

# The Good news of My Emanuel

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1 The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, 2 as it is written in Isaiah the prophet: "I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way" 3 "a voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.'" (Mark 1:1-3 NIV)

## Rise again and again!

Friends this week I am reminded that no matter how hard we fall and no matter how terrible things truly get that the Lord never leaves our side! I am reminded that with a strong personal relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer and Bible study that even now the enemy will attack is and never seem to let up we can arise again and again in Christ and never truly be defeated! Even in death as born again Christians covered under grace we win! The Lord Jesus Christ wants to bring you victory, are you ready to receive that victory and to never been stopped? For truly if God is with us, who can stand against us? If this morning you feel lead to learn more about becoming a child of Jesus Christ and enjoying the blessings of the Lord please check out

[www.myemanuel.com/iamready.html](http://www.myemanuel.com/iamready.html).

As this week winds down we will be preparing new steps to take that we may fulfill the purpose the Lord has for My Emanuel and our community ministry. Over the course of the next few weeks we will be collecting donations for both Project: Stay warm with Jesus and Project: Share the Good Word, please take this time to check out more information about our projects and how you can help!

[www.myemanuel.com/ourprojects.html](http://www.myemanuel.com/ourprojects.html) – Truly one person at a time you can help us make a difference in sharing the wonderful love and amazing news of the salvation of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior! Go with the Lord brothers and sisters, may He watch over you always!



## Sections

The Good news of My Emanuel is split up into several sections to make what you are looking for easy to find! The sections of our newsletter are:

- Weekly sermon (red)
- Weekly life impacting scripture (blue)
- Testimony (green)
- Outreach (cyan)
- Prayer and praise request (yellow)
- Reviews and newly found ministries (pink)

This color coded section should allow you to gain quick access to any portion of this newsletter, we know that some days you will have time to read all the way through, other days you will want to jump directly to something in the newsletter.

## Get involved!

Become a warrior for the Lord by joining the My Emanuel prayer team! Simply "like" the My Emanuel Prayer team page on Facebook and remember those lifted up in your prayers everyday! Post any prayer request that are on your heart and truly believe that the Lord is true and powerful and He will answer all our prayers!

[Http://www.facebook.com/myemanuelprayerteam](http://www.facebook.com/myemanuelprayerteam)

Remember to check out

[www.myemanuel.com/getinvolved.html](http://www.myemanuel.com/getinvolved.html) for more information!

**21**Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? **22**Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven. (Matthew Chapter 18 verse 21-22 KJV)

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# Weekly Sermon

Timothy Higginbotham – My Emanuel – <http://www.myemanuel.com>

## It's a slow path to hell...

In this day and age there are millions of Christians and millions of other believers in a “higher power”. There are some that attend church, some watch it on TV, others that don't need to, or so they think, and others that attend whatever fancy service there “religion” provides.

To all of these people I tell you sometimes it can be a slow path to hell. One day you find yourself saying I don't really need to attend church, I don't really need to read my bible, I don't really need to re-examine my walk with the Lord, or even I don't need to examine Christianity...I have *my god*. To this I ask you, do you think Satan wants you to notice what's happening? If you notice it you can fight it!

### Hebrews 10:24-25 (KJV)

**24**And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

**25**Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

### 2 Timothy 3:16-17 (KJV)

**16**All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

**17**That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

### 2 Corinthians 13:5 (KJV)

**5**Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

To the unbeliever I say our God is the only one who loved YOU enough to send his son to die even for you! He doesn't demand you pray 5 times a day in a certain direction, and he doesn't demand you blow yourself up for him! Neither does he want you to kill “infidels” Nor would he want you to kill your own brothers for changing faith! Your gods are of fear and idols. Our God is Love and Peace! Our God tells us to pray for our enemies and those who persecute us!

### John 3:16 (KJV)

**16**For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

### Romans 14:17-19 (KJV)

**17**For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

**18**For he that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God, and approved of men.

**19**Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.

### Matthew 5:43-47 (KJV)

**43**Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.

**44**But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

**45**That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

**46**For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?

**47**And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so?

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Then one day you notice your cussing more. Ah no worries that wont effect me! Then another day you notice you lust after every girl you see, or you involve yourself in crude and evil conversations. Ah no I'm just appreciating the beauty, and well there is nothing wrong in its just a conversation! To this I say Satan is a LIAR!

**Matthew 5:27-28 (KJV)**

**27Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:**

**28But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.**

**Matthew 15:11 (KJV)**

**11Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.**

**Colossians 3:8-9 (KJV)**

**8But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.**

**9Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;**

Your thinking to yourself right now, but we cant avoid evil we have to be around our friends. We have to compromise some time right? WRONG! That is how Satan starts this, he has many of you in his grasp and you are even "Christians" Do not believe his lies! You will know others and yourselves by the fruit you bear. Avoid people who argue and debate and try to bring you down to their level! Misery loves company!

**Romans 16:17-18 (KJV)**

**17Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.**

**18For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.**

**2 Timothy 2:22-23 (KJV)**

**22Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.**

**23But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.**

**Matthew 7:14-20 (KJV)**

**14Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.**

**15Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.**

**16Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?**

**17Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.**

**18A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.**

**19Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.**

**20Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.**

Remember we are not of this world and this is not our home! Look back and see how far you have come down the wrong road! I say REPENT for the kingdom of heaven is near! To those of you who truly seek the Lord you can be saved! There is none that God rejects if he asks and repents of his sin. God bless you for reading! Please pray and repent of any evil. You may not be guaranteed tomorrow! And If Your not Christian now is your time! Call on the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob! Call on Jesus! He will save you!

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## Life impacting scripture

Daniel Higginbotham – My Emanuel – <http://www.myemanuel.com>

**2My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; 3Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. 4But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. (James Chapter 1 verse 2-4 KJV)**

Friends this weeks life impacting scripture comes courtesy of a hard lesson I am learning this week: if you serve God you are an enemy of satan and he will try and tempt you, to shame you, to lead you astray, and finally to destroy you. The enemy is a coward of lies and will never stop, satan will continue to tempt you and to try and lead you down the path to hell every second of his terrible existence. However how we handle this temptation and hardship is a testament to our faith and our walk with the Lord. I am not ashamed to tell you that the past week and especially the last two days have hit me terribly hard, and I was angry until I realized that I should be rejoicing!

Why in the world would should I be happy that I am getting hit hard? Because I am on the hit list of the enemy and I am making the coward notice my love and passion for the Lord! Friends when temptation comes on you do not fear how your body or mind will overcome it! Instead turn fully to the Lord in prayer and cry out for guidance and a saving hand! The Lord our God saves not only your soul for eternity but will provide your walk with Him always. Never forget this: 13There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. (1 Corinthians Chapter 10 verse 13 KJV) - "who will not suffer you to be tempted above what ye are able!" God will not allow us to be tempted so harshly be the enemy that we couldn't possibly stand the temptation!

I don't know about you but I praise a God who allows me to be tested! God refines us through fire brothers and sisters, we are always getting new "on the job" training, and as we fall we must jump back to our feet faster and last longer in between sessions on our butt! Never give up and keep fighting harder as it becomes harder to fight! The end is always near when the fighting is its hardest! Satan may tempt you 1000 times and on the 999 time he decides he is done, and you give in that last time right before he is ready to flee forever! 7Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. (James Chapter 4 verse 7 KJV)

**GET BACK UP! STAND UP AND SHOUT! I WILL SERVE THE LORD AND TRULY THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE!! Arise brother! Stand tall sister! In the Lord Jesus Christ we have victory! We have eternal life! May we laugh in the face of evil and forever stand strong in our Lord Jesus Christ! Amen!!**

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# Testimony

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*Do you have a testimony that you would like to share with our readers? We would love to hear what the Lord has done in your life that has provided you with a testimony to glorify his name! Please contact us at [dhigginbotham@myemaneul.com](mailto:dhigginbotham@myemaneul.com) if you would like to share your testimony! You may remain totally anonymous!*

## Humpty dumpty

We all know the story “humpty dumpty sat on a wall, humpty dumpty had a great fall, and all the kings horses and all the kings men couldn’t put humpty together again”. Friends we are “humpty dumpty” in our own minds or at least I know I feel this way sometimes. Sometimes I go through such a rough spot that I find myself thinking “no way God can forgive me for this” and then I remember all at once that when I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and savior I was not only forgiven for every sin I had ever committed but EVERY SIN I WOULD EVER COMMIT! The blood of the holy lamb Jesus Christ, one single drop made atonement for every single last thing that had or ever could happen in my life!

Today I say this to you: God can put you back together! **27And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God. (Luke Chapter 18 verse 27 KJV)** Friends do you truly think that the God who created everything, that crafted the earth, the heavens, all of existence and who said those very words “the impossible is possible with God” cannot forgive you for your sin? In-fact God can not ONLY forgive you for the sin but He can bless you in abundance as you walk with Him faithfully and trust in Him! God can and will put you back together if you humble yourself before Him! Admit that you need Him! Confess your sins with your mouth and love Him with all your heart!

The coward enemy likes to try and make us think “oh wow God won't ever forgive that” but the truth is that as long as you are waring with your sin and you truly come in your shame to the Lord and ask for forgiveness and you repent of your sin you will be saved! I have said and will continue to say that Jesus Christ is not a “get out of jail free card” where you can just sin and sin and sin all your like but if you are lead astray by temptation and repent and turn back to the Lord you are saved! Laugh in the face of the enemy as he tries to lie to you, know that God is holy and wonderful! He will put you back together and stronger than before! Trust in Him and He will reveal Himself in ways you can never imagine!

I know He has me! Again and again!

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## Outreach

Timothy & Daniel Higginbotham – My Emanuel – <http://www.myemanuel.com>

### Tent City – Dalton, Georgia

This week I wanted to give a special thanks to my brother Thomas at the tent city in Dalton for taking the time to bring me a poem He had been given, He made a few copies and let me hand them out and I want to share that poem with you now, the poem is **A Valentine from Jesus:**

What a treasure you are to Me. I knew you before you were formed in your mother's womb. I have known you for who you truly are. There has not been a single moment in time where I haven't had My eye on you. I even know the exact number of hairs on your head. How I love you and long to have an intimate relationship with you. I want you to desire to know Me and to come to trust Me more than any other. Draw near to Me, Beloved, for I am gentle and only desire your best. You can trust Me with your heart, I have given up my life so that you could live with Me eternally. Oh, how I long to see you face to face, my bride, my purchase, my only reason for dying...

Until we meet in glory, these things I vow to you:

I will love you with an everlasting love (Jeremiah 31:3)  
I will never leave you or forsake you (Hebrews 13:5)  
I will be pleased with your faith (Hebrews 11:6)  
I will remain faithful, even if you are not (2 Timothy 2:13)  
I will allow absolutely nothing to separate you from my love (Romans 8:38)  
I will always be your refuge and shield in times of trouble (Psalms 18:2)  
I will be your hiding place (Psalms 32:7)  
I will give you the desire of your heart as you delight in me (Psalms 37:4)  
I will be the strength of your heart forever (Psalms 73:26)  
I will make your path straight as you acknowledge me (Proverbs 3:6)  
I will give you rest for your soul (Matthew 11:29)  
I will never condemn you (Romans 8:1)  
I will reveal myself to you (John 14:21)  
I will rejoice over you with gladness (Zephaniah 3:17)

Anxiously waiting for you,

Jesus

*What a blessing this message brought me today from my brother Thomas! I hope this message means as much to you as it did from me, its funny how those we are "reaching out" to can reach out to us! Praise the Lord for using anyone and everyone to remind us of His great and wonderful love! Thank you Lord for your love for truly you are the ultimate "valentine"!!*

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## Prayer and praise request!

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*The “reviews” and “newly found ministries” sections have been combined in order to provide a new section to share prayer request from brothers and sisters, readers of The Good News of My Emanuel as well as to post praise request to glorify our Heavenly Father and give him praise for answering our prayers! Please contact us at [dhigginbotham@myemanuel.com](mailto:dhigginbotham@myemanuel.com) with a prayer or praise request as well as on the Emanuel Connect feature at <http://www.myemanuel.com/emanuelconnect/index.php> under “Prayer request” or “Praise request”.*

**Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not to temptation but deliver us from evil, for the glory and the power of Your heavenly kingdom. Father we pray that you would lift up these prayer request and allow all who seek answers in prayer to receive You, for truly we know Father if we ask we shall receive. We ask that you would allow all those who read these words and prayers to pray for their brothers and sisters in Christ. Father we glorify and praise your name for these praise request and know that just as you answer our prayers we glorify your name even in the dark places! Praise you Father! In Jesus Christ beautiful name we pray, Amen.**

Please be in prayer for a brother who is lost and seeking the Lord. May the Lord help him find his way and remind him that truly he belongs to the Lord as he was given back to God at birth and that truly God can give him the peace and fill the hole he is trying to fill with everything but God.

Please be in prayer for our sister in Christ Tammy that the Lord would allow her to be fully healed and that the doctors would find nothing out of place with her x-ray. May the Lord be gracious and allow her to be full and healed through his wonderful power for His glory alone. May your will be done Lord!

Please be in prayer for all the churches that the Lord would provide the spirit to the leaders and remind them of their great responsibility to lead the people and to teach the people!

Please be in prayer for My Emanuel as we continue to struggle with our purpose and to follow through with all the things the Lord calls us to do. May the Lord provide us more hands to get involved with all that we do.

Please keep all those who are sick and in need of healing in your prayers.

Please keep the people of Syria and all those who are being murdered by cowards around the world in your prayers, may God deliver us from this terrible tragedy that is waiting to spread.

Please pray for the Jews and the nation of Israel, may God protect His people and our brothers in Israel and may they all be secured as the turn back to the Lord Jesus Christ.

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## Reviews and newly found ministries

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*Are you a leader or member of a God fearing ministry that puts the Lord Jesus Christ first in all they do? Do you have a website or blog that you post Christian messages or provide any type of ministry? Contact us at [dhigginbotham@myemanuel.com](mailto:dhigginbotham@myemanuel.com) to request that we add you to our bi-weekly newsletter.*

### **Rapture/Tribulation websites:**

Rapture Ready – [www.raptureready.com](http://www.raptureready.com)

The Watchman's Cry – [www.watchmanscry.com](http://www.watchmanscry.com)

The Extinction Protocol - <http://theextinctionprotocol.wordpress.com/>

### **Music:**

Our God's alive – Andy Cherry

God's not dead (roaring like a Lion) – Newsboys

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