

## From a Pastor's Heart

We are certainly living in uncertain and dangerous times; we don't know if and when we or our loved ones will be infected. We don't know how many people will die because of the Covid-19 and when this pandemic will end. For those who are working, I am sure you are anxious that you may have to take a pay cut or even be retrenched. It is no surprise that many, both young and old, are feeling stressed, afraid and depressed.

This pandemic has not only affected the way we work and socialize, it has also affected the way we worship God and relate to one another. In times like this, we need to seek God and to know His will not only for us but for the world. We need to remind ourselves, to remember who our God is and to strengthen our relationship with Him. Only in Him, can we find peace, rest and hope. Only through Him can we overcome this crisis and to live in victory.

For us to be able to stand firm and to live as conquerors (Romans 8: 37), it is essential we strengthen our faith and our relationship with the great and mighty God, who is our Father. As we grow in knowledge of Him and to know Him intimately, we are assured that He rules over all situations.

Starting this Sunday, we will be introducing Weekly Devotions on the theme of "God is Sovereign," followed by the theme "Faith Refined by Trials." Each theme will have 20 devotionals and two will be given to you each week to help you to reflect on who God is and what it means to have faith in times like this. My wife, Rosalind, who prepared the material, will share some precious lessons God had taught her in the last 35 years fighting one crisis after another.

In addition to the Weekly Devotions, I will include in the ebulletins a bible text for you to meditate on and/or to memorize during the week. I plan also to give you the link of a choice song or hymn for you to listen or sing along as you enjoy being in the presence of the Almighty God.

I pray that God will speak to you as you intentionally set aside time each day to reflect on His word and most of all to pray. Someone said, "The man or woman who has learned to pray, has learned the greatest secret of a holy and a happy life." How true!

So, let us make time to come into God's presence to know Him and to meditate on His word. When we know who our God is, we will be refreshed and empowered to face all challenges. May you enjoy your daily time with Him and be filled with His peace, joy and love. Amen.

Together we serve our great & mighty God  
Pastor Peter  
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