

A person is seen from behind, with their arms raised high in a gesture of praise or joy. They are silhouetted against a bright, golden sunset sky filled with clouds. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong backlight effect. The overall mood is one of hope, faith, and celebration.

MAKE THE CHOICE TO REJOICE

Philippians 4:4-6
THE MESSAGE

PHILIPPIANS 4:4-6 (THE MESSAGE)

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Make it as clear as you can to all you meet that you're on their side, working with them and not against them. Help them see that the Master is about to arrive. He could show up any minute.

Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns.

THE CHOICE TO REJOICE

❖ We have a choice!

Good
Morning
Lord



Good
Lord
It's
Morning

WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR YOURSELF & YOUR FAMILY?



WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM GOD?



PHILIPPIANS 4:4 (THE MESSAGE)

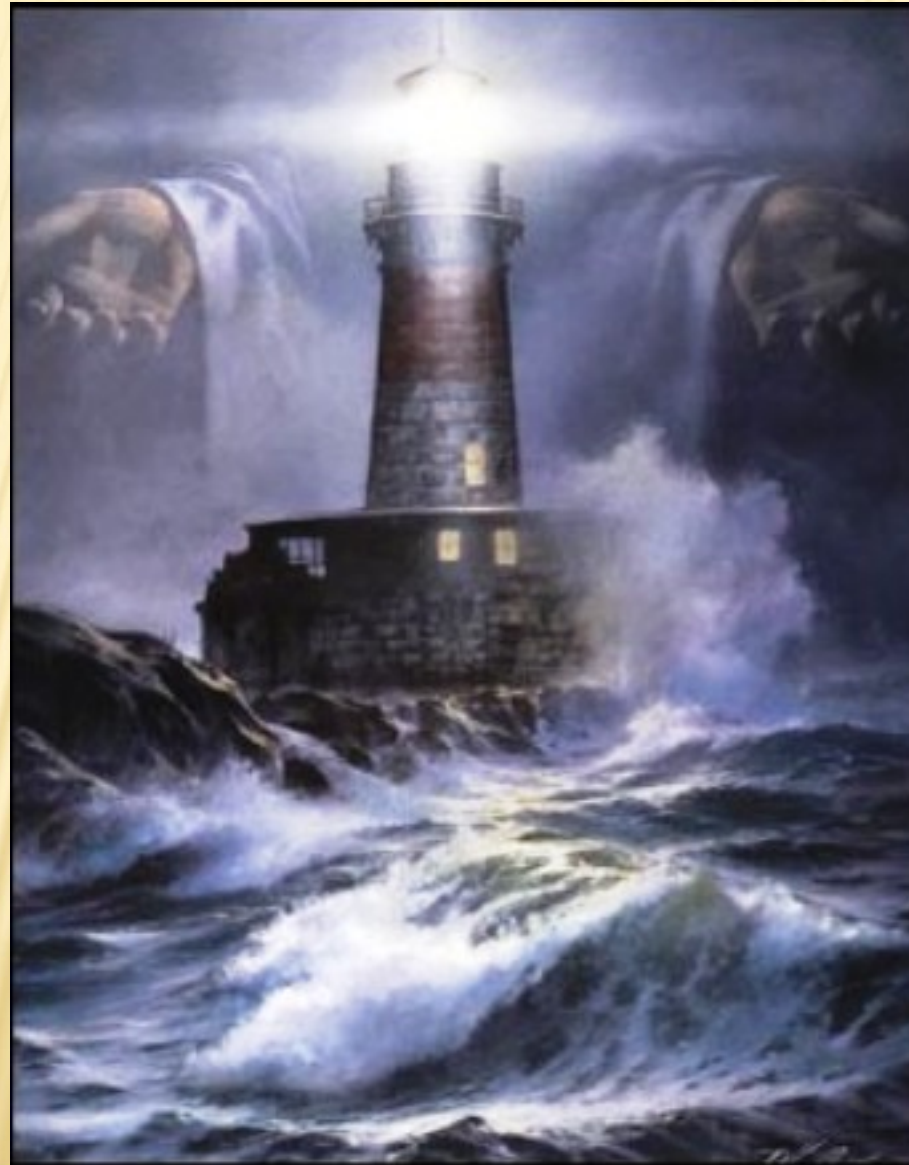
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PHILIPPIANS 4:5 (THE MESSAGE)

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HE COULD SHOW UP ANY MINUTE



1 SAMUEL 3:1 (NIV)

- ❖ The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.



1 SAMUEL 3:2-5 (NIV)

- ❖ One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place.
- ❖ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.
- ❖ Then the LORD called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am."
- ❖ And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down.

1 SAMUEL 3:6-7 (NIV)

⁶Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." "My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down."

⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

1 SAMUEL 3:8 (NIV)

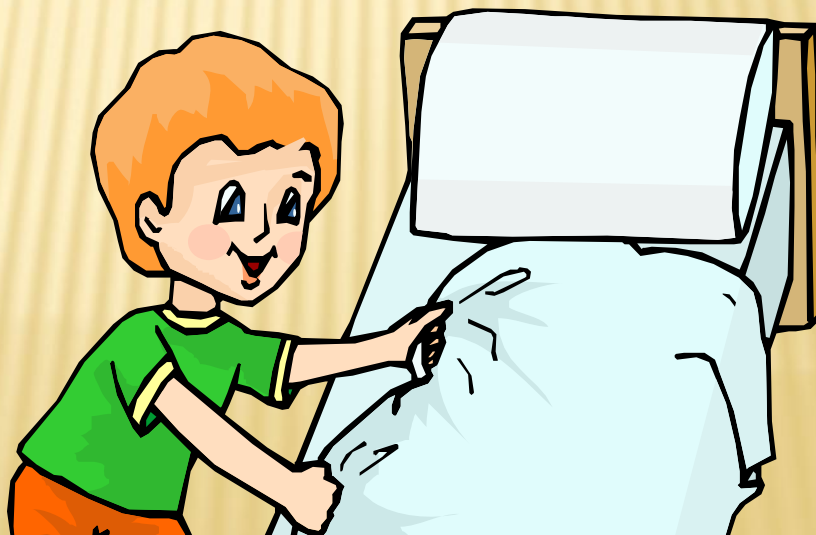
⁸The LORD called Samuel a third time, and Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy.

DID GOD SPEAK – AND YOU MISSED IT?



1 SAMUEL 3:9 (NIV)

⁹So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if He calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

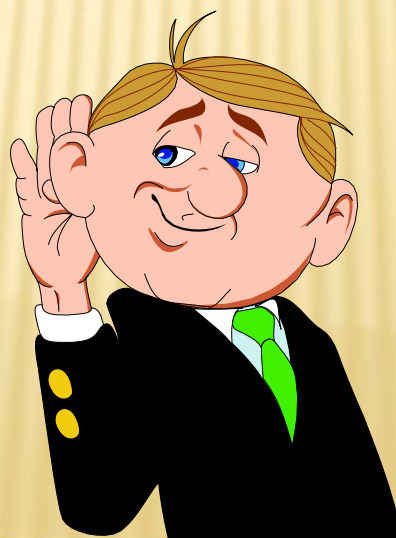


1 SAMUEL 3:10 (NIV)

¹⁰The LORD came and stood there,
calling as at the other times,
“Samuel! Samuel! Then Samuel said,
“Speak, for your servant is listening.”

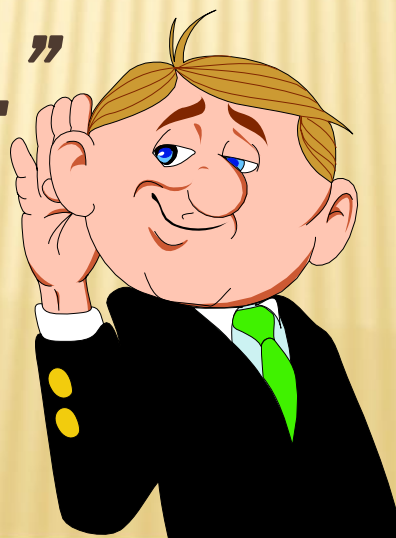
1 SAMUEL 3:11 (NIV)

*11 “And the Lord said to Samuel:
“See, I am about to do something
in Israel that will make the ears of
everyone who hears of it tingle.”*



1 SAMUEL 3:11 (THE MESSAGE)

¹¹God said to Samuel, “Listen carefully. I’m getting ready to do something in Israel that is going to shake everyone up and get their attention.”



PHILIPPIANS 4:6 (THE MESSAGE)

- ❖ Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns.



JOSHUA 19:9 (THE MESSAGE)

- ❖ The inheritance of Simeon came out of the share of Judah, because Judah's portion turned out to be more than they needed. That's how the people of Simeon came to get their lot from within Judah's portion.
- ❖ Judah's name means, "Praise!"

IN THE BOOK OF PSALMS, DAVID MAKES A CHOICE TO REJOICE.

- ❖ In the last five chapters of the book of Psalms, each chapter begins and ends with the phrase, “Praise Ye The Lord!”
- ❖ In between each chapter, David tells all about what God has done and all about what God can do.

PSALM 146

- ❖ Psalms 146:1 (KJV) Praise ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.
- ❖ Psalms 146:10 (KJV) The LORD shall reign for ever, even thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 147

- ❖ Psalms 147:1 (KJV) Praise ye the LORD: for *it is* good to sing praises unto our God; for *it is* pleasant; *and* praise is comely.
- ❖ Psalms 147:20 (KJV) He hath not dealt so with any nation: and *as for his* judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 148

- ❖ Psalms 148:1 (KJV) Praise ye the LORD.
Praise ye the LORD from the heavens:
praise him in the heights.
- ❖ Psalms 148:14 (KJV) He also exalteth
the horn of his people, the praise of all
his saints; even of the children of Israel,
a people near unto him. Praise ye the
LORD.

PSALM 149

- ❖ Psalms 149:1 (KJV) Praise ye the LORD.
Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints.
- ❖ Psalms 149:9 (KJV) To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 150:1-6 (KJV)

¹Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

²Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

³Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.

⁴Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.

⁵Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.

⁶Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD.
Praise ye the LORD.

ISAIAH 61:1-3 (MESSAGE)

¹The Spirit of God, the Master is on Me because God anointed Me. He sent Me to preach good news to the poor, heal the heartbroken, Announce freedom to all captives, pardon all prisoners.

²God sent Me to announce the year of His grace - a celebration of God's destruction of our enemies-and to comfort all who mourn,

³To care for the needs of all who mourn in Zion, give them bouquets of roses instead of ashes, Messages of joy instead of doom, a praising heart instead of a languid (unenergetic) spirit. Rename them "Oaks of Righteousness" planted by God to display His glory.

WE CAN MAKE A CHOICE TO REJOICE



NEHEMIAH 8:10 (NIV)

❖ Nehemiah said, "....
This day is sacred
to our Lord. Do not
grieve, for the joy of
the LORD is your
strength."

