

Daily Devotional Readings

Monday -Read 1 Peter 1:6-7

1. What trials are you going through that are “testing your faith”?
2. Are you able to genuinely praise and give glory and honor to Christ when facing trials? Why or why not?
3. On a scale from 1 to 10 how “genuine” is your faith? (1 being false and 10 being truly genuine). What can you do to improve this?

Tuesday –Read 2 Timothy 1:6-7

1. Where do you turn first when you are afraid? Why?
2. According to this verse, should we ever be afraid?
3. How can this verse help you when you feel afraid?
4. God didn't give fear, but He did give three other things. What are they and where do we find them in our lives?

Wednesday—Read Philippians 4:6-7

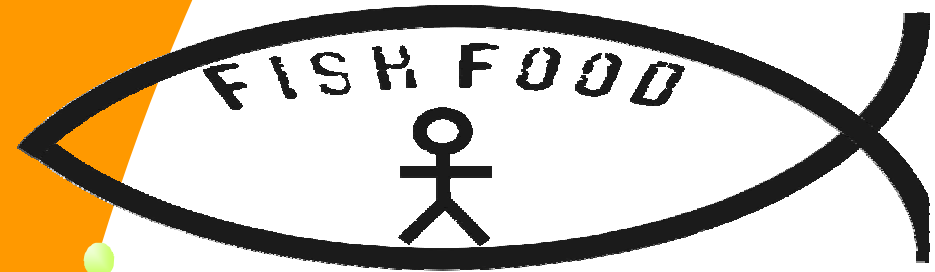
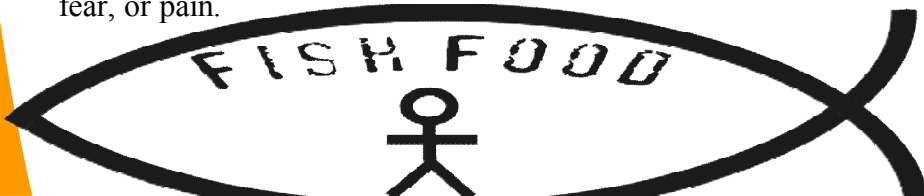
1. What ‘thing’ in your life tends to make you the most anxious?
2. When you bring your requests to God, are you able to bring thanksgiving along with it? Why or why not?
3. Has there ever been a time in your life that you truly knew the ‘peace of God that surpasses all understanding’? Describe it.

Thursday—Read James 1:1-4

1. Do you honestly find encouragement in this verse? Why or why not?
2. How can being strong in character make you ready for anything?
3. Have you ever really looked at trouble as an opportunity for joy? Please describe.

Friday—Read Proverbs 18:10

1. What is the “strong tower” in your life where you feel safe?
2. What does it mean to be righteous?
3. Name a time, if any, that you felt truly safe in a time of trouble, fear, or pain.



Weekend of November 10/11, 2007

Studying the Book of Jonah

This Week: Chapter 2

Focus: On Difficult Times

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Jonah's Prayer

2 From inside the fish Jonah prayed to

the LORD his God. ² He said:

“In my distress I called to the LORD,

and he answered me.

From the depths of the grave^a I called for

help,

and you listened to my cry.

³ You hurled me into the deep,

into the very heart of the seas,

and the currents swirled about me;

all your waves and breakers

swept over me.

⁴ I said, ‘I have been banished

from your sight;

yet I will look again

toward your holy temple.’

⁵ The engulfing waters threatened me,^b

the deep surrounded me;

seaweed was wrapped around my head.

⁶ To the roots of the mountains I sank

down;

the earth beneath barred me in forever.

But you brought my life up from the pit,

O LORD my God.

⁷ “When my life was ebbing away,

I remembered you, LORD,

and my prayer rose to you,

to your holy temple.

⁸ “Those who cling to worthless idols

forfeit the grace that could be theirs.

⁹ But I, with a song of thanksgiving,

will sacrifice to you.

What I have vowed I will make good.

Salvation comes from the LORD.”

¹⁰ And the LORD commanded the fish, and it vom-

ited Jonah onto dry land.

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