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JOHN 11:40

IF YOU BELIEVE,  
YOU WILL SEE THE

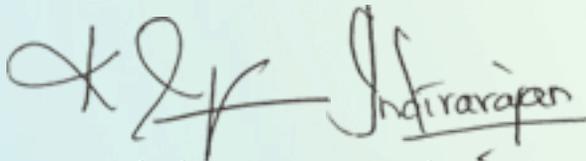
*Glory of God*

# From the Pastor's Desk...

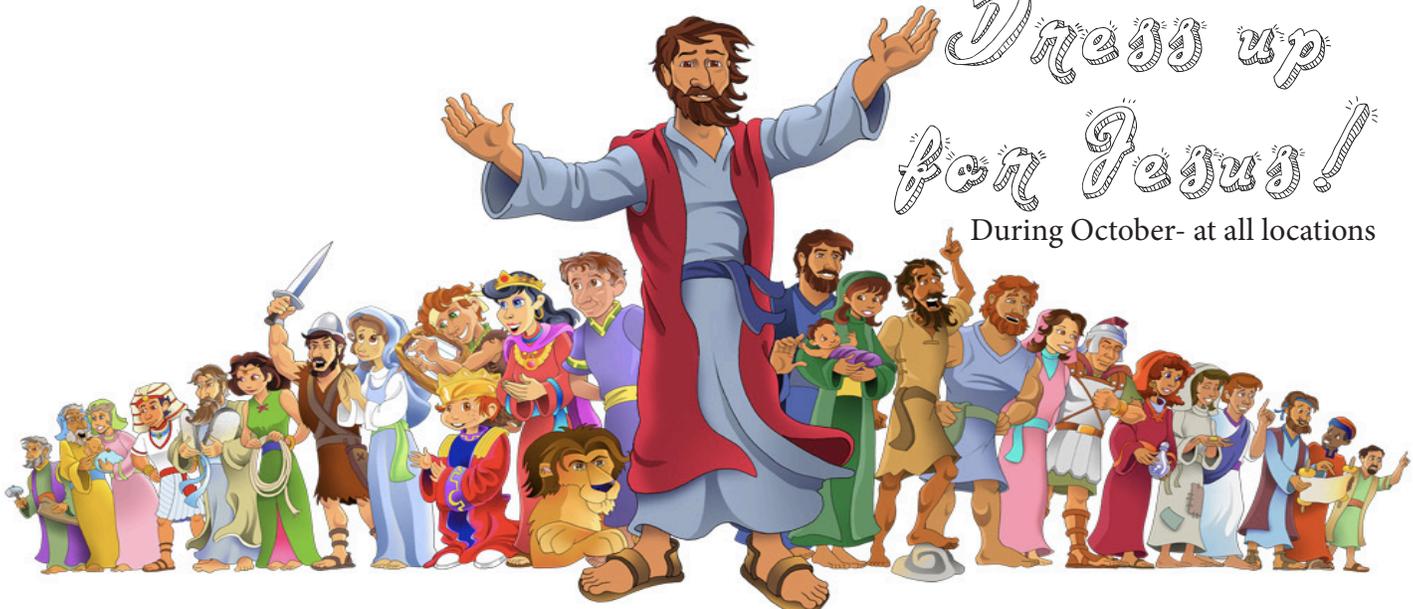
Nine months have passed and we are entering into the tenth month of the year. God has faithfully been leading us and will continue to do so. As per this month's promise, we will see the glory of God in this month.

These next few months will have events for children, please encourage your kids to participate. The first event will be Dress up for Jesus where children can dress up as Bible characters that they have learned about in this year. Sign up with the respective Sunday School teachers at all locations. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for all your prayers thus far. Please continue to uphold us in prayer. Thank you!

In His love,



Pastor Abraham K. Rajan & Indira Rajan



Dress up  
for Jesus!

During October- at all locations

# Explore Israel

DATES: NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> - 30<sup>TH</sup>

Contact Pastor Rajan for more information

# November 8, 2016 - Elections

*"Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence." -1 Timothy 2:1-2*

## **Election date: November 8, 2016**

On November 8th, there will be multiple elections across the nation.

Voters can vote for the president of the United States, the U.S. Senate representatives, the U.S. House representatives, the state senate, the state assembly, and the local judges. In addition to this, there will be many state ballot measures (propositions), school boards and local ballot measures that voters can vote on.

## **Prayer Points:**

1. Safety at all the voting stations around the country.
2. Wisdom- God's wisdom for each voter. Each voter will know who and what to support in the ballot.
3. Christians who are not registered to vote will register and cast their vote.
4. Voters should look into the ballot measures and people on the ballot before going to vote.
5. The propositions, and people elected through this voting process would be those that God had willed for this country.

*"When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; But when a wicked man rules, the people groan."  
Proverbs 29:2*

The most prominent candidates for this election are from the Democratic and Republican parties. However, there are many others on the ballot representing many different parties, such as the Green party, etc.

The position as President of the United States, is an important position known to shape international relations. The leader of the country is considered to be the "leader of the free world." United States currently boasts a wide global role with a strong military. In the United States, the president serves as a key role. The president is able to veto laws that the Congress makes and can issue executive orders.

6. For all the candidates to know the love and freedom that Jesus offers.
7. The leader of United States will ultimately rely on God before advisors, media, etc.
8. Protection for the candidates and their families.
9. The United States would be protected from all natural disasters, diseases, violence, etc.
10. The president will utilize the power that was given with the position effectively.
11. There would be a peaceful transition time between this presidency and the next.
12. Peace in this nation no matter who wins.

## **Important Dates to Keep in Prayer:**

October 4, 2016- Vice Presidential Debate

October 9, 2016- Presidential Debate

October 19, 2016- Presidential Debate

November 8, 2016- ELECTION DAY

*"The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much."  
-James 5:16*

The Webster dictionary defines "temptation" as "something that causes a strong urge or desire to have or do something and especially something that is bad, wrong, or unwise" Without a doubt, the main problem us Christians have is to deal with temptation.

**If you can RESIST temptation, you can DETEST sin.**

There was a story I once heard about a master and his dog. The master used to put some kind of pet food and he'd say to the dog, 'Don't eat that,' and the dog would run over and eat it, and the master would hit the dog. Again the master would put the food on the ground and say to the dog 'Don't eat that.' The dog would go over and eat it, and he hit the dog again. After a while, the dog got the message: eat food, get hit. So the dog decided he wouldn't eat the food. Amazingly, the dog not only stopped eating the food but also stopped looking at the food at all. The dog evidently felt that if he looked at the food, the temptation to disobey would be too great, and so he looked steadfastly into his master's face and never took his eyes off him, and thus the temptation never caused a problem.

We all face temptations. Being tempted or feeling tempted is not a sin, but what we do with the temptation determines if we have crossed the line. Bible says in 1 Peter 5:8, Satan is prowling like a hungry lion, seeking someone to devour. As followers of Christ, we do not have to give into temptation. The Bible also mentions that temptation can originate from our hearts (James 1:14), as we give into tempting thoughts and entertain those actions,

it will lead us to commit sin.

**You may ask how can I RESIST temptation and DETEST sin?**

Well, first of all, you must truly want to "not sin". Without that desire, we cannot overcome sin. It is out of our own free will that we decide to commit sin. Thanks to Jesus Christ, we don't have to choose sin as God gave us a promise in 1 Corinthians 10:13, that He will always give us an escape route when we are tempted. It's up to us to take the choice of the escape route rather than submitting to the temptation.

When you read Matthew 4:1-11, even Jesus was tempted by Satan. Every time Jesus was tempted He shot back at Satan quoting bible verses. But

Satan did not let go off Jesus that easily, he kept trying multiple times, but Jesus never gave in and Satan finally gave up, knowing he had failed. Likewise, we

# RESIST DETEST, ATTEST,

should do the same thing by not giving in to the temptation, and **DETESTING** sin by meditating on the Word of God.

You can **ATTEST** to the Power of God, by opening and reading your bible every single day. There are so many things that can fill up our hearts and heads like the TV, internet, movies, YouTube, Facebook and so much more (you get the idea!). Instead of that, fill your hearts and minds with the Word of God. The Bible mentions in many verses that the Word of God (Romans 12:2, Colossians 3:2) is a powerful tool against temptation and sin.

Finally, like the dog in the story, don't give into temptation but keep your focus on our Master Jesus Christ and His Word.

Will you take the decision today to read the Word of God every single day which will help you to overcome the temptation and the snares of this world?

God Bless You!

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*There is always a way  
to overcome temptation*

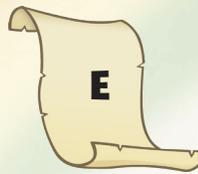
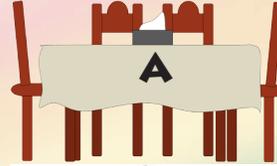
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# Children's Corner

Agnes Premkumar

Match each character with an object on the right that describes him or her.

1. Abel \_\_\_\_\_
2. King Josiah \_\_\_\_\_
3. Ruth \_\_\_\_\_
4. Judas Iscariot \_\_\_\_\_
5. Jonah \_\_\_\_\_
6. Esther \_\_\_\_\_
7. John the Baptist \_\_\_\_\_
8. Nehemiah \_\_\_\_\_
9. Joshua \_\_\_\_\_
10. Peter \_\_\_\_\_



Jesus answered, "It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."  
-Matthew 4:4

## WHAT DID GOD CREATE EACH DAY?

Day 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Day 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Day 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Day 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Day 5: \_\_\_\_\_

Day 6: \_\_\_\_\_

Day 7: \_\_\_\_\_



# New Creation

INDIRA RAJAN

Lovely sisters of Christ, it brings me great joy to meet with you again in the month of October. I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. In this month, God wants to speak with us about new creation.

Aren't we all excited for new things? If someone says that we are getting a new car, a new house, or a new dress, we are very happy. If it brings us that much joy, how much more will God rejoice when we are transformed into a new creation? We always ponder about our old things and we want to keep those old things at home even if they have become useless. Likewise, we want to keep old memories. Like a cow, we repeatedly chew over these memories and waste our time.

As I meditated about new creation, God helped me to remove some old things in my life. Some of these old things bring joy and others bring sadness to my life. It is only by the grace of God that I was able to leave behind the things that brought me sadness and surrender to Him. As I surrendered to Him, He sanctified me. It is not an easy process, it was difficult, but God helped me through it all.

For example, a cardiac surgeon will change the blood circulation in the heart of a heart attack patient. A heart attack happens because cardiac muscles are not getting the circulation they need. So something is blocking the arteries and blood is not able to circulate. The cardiac surgeon performs a bypass surgery and makes new blood vessels to circulate blood to the cardiac muscles. Arteries don't get blocked quickly, but the deposits slowly build up and create a block. In our life as well, once we receive salvation, we receive a new heart. But if we keep the old things in our heart, it starts to slowly separate us from God. Sometimes we might not even realize what is happening. We always need a new life in our Christian life.

**In Romans 6: 3-10, the passage speaks clearly about new life. "Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."**

**"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."  
2 Corinthians 5:17**

**So how can we be new continuously?**

**"For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection. knowing this, that our old man was crucified**

**with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin."**

**Romans 6:5**

When receive salvation, all of our sins, our wrongs, and our old life have been cleansed by the blood of Jesus Christ and we became a new creation. But after that, we are unable to continue in the new life. Many hurdles pop up, we are separated from Jesus and we start to live our old life again. But it is necessary for us to keep our new life. We are walking in our life today so that we will reach Heaven one day. It is only through Jesus that we are able to reach Heaven. For that, He wants to renew us in everything.

What do we need to be a new creation? If a blocked heart needs a bypass surgery. After the surgery, the arteries are needed to be kept open so that the blood keeps circulating. The patients need to take regular medications, exercise, visit their doctor, and be watchful of their own body.

In our spiritual life, to keep our hearts new, we need to mediate on the word of God. Instead of reading the word of God, we need to mediate on it. God has spoken every word from the very beginning at the garden of Eden until the end. Everything is contained in the Bible. We do not need to seek counsel from a man or go purchase another book, everything is in pages of the Bible. We need to eat these Bible verses daily. We also need to talk to God and pray. We need to know what is in God's heart and ask what I should do for Him today. God has said that it is good for believers to gather together; we need to go to church regularly and fellowship with other believers.

We need to live our lives daily like this, so that when we go to the feet of Jesus and look at our heart. When something is not right, the Holy Spirit inside us will convict us. When He convicts us, we need to surrender. The Holy Spirit also intercedes for us in our weaknesses. Jesus Christ sits on the right hand of our Father and is also interceding for us. It is the work of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit that will continuously keep us as a new creation.

When we buy an earthly thing, it becomes old after a few days. But if we are a new creation in Christ, He will continuously keep us as a new creation and we will all meet in Heaven. God Bless you!

Promise for October:

John 11:40

“If you would *believe* you  
would *see* the *glory of God.*”

Pastor Abraham K. Rajan

God wants to reveal His glory in our lives.  
When His glory is revealed in our lives, it  
brings blessings into our lives.

**1 Chronicles 29:11**

**“Yours, O LORD, is the greatness,  
The power and the glory,  
The victory and the majesty;  
For all that is in heaven and in earth is  
Yours;**

**Yours is the kingdom, O LORD,  
And You are exalted as head over all.”**

The Bible says that glory belongs to God.  
He reveals His glory in many different ways.  
When His glory is revealed, His works are  
revealed as well.

We will mediate this month on the blessings  
that result from His glory being revealed.

## Glory Revives

**“Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him, ‘Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days.’” John 11:39**

In this passage, Mary and Martha had lost their brother, Lazarus. Four days after Lazarus had died, Jesus came to the area. He asked them to open the tomb but Martha looked at Jesus and said that it has been four days, there will be stench. Then Jesus says to Martha, if you believe, you will see the Glory of God. Jesus was informed when Lazarus became sick. When he was informed Jesus looked at His disciples said that this disease is not unto death but that the Glory of God will be revealed (John 11:4).

When He had heard that Lazarus was sick, He had determined to reveal the Glory of God. But Jesus did not travel quickly but rather delayed for two days. Whenever there’s a delay in our lives, the glory of God will be revealed. After two days, He quickly prepared to leave to Lazarus’ hometown and reveal His Glory there. There was a time of delay and a time for preparation. In your life as well,

to reveal His Glory, He has ordained a perfect time to work and He will do accordingly.

When Jesus came to Lazarus’ hometown, He asked to be brought to the tomb of Lazarus. As they opened the tomb, Martha worried that there will be a stench. But it is in the place of stench that Jesus is powerful enough to reveal His glory. According to Lazarus’ sisters, they believed that Lazarus was a dead man and they had

situations, Jesus is able to reveal His glory. So do not be discouraged.

Jesus came to the tomb, and He called for Lazarus to come out of the tomb. At that time, the Bible says, the one who died came out of the tomb alive. Jesus was able to reveal His Glory through his word. Jesus’ body, clothes, did not change but still His glory was revealed through His words. The glory revived Lazarus who was dead, the hope that was dead was revived. In

the same way, in your life, He will send His word and revive the dead things and reveal His glory. So do not be discouraged.

## Glory Triumphs

**“Then Moses and the children of Israel sang this song to the LORD, and spoke, saying:**

**‘I will sing to the LORD,  
For He has triumphed gloriously!  
The horse and its rider  
He has thrown into the sea!’”  
Exodus 15:1**

lost all hope. But in the area of lost hope, Jesus Christ is able to reveal His Glory. To the sisters that lost their brother, Jesus was able to reveal His Glory.

In your life, you might be in lost, or be in a place of hopelessness, or in a place without any fragrance and filled with stench, but in midst of all these

Our Lord Jesus Christ will reveal His Glory and wishes to bring a triumph in our lives. After the Israelites had been delivered from Egypt, Pharaoh and

The Glory of God  
Revives, Triumphs  
and Leads

his chariots came after the Israelites to capture them again. The Israelites were scared and looked to God. At that time, God miraculously opened the Red Sea and made a way for the Israelites to go through the Red Sea. But Pharaoh followed them into the Red Sea. To protect the Israelites, the Bible says, God threw the horse and its rider into the sea. God also threw the captains, army and chariots in the sea and covered them with the depths of water. The captains, army and chariots were important for Pharaoh. But God cut off the things that were important to the Pharaoh and cut off his power.

Before this event happened, when the Israelites faced the Red Sea, God told Moses that He will gain glory through the Pharaoh, his chariots and its horsemen. To reveal God's glory, He threw the chariots into the sea like stones. The Egyptians came really fast towards the Israelites but ended up as stones (Exodus 14:24-25).

God troubled the Egyptian army by looking through the pillar of fire and cloud. As the Israelites were walking through the Red Sea, God stood behind them and fought for them. The Israelites were afraid and cried out that the Red Sea was an obstacle. But God used the Red Sea that seemed like an obstacle, for triumph.

In your life as well, things that seem to be like obstacles will bring about a glorious triumph. Jesus Christ who has triumphed gloriously is with you. So do not be discouraged. He will reveal His glory and give you triumph. You will see your enemies be defeated.

### *Glory Leads*

**“the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.”  
Exodus 16:10**

After the Israelites crossed the Red sea, they started their journey in the wilderness. They started to complain because they had no food. At that time, the Glory of the Lord appeared to them. Then, God told Moses that they shall be filled with bread and meat (Exodus 16:12,13). As He had promised, God gave bread and meat to His people.

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*Obstacles can be used for triumph*

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In another situation, the people murmured that they did not have water. At that time too, God's glory was revealed and God told Moses to take his rod and speak to the rock to

get water. Just as He had said, He had prepared the rock to give water to them. (Numbers 20:6-8).

If God was able to reveal Himself and give water, meat and bread for those who had murmured against Him, for you that praise Him, He will most assuredly reveal His glory, provide you with everything, and lead you.

In many situations, we see that God's glory covered Mount Sinai and filled the tabernacle. Whenever God's glory covered Sinai mountain, God's revelation was given to Moses on how to lead the Israelites.

Whenever there was a cloud of glory filling the tabernacle, the Israelites would be able to see the Glory of God. The Glory would rise up from the tabernacle and it would lead the Israelites. Since Moses knew and felt the Glory of the Lord, he knew how it led. And that's why he says in Exodus 33:15, “if your presence doesn't go with us, don't bring us up from here.” He had a thirst and desire to see the Glory of God. God honored his desire and revealed His glory to Moses.

In your life as well, God wants to reveal His glory. He will reveal His glory and will lead you perfectly. So do not be discouraged. Let the Lord bless this message. Have a blessed month of October!

# OCTOBER 2016 - PROMISE

*“...if you would believe you would see the glory of God ...”*

**JOHN 11:40**

**NEVER GIVE UP**

## Events for OCTOBER

### Irvine, CA

- **Worship Services**
  - Promise Service - Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30 am
  - Every Sunday @ 10:30 am
  - Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 6:30 pm
- **Fasting & Prayer** - Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> @ 10:00 am
- **Monthly Prayer** - Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm

### Rancho Cucamonga, CA

- **Worship Service** – Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 pm
- **Monthly Prayer** – Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30 pm

### Las Vegas, NV

- **Fasting & Prayer** - Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am
- **Worship Service** – Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm

### Woodland Hills, CA

- **Worship Service** – Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:30 pm
- **Monthly Prayer** – Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm

### Manchester, CT

- **Worship Service** – Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm EST
- **Monthly Prayer** – Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm EST

### San Jose, CA

- **Worship Service** – Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00 pm

OCTOBER 2016					
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T		6	13	20	27
F		7	14	21	28
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### Conference Prayer

Call-in #: 712 432 0140 Access Code: 240388#

#### SoCal (Mondays)

Time: 9:30 pm – 10:15 pm

#### Connecticut (Tuesdays)

Time: 9:30 pm – 10:00 pm EST

#### San Jose (Tuesdays)

Time: 9:30 pm – 10:00 pm PST

#### USA & ISRAEL (Thursdays)

Time: 9:30 pm – 10:00 pm

#### Las Vegas (14<sup>th</sup>–Friday)

Time: 9:30 pm – 10:00 pm

#### Media Team (26<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday)

Time: 9:30 pm – 10:00 pm

❖ **Dress Up For Jesus Event** in all locations. Please register with Children's Ministry in respective location

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# THRONE OF GRACE MINISTRIES

## Service Information – OCTOBER 2016

### IRVINE, CA

**Worship Service:**

Every Sunday - 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays - 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Throne Of Grace Ministries  
2134 Michelson Dr  
Irvine CA 92612

**Prayer:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday - 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

### RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA

**Worship Service:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church  
6080 Haven Ave  
Rancho Cucamonga CA 91737

**Prayer:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday - 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

### LAS VEGAS, NV

**Worship Service:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday – 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Trinity Life Center  
1000 E St. Louis  
Las Vegas NV 89104

### WOODLAND HILLS, CA

**Worship Service:**

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM

Canoga Park Lutheran Church  
7357 Jordan Ave  
Canoga Park CA 91303

**Prayer:**

4<sup>th</sup> Friday - 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

### MANCHESTER, CT

**Worship Service:**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday – 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM EST

New River Community Church  
314 Woodbridge St  
Manchester, CT 06042

**Prayer:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday – 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM EST

### SAN JOSE, CA

**Worship Service:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Church of the Living Rock  
675 E Taylor Ave  
Sunnyvale, CA 94085

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