

*Resting in the Finished Work
of Christ*

*Resting in your Mind to
Inherit*

Galatians 3:27

For all of you who were baptised into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

(totally focused, centered)

(put on His life, character,

standing, righteousness, full acceptance, favour(when u pray), strength(plane) and wisdom)

John 19:34

34 Instead, one of the soldiers pierced Jesus' side with a spear, bringing a sudden flow of blood and water.

Jesus died – heart broken by our sins

How come - pas I am still -

defeated

Rom 8:6

3 For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,⁴ that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.⁵ For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.

6 For to be **carnally** minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is **life** and **peace**. NKJV

7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. NKJV

Carnally minded – not just evil thots

Mind not renewed – word – not sp minded

Rom 8:6-7

6 Now the mind of the flesh [which is sense and reason without the Holy Spirit] is death [death that comprises all the miseries arising from sin, both here and hereafter]. But the mind of the [Holy] Spirit is life and [soul] peace [both now and forever]. AMP

Major area of attack – mind

Christ – Golgotha – skull –

Calvary – thinking – cross dealt crushing blow on skull - mind

Renew mind – Main battle won- Tattoo

Cf. Leviticus 19:28

28 "Do not cut your bodies for the dead or put tattoo marks on yourselves. I am the LORD.

OT ritualistic law – not absolute, pick up spirit/prin

Reason – I am the Lord – ask: is

HE still Lord of your life - valid

Purpose – identity? – other ways to build identity – I AM LORD (he is identity – source of attractiveness) – choice of king

Witness? – greatest witness – inner life transformation

Cosmetic – brow (not in this category-you think need it go ahead – remember permanent – seen – look so fierce)

Impartation – from artists' hand – we don't know what kind of spirit the person has – depressed? Bitter? Lustful? Inferior?

OT law? – won't stop you go heaven - many – good reason – fish without scale(more susceptible to toxins – God has foresight) – risk of infection –

US – 1 yr not allowed to donate blood

All things are lawful – not all helpful

Not so impt issue – spill blood over it

Agree to disagree – mark of maturity

Pastor – **KOWLOON** Tadoo shop – born looser – bef tadoo body – tadoo mind

Eph 6:14-18

Belt of truth, breastplate of r, gospel of peace, shield of faith, helmet of sal, sword

All - truths - biblical prin – correct wrong thinking

Most important: mind not tattooed

2 Cor 10:4-5

4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,⁵ ... bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ. NKJV

Saturate mind w word – know -

KEYS – hardly need to do deli – poverty, infirmities, bitterness, gluttony ... laser –

Jesus in synagogue –

immed? – teaching word

Nowadays – no need bloody surgery – laser – kidney stones

NCC – group – send – couples

– churches – looking out for needy – pray deli - peo feel troubled – feeling all kinds of spirits

person having rejection, need the word that he is deeply loved, from kingdom Keys and grace

Need ministry – see team – deli – see z pas

with proper tags trained to do ministry, prayer. Any deli – see the zone pastors

How saturate?

1. Choose to ONLY speak the truths of the Word

John 6:63

The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.

Speak – not what you see – what you want to see

SEE? – healed – prosperous 23 – kids

walking in obedience: fruitful vine, kids like olive shoots around the table – healthy, fruitful in quantity and quality, united, obedient
Instead of: oh nowadays, kids like that – just ask when come back – say – controlling.

Give best tuition, don't speak the word – rely human effort – work – grace – miracle – Gal 3 5

Diet, exercise – don't speak the word

Filled w WORD – otherwise -

Empty words – empty mind – won't work

Listen to scriptures CDS/messages
Teacher say you are stupid- dumb-rubbish

Oh yah – angry, both ways - loose
Oh yah eh – no wonder – F student
Don't get stuck - upset

Speak the Word – cancel effect – teacher – creative power – seeds –fact/truth

Cancel the effect of those words
Speak God's words – creative power – this how world created – just as- seeds Mat 13

Facts are not truths. God's words are truths. Speak God's words so that the facts will line up with the truths.

– God's word in your mouth is just as powerful as God's word in his mouth – why – power within - seed

2. Choose to act on the Word

Num 4:23-24

23 From thirty years old and above, even to fifty years old, you shall number them, all who enter to perform the service, to do the work in the tabernacle of meeting.

Perform: to wage war
Key warfare: Not mean going
around – different places –
**screaming –binding –
identifying**

Waging war – **do word** - fulfil

yr **calling**

Musicians – ushers – husb -
refreshed

John 2:5

5 His mother said to the
servants, "Do whatever he tells
you."

Not need – but a want

What he says – **do it** – water

turn into wine – **joy**

David obeyed his father –

found his destiny – honour

– only command w a
promise

How does walking in Jesus direction
bring joy?

**I. Greatest spiritual War –
fight to enter into REST**

Heb 4:11

11 Let us therefore strive to
enter that rest, that no one
fall by the same sort of
disobedience. RSV

Oh – we in **sp war** – yah –
only one fight – rest – LAND
of PROMISE

Place of rest – place of
blessing – promises fulfilled

Gen 2:15

15 And the LORD God took the
man, and put him into the garden
of Eden to dress it and to keep it.
KJV

Tend and keep NKJV

Tend and care LB

Tend and guard AMP

Original **job** description for
Adam?

Take care – not to fight -
finished work of God

Created on 6th day, first day –
rest

Too late to strive!

Freely eat!

ENJOY, possession –

CONTRAST reli asceticism –
voices

- more suffer, more sacrifice, cut
this that, don't do this that

Genesis 1:28

28 God blessed them and said to
them, "Be fruitful and increase in
number; fill the earth and subdue
it. Rule over the fish of the sea and
the birds of the air and over every
living creature that moves on the
ground."

Fruitful – inc – subdue - rule

– **obj** to pour - love – grace -
goodness – not, **why work? =
purpose/gifting**

Enjoy his love

Pour out his goodness into

Shed his grace – recipient and
beneficiary

Not made man to serve – had
angels

Expression – gifting - joy - \$
Expression - Gifts

– expression of gifts and talents –
fulfilment – find joy in fulfilling
our purpose

Don't work to get money – enjoy –
express talent

Don't work to get money – becos
money is our least worries

Recog – God is the source
He can channel through – boss,
parents, kids, friends, etc

Tend – care

Not **fighting** for the possession

Sin – driven out – first time

mention – vehicle

Gen 3:17-19

"Cursed is the ground for your
sake;

In toil you shall eat of it

All the days of your life.

18 Both thorns and thistles it shall
bring forth for you,

And you shall eat the herb of the
field.

19 In the sweat of your face you
shall eat bread

Till you return to the ground,

**Ground cursed – thorns and
thistles - durian**

Thorns – imagine - durians wout
thorns

In **sweat** of face – eat bread –
stress

Human effort – work

Which is the first area that the
Blood of Christ cleansed? Why?

**Christ – Gdn – sweat great
drops –capillaries burst – mix
w sweat**

took our stress/pressures

first thing Blood did – heal –
sweat

the prob is not in the work
place, it is the stress

World **RD** – also **REST**, with
cross – rest not complete

POSITIVE – but **by pass cross**
– just a wish

Ephesians 2:6

6 And God raised us up with
Christ and seated us with him in
the heavenly realms in Christ
Jesus.

Contrast to OT priest – got to
stand

Priest – linen – no sweat

Not fighting **for** vict – **from** vict

Stress comes – **fight/control**

Stress comes when we try to
CONTROL things we cannot
control

We cannot control what people
say or do- easily upset?

If **easily upset** up with what –
most miserable person

No matter how you **try** to
motivate – cannot force – people
– think – do - **loyal**

You cannot force people to think
and do what you want them to
do.

Ma not working

– guilt – frust

God's eyes - success

What the characteristic of Jacob and
Esau's blessings?

Genesis 27:28-29 For Jacob:
*May God give you of heaven's **dew**
and of earth's **richness** -- an
abundance of **grain** and new **wine**.
29 May nations serve you and
peoples bow down to you. ... May
those who curse you be **cursed**
and those who bless you be
blessed."*

Dew of heaven – spiritual b/favour

Riches of the earth – finan b

Abundance of grain – good food and
health

New wine – joy

Nations serve and bow – honour –
respect - gd rel

Curse/cursed – protection

Hundredfold – Abrahamic cov

Genesis 27:40 For Esau: *By your
sword you shall live, And you shall
serve your brother.*

Heaven – no God name - you

Jacob – dew of heaven (favour) –

fatness of the earth – **Esau** – God's
name not mentioned – **you will** – you
will

You will live by **sword** - **fight** for
blessings – **rat**

Big family – felt neglected – got to
fight to get attn

– whereas - Jacob – don't have to
fight – God gives

Don't want to join the **rat** race –

even – only no 1 rat – **depend** on

God to give us the riches of the earth

John 15:4-5

4 Remain in me, and I will remain in
you. No branch can bear fruit by itself;
it must remain in the vine. Neither can
you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

Fly! **Plane** – take up the char

**2. Key to rest is to keep
focussing on Jesus**

Philippians 3:12-14

13 ... one thing I do[bring all my
energies to focus on one thing],
forgetting [neglecting, not bothered
with] those things which are behind
and reaching forward [stretching,

looking forward] to those things which are ahead, 14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the (high calling) of God in Christ Jesus. NKJV

In order to press on – high calling, key: let go past What past – Paul not talking about SINS – great background

Philippians 3:4-11

4 though I myself have reasons for such confidence. If anyone else thinks he has reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more:

circum – ben – heb of hebs – phari – zeal – legalistic r – faultless

5 circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee;

6 as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for legalistic righteousness, faultless.

7 But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ.

What profit – lost – compare – surpassing worth – knowing Christ - rubbish

8 What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the **surpassing greatness of knowing Christ** Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ

9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ-- the righteousness that comes from God and is by faith.

10 I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

11 and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.

How will focusing on our past achievements hinder us?

Why rubbish? Keep me from focussing on Christ – limit us not that our giftings cannot be used by God but do not rely on it only as it will limit what God can do

Paul knows in exp – pain misery – gone thru – self effort – Rom 7 – 35 times

Rom 7:19-25

19 For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the evil I will not to do, that I practice.

22 For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. 23 But I do what I am bound to do

24 O wretched man that I am! NKJV

SOCRATES – know thyself – pain

Romans 7:25

25 Thanks be to God-- through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Romans 8:1-2

1 Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, 2 because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.

Give up your **Issac**

Message – got to give this up – that up

Whole purpose – how much God loves us

Genesis 22:2-13

2 Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about." 5 He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

6 Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried

the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, 7 Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?" "Yes, my son?" Abraham replied. "The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

8 Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

9 When they reached the place God had told him about,

Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.

10 Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.

11 But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied.

12 "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son."

13 *Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son.*

Issac – carried wood on back – Jesus carried cross up Golgotha See wood, fire, where Lamb Lord Provide God: now I know

Trapeze artist – up on ledge – holding on something - swing down.

If he didn't let go, go no where – just swinging.

If let go, not reach out ...

he will keep going down. Let go and reach out to another.

Best way to let go of past is to reach out – know Christ

See Lamb – **finished** work – blood covered all sins – reign – kings/priests

Look to cross – instead of a man centred gospel – self effort

Isa 53:10

10 Yet it **pleased** the LORD to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, And the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in His hand. NKJV

NZ – thank you

– not angry – along road endure stare – one next to me - love for my kids

2 Cor 3:18

18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. NKJV

Change us inside out – effortless – not will – if

You behold – Holy Spirit transform Humanistic, even some Christian Seminars – DO DO DO – not see see see

True change is **effortless** – not will power – inside out

If will power – required will power to maintain it

God changes inside out

Isa 40:30-31

30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall, 31 But those who **WAIT** on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint. NKJV

WAIT: seek patiently, look eagerly, hope, expect, behold.

What does weariness and exhaustion sometimes indicate?

Many birds fly at the first ray of

sunrise but eagle – noise – don't go high

Eagle knows instinctively – air got to be warm up bef – he can soar high

Heat right – flight is effortless
– riding on the warm current
Fly whole day – back not
exhausted like other birds –
back – relaxed, poised and
tireless. – **know** temperature
of air – **ruah** - HS

The thermal current bore him
Crows and turkeys and
chicken – make a lot of noise
– struggling to get air borne
– fruit - just some worms

Many Christians – think –
praying longer, sing louder,
shout more, work - harder –
things will happen

Not by might, nor by power but
by my spirit – sense
presence - direction –
leading

Pastors, care leaders –sense
God's direction – wont be
stressed at end of day. The
ministry should actually feed
us – like Jesus ministering to
the woman at the well

Businessmen, sense leading
of the Holy Spirit – wont not
be stressed with all kinds of
fruitless activities and
investments.

**Key: wait rest – sense
leading of Holy Spirit – fly
– see - harvest**