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## BLESSINGS OF GOD BE YOURS...



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### "In My Distress I Cry To The LORD, That He May Answer Me: Deliver Me, O LORD, From Lying Lips, From A Deceitful Tongue.." (Psalms120:1-2)

My God! My Father! You know my troubles and my crosses!

My LORD! My Father! When I think of my children, when I think of my family, when I think of my future, My God fear and worry grips my being!

I am cheated when ever I turn to my relatives seeking consolation! My heart sinks and 'am deeply troubled!

Father God! Hatred and anger cling on to my heart in the place of consolation. LORD I unburden myself at Your Holy Feet. LORD, You who pay heed to my cry when I cry out to You in times of difficulties! Listen to my cry just this once O God!

I am washed away and lost steeped in sorrow, just as a small piece of thing gets washed away by a mighty flood. LORD turn Your merciful gaze upon me!



LORD God! Incline Your ears to my whimper and cry.

LORD I need consolation and Peace.

Save my children and me. I believe that help comes but from You alone.

Thank You my God! Thank You for paying heed to my prayer. AMEN! ALLELUIA!

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#### **BELOVED IN CHRIST...**



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The Jewish leaders dragged a lady during the wee hours of the morning and brought her to the LORD. They condemned her and citing the law of Moses, claimed that she ought to be killed by stoning.

They expected The LORD's approval for this. And if by chance Our LORD had consented to the death by stoning, they were even ready to condemn Him, as being crude and merciless.

They thought that if He freed her, then they could condemn Him as going against the law of Moses.

But Our LORD revealed Himself way beyond the law of Moses, having realized the plot and cunningness of those who condemned her, and filled with love and compassion.

He said, "Let any one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

Jesus came to this world to redeem the sinners through His love and compassion. Love and Mercy are the two eyes of God. He draws us close to Him through this gaze. May our sight be the eyesight of God. Our Lady of Medjugorje reveals this same message to us.

"I call you not to judge, but to Love." (John 8:11)

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#### "STAND FIRM IN THE LORD!"



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The Word, "In Christ" is a miraculous, beautiful and a soft message. We use the word "In" in Tamil Literature and in common speech, which means one inside the other. When we say fish inside the water, then all would understand. Mangoes inside the basket is also easily understood. When we say a wife inside the house, even that is understood. An animal inside the forest is understood. But, a man inside another man! How is that?

We are IN Christ... You are IN Christ... How is this?

Some times we have heard of grafted trees. They cut a branch of one tree and paste it with another. But no one cuts one man and pastes him with another? When we say that You and I are "In Christ" a mysterious meaning is hidden inside it. Jesus shared His deepest feelings with His disciples. Before Jesus could die being nailed to The Cross, just after the Pascal meal with His apostles, He shared and taught them some deep secrets.

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Who ever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for what ever you wish, and it will be done for you." (John 15:5-7)

Jesus Our LORD Himself has preached thus to His disciples. When we say 'In Jesus', it is rather difficult to understand. But, God Himself has given this comparison, "Like branches in a vine".

The relationship that exists between a vine plant and its branches. This is the relationship that ought to be between Jesus and His disciples. The branch obtains life from the vine plant. It bears fruit when it is attached to the plant. When the branch is cut away from the plant, then it wilts and withers away. It becomes useless. This is how the faithful in Christ is grafted to Christ. He produces fruit in Christ. Just as a detached branch becomes useless, those who stand away from Christ would become useless.

Just as a detached branch becomes useless, those who stand away from Christ would become useless. Like a plant and its branch are Christ and His disciple.

Jesus forgetting Himself, "As a grain of wheat", fell to the ground and gave Himself up totally. He offered Himself on the Cross according to the will of the Father.

He did not live for Himself. He offered Himself up to the Father, for the sake of the people. A disciple who lives as a branch In Christ, should forget Himself, die as a grain of wheat and offer Himself up to the Father

Only a seed that dies, sprouts, and bears much fruit. Only when a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it bears much fruit.

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