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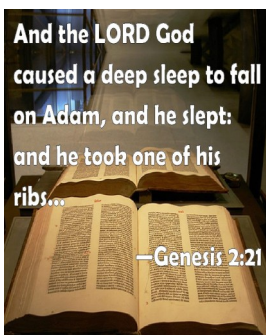
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**The SONSHIP NEWSLETTER**

Full Gospel Sons Church of GOD, Inc.

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Refresher Of The DEEP - Part 1

Ministered by the Sweet Holy Spirit In And Through Pastor JoVah

I want us once again to go to Genesis 1 and 2. We believe, because this is where it begins that the LORD opened up to us. That in the beginning was a mystery place that belonged to GOD. He did not elaborate a lot upon it at this time, but through the scriptures He began to unfold what this **Deep** was that He was talking about in the very beginning.

These, this place is for people who really want to understand if you want to seek out, He's there to be found and is no doubt a mystery. Those who study the word find there is a mystery because even though the **Deep** is known as waters, you notice that a different word is used for waters. In **Genesis 1:2 And the earth was without form, and void**. Now it didn't tell us the earth wasn't there, it said, **it was without form and void**. No life; there was no word operating yet upon the word of the earth to bring forth anything, so it was void, it didn't have the life yet. (**Genesis 1:2 and darkness was upon the face of the Deep**) Now we know the **Deep** and passages stand for water, but there's something different here; in this **Deep** it's also known as Abyss, it is called other things, but it was called **Deep**. Darkness was upon the surface of this **Deep** place.

Genesis 1:2 and the Spirit of GOD moved upon the face of the waters. Now this is as far as creation had went. The earth was there. He created the heaven and the earth, but it was in this condition, in the beginning of creation. He did not mean for it to be left this way. And then He involves us, our lives because He had it written, and begins to tell step-by-step day-by-day. So we are very blessed that GOD chooses to let us know how He forms and as through His word He speaks and that it takes hold by His word. And GOD says, **Genesis 1:2 and the Spirit of GOD moved upon the face of the waters**. This portion and darkness was upon the face of the **Deep**, gives us to realize it was not seen what was under there. If I put a dark shield right here, you will not be able to see what's here. There'll be something here, as long as GOD brought something, but you won't be able, there'll be a darkness on the face of it, surface of it.

GOD give us to begin to study. I wanted to refresh the foundation place and give you to know. We were to search out the **Deep** places. In Genesis there are the works, there are 6 places that We begin to find out what was being uncovered, what was under the **Deep** place that had darkness on the surface? It's likened unto GOD, beginning to blow away some of those dark clouds and we begin to see some things under there. You know in the fog you can just see ahead of you a little bit, but you can see a little bit many times. And GOD began to just a little bit, to unfold, what His connection with **Deep** was and what our connection. We have to see what GOD meant for them.

Genesis 2:21 And the LORD GOD caused a Deep sleep to fall upon Adam) The same word **Deep** is used in the connection with putting a man by GOD in such a **Deep** sleep, he's like under anesthetic or he's, in a sleep that is not a normal night's sleep. Because GOD performed the first operation by taking out a rib of the man's body, and so this wasn't, an ordinary sleep. It said, GOD put this **Deep** sleep, on man. And so we find out that this has something to do with it said the dead in Christ sleep. That's a **Deep** sleep. And so we find that under here is a judgement place and that death and life is here, its here, and judgments and so we are going to see why.

Now remember, we're unfolding here through the scriptures, how GOD uses this word **Deep**. Just like you use some words and it means that you may have a little different flare in context, but it means that. **Genesis 7:11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month. The same day were all the fountains of the great Deep broken up.** In that day, in that time in the 600th year of Noah, now Noah was the one that GOD said I'm not going to destroy Noah, but in that time, you know, He had Noah build an ark. And So what happened? The windows of heaven opened up. But it also said that the fountains of the **Deep**, in the same day, all the fountains of the great **Deep** broken up. This is that **Deep** place, all the fountains, that means every place where you would drill, you'll find water. All those water areas opened up and it came from under the earth water, while it was coming down upon the earth. So men, GOD was merciful. It didn't take a long, long time, like a year, slowly climbing up a mountain then doing everything. This was something GOD did, and GOD still does that and He does it suddenly. Again, and yet there's been forewarning, and forewarning, and forewarning and dealing with His people, and dealing with His people, and people just laughing about it and taking it lightly. Noah is taking it serious, GOD's people is taking it lightly. But when it began to rain and it said GOD closed. That was over, taking it lightly was over. And there were two places, heaven and earth. The fountains of the great **Deep** opened, and the windows of heaven opened, and they both work together. JESUS said pray this way, let it be in earth as it is in heaven, there's a linkage more than what man realizes.

We learn a little more about this **Deep** place does have waters. They're fountains that come up. **Genesis 8:2 The fountains also of the Deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained.** Now here's another passage; the fountains of the **Deep** and the windows of heaven, GOD said they work together. What happened? (they closed down) They closed at the same time. They opened by GOD's will at the same time they closed. So GOD does this and GOD did this and we find that this **Deep** place has a linkage with a high place. How many see that? No matter how high, no matter how **Deep** GOD has a working there together. Remember JESUS went into the boughs of the earth? The heart of the earth? You know, boughs and heart are used as simultaneously or not simultaneously, in comparison with one another. The heart of the matter. **(and the rain from heaven was restrained)** So here we see that GOD's command opened them together and GOD's command to shut them. And that GOD, is that GOD of heaven and earth, and so we serve that GOD, who is the GOD of the universe, GOD of the Galaxy, GOD of the heaven and GOD of the earth.

Genesis 15:12 And when the sun was going down, a Deep sleep fell upon Abram. Now Adam was a man that GOD put into a **Deep** sleep to operate. Abram, He put a **Deep** sleep another chosen vessel. Do you realize how many people are on the earth and thousands and sons and daughters born? But these are particular vessels that GOD does pull out and do a special work. Now He put a **Deep** sleep on Abram for a different reason. **(And low an horror of great darkness fell upon him)**, and that shows you, that darkness that was on the face of the **Deep**, that we couldn't look into things. Well, He was going to give Abraham to see, and He put him under that great darkness because, it connects and He was going to show a Abram a great secret foretelling truth, that man does not know in himself; and this He did, alright. So we see this **Deep** place has mysteries that if GOD puts you there and shows you these mysteries, they unfold. GOD opened it up as a mystery place that He's revealing like Revelations, it has full of symbols, mysteries, but it is turned revealing, Revelation means to reveal.

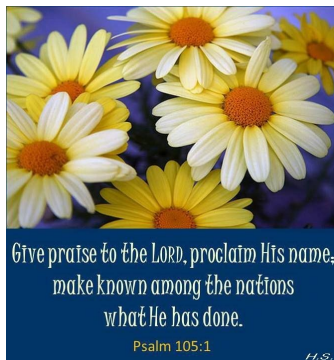
Genesis 49:25 Even by the GOD of thy father, who shall help thee, and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the Deep that lieth under. Now here again is a connection. Blessings from heaven above and blessings from the **Deep**. **(blessings of the breast and blessings of the womb)**. Blessings of the breast and blessings of the womb, we know what blessings that is that come from heaven and went into the **Deep**. What place would you, how can, how else could you think of but why. The virgin birth, the most blessings that ever befell on mankind that He put upon the woman for all mankind, and these work together. He's telling about the beginning of things, the future things, the end of things, the judgment of things, there's a **Deep** place with GOD.

Deuteronomy 33:13; and the first five books of the law, called the Law, which the Jews had as one big role, one big book, but it was called the law, the Torah, the law. Sounds like we're going into ministry. **Deuteronomy 33:13 And of Joseph, he said, Blessed of the LORD be his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew and for the deep that coucheth beneath.** Joseph, was the one that had the coat of many colors, the most beloved of the FATHER, and that tells us something symbolically. We can see an allegory there; the beloved son above all sons. This one was beloved and had a special garment, and blessed of the LORD be his land for the precious things of heaven, the dew. Where do you find dew; on the grass, on the earth? Remember the song said while the dew is still on the roses? That means He will do what He has to do, He did do it. When we see these precious places, it is very precious. He was upon earth to do the will of the LORD. So while we think of the natural dew we also think of the spiritual of the man who did do what He was to do on earth. **(And for the Deep that coucheth beneath.)** What is a couch, How many know what a couch is? Something waiting under there to lay upon. Who's going to be laid in the **Deep** place, The LORD, and so we see that this mystery place that GOD had is really telling the world if they see it or when He uncovers it. Of the SAVIOR to come from heaven to be upon earth that will go lower, and that judgment will come at that time. So can we see it?

TESTIMONIES AND ENCOURAGEMENTS

ALL GLORY AND HONOR AND PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING TO **JESUS** HE IS FAITHFUL AND TRUE. HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER. I THANK **JESUS** THAT HE HAS BLESSED ME TO COME TO KNOW HIM AND WHO HE IS AND YET THERE IS SO MUCH MORE TO YET LEARN. MANY YEARS AGO BEFORE I CAME TO OHIO, I DID NOT KNOW IF **JESUS** WAS REAL. I KNEW SOMEHOW AS A YOUNG CHILD THAT IF THERE WAS A **GOD**, HE HAD HIS CHOSEN PEOPLE, HOWEVER I DID NOT BELIEVE THAT I WAS ONE OF HIS CHOSEN. I CAN NOW SAY WITHOUT A DOUBT THAT JESUS IS REAL AND THAT I AM ONE OF HIS CHOSEN. HE HAS FULFILLED THAT WHICH I ASKED HIM MANY YEARS AGO: TO ALLOW ME TO GET TO KNOW HIM AND ABOUT HIM. I HAVE LEARNED ABOUT HIM AND I KNOW MORE OF HIM AND WHO HE IS. I AM SO GRATEFUL THAT HE HAS REVEALED HIMSELF TO ME AND HELP ME TO REALIZE MORE AND MORE WHAT AN AWESOME **GOD** HE IS. LEARNING MORE ABOUT **JESUS** AND WHO HE IS, HAS BLESSED ME TO KNOW MORE OF WHO I AM AND WHO HE MADE ME TO BE FOR HIM. I AM THANKFUL FOR THE MINISTRY OF **CHRIST** AND ALL THAT HE SHARED WITH OUR SHEPHERD IN **CHRIST**, THAT HE HAD HER TO TEACH US. WE ARE TRULY A BLESSED PEOPLE TO KNOW JESUS.

LOVE IN **JESUS**,
LUCIA



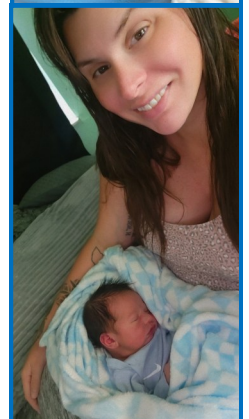
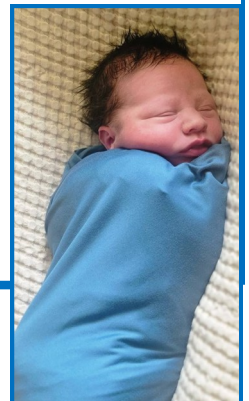
Recently I was feeling a little dry or low in my spirit and very very tired. I asked **JESUS** to reignite that spark and His Spirit in me. And less than 24 hours while I was working out I decided to stop listening to my workout music and switched over to Journey For **CHRIST**. At that very instant **GOD** had Pastor to say that **JESUS** was talking to her about someone, who has been feeling very tired. He told Pastor to tell that one listening He was going to do a miracle for them he was going to lift that tiredness and all I had to do was proclaim that **JESUS** did a work for me. Within the hour that extreme fatigue and feeling low in the valley had lifted. She also said **JESUS** wants you to know how much He loves you. My spirit was instantly encouraged and lifted and how fitting for the current studies we are in right now Deeper Depths and Higher Heights with **CHRIST**. Oh how much He loves and cares for us.
God bless
Carlina

TESTIMONY by Erica Jane

I want to thank the Lord for all that He has done for me. He brought me through anxiety and negative thoughts during my pregnancy with Ezekiel. I was nervous because my birth with Naomi was traumatic and the enemy had me thinking that I was going to go through that again with Ezekiel. My whole pregnancy Raymond would tell me "Erica, the Lord is going to have mercy on you during your delivery." He said it more times than I can count when I would talk to him about how I was feeling. The Lord did have mercy on me. When I started to go into intense contractions I didn't get scared or start to shut down like I did with my previous births. I turned my worship music up louder and talked to the Lord. I kept hearing the word "surrender" when I started to drift into anxiety and thinking I can't do this. I truly surrendered and allowed my body to do what God designed it to do. Ray was praying over me during it all. The Lord gave me amazing strength. I only labored for 6 hours and I pushed 3 times. It happened so fast that my midwife didn't even make it to our house in time. Ezekiel came rushing into the world! Raymond and my mom delivered him to my bedroom floor. I thank Jesus for being my firm foundation. This is just another confirmation from the Lord for my faith journey. I want to note that both of my Bible apps have scriptures of the day and on September 4th (Ezekiel's birthday) and they both were from the book of Ezekiel. Also, his name means "God will strengthen" and Andrew means "strong". More confirmations. Thank you gracious heavenly Father for all that you have done.

From Erica Jane Ring Facebook POST
September 5, 2025

Ezekiel Andrew 9/4/2025 at 8:32pm born at home. The LORD truly blessed us and was with us during this labor and delivery. I labored for 6 hours and Zeke came rushing into the world so fast that we had an unassisted birth. My mom and husband delivered him with me on my bedroom floor Thank you LORD. For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. Psalm 139:13-14



TESTIMONIES AND ENCOURAGEMENTS



The Prayer Closet

But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. Matthew 6:6 KJV

Praising God For Answering Prayers

✎ Answered Prayers for Overseers, Dorrece and Bern; a new car with no payments for 2 years.



✎ Answered Prayers for Jerry; came home from the hospital on September 26th with an AWESOME Testimony of GOD's Love.

✎ After years of not having his driver's license, GOD answered Renee's Prayers; to get his license.

✎ Ecclesia and Tyler, Prayed that GOD would bless Tyler to get his CDL license. Not only did GOD answer their Prayers, GOD also blessed him with a new job.

✎ Matthew and Tawnie Prayed to have another child and now their little family of 3 will soon be 4; Tawnie is 12 weeks pregnant.



✎ Hannah Prayed for GOD to heal the pain in her wrist and she no longer has that pain.

✎ Answered Prayers for Neal, Jesus done a wonderful work for him.



Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. Romans 12:15 NKJV

If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. 1 Corinthians 12:26 NIV

The Bible instructs Christians to "rejoice with those who rejoice" as a reflection of unity in Christ and love for one another. This means actively sharing in the joy and successes of others, even when personal circumstances are difficult. Key verses supporting this include Romans 12:15 and 1 Corinthians 12:26, which emphasize shared experience and mutual support within the body of Christ.
(from a Google search)

Poetry Corner

"Grant Me The Good Of It" 3-12-73



Oh God grant today

That I cause Souls to think of Thee

That I might be a light

That cries unto Man - I have a Creator

Cry Desolate Soul-Dry-Barren

Like the parched ground

If I can cause you to know

Your need by the waters of life that flow through me

Though you might hate me

For I have what you have not

Yet, if by my having

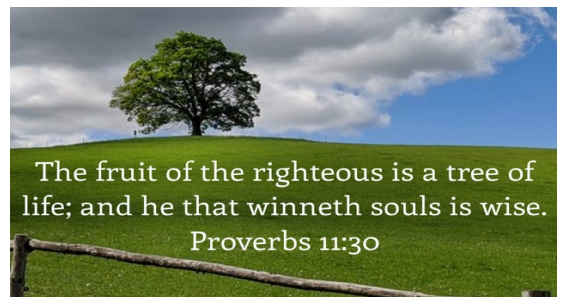
You have realized your lack

And it has caused you to cry out for water

No longer content with your parched condition

Then it is worth it all Yea, even good for me

For you have learned to care!



The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise.
Proverbs 11:30

ACTIVITY GALLERY

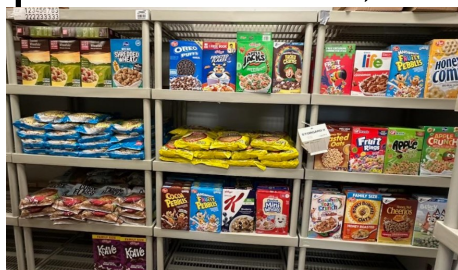
Ice Cream Social-August 16th



Baby Dedication For Sophia Vingle-August 24th



September 2025 Outreach, Storehouse For JESUS



ACTIVITY GALLERY

Apple Picking at Lynd Fruit Farm-September 20th

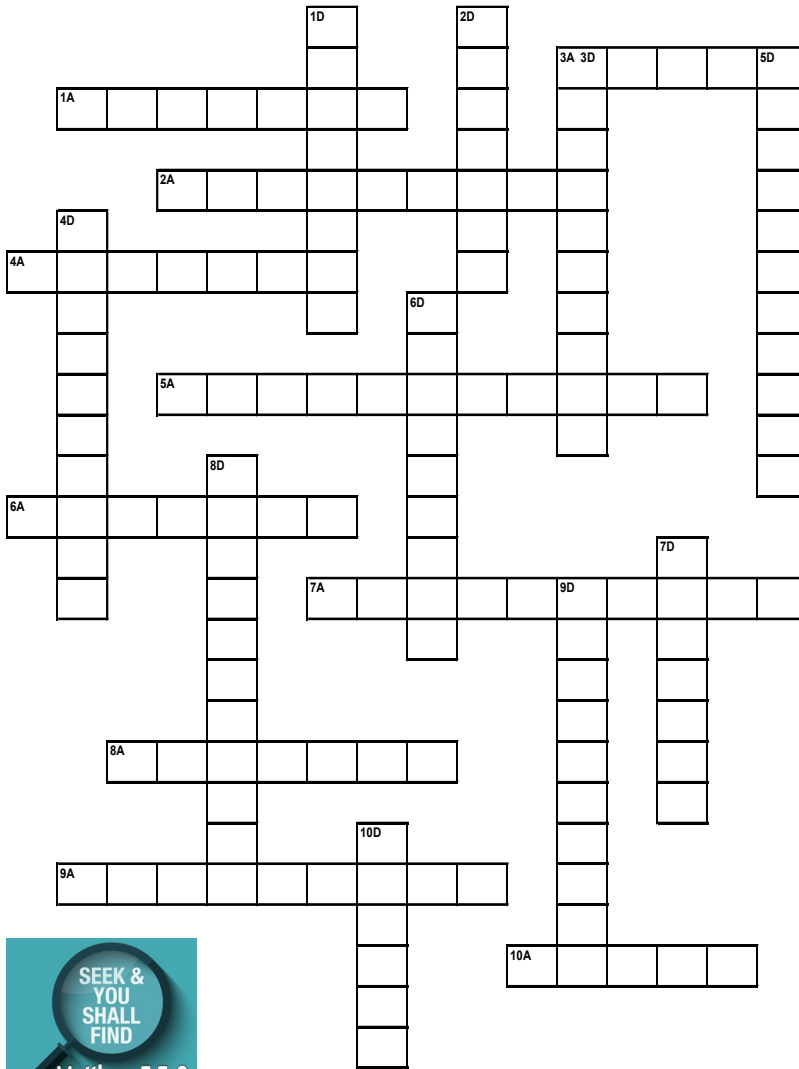


Baby Dedication For Ezekiel Andrew-September 28th



SEEK AND YOU SHALL FIND PUZZLE (From the message: Refresher Of The DEEP - Part 1)

FILL IN THE DEEP PUZZLE



ACROSS

1. In the beginning was a _____ place that belonged to GOD.
2. In Genesis 7:11, what was broken up of the great Deep?
3. What is the Deep also know as?
4. God use _____ to do a special work.
5. God gave Abram a great secret _____ truth.
6. And the earth was _____ form and void.
7. The word Deep is used in the _____ with putting a man in a Deep sleep.
8. There is a _____ between Heaven and earth..
9. The Deep places were the place of _____.
10. The deep is _____ as waters.

DOWN

1. _____ was upon the surface of the Deep place.
2. A _____ of darkness was upon the faces the Deep.
3. God placing a man in a Deep sleep is like being under _____.
4. The mystery place revealing like what book in the Bible?.
5. The day of the month all the fountains of the great deep broken up?
6. There was no word _____.
7. The _____ of heaven were opened.
8. There has been _____ dealing with His people..
9. The boughs and heart are simultaneously in _____ with one another.
10. The rain from _____ was restrained.



UNSCRABBLE THE DEEP PUZZLE

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SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT

"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst": John 6:35

OVERSEER DORIS KIRK

PUMPKIN DIP WITH GINGER SNAPS

Ingredients

- 1 cup of canned pumpkin puree
- ½ cup of confectioners sugar
- 1 pack of 8oz cream cheese softened
- 1 tub of 8oz Cool Whip
- ½ teaspoon of cinnamon or pumpkin pie spice
- 1 small pumpkin

Directions

- Whip together with hand mixer for 2 minutes until smooth and creamy.
- Clean out seeds of a small pumpkin.
- Spoon mixture into pumpkin.
- Serve with ginger snaps.

MASHED PUMPKIN

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Ingredients

- 2 pounds peeled and seeded pumpkin/winter squash, such as butternut or kabocha, cut into 1" chunks
- ½ cup of fresh lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 large or 2 small cloves garlic, grated
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon paprika

Directions

- In a medium pot, bring 2 quarts of water to a boil. Add pumpkin and cook until soft, about 15 minutes.
- Drain water from pumpkin, transfer to a large bowl and let cool for 10 minutes.
- Add the lemon juice, olive oil, garlic, salt and paprika and mash together using a fork or potato masher until smooth.
- Serve room temperature or chilled with Merget Kaski & Kofta.



RIGATONI WITH BUTTERNUT SQUASH SAUCE

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Ingredients

- 1 lb. butternut squash
- ¼ cup extra virgin olive oil, plus more for drizzling
- 2 tablespoons mild honey
- 1 teaspoon Kosher salt, more to taste
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 sweet yellow onion, minced
- 3 cloves garlic, chopped
- ½ teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 ½ cups homemade or good quality chicken stock
- 1 pound rigatoni pasta
- ½ cup fresh basil, torn or chopped

Directions

- Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Cut the butternut squash in half. Drizzle with half of the olive oil and the honey, season with kosher salt and black pepper, then place on a baking sheet and roast until tender, 40-45min.
- Let the squash sit until cool enough to handle. Scoop out and discard the seeds, then scoop out the flesh into a bowl and set aside. Discard the skin.
- Heat the remaining olive oil in a large, heavy skillet set over medium heat. Add the minced onion and salt, sauteing for around 7 minutes until soft and translucent. Add the garlic, nutmeg, and squash into the skillet.
- Once combined, pour in the chicken stock, cover with a lid and let simmer for 5-7 minutes. Blend the sauce with an immersion blender until smooth.
- In a separate pot, bring salted water to a boil and cook the pasta according to package directions, until al dente. Once the pasta is cooked, stir in the sauce and top with fresh basil, extra virgin olive oil, and freshly ground black pepper.



PUMPKIN SHAKE

food.com

Ingredients

- 4 ounces chilled canned pumpkin
- 1 ½ cups cold skim milk
- 8 teaspoons sugar ("or" substitute sweetener)
- 1/8 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Directions

- Combine all ingredients in a blender.
- Makes two servings.



SO, WHETHER YOU
eat or drink or whatever you do
DO IT ALL FOR THE
GLORY OF GOD

1 Corinthians 10:31



THE SONSHIP BULLETIN BOARD

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 2025 BIRTHDAYS

10/1 LUCIA GALVAN
 10/15 RENE NARANJO
 10/20 NOAH NARANJO
 10/23 ORA ANDERSON
 10/24 CARLINA KIRBY
 10/29 SCRALETT VINGEL

NOVEMBER 2025 BIRTHDAYS

11/1 DEBRA FAITH NARANJO
 11/9 VITORI RING
 11/12 SHIRLEY DEERE
 11/13 BRITTANY NARANJO
 11/22 TAWNI VINGLE
 11/26 LEROY WILBURN
 11/30 NAOMI RING

2025 ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER

10/1 MATTHEW & TAWNI VINGLE
 10/13 CARMELLA & JED NARANJO
 10/21 TREVOR & VICTORIA FITCH

NOVEMBER

11/4 TYLER & ECCLESIA RUSSELL
 11/15 MARCUS & BRITTANY NARANJO

PRAYER REQUESTS

✂ Pray for the furtherance of the SONship Ministry of Christ that God gave Pastor JoVah to carry for His Name sake.

✂ Pray for the Journey for Christ Radio Ministry.

✂ Pray for lost souls that God bring them to the Light.

✂ Pray for those in the Church body who needs a healing touch from God.

✂ Pray that God break the power of the enemy against the body of Christ, here and all over the world.

✂ Pray for peace of Israel.

✂ Pray for God's will to be done in America and it's government.



Bible Study
Thursdays 7:00 P.M.

🏰 October 2nd
 Deep of Luke Part 1

🏰 October 9th
 Deep of Luke 8 Part 2

🏰 October 16th
 Deep of Luke 6 Part 3

🏰 October 23rd
 Deep of Acts 20 Part 1

🏰 October 30th
 Deep of Acts 20 Part 2



Ask
 IT SHALL BE GIVEN
Seek
 YE SHALL FIND
Knock
 IT SHALL BE OPENED
MATTHEW 7:7

ABOUT US



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**Come and join us as we
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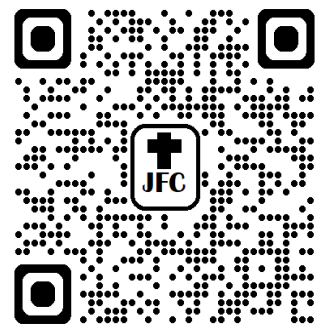
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AT FIRST (TAKEN FROM GENESIS 1 AND 2)

IN THE BEGINNING GOD created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and void, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the water. God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day. Then God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the expanse and separated the waters which were under the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse. And it was so. God called the expanse Heaven. So the evening and the morning were the second day. Then God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. Then God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth produce vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees on the earth yielding fruit after their kind with seed in them." And it was so. The earth produced vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind and trees yielding fruit with seed in them after their kind. And God saw that it was good. So the evening and the morning were the third day. And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be signs to indicate seasons, and days, and years. Let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth." And it was so. God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also. Then God set them in the expanse of the heavens

to give light on the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. Then God saw that it was good. So the evening and the morning were the fourth day. Then God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures and let the birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens." So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters swarmed, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let the birds multiply on the earth." So the evening and the morning were the fifth day. Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds: livestock, and creeping things, and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. So God made the beasts of the earth according to their kind, and the livestock according to their kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the livestock, and over all the earth, and over every creeping

thing that creeps on the earth." So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and replenish the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves on the earth." Then God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed which is on the face of all the earth and every tree which has fruit yielding seed. It shall be food for you. To every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth which has the breath of life in it, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

So the heavens and the earth, and all their hosts, were finished. On the seventh day God completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it He had rested from all His work which He had created and made. Adam and Eve This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created. In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, no shrub of the field was yet on the earth, and no plant of the field had yet sprouted, for the Lord God had not caused it to rain on the earth, and there was no man to cultivate the ground. But a mist arose from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground. Then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living being. The Lord God planted a garden in the east, in Eden, and there He placed the man whom He had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, along with the tree of knowledge of good and evil. A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and from there it parted and became four rivers. The name of the first is Pishon; it encompasses the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold. The gold of that land is good; bdellium and the onyx stone are there. The name of the second river is Gihon; it encompasses the whole land of Cush. The name of the third river is Tigris; it goes toward the east of Assyria. The fourth river is the Euphrates. The Lord God took the man and put

him in the garden of Eden to till it and to keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die." Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helper suitable for him." Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the sky, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. Whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all the livestock, to the birds of the sky, and to every beast of the field, but for Adam there was not found a helper suitable for him. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept. Then He took one of his ribs and closed up the place with flesh. Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man, He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. Then Adam said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she will be called Woman, for she was taken out of Man." Therefore a man will leave his father and his mother and be joined to his wife, and they will become one flesh. They were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

