# Lifeline Snippets

**1st Time Visitors:** We welcome specially, all those worshiping with us for the first time today. Please, join us at all our meetings and programmes and God will bless you.

**Bible Study:** Join us every Tuesday this month as we study together on the theme: *THE CHURCH OF CHRIST*. Be there! **Prayer Meeting:** Please, join us at our Prayer Meeting this Thursday as Bro. Fidelis Anae leads us to pray on the theme: *GOD'S FAITHFULNESS*. Please, don't miss it! God bless.

<u>Commitment:</u> Don't be a bench-warmer in Church this Year. Be committed! Join a Team of your choice and the House Fellowship nearest your house. It pays to serve Jesus!

**Building Project Offerings & Pledges:** Please, give generously towards the Church Building Project and be faithful in redeeming your pledge. God is faithful and will bless you.

**<u>Birthdays:</u>** This month's birthday celebrants should remember their commitment of sponsorship to the Children's Church. May the Lord reward, enrich and bless you abundantly.

<u>Online Sermons:</u> You can listen to Pastor Adejobi's Sermons online at the church website: <u>www.lifelinebiblechurch.com</u>

<u>Tracts:</u> Gospel tracts & handbills for evangelism & church publicity are available. Collect as many as you can faithfully use. <u>Notice Board:</u> Check the Notice Board for more information.

### Through The Bible In A Year

Monday, September 11 Ezekiel 1-3
Tuesday, September 12 Ezekiel 4-7
Wednesday, September 13 Ezekiel 8-11
Thursday, September 14 Ezekiel 12-14
Friday, September 15 Ezekiel 15-18
Saturday, September 16 Ezekiel 19-21
Sunday, September 17 Ezekiel 22-24
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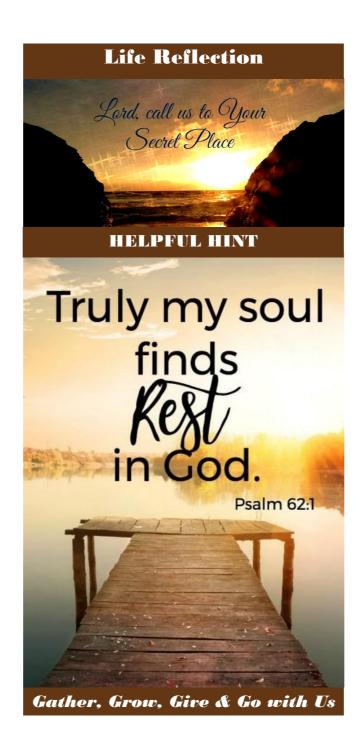


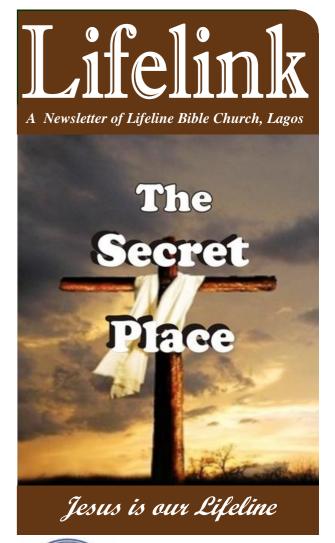




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## **LOOKING UNTO JESUS - J. C. Ryle**

The Christianity which the world requires, and the Word of God reveals is of a very different stamp. It is useful every day. It is a healthy, strong, manly plant, which can live in every position, and flourish in every atmosphere, except that of sin. It is a religion which a man can carry with him wherever he goes, and never need leave behind him. In the army or in the navy, at the public school or at college, in the hospital-room or at the bar, on the farm or in the shop - true heaven-born Christianity will live and not die. It will wear, and stand, and prosper in any climate - in winter and in summer, in heat and in cold. Such a religion meets the needs of mankind.

But where is such true Christianity to be found? What are its special ingredients? What is the nature of it? What are its peculiar characteristics? The answer to these questions is to be found in the three words found in Hebrews 12: 2.

The secret of a vigorous, powerful, everyday Christianity is to be ever "Looking unto Jesus!" The glorious company of the Apostles, the noble army of martyrs, the saints who in every age and land have made their mark on mankind, and turned the world upside down - all, all have had one common mint-stamp upon them. They have been men who lived "Looking unto Jesus!" The expression of the text is one of those pithy golden sayings which stand out here and there on the face of the New Testament, and demand special attention. It is like "to me to live is Christ," "Christ is all and in all," "Christ, who is our life," "He is our peace," "I live by the faith of the Son of God." (Phil.1:21; Col.3:4, 11; Eph.2:14; Gal.2:20.) To each and all of these sayings, one common remark applies. They are rich in thought and food for reflection. They contain far more than a careless eye can see on the surface.

In the phrase "looking unto Jesus," it is useful and interesting to remember that the Greek word which, in our English Bible, we render "looking," is only found here in the New Testament. Literally translated it means "looking off," looking away from other objects to one, only one, and looking on that one with a steady, fixed, intent gaze. And the object we are to look at, you will observe, is a PERSON - not a doctrine, not an abstract theological dogma but a living Person; and that Person is Jesus the Son of God. How much matter for thought lies there!

Creeds and confessions are the necessary invention of a modern age. The first and simplest type of an apostolic early Christian was a man who trusted, and loved, a living Divine Person. Of head knowledge, and accurate theological definitions, perhaps he had but little store. Very likely he would have failed a basic exam in one of our theological schools. But one thing he did know: he knew, believed, loved, and would have died for, a living Saviour, a real personal Friend in heaven, even Jesus, the crucified and risen Son of God. Well would it be for the Churches of the 21st century, if we had more of this simple Christianity among us, and could realize more the Person of Christ.

### Jesus is Lord!

## Hymn 1

#### TAKE MY LIFE, AND LET IT BE

- 1. Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2. Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee
- 3. Take my voice, and let me sing Always, only, for my King; Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee
- 4. Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold: Take my intellect, and use Every power as Thou shalt choose.
- 5. Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6. Take my love: my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store: Take myself; and I will be Ever, only, All for Thee

### Life Lessons

"Prayer is the secret of power." – Evan Roberts
"The secret of all failure is our failure in secret
prayer." – The Kneeling Christian "Prayer secret, fervent, believing prayer - lies at the root
of all personal godliness." – William Carey "In
prayer it is better to have a heart without words
than words without a heart." – John Bunyan

Jesus Is Our Lifeline

## Hymn 2

#### JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE

I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be satisfied as long As I walk, let me walk close to Thee

#### **CHORUS**

Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea, Daily walking close to Thee, Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

- 2. Thro' this world of toil and snares,If I falter, Lord, who cares?Who with me my burden shares?None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee
- 3. When my feeble life is o'er, Time for me will be no more; Guide me gently, safely o'er To Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore

# **Church Programmes**

**SUNDAY:** Worship Service - 9: 00am

**TUESDAY:** Bible Study - 6: 30pm

**THURSDAY:** Prayer Meeting - 6: 30pm

**1<sup>ST</sup> FRIDAY:** Prayer Vigil - 10: 30pm

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