

# The Good news of My Emanuel

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**19**Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: **20**Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen. (Matthew Chapter 28 verse 19-20 KJV)

## We all fall down...

Its not how you fall but how you get back up and what you learn that matters. Wisdom comes from the difficulty of this war and as we fall and fail we learn from our mistakes and get back up stronger than before! Just like when we learn to ride a bike... we will fall down, we may have wrecks, mishaps, and all sorts of painful experiences but each time we do we get back up stronger, wiser, and bolder than before! Today I promise you that even when you learn to ride a bike you can still have mishaps, you can still fall, you can still fail, and life and our walk with the Lord is no different! Know that in this life we will fall, we are of a fallen nature constantly battling this world and our flesh trying to give more and more control to the Holy Spirit and while we can never expect 100% victory we can trust in the truth: **Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. (Philippians Chapter 4 verse 6 KJV)** – trust that God will pick you back up, dust the dirt off your knees, clean your wounds, rest and allow the Holy Spirit to heal you, fight back stronger than before! Trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for even when you fail He will never fail! He will never leave you! Amen.



## Between newsletters

It is our desire to glorify God and share the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ with anyone, anywhere, who God blesses us to touch! If you wish you could hear from My Emanuel in-between newsletters there are many ways you can follow us and see what God is giving us to share for His glory daily, please take this time to “like” us on facebook at [www.facebook.com/myemanuel](http://www.facebook.com/myemanuel) – you can subscribe to the blog at [www.myemanuel.com/blog](http://www.myemanuel.com/blog) – “follow” us on twitter at [www.twitter.com/myemanuel](http://www.twitter.com/myemanuel) – or subscribe to our YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/myemanuelchristian](http://www.youtube.com/myemanuelchristian), you can also see previous newsletters at [www.myemanuel.com/sermonsandmore.html](http://www.myemanuel.com/sermonsandmore.html).

## 30 day challenge

Are you tired? Is your family broken? Is your marriage more of a war than the happy ending you imagined? The My Emanuel 30 day challenge will begin October 1<sup>st</sup> 2012, a free program designed to bring families, marriages, and even your personal relationship closer to Christ. Designed by pastors, fathers, husbands, born again children of God, through Christ this can change it all! [Http://www.myemanuel.com/prayer](http://www.myemanuel.com/prayer)

**If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. (1 John Chapter 1 verse 8-10 KJV)**

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# Weekly Sermon

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## The Great I AM

Our God has many names. Is love. Is passionate for us. Forgives us for our sins and saved us by sending his only son to die for us! We are so unworthy but God is mercy, is forgiveness. He allows us to repent and brings us into the holy of holies by the blood of the lamb, Jesus. God is the perfect being, the Holy One. The Most High. Our God is Jehovah, our God is the Creator. He is power, honor and glory. God is the light. Our God is Yahweh. Our God loved us before we were born. Knew us in the womb, and guides our lives. He is all knowing, all powerful, unstoppable. He knows the hearts and thoughts of men. Their spirits speak to him. A passion so great, a love so powerful and kind, God will not remain unknown. If you don't know him, wont you seek him? God is not a secret and he will come to you if you seek him.

### Jeremiah 29:13 KJV

**13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.**

And if you already know your savior , Almighty God our Father, wont you share his love? Wont you speak of him? Show his face, character and passion? Bring out your light! We cannot hide this from our lost brothers and sisters! Remember when you share the truth you save brothers and sisters

### James 5:20 KJV

**20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.**

God loves the people of this world for he knows their name and created them. He however abhors and hates the sin of this world. This world has a day of judgment coming and each day draws it closer. This world WILL burn have no doubt. But will you be here waiting for Our savior to return in the clouds and take us from amongst tribulation and hell on earth? Or will you be crying for the mountains to fall on you for the light finally shines on your darkness? Repent and lead other to do so. Hit your knees and bring your wrong to the Lord and to light. Humble yourselves or be humbled. We have a job we have been given. Will you answer the call?

### 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.**

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## Life impacting scripture

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**Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets. (Matthew Chapter 7 verse 12 KJV)**

The Golden Rule... such a simple, easy to understand, innocent, child like concept that this world, the body of Christ, and even some of the most adamant believers have forgotten... simply put: treat others as you want them to treat you... why is it so hard for us to understand? Do you want someone gossiping about you? Do you want someone talking bad about you behind your back? Judging you without giving you an opportunity to explain yourself? Spreading viscous rumors and evil about you? Giving you the universal sign for peace when you accidentally cut them off on the highway? No one can honestly say they want those things to happen to them... so why are you doing them to others??

How wonderful would this world be if every single man, woman, and child remembered simply to treat others with the same love, respect, and kindness that they desire? I know I fall mightily short myself in this area and even writing this now I see the humor of the Almighty using me to speak on this knowing that I fail again and again in it. I want you to try something new with me... let us spend everyday for the next 30 days thinking about everything we do, say, or even think and ask ourselves: what if that was me I was talking about? What if it was me I was doing this to? What if it was me that I was thinking about?? As we do let the words of Jesus Christ sink into our hearts remembering His command... **whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them.** As we begin to make this transition let us see how powerful his change can be. Jesus Christ calls this very thing “the law and the prophets” which both of those things are critical to the audience He was speaking... it would be suffice to say that those things were second and third most important after only God Himself! If Jesus Christ gave it such a powerful place in His teachings... shouldn't we?

Let us do everything we can to maintain the Golden Rule and simply do, say, and think things in a way to glorify God by putting ourselves on the receiving end of our actions, words, or thoughts! God bless you brothers and sisters and may He give us the strength to grow more like Him! 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@myemanuel.com](mailto:dhigginbotham@myemanuel.com) if you would like to share your testimony! You may remain totally anonymous!*

### **Luke 12:45-48 KJV**

**45 But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken;**

**46 The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.**

**47 And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes.**

**48 But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.**

This week I report happily that the Lord has saved me from a slippery slope of backsliding. He has revealed Satan's plan that was working in my life. In the past few months, I had fallen from where I was. I had quickly slipped into a different lifestyle that was not becoming of the Lords spirit upon me. I had been attending parties every week, dancing with girls I had no clue who they where and drinking. I have never been so low in my entire life. I had been broken, knocked of the solid rock on which I stood. I was hit as if a train had come by. I was lusting after sisters, and following a path of damnation. Each time the Lord grieved me more and more. Each time he talked to my spirit. How can you be a servant of God playing games and holding hands with Satan?! People will say drinking is fine. Jesus drank, yes he did. But no one drinks anymore to just have one drink. They drink to become buzzed , to chase away the light and to dull their pains. They drink to drunkenness. I tell you no good comes from alcohol. It fights against your spirit, dulls your mind, and looses your inhibitions. Drinking and partying, listening to horrible music. Trying to fit in, made me a horrible example, led me to do things I WOULD NEVER DO SOBER. I found myself crying in my car after trying to seduce a female friend, which I had been feeding alcohol all night while not drinking myself. When she had alcohol I would pass on my drink to someone else or have water in my glass. I apologize but that hurt cant be undone. I have repented and the Lord has forgiven me ,but there was damage done. We don't realize EVERYTHING we DO, or SAY makes a huge impact. People are watching!! Listening!! I bring this to light so no one else has to. I have decided I will not drink again nor will I attend any parties. I will not tempt the Lord or myself. Look at yourself honestly today. Is that alcohol really doing you any good? You do things that hurt you and those who care about you. You argue, or you fight. You make out with strangers you barely know or have sex with them. Dance in disgusting ways that degrade you and your brothers and other sisters. Are you really having fun? If you truly can say you are , remember sin is only fun for a season. Be honest, examine yourselves and listen to your heart and Spirit. God knows even if you deny it. He knows what you did. He knows why you did it. You cant hide from him. Where would you even run? He is all knowing and cares for you! Go to him!! He forgives freely to those who confess!

**Once again. I apologize to all of you and to my family. I especially apologize to that ,once called friend.**

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## Outreach

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### **Project: stay warm with Jesus and share the Good Word**

Timothy and I have been slack in keeping our commitment to the Lord and with the stress and constant struggle to maintain so many parts of our lives the original purpose for our ministry may have become a bit cloudy. When My Emanuel first started our purpose was to be active in the community, sharing whatever we possibly could with those who were lost and hurting... as of late we have not done much sharing of anything besides words. Actions speak louder than words and it is with a joyful heart that we will begin to collect items to continue to fulfill our desire to share the Gospel with the lost and dying world while fulfilling the desperate need of those who have nothing. It is our desire that you would be in prayer for our two main projects this year as we enter into the winter months that God would bless us with jackets, sweaters, coats, mittens, socks, and whatever we can possibly share to help our homeless and less fortunate brothers and sisters stay warm!

Also please be in prayer that God would provide us with Bible's that we may begin again to distribute the Good News through the Holy Bible to those who are in real need of hope and peace that they can only find in Jesus Christ! It is our desperate desire to have the opportunity not only to share physical goods and to fulfill real physical needs but to continue to give God the opening to share the Spiritual Food that is more amazing than any physical joy.

If you feel lead to help please contact us at [dhigginbotham@myemanuel.com](mailto:dhigginbotham@myemanuel.com) or visit [www.myemanuel.com/ourprojects.html](http://www.myemanuel.com/ourprojects.html) for more information on how to help. Please know that My Emanuel is a personally funded ministry and that any donations will be used for the purpose listed with-in the "our projects" page, Timothy, myself, and no one involved with My Emanuel takes a salary of any kind as it is our intention to fully glorify God and use any blessing for His honor, His kingdom, and the sharing of His wonderful Good News, that of Jesus Christ! Amen.

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## Prayer and praise request!

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*Are you in need of prayer? Do you know someone who is? Please e-mail us today at [dhigginbotham@myemanuel.com](mailto:dhigginbotham@myemanuel.com) with any prayer needs and feel free to also post them on our Facebook page for our prayer warriors at <http://www.facebook.com/myemanuelprayerteam>.*

**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 all the children of this world that have no mom and dad to love them, to cherish them, to hold them, to teach them, and protect them. God may you have mercy on the fatherless and those who are not treated like the jewels they truly are. Pour out your love upon your children and may they know you fully!

Please be in prayer for all the lost brothers and sisters of this world, truly the pain and suffering is apparent and deep may God give us the saints strength to share the Gospel and the love of Jesus Christ with as many brothers and sisters as we possibly can.

Please be in prayer that God would give the body of Christ purification and strength, that He would allow us the energy and the wisdom to overcome the enemy. Lord may you remove the stumbling blocks, take the veil from the eyes of our brothers and sisters and may your light powerfully shine through the darkness.

Please be in prayer that God would harshly rebuke the devil from the church, that God would begin to seal up the body of Christ and purge the evil and the apostasy that has found its way into even the most Godly churches.

Lord please be with the sick and the dying, please give us the words to say and the strength to see those who are hurting and in desperate need. God may you heal through us and allow us the power and strength to glorify your name in all we do.

Please be in prayer for the 30 day challenge program that will begin October 1<sup>st</sup> that God would use My Emanuel and all those who have been called to assist this project to glorify His name, to share the wonderful blessings and power of the Lord Jesus Christ, God may you have all the glory, be with us!

Please be in prayer for the hungry and the homeless that God would bless them to find brothers, sisters, and churches that are willing to obey the command of Christ and to fulfill the command to love each other as He loves us.

Jesus my Lord may you bless us with your light and may you pierce the darkness, Father we pray that you would pour out your spirit upon this earth and that we would feel the Holy Spirit burn with-in us.

Please be in prayer for those who are battling with life threatening illness and sickness, God may you give the dying joy in Christ may they know you and may you give them the chance to hear your cry for their souls.

Lord please don't tarry and come soon that we may be saved, Father please protect the brother or sister reading this prayer and as they lift it up to you may you pour out strength upon them and may they know that you are Lord and you will never leave nor forsake them!

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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.*

Ed Newton ministries – <http://www.ednewton.org> a brother and sister in Christ turned me onto this brother's ministry at church, I have as of yet had time to examine his works but pray that it would be useful for someone reading this weeks publication.

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