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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS



"A JOURNEY OF THE HEART"

Grateful beyond measure

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1 JOHN 1:1-3 NKJV - (1) That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life— (2) the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us— (3) that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

Most people understand that the important things in life are not things at all - they are the relationships we have. God has put a desire for relationship in every one of us, a desire He intended to be met with relationships with other people, but most of all, to be met by a relationship with Him. In this remarkable letter, John tells us the truth about relationships- and shows us how to have relationships that are real, for both now and eternity.

As we prepare for the holidays season, I'm sure that many of us are wondering, "Where did the time go?" The holiday season has always been a time for me to reflect over the past year, praise God for what He has done and recommit my trust in Him for the future. Looking back, I am so grateful for the faithful support and prayers of our friends and family. Thank you for your encouragement during the year of 2018!

As we reflect upon the true meaning of the holiday season, let's remember that the greatest expression of love was when our Savior left His heavenly throne to live on earth with us and die for our sins.

We need to always remember that the One who loves us will always keep us. His faithfulness and love should be our greatest motivations for prayer and continue growth. I pray that God's Word will continue to be your source of strength this year and in the coming New Year.

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:57

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: God's word assures you that Christ is in your crisis.