Dearly the LORD JESUS as Treasure of our Heart, and Empowered with the Mind of CHRIST.**