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"I am the **LIGHT** of the **World**."

NEWSLETTER

PRAY FOR US, OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Our Lady, Blessed Virgin Mary, gives witness to being Christian. In her conduct toward the Blessed Sacrament, we learn what ours should be! She believed in the reality of Christ's presence in the Holy Eucharist. In other words, the virtue of faith was as necessary for her as it is for us.

This title was given to our Blessed Mother in May, 1868, by Saint Julian Eymard to honor her in all her relationships with the Holy Eucharist and to place her before us as a model in our duties and devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

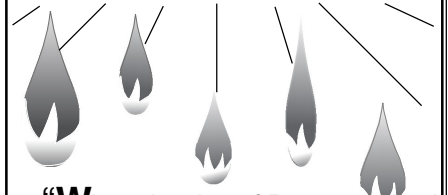
Great was her faith in her son, the Son of God, our Savior, and in all his teachings and deeds. This faith of hers found its particular exercise in regard to the Blessed Sacrament, the mystery of faith, the denial of which implies the destruction of the whole structure of our belief. A second point in which Mary conformed to the general body of the faithful was her Sunday attendance at the Eucharist. And still another point in which the Blessed Virgin is our model is in her reception of Holy Communion during



her life, and at the moment of her death. By her faith in and her love for our Lord in the Eucharist, Mary is an example for Christians and thereby brings us to fervent devotion to him. Truly, we can call Mary, Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, and follow her faith and love for Jesus in the Eucharist.

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JUST LIKE THE DAY OF PENTECOST



"When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability." (Acts 2:1-4)

The apostles had been waiting for Pentecost, (called 'Feast of Harvest'), which came fifty days after the Passover and it celebrated the beginning of harvest of the Jews. Jesus had told his apostles earlier to stay back in Jerusalem (Luke 24: 49) and now it was filled with pilgrims from around the world (Acts 2:5).

The day of Pentecost is often called the **hub** of the **Bible**. This day (Acts 2) fulfilled many kingdom and salvation prophecies (Joel 2: 28-32; Isaiah 2: 2, 3). The apostles were baptized in the Holy Spirit to enable them to execute their commission, the full gospel was officially preached and Jesus' last will and testament came into being, the church became a reality, and remission of sin based on Jesus'

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PERSONALITY PROFILE :

-THE PROPHET ELIJAH-

Elijah, (or Elias, Heb. *Eliahu* means "Yahweh is my God"), was the loftiest and the most wonderful prophet of the Old-Testament. His single-minded commitment to god shocks and challenges us. He was the true prophet of God, sent to confront, not comfort, and he spoke God's words to a king who often rejected his

message just because he brought it. Elijah chose to carry out his ministry for God alone and paid for that decision by experiencing isolation from others who were also faithful to God. It is interesting to think about the amazing miracles God accomplished through Elijah. Some of them were: Ravens feed Elijah (1Kings 17:2-6), Widow's food multiplied (1Kings 17:9-16), Widow's son raised to life (1Kings 17:17-

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shed blood was first experienced on the day of Pentecost.

The day of Pentecost was the birth of Christianity. It was on this memorable day that repentance and baptism in Jesus' name for the remission of sins was first taught and experienced (Acts 2: 38). When those whose hearts (about 3000) had been pricked asked what must they do, were told, and did it, they were calling on the name of the Lord (Acts 2: 37-42). People today are thus saved in the same way by calling on Jesus' name (Rom. 10: 13) here in Jeevan Dham. Every Sunday, it is just like the day of Pentecost, when Holy Spirit comes down from Heaven like pearls of fire upon the believers who come from near and far. Have you ever had that Pentecost experience?

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Her feast day coincides with the Feast day of our Lady of Fatima and is celebrated on May 13. This month we are also celebrating the feast of Our Lady, Help of Christians on May 24 and the feast of Visitation and Mary, Mediatrix of all Graces on May 31.

INVOKE the Blessed Virgin Mary under the title of "**Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament**" because she is the Mother of Jesus who lives in the Eucharist. For it was from her that He assumed the Flesh and Blood with which He nourishes us. Through her we receive every grace, and consequently those graces contained in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar.

Let us Pray:

O Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Most Holy Sacrament, glory of the Christian people, joy of the universal Church, salvation of the world, pray for us and

grant to all the faithful true devotion to the Most Holy Eucharist, that they may become worthy to receive it daily.
Amen.

V. Pray for us, Virgin Immaculate, Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

R. That the Eucharistic Kingdom of Jesus Christ may come among us!

Let us Pray: LORD Jesus Christ, our King and our God, Who are true God and true Man in the Bread of the Eucharist, we beg of You, that, in venerating so great a mystery, we may be mindful of Your Blessed Mother, in whose body You were conceived by the Holy Spirit. Grant also that we may imitate her manner of worshipping You in the Sacred Host, her adoration, her thanksgiving, her reparation, her prayer, so that we may see Your Eucharistic Kingdom spread and flourish throughout the whole world. Amen.

-THE PROPHET ELIJAH-

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24), Altar and sacrifice consumed (**1Kings 18:16-46**), Elijah made fire to come upon two groups of soldiers each consisting of 50 men and destroyed them (**2Kings 1:5-18**), Jordan river parted (**2 Kings 2:6-8**).

But we would do well to focus on the relationship that Elijah shared with God. He responded to the miracle of being able to know God. For example, after God worked an overwhelming miracle through Elijah in defeating the prophets of Baal, Queen Jezebel retaliated by threatening Elijah' life. And Elijah ran. He felt afraid, depressed and abandoned. Despite God's provision of food and shelter in the wilderness, Elijah wanted to die. So God presented Elijah with an 'audio-visual display' and the message he needed to hear. Elijah witnessed a windstorm, an earthquake, and fire. But the Lord was not in any of those powerful things. Instead, God displayed His presence in a gentle whisper.

Elijah, like us, struggled with his feelings even after this comforting message from God. So God

confronted Elijah's emotions and commanded action. Even today, God often speaks through the gentle and obvious rather than the spectacular and unusual. God has work for us to do even when we feel fear and failure. And God always has more resources and people than we know about. Although we might wish to do amazing miracles for God, we should instead focus on developing a relationship with him. The real miracle of Elijah's life was his very personal relationship with God. And that miracle is available to us.

Strengths and Accomplishments:

- ☆ Was the most famous and dramatic of Israel's prophets
- ☆ Predicted the beginning and end of a three-year drought
- ☆ Represented God in a showdown with priests of Baal and Asherah
- ☆ Appeared with Moses & Jesus in the New Testament Transfiguration scene

Weaknesses and mistakes:

- * Chose to work alone and paid for it with isolation and loneliness
- * Fled in fear from Jezebel when she threatened his life

Lessons from his life:

- ❁ We are never closer to defeat than in our moments of greatest victory
- ❁ We are never as alone as we may feel, God is always there
- ❁ God speaks more frequently in persistent whispers than in shouts

Key verses:

—"How long will you go limping with two different opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him." (**1Kings 18:21**)

—"Then you call on the name of your god and I will call on the name of the LORD; the god who answers by fire is indeed God." (**1Kings 18:24**)

—"O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known ... "The LORD indeed is God; the LORD indeed is God." (**1Kings 18:36-39**)

Mentioned in :

1Kings 17:1- 2Kings 2:11; 2Chronicles 21:12-15; Malachi 4:5-6; Matthew 11:14; 16:14; 17:3-13; 27:47-49; Luke 1:17; 4:25-26; John 1:19-25; Romans 11:2-4; James 5:17-18

Vital Statistics: Where : Gilead; Occupation: Prophet

"And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him." (John 14:16-17)

BIBLE QUIZ!

III. THE FOUR GOSPELS

All the four Gospels, namely Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, in the New Testament present the life, work and teachings of Jesus. Each book, however, focuses on a unique facet of Jesus and His character. You have to match and tell which Author/Gospel will go with the 4 options given in each statement below:

- i) Jesus is ...
 - a) The Servant of God b) The promised King
 - c) The Son of God; d) The Son of Man
- ii) Wrote originally to ...
 - a) Jews b) Greeks
 - c) Christians throughout the World
 - d) Gentiles, Romans
- iii) Character of the writer -
 - a) Theologian b) Storyteller
 - c) Historian d) Teacher
- iv) Wrote the Gospel approx. by around
 - a) A.D. 60-65 b) A.D. 85-90
 - c) A.D.60 d) A.D. 55-65
- v) Greatest emphasis is on...
 - a) Jesus' humanity
 - b) Jesus' miracles and actions
 - c) The principles of Jesus' teaching
 - d) Jesus' sermons and words

ANSWERS TO Last Month's QUIZ

- II JESUS AFTER RESURRECTION
- i) Matthew 28:8-10; Mark 16:9-11; John 20:11-18
- ii) Matthew 28:8-10
- iii) Luke 24:34; 1 Corinthians 15:5
- iv) Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36-43 & John 20:19-23
- v) Mark 16:12-13; Luke 24:13-35
- vi) John 21:1-14 vii) Matthew 28:16-20
- viii) 1 Corinthians 15:7
- ix) 1 Corinthians 15:6
- x) John 20:26-29

Rules to be followed:

- 1 Answers may be sent by post or e-mail latest by the 20th of the month. Answers received after the 20th will not be considered.
 - 2 You should clearly specify your name and postal address. Mention the quiz number and title before the answers written in order.
 - 3 Prizes will be awarded to the winners of three consecutive quizzes.
 - 4 Answers and winners of each quiz will be published in the subsequent issue of the newsletter.
- Thanks for taking the Quiz! Good Luck!

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

REFLECTION Of the WORD

"By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things."

(Galatians 5:22-23)

An examination of the fruits of the Spirit can be intimidating.

Working all nine of these traits into your life seems impossible, and indeed it is. But the moment you became a Christian, the Holy Spirit began a divine work to produce Christ's character in you. Regardless of who you are, the Spirit works from the same model, Jesus Christ. The Spirit looks to Christ in order to find the blueprint for your character. The Spirit will immediately begin helping you experience and practice the same love that Jesus had when he laid down His life for His friends. The same joy He experienced in being one with Father will now fill you. The

identical peace that guarded the heart of Jesus, even as He was being beaten and mocked, will be the peace that the Spirit works to instill in you. The patience Jesus had for His most unworthy and disloyal disciple will be the patience that the Spirit now develops in you. The kindness Jesus showed toward children and sinners will soften your heart toward others. There will be a goodness about you that is only explainable by the presence of the Spirit of God. The Spirit will build the same faithfulness into you that led Jesus to be entirely obedient to His Father. The Spirit will teach you self-control so that you will have strength to do what is right and to resist temptation.

All of this is as natural as the growth of a fruit on a tree. You do not have to orchestrate it on your own. It automatically begins the moment you become a believer. How quickly it happens depends upon how completely you yield yourself to the Holy Spirit's activity.

As He who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; for it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." (1 Peter 1:15-16)

'LIVING WITNESSES' OF GOD IN JEEVAN DHAM

67-YEARS OLD HEALED FROM LONG YEARS OF ECZEMA! AMAZING !

Praise be to Jesus!

Thanks be to Jesus!

It started with small pimples on my leg s when I, Tarachand, was about 17 years old. Later, they swelled up and became sores oozing pus. I could not stop myself from scratching non-stop. Pus and sometimes even blood came out from these pores. They later blackened and gave me persistent pain. Fortunately, they did not spread further up my body.

I went to a nearby doctor and took

the medicine prescribed by him. Yet, my pain and itching did not subside. I went to another doctor who gave me special socks to be worn during daytime and during the night so that the sores are not exposed to the air preventing itching to some extent. This method was also not a permanent solution for my disease. I then went to a dermatologist in New Delhi . I have already spent more than Rs.20,000 and learnt that this disease is incurable. All my money went in smoke.

Three weeks back, one of my friends told me about this prayer service held at 'Jeevan Dham' . With little faith and hope, I came here along

"Pursue love and strive for the spiritual gifts, and especially that you may prophesy." (1 Corinthians 14:1)

with him the following Sunday. From day one I felt better. Gradually, by the power of the Word of God and through fervent prayers of all, I felt the healing touch. I saw with my own eyes the miracles happening here and heard many testimonies which strengthened my faith in God. I started to pray every morning and to read the prayer book 'Naya Jeevan'. The merciful lord heard my prayers and answered me with his blessings. It is three weeks that I do not feel like itching. Neither do I have any pores oozing pus. They all have dried up leaving only few patches here and there. I am indebted and thankful to my Lord for this precious healing of my 50-year old sickening Eczema. Alleluia! Praise the Lord!

"He delivers the afflicted by their affliction, and opens their ear by adversity. He also allured you out of distress into a broad place where there was no constraint.."

(Job 36:15-16)

Tarachand,
Mongolpuri, New Delhi.

**HIS LIVING WORD
HAS HEALED ME
COMPLETELY!**

Praise be to Jesus!

Thanks be to Jesus!

I, Anarkali (age-50 years), was a diabetic patient for the last 6 years. The first time I went for the checkup, it was discovered that the blood sugar level reached an astounding figure of 470. Even after taking medicine twice daily, I could not keep the sugar level under control. It varied unexpectedly but never came anywhere down to the normal level.

One day a lady living in my neighbourhood had pity on my helpless condition and suggested me to attend the prayer service being held here every Sunday morning. It was 9 months back. Since then, I started attending the prayer service here. I got relief within few days. Last month I had my checkup done and learnt that the blood sugar level is only 115. Few days back, again I had a checkup and found it to be 90, that is, normal. It is through the power of



**GOD RESTORED THEIR EYESIGHT ALL
WITHIN ONE DAY THROUGH HIS WORD**

the Word of God that I have been healed.

For the past 30 years, I was having persistent pain in my thighs. I went to several doctors and took all kinds of treatment. But nowhere did I get any relief and I lost all hope of getting rid of this pain. However, after attending the prayer service here, the pain in my thighs vanished gradually within few weeks.

iii) 3 months back I got an acute stomachache, which worried me a lot. I went to a doctor in Ballabgarh. After taking the ultrasound test, it was found that I had stones in my kidney which were growing in size. But I had total faith in my lord and instead of taking any treatment, I prayed with faith to my Lord to have mercy on a sinner like me. After few days, when I felt relieved, I went to the doctor to have my checkup done. The doctor could not believe his eyes when he found that there were no stones left over in my kidney. All have vanished. Alleluia! I do not have any words to praise Him for all these blessings that I have received after coming here. He has taken away all my pain on his shoulders.

"So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name."

(Psalms 63:3-4)

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IMPORTANT TIMINGS

DAILY MORNING PRAYER :

On Weekdays from 9:00a.m. to 11:00p.m. 24hr. Adoration is going on everyday for the last 4 months. You too can join us in prayer anytime.

HOLY MASS :

On Fridays: morning 10:00 a.m.
On Sundays: evening 6:30 p.m.

**Are you ... worried & burdened?
Are you ... depressed?
Are you ... sick or weak?
Do you ... feel the absence of peace & love in your life?
Are you ... grappling with a lot of problems in your life?**

Then visit this place chosen by God & see for yourselves all the incredible miracles happening here. This place is 'JEEVAN DHAM'. Believe in God and attend the prayer session held every Sunday at St. Anthony's School (ground), Sec-9, Faridabad from morning 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. organized with the grace of Almighty God by 'Jeevan Dham'- H.no.696/ Sec-22, Faridabad. Obtain invaluable graces & heavenly blessings & witness the miraculous healings performed by Him.

WELCOME TO JEEVAN DHAM!

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