

**“THEIR”
CONVERSATION
WITH ME ABOUT
SALVATION**



“ In Your light,

we see the Light ”

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“THEIR” CONVERSATION?

How much of the Word of God, under Holy Spirit guidance, is in the **conversation** between **Father God** and you, between **Jesus Christ** and you, and also in the conversation that you have **with yourself**? **Let** the Word as **Truth speak** to you.

Heart to heart conversations through the Word of God, establish eternal quality and depth in your **relationship** with God.

The **Word of God** is the foundation for **communication**, **interaction**, **declaration** and **interpretation** in our **relationship** with Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Get **involved** in the conversation about **SALVATION!**

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May God minister to you in a very special way as you take **time** with His Word and **walk** with the Holy Spirit through this “**study guide**” about “**Salvation**” (as one of many themes available).

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“ OUR FATHER’S EXCELLENCE ” (OFE)

BIBLE SCHOOL

“For **His** divine power has bestowed **upon us all things** that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness, through the [full, personal] **knowledge** of **Him** Who **called** us **by and to His** own glory and **excellence** (virtue)... **employ** every **effort** in **exercising** your faith to develop virtue (**excellence**, resolution, Christian energy), and in [**exercising**] virtue [develop] knowledge (intelligence), and in [**exercising**]... [develop] Christian **love**.” (2 Pet. 1:3,5,6,7b AMPC) Love: the **more excellent way** - (1 Cor. 12:31)

“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a (special) people for God’s own possession, **so that** you may **proclaim the excellencies** (the wonderful deeds and virtues and perfections) of Him who **called you out** of darkness into His marvelous light.” (1 Pet. 2:9 AMP.)

OFE VISION

DISCIPLE people into the lifestyle of a true worshipper of God, set free to live an excellent life, practically, all as if unto the Lord.

BUILD character, knowledge and skills into the members of the Body of Christ, into the living stones of God’s house, to serve the church effectively.

TRAIN people through the Word of God, to accurately obey His Word with excellence and respect.

ACTIVATE and release people as Spirit-filled vessels equipped to be witnesses of the Truth under His guidance.

PLANT strategic people as church, ministry and community leaders, according to their specific calling, vision and destiny on earth.

REACH all generations with the message of the Kingdom, as ambassadors and co-workers of Christ.

ENJOY your life with God and His family, as you see how your Father's dream becomes a reality in the nations.

“ In Your Light, we see the Light ” (Ps.36:9)

8 ACADEMIES in OFE, (Our Father's Excellence) BIBLE SCHOOL:

- **WORD**
- **PRAYER**
- **WORSHIP**
- **PROPHETIC**
- **SHEPHERDING**
- **TEACHING+TRAINING**
- **CHURCH FOUNDATIONS**
- **MISSIONS+EVANGELISM**

WORD ACADEMY OF OFE : VISION

“Study and be **eager** and do your utmost to **present** yourself to God approved (**tested by trial**), a **workman** who has no cause to be ashamed, **correctly** analyzing and **accurately** dividing [rightly handling and skillfully teaching] the Word of Truth.” (2 Tim. 2:15 AMPC.)

All Scripture is God-breathed and is **useful** for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be **thoroughly equipped** for every **good work**. (2 Tim. 3:16-17)

It is our desire to see people **grow** in their **love** (Ps. 119:97,127), **understanding** (Eph. 1:17) and **application** (Ps. 119:11, John 8:31) of the **Word**.

“You have **commanded** us to keep Your precepts, that we should **observe** them diligently. Oh, that my ways were **directed** and **established** to observe Your statutes (**hearing, receiving, loving and obeying** them)! Then shall I not be put to shame (by failing to inherit Your promises) when I **look (with respect)** to all Your commandments.” (Ps. 119:4-6 AMP.)

Allow the **Holy Spirit** to fulfill the first priority promise from God in the New Covenant.(Heb. 8:10) “... **and I will put My laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts...**”

“ Your word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. ” (Ps.119:105)

**Strategic, practical
DEVELOPMENT PLAN
for EXCELLENCE in your personal life,
unique calling, dreams, ministry and destiny.**

If you are **already** involved, or if you **want to** be involved in different **ministries**, (worship, children, youth, prayer, dance, technical, marketplace, financial, pioneer, etc.) in your **church, community**, and **nation**, you need to **continually develop** in authority in your field of ministry, work and unique calling, and challenge yourself for **excellence** in your **life** and **ministry** in and through the church!

This authority includes **character, gifts, skill, Word foundation, passion** and **accurate alignment** in **relationships** where God has called you in a specific church for successful impact in a specific community. When you consider your unique calling in the body of Christ, **commit to serve effectively** where God has placed you. “... a planting of the Lord, for the **display** of His **splendor**.” (Isa. 61:3b)

Grow in a **lifestyle** where **God’s initiative** is evident and **God’s excellence** is seen through who you are and what you do. Identify through the Holy Spirit, **who** is taking the **initiative** in your work, ministry and personal life. Evaluate your lifestyle and be accountable to leadership in your local church about your **development**.

You need **Godly authority** in your life to stand in Christ with victory, set free to **live the dream** Father God has for you. Godly authority with excellence can only be established **through** the **Word of God** in every ministry and it is very important in order to **fulfil** your **calling** and achieve the **goals** that God has for you.

Our **challenge** in many ministries and church networks is to establish a **strategic, practical development plan** for members, volunteers, leaders and serving teams to grow effectively in what they do **for** Christ and **with** Christ.

There are many great seminars, short-term courses and conferences having impact in ministries, and there are amazing theological seminaries and Bible-schools, for fulltime training, but the **“gap”, lack, need** and **prophetic priority** now, is the long-term strategic development plan for the family of God to become the mature, relevant, effective church to:

- **Proclaim** the **excellencies** (the wonderful deeds and virtues and perfections) of God. (1 Pet. 2:9)
- **Declare** how **excellent** His Name is in all the earth. (Ps. 8:1)
- **Approve** (discern, show forth) the things that are **excellent**. (Phil. 1:10b)
- **Show** the more **excellent way** (love). (1 Cor. 12:31)
- **Develop excellent** speech. (Prov. 17:7)
- **Exercise** your faith to develop **excellence**. (2 Pet. 1:6)
- **Allow** the process for God to make you an eternal **excellence**. (Is. 60:15)
- **Meditate** on... what is **excellent**. (Phil. 4:8)
- **Sing** to the Lord for He has done **excellent** things. (Is. 12:5)
- **Believe** that you as saints are the **“excellent ones”**. (Ps. 16:3)

That is why we want to introduce to you strategic, “set out”, specific Authority Fields for your development in who you are **in** Christ and what you do **with** Christ and **for** Christ. **Authority fields** are groupings of 7 **specific** subjects designed to focus on development in a **specific** area of ministry or personal growth.

We want to **help** and **assist** you with this **suggested road map** of development, to grow in doing everything with **excellence** as if unto the Lord.

Prayerfully look at the “set out” combination of **strategic training fields** and commit to it personally or even set it as a development path for you, your family, church and ministry partners/ friends. You can find the details at **www.ourfathersexcellence.com** or contact **OurFathersExcellence@gmail.com** or contact 0828873001.

In this specific book/manual you will find 4 of more than 48 units for self-study (with 4 exam papers). These 4 units/themes from God's Word form part of the **training development program** for **excellence** in your walk with God.

My prayer for you and me in Psalm 19:14 (AMPC): "Let the **words** of my mouth and the **meditation** of my heart be acceptable and pleasing in **Your sight**, o Lord, my (firm, immovable) **rock** and my **Redeemer**."

Cornelis van Heyningen

1. FATHER'S conversation with me about ...

SALVATION

My child, there is a world that I am committed to, a "dream world," a perfect world that I am so passionate about that I gave My Son to deal with the destructive "world" that mankind created. **For I so loved the world that I gave My one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.** (from John 3:16)

This perfect "dream world" will become a reality through My Son, and even though the process may be challenging for you, My child, stand strong, for the sake of many others. **For I am not slow in keeping My promise, as some understand slowness. I am patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.** (from 2 Peter 3:9)

Only by grace, I gave you the right to become My child. As you received My Son, you were received into My house, and My house became your home. As My Word explains: **Yet to all who received Jesus Christ, My Son, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become My children.** (from John 1:12)

Receive Him in every area of your life and allow Him, daily, to rule and reign, more and more. Then you will see how the new life in your spirit will come forth through Jesus Christ. Remember, **Therefore, if anyone is in Jesus Christ, My Son, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!** (from 2 Cor. 5:17)

Even if you don't experience the new yet, if you are still thirsty and hungry, come! You are welcome! The invitation is there: **"Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come buy wine and milk without money and without cost."**

Allow My Spirit to guide you in how to seek Me, for then I will reveal more of My heart to you! **Seek Me while I may be found, call on Me while I am near.**
(fromIsa.55:6)

Did you not find Me through My Son as Saviour, as you declared and believed in who He is, and what He has done for you? So it is confirmed through My Word: **That if you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that I raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. As scripture says, anyone who trusts in Me will never be put to shame.**
(fromRom.10:9-11)

Know My Son, and make Him known to all people, and you will know your place in My presence. For, **Whoever acknowledges Jesus Christ, My Son, before men, My Son will also acknowledge him before Me in heaven.**
(fromMatt.10:32)

You are eternally safe with Me, and I want you to know that, through My Son, your destiny is secure for eternity. **These things have been written to you who believe in the Name of Jesus Christ, My Son, so that you may know that you have eternal life.** (from 1 John 5:13)

You deserved to be cast away from My presence eternally, **For all have sinned and fall short of My glory.** (from Rom. 3:23)
Only by grace, you received My gift! **For the wages of sin is death, but My gift is eternal life in My Son, Jesus Christ, your Lord.**
(fromRom.6:23).

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Stand under and in the authority of My Son. Don't allow the agenda of the enemy or your own will to lead you. Then, and only then, will you experience the gift of quality life. **The thief comes only to steal, kill and destroy; My Son has come that you may have life and have it more abundantly.** (from John 10:10)

Abundant life in the midst of struggles, challenges and responsibilities is possible when your heart is with My Son. Stay with Him, learn from Him, and you will work from a place of rest. **Draw near to Jesus Christ, My Son, all you who are weary and burdened and He will give you rest. Take His yoke upon you and learn from Him, for He is gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For His yoke is easy and His burden is light.** (from Matt. 11:28-30)

Even if you experience failure, respect the blood that My Son shed for you and take your forgiveness. **For I did not send My Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.** (from John 3:17)

With your natural mind you will not understand many of My dealings, plans and purposes, but walk by faith, **For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but it is My power to you who are being saved.** (from 1 Cor. 1:18)

The message is the Truth that has set you free, and brought you into the Kingdom through the rebirth of your spirit. **My Son, Jesus, tells you the truth, no one can enter My Kingdom unless he is born of water and the Spirit.** (from John 3:5)

Who you are as My child and who you can become, will always be by My grace, because of the finished work of My Son on the Cross. **For My Son was pierced for your transgressions, He was crushed for your iniquities; the punishment that brought you peace was upon Him, and by His wounds you are healed.** (from Isa. 53:5)

Salvation, freedom and healing is your portion. You have the privilege, as My child, through My permanent invitation to... **Approach My throne of grace with confidence, so that you may receive mercy and find grace to help you in your time of need.** (from Heb. 4:16)

Remember that I will never leave you nor forsake you, for I am your Father.

2. JESUS' conversation with me about ...

SALVATION

There is a world that mankind created under the authority of Satan. But there is a world, a perfect world that My Father had in mind, when We, My Father, Myself and the Spirit, created you and all mankind. Love always was, and still is, the passion that drives Us to bring the restoration of this dream to the nations. **For My Father so loved the world that He gave Me, His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Me, shall not perish but have eternal life.** (from John 3:16)

To receive this quality, eternal life, you need to embrace the salvation promised and provided through what I did for you on the cross. The way is open for everyone. **My Father is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.** (from 2 Peter 3:9)

Turning your back on the destructive, demonic world, and surrendering your whole life to Me is called repentance. Repentance is possible when you take My hand, accept Me and receive Me as Lord and Saviour. Remember the eternal identity as a promise for those who receive Me. **Yet to all who have received Me, to those who have believed in My name, I have given the right to become the children of My Father.** (from John 1:12)

As a child of My Father, you will still make many mistakes, but know that I made your spirit perfectly new! Deal with the challenges in your soul, through My perfect connection with your spirit. **For if anyone is in Me, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!**
(from 2 Cor. 5:17)

Even if you don't experience the "newness," the freshness in your life, come to Me and receive from Me all that you need. My invitation remains: **"Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come buy wine and milk without money and without cost."** (Isa. 55:1)

Allow the Holy Spirit to guide you in how to seek Me and My Father, for your time with God on earth is now! **Seek My Father while He may be found, call on Him while He is near.** (from Isa. 55:6)

Did you not find My Father through Me and what I have done for you on the cross? The declaration in your mouth and the faith in your heart regarding My death and resurrection, brought you to salvation, as My Word declares, **That if you confess with your mouth that I, Jesus, am Lord, and believe in your heart that My Father raised Me from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. As scripture says, anyone who trusts in My Father will never be put to shame.** (from Rom. 10:9-11)

As you proclaim My Name before men, you must know that, your name will also be on My lips in heaven. **“Whoever acknowledges Me before men, I will also acknowledge him before My Father in heaven.”** (Matt. 10:32)

Your destiny is secure; you will be with Me forever. Let your faith be rooted in My words. **These things have been written to you who believe in My name, the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.** (from 1 John 5:13)

You could claim no right to be in My Father’s presence...**For all have sinned and fall short of My Father’s glory.** (from Rom. 3:23)

And also: **For the wages of sin is death, but My Father’s gift is eternal life in Me, Jesus Christ, your Lord.** (from Rom. 6:23)

I am your eternal Gift from My Father. In Me and through Me you will experience abundant eternal life. But be careful: **“The thief comes only to steal, kill and destroy; I have come that you may have life and have it more abundantly.”** (from John 10:10)

Don’t be deceived by what the world may present to you. As you focus on Me with a teachable, open heart, you will face your challenges and opportunities and work from a place of rest. So, **“Come to Me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”** (Matt. 11:28-30)

It will be a process, but you can be safe and saved, even from your own flesh. Take no condemnation, but receive forgiveness through My blood and move ahead! **For My Father did not send Me into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Me.** (from John 3:17)
Many times you will not understand what I am doing, but obey and follow Me by faith, **For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to you who are being saved it is the power of My Father.** (from 1 Cor. 1:18)

You came into the Kingdom because you were born physically in this world, but your spirit, also, is reborn through repentance. **“I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.”** (John 3:5)

For the joy set before Me, I went to the cross, for I knew My Father’s dream and His plan for the nations to be saved, to have hope and to enjoy an eternal future with Us. Therefore, **I was pierced for your transgressions, I was crushed for your iniquities; the punishment that brought you peace was upon Me, and by My wounds you are healed.** (from Isa. 53:5)

Salvation, freedom and healing is your portion. You have the privilege, through a permanent invitation, to... **Approach the Throne of grace with confidence so that you may receive mercy and find grace to help you in your time of need.** (from Heb. 4:16)

Remember that I will never leave you, nor forsake you, for I am your Lord and Saviour.

3. MY conversation with myself about ...

SALVATION

How amazing, that the God of the Universe, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, had such a passion and love for me in their perfect “dream world,” that everything was given to make God’s dream a reality. I realize that if I believe in Him and what He has done for me, I can be part of this eternal, dream world. **For God so loved me, that He gave His one and only Son, that if I believe in Him, I will not perish but have eternal life.**

(from John 3:16)

There are so many mistakes and failures that I can see in and around me, and sometimes I’m just fed-up with myself and others, irritated that everything is not “falling into place.” But then I remember: **The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with me, not wanting me to perish but to come to repentance.**

(from 2 Peter 3:9)

When I was suddenly arrested by this truth, I realized that I have a desire to become a child of God. I invited Him into my life and believed His Words, when He said: **Yet to me who received Him, to me who believed in His Name, He gave the right to become a child of God.** (from John 1:12)

Since then, so many things have changed in my life. I still have many challenges, but the reality of Christ in my life has become a foundation for a fresh, new start every day. **Therefore, if I am in Christ, I am a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come.** (from 2 Cor. 5:17)

I’m always welcome with God as He invites me to be refreshed, to be strengthened by receiving from Him what He has for me, every day. That’s why today: **I need to come, I who am thirsty, I must come to the waters; and I who have no money, I must come buy and eat! I must come and buy wine and milk without money and without cost.** (from Isa. 55:1)

I have this heavenly opportunity today. Prayer as a privilege makes seeking God a priority in my life: **I will seek the Lord while He may be found; I will call upon Him while He is near.** (from Isa. 55:6)

It started with my heart and my mouth, acknowledging His true identity, through faith and confession. The word is clear; **that if I confess with my**

mouth, “Jesus is Lord”, and believe in my heart that God raised Him from the dead, I will be saved. For it is with my heart that I believe and am justified, and it is with my mouth that I confess and am saved. As scripture says, I who trust in Him will never be put to shame. (from Rom. 10:9-11)

I am therefore not ashamed, but excited to speak about my Master, Saviour and Lord, wherever I go! **If I acknowledge Jesus Christ before men, He will also acknowledge me before His Father in heaven.** (from Matt. 10:32)

I don't have to “perform” through works to win His favour, but through faith, confession and receiving Him in my life, I'm eternally sure of my salvation as I read that: **These things have been written to me, who believes in the name of the Son of God, so that I may know that I have eternal life.** (from 1 John 5:13a)

I will always be amazed at His awesome grace over my life. Billions of people need to know that they need Christ. Without Him there is no eternal destiny for me: **For I have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.** (from Rom. 3:23)

I cannot be selfish by not sharing with people about the Ultimate Gift from God, given to me and available to them. **For the wages of my sin is death, but the gift of God to me is eternal life through Christ Jesus my Lord.** (from Rom. 6:23)

The devil is committed to bring destruction to the nations and he has the right to do so, unless the church (me and you) will show them the life God wants to give them. The reality is that: **The thief comes only to steal from me and to kill and destroy me; Jesus has come that I may have life, and have it more abundantly.** (from John 10:10)

When I feel overwhelmed by my responsibilities, challenges and what You, my Lord, are expecting from me, then I cannot run away: **I need to come to You, I who am weary and burdened, and You, Jesus, will give me rest. I must take Your yoke upon me, and learn from You, for You are gentle and humble in heart, and I will find rest for my soul. For Your yoke is easy and Your burden is light.** (from Matt. 11:28-30)

Even if I feel I really failed, I will come to You: **For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn me, but to save me through Him.**

(from John 3:17)

I don't think I will ever understand all that God has for me here on earth with my "logical" mind. **For the message of the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to me who is being saved, it is the power of God.** (from 1 Cor. 1:18)

What I do know is that simplicity in my faith and the surrender of my life is what brought about the rebirth of my spirit. Born and born again! **Jesus tells me the truth; I cannot enter the kingdom of God unless I am born of water and the Spirit.** (from John 3:5)

I deserve to burn in hell forever and, rightfully, humanity is supposed to carry the punishment for their "mess up," **But He was pierced for my transgressions; He was crushed for my iniquities. The punishment that brought me peace was upon Him, and by His wounds I am healed.** (from Isa. 53:5)

He saved me, and I can have boldness through the blood of Jesus to stand before His throne of grace. I have this privilege through a permanent invitation, as a child of God, by His Spirit, to proclaim: **Let me approach God's throne of grace with confidence so that I may receive mercy and find grace to help me in my time of need.** (from Heb. 4:16)

I know that My God will never leave me, nor forsake me, for He is my perfect, everlasting Father.

4. TRUTH'S conversation with me about ...

SALVATION

There is a God who loves you! John 3:16 says: **“For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.”**

There is a promise for all people! We see in 2 Pet. 3:9, **“The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand Slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but every one to come to repentance.”**

This response brings you into God's family by faith. John 1:12 tells us: **“Yet to all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God...”**

There is a wonderful new life for you, that you will find in Christ. Believe 2 Cor. 5:17 that says: **“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!”**

You will always be welcome with God. Read His invitation in Isa. 55:1: **“Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come buy wine and milk without money and without cost.”** Yet the best time to respond is now! Verse 6 says **“Seek the Lord while He may be found; call on Him while He is near.”**

Paul gives us this practical explanation in Rom. 10:9-11: **“That if you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. As the Scripture says, ‘Anyone who trusts in Him will never be put to shame.’”**

People need to see that you respect God. Matt. 10:32 says, **“Whoever acknowledges Me before men, I will also acknowledge him before My Father in heaven.”**

The Word reminds you through 1 John 5:13a: **“I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.”**

You have the privilege to hear and respond to the gospel, for all people are lost, but so many do not know it as yet. Paul tells the Romans in Rom. 3:23 and 6:23: **“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,”** and, **“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”**

People do not realise the reality of this, when the church does not share the words of their Saviour. Jesus says in John 10:10: **“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life and have it more abundantly.”**

The road I am talking about that a Christian must walk, is sometimes a hard one, but you are not meant to walk it alone. Jesus Himself says in Matt. 11:28-30: **“Come to Me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”**

Understand what Jesus has done for you. **“For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.”** (John 3:17)

Many people do not and will not understand what you have received now, **“For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”** (1 Cor. 1:18)

You were born as a human being, but now you are born again as a child of God. **“I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.”** (John 3:5)

We messed up in life, and we were supposed to take the consequences of what we have done but Jesus took it all upon Himself when **“... He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon Him, and by His wounds we are healed.”** (Isa. 53:5)

You and I can go before God in prayer, without shame and without condemnation. Heb. 4:16 encourages us: **“Let us then approach God’s**

throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”