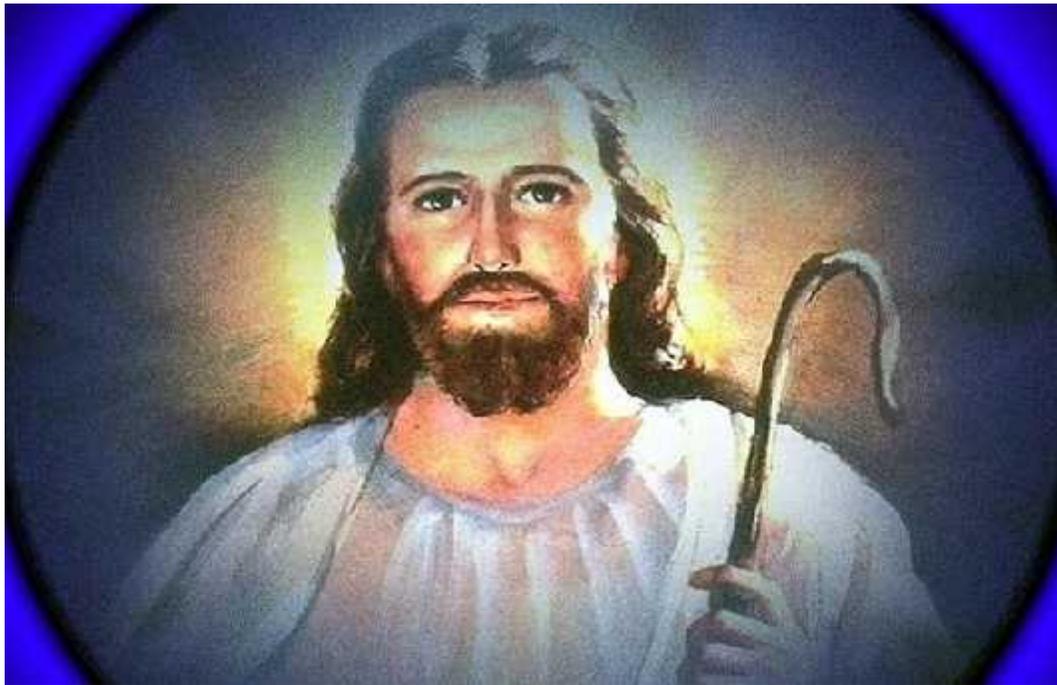




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My God! I love You. I trust in You.

My Father God , You alone are constant! Everlasting! My Father God! You are True! All Powerful God! I praise and glorify You.

O Father! My God! My Abba! You who created the earth and all living things in the earth !I fall prostrate at You Feet in adoration.

My Father God! Keep me safe under Your shelter. Cause me to live always under Your shadow.

You who are my shield and my refuge, I live solely trusting in You.

So many are the enemies, I have also heard my relatives speak scornfully about me with hurtful words. I have expected several things and have gone back disappointed. I agonize during those moments. I languish in despair.

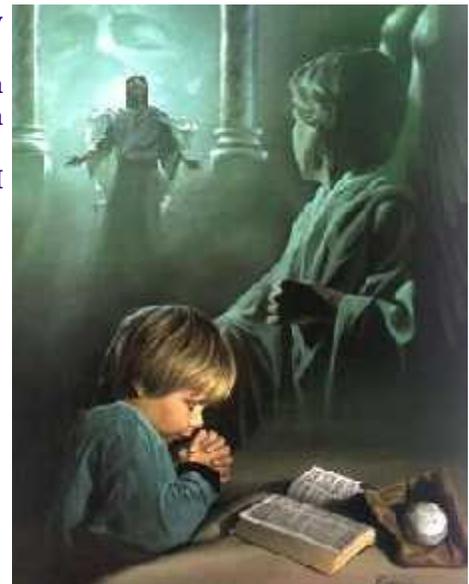
My God! I find my refuge in You alone. It is Your Truth which is my shield and my helmet.

Keep me safe from all kinds of evil and sicknesses. Preserve me from the evil snares laid out by the evil one. Free me and save me from gathering up the evils sown by the devourer.

My Loving Father God! I Thank You! I Thank You for Your Love! I Thank You for the Freedom You give!

May Your Holy Name be praised ! AMEN ! ALLELUIA!

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BELOVED IN CHRIST...



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"After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, " Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne , and to the Lamb!"

These verses are apt for the Indian nation as well. When are we to obtain the name as children of God, as one family, as one race from Kashmir in the North to Cape Comorin in the South? When are we to acclaim together in one voice as Jesus is the LORD?

It is an indelible fact that India was plundered for centuries by the British and as a result we lived as political slaves. The domination of the British subsided and democracy has been flourishing for the past 66 years. But if we were to reflect from God's perspective, can we claim that we are all children of one God and that we are living in absolute freedom? In our country which has become common place for tortures based on caste, superstitious beliefs and sexual atrocities, when will we ever worship God in the Name of the One Redeemer?

"That no wind could blow on earth or sea or against any tree." (Rev7:1) God thus saves, bears and protects the earth , by stopping all these havocs from occurring, due to His mercy and pity. He awaits the day when all peoples would become His children. The knowledge of Our Lord Jesus Christ and the wisdom to comprehend about the Heavenly Father who sent Him to the earth, should spread in our land even more.

Therefore the Redeemed of the LORD, the Christians should continually pray and work towards it. When we develop the large heartedness to forgive one another and openness to love one another , and as these traits spread more and more in our country, then India will completely belong to the LORD. In our democratic land India, there should thrive the feeling that we are all children of one God. August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother..May it ignite the feeling that we are all children of One True God. I wish you Joy!



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OUR GOD THE SOURCE OF ALL COMFORT



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Beloved in Christ! Our God is full of mercy! He is the source of all comfort!

St. Paul comforts the faithful using these words through his Second letter to the Corinthians chapter one verse three. When he speaks, he narrates the troubles that he underwent, the hurdles that he faced, the various dangers that he encountered, and his agonies akin to a death sentence. "Who consoles us in all affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God." He writes these words to the faithful, placing himself as a witness. Touch the depth of your heart for a minute and ponder over.

There are so many difficulties, so many troubles in our life. At an unexpected moment and from unexpected people, we would arrive at unexpected problems. We would think, 'Can I not pour my heart out to some one and seek solace!' We may land up with no friend or without a word of consolation wherever we turn. Even while we think that we might get some consolation from a friend, we may have to listen to a hurtful remark even from that friend. We would then be left broken-hearted!

Loving people! Everyday we need to keep this indelible truth etched in our hearts:

The Father of Our LORD Jesus Christ is a Merciful GOD! He grants us consolation! He is the Source of all our comfort! He grants us consolation amidst all our tribulations! St. Paul preached the Good News about Our LORD Jesus Christ not only to the people of Corinth but to people of various kinds. The Messiah crucified on the Cross! He taught them that Jesus was the source of all wisdom! We cannot say that all those who heard him were converted of heart at once. Some directed their ways towards God. Some others betrayed Him with much jealousy. Some delivered him up. They even sentenced St. Paul to imprisonment. He was even doubtful if he would survive it all. We read that it was during these moments that he exercised his unshakeable faith. Meditate on St. Paul's Second letter to the Corinthians chapter four verses eight onwards. "We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed;"

He has thus written down deep and well meaning verses packed with feelings. The reason being, the unshakeable love for God and an immovable Faith which he harboured in his thoughts and in the inner recesses of his heart. These verses have sprouted from such deep thoughts! Our God is filled with compassion! He alone can console and is the Source of all consolation! He comforts us even in the midst of all our difficulties!

Hence Loving people of God! Sharpen your thinking. This unshakeable faith that arises out of your thoughts will grant you encouragement and a steadfast heart! Even in the face of innumerable tribulations and temptations, you will not be destroyed. You will not stumble or be crippled.

May the God who grants us consolation, be your Source of consolation at this moment!

I wish you Joy!

