

## GRADUATION MESSAGE 2017

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BEING ABLE TO SEE HELPS US IN OUR JOURNEY FOR CHRIST.  
CAN SEE OBSTACLES,  
CAN SEE THE NEEDS.  
CAN SEETHE SAVIOR WHO LEADS US.

THERE ARE MANY NEEDS IN THE WORLD.  
THE GREATEST NEED IS NOT NEW POLITICIANS. IT IS NOT BETTER MEDICAL CARE.  
THE GREATEST NEED IS NOT A GOOD JOB AND MONEY IN THE BANK. THE  
GREATEST NEED IS NOT THE UNITED NATIONS. THE GREATEST NEED IS NOT A  
GOOD MODERN HOUSE WITH THE LATEST APPLIANCES. THE GREATEST NEED IS  
JESUS.

WITHOUT HIM, MEDICINE DOES NOT WORK. WITHOUT HIM, THERE ARE NO JOBS.  
WITHOUT HIM, MARRIAGES DO NOT WORK. WITHOUT HIM OUR CHILDREN GROW  
UP TO BE DRUG ADDICTS AND CRIMINALS.

JESUS SAID IT HIMSELF--**John 15:5** *I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without Me ye can do nothing.*

THE WORLD DOESN'T EASILY ACCEPT THE THINGS OF GOD.

--YOU ARE NOT CALLED TO BE LIKE THE WORLD. **John 17:15-16** *I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil. **They are not of the world**, even as I am not of the world.*

OTHERS MAY ACCEPT THE WORLD, BUT GOD WON'T ! MANY CHURCHES TODAY ARE SO MUCH INTO THE WORLD THAT YOU CANNOT TELL MUCH DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THEM AND THE NIGHT CLUBS AND THE CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS OF THE WORLD. YOU ARE CALLED TO BE DIFFERENT !

WE MUST BE POWERFUL. **Luke 10:19** *Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.*

WE MUST BE KNOWLEDGEABLE. STUDYING GOD'S WORD SHOULD BE A LIFE-LONG ENDEAVOR. YOU WILL NEVER REACH THE DAY WHEN YOLU KNOW EVERYTHING. DANIEL--**Daniel 9:2** *In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.*

THE APOSTLE PAUL CALLED HIMSELF, PAUL THE AGED, AND YET HE STILL WAS STUDYING THE SCRIPTURES. GREAT MEN AND WOMEN ALWAYS CONTINUE TO STUDY GOD'S WORD. LISTENING TO BROADCASTS ON THE RADIO OR TV IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR THE BIBLE.

WE HAVE TO BE FULL OF COMPASSION.

--IT WILL LEAD YOU TO PRAY MORE. IT WILL HELP YOU TO CONVEY THE LOVE OF CHRIST TO THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW ABOUT IT. IT WILL MAKE YOU WILLING TO SACRIFICE IN ORDER TO HELP OTHERS KNOW ABOUT THE FREE GIFT FROM GOD.

Romans 12:11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

--IT WILL ENABLE YOU TO DO THINGS THAT OTHERS CANNOT DO. NEED EXCEPTIONAL STRENGTH, NOT JUST ORDINARY STRENGTH. WHY ? NOT JUST TO SHOW HOW GREAT GOD IS. IT IS TO BECOME INSTRUMENTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. WE NEED THAT POWER.

--JUST TELLING PEOPLE TO DO RIGHT WILL NOT ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING. THEY CANNOT DO IT. \*\*\*DIDN'T GOD GIVE ADAM A COMMAND THAT SAID HE SHOULD NOT EAT OF THE TREE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL. DID ADAM OBEY ? WHY NOT ? THERE NEEDED TO BE MORE THAN JUST COMMANDS. THERE NEEDED TO BE THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD.

WE MUST BE ABLE TO SEE CLEARLY. SEE THE NEED OF SINNERS. SEE THE NEED OF THE WORLD. SEE THE NEED AMONG YOUR BRETHREN.

VISION--**Proverbs 29:18** *Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.*