

# **Beyond Sunday with Scripture References**

## **The Gift of Love (The Gift pt 2)**

### **A Sermon Application Guide**

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with this message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Our hope is that the living, breathing words of truth that are revealed to you become a part of your everyday life. In the book of James, we read about a key to living life with God. We are told that if we ask for wisdom by faith then we shall receive it generously from our Father in Heaven. One of the best ways to receive this wisdom is by preparing to receive it. We invite you to pray this prayer prior to the message and starting the study guide:

*“God, thank You for Your truth and wisdom. Help me to see what I need to see, hear what I need to hear, and know what I need to know. Holy Spirit, help me to understand in a way that shows me the Father’s true nature and heart. May this time help me to know You more and become more like Jesus. Amen.”*

#### **Message Theme**

Agree with God and Prepare a Way

#### **Key Concepts/Truths**

Our unbelief limits God’s power in our lives, but with God nothing is ever impossible.

God’s word has power. When He speaks, the power to make it come to pass is there. We can trust what He says.

The devil may have won a battle with Adam and Eve, but the power of Jesus’ complete triumph over the devil won us the war.

We do not have to wait for God to defeat the devil in our circumstances because He already did!

Jesus trumps everything. He is the exact representation of God the Father and we have the invitation to be in Him.

God didn’t give the law so that we could live up to it; we never could. The purpose of the law is to point us to Christ as our savior.

Living from good behavior, instead of by God’s grace, will cause us to fall everytime. By faith we are justified.

The promises in God’s word will be activated in our lives when we agree with what God says.

Key Verses: Luke 1:26-38 • Genesis 3:15 • Matthew 16:18 • Isaiah 7:14 • 1 Corinthians 15:45-47 • Ephesians 1:6 Luke 4:18-19 • Hebrews 1:2

**Which one truth do you already have evidence of in your life today? Ask the Lord for new ways to see even more of it for you and others around you. Write your answers out.**

**Which one truth is the most challenging or least existing in your life today? Why do you think this is? Ask the Lord if there are any beliefs or barriers that are keeping you from believing that particular truth. Write it out.**

### **Real-Life Application**

You can pick a fight with the devil. You don't have to play defense in the battle for your family, your marriage, your faith, your relationship with God, or in your areas of influence. You're not in a waiting game to see when God will defeat the devil in your life and circumstances; God already defeated him and gave you the authority to have the victory in your life. The Bible tells us in James 4:7 to resist the devil and he will flee from you. Jesus has already won back your victory!

Jesus came to win back the authority that we lost in the Garden of Eden. He was fully God and fully man meaning that He was the perfect representation of God's love and character, but He was also able to take on the sin of the world and wipe it away with His death and resurrection. Through birth, life, death, and resurrection, He reconnected you with your Heavenly Father!

All of God's promises for us are all throughout the Bible, but until we know what they are we won't be able to agree with what He says about us. Dedicate some time right now to ask God which one of His promises you need to agree with the most. Agree with what that promise and let it be done and evident in your life today.

### **This Week's Declarations**

Life is released when your words are in agreement with God. Intentionally speaking life and biblical truth out loud is extremely powerful. In fact, you have that very life in the power of your tongue. These words below, when spoken out loud, will cause an acceleration of the reality of God's words in your life. We encourage you to speak the following with an expectancy to renew your mind and see God's fullness.

- I know that nothing is impossible with God.
- I believe the word of God, and all of His promises for me.
- In Jesus, I am victorious over the devil.
- I have God's favor.
- Thank you God that Jesus trumps everything that counters your nature.

### **What's Next?**

Now it's time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, thank Him, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

## **Scripture References**

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#### **Luke 1:26-38 NKJV**

Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!" But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?" And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. For with God nothing will be impossible." Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

#### **Psalms 78:41 NKJV**

...And limited the Holy One of Israel.

#### **Luke 1:37 AMPC**

For with God nothing is ever impossible and no word from God shall be without power or impossible of fulfillment.

#### **Genesis 3:15 NKJV**

And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel."

#### **Matthew 16:18 NKJV**

...I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

#### **Isaiah 7:14 NKJV**

Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

#### **Romans 7:23 NKJV**

...the law of sin which is in my members.

#### **1 Corinthians 15:45-47 NKJV**

And so it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual. The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven.

#### **Isaiah 9:6 NKJV**

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given;

**Hebrews 10:5 NKJV**

Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: "Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me.

**Philippians 2:7 NKJV**

but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men.

**Ephesians 1:6**

...He made us accepted in the Beloved.

**Luke 4:18-21 AMPC**

The Spirit of the Lord [is] upon Me, because He has anointed Me [the Anointed One, the Messiah] to preach the good news (the Gospel) to the poor; He has sent Me to announce release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to send forth as delivered those who are oppressed [who are downtrodden, bruised, crushed, and broken down by calamity], To proclaim the accepted and acceptable year of the Lord [the day [a]when salvation and the free favors of God profusely abound].

**2 Corinthians 5:21 NKJV**

For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

**Hebrews 1:2-3 NKJV**

has in these last days spoken to us by His Son...and the express image of His person...

**Jeremiah 23:23 NKJV**

Am I a God near at hand," says the Lord, "And not a God afar off?

**Psalms 139:7-12 NKJV**

Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me.

**Romans 5:20 NKJV**

Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound...

**Romans 3:20 NKJV**

Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight...

**Romans 3:28 NKJV**

Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law.

**Galatians 3:24 NKJV**

Therefore the law was our tutor to bring us to Christ...