

## Seeds for Sustaining Faith

Blessed are those  
who do not walk in step  
with the wicked  
or stand in the way that sinners take  
or sit in the company of mockers,  
but who delight in the law of the LORD  
and meditate on His law  
day and night.  
They are like a tree  
planted by streams of water,  
which yields its fruit in season  
and whose leaf does not wither –  
whatever they do prospers.

Psalm 1:1-3  
Today's NIV

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For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all his people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in His people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength He exerted when He raised Christ from the dead and seated Him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that can be invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. And God placed all things under His feet and appointed Him to be head over everything for the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills everything in every way.

Ephesians 1:15-23

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For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge - that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Ephesians 3:14-21  
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Here is a trustworthy saying  
that deserves full acceptance:  
Christ Jesus came into the world  
to save sinners—  
of whom I am the worst.

1 Timothy 1:15

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Therefore, my dear friends,  
as you have always obeyed—  
not only in my presence,  
but now much more in my absence  
continue to work out your salvation  
with fear and trembling,  
for it is God who works in you  
to will and to act according to  
His good purpose.

Philippians 2:12-13  
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And He said to her,  
“Daughter, your faith  
has made you well.

Go in peace,  
and be healed  
of your affliction.”

Mark 5:34  
New King James

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“Truly I tell you,  
if you say to this mountain,  
‘Go, throw yourself into the sea,’  
and do not doubt in your heart but  
believe that what you say will happen,  
it will be done for you.

Therefore I tell you,  
whatever you ask for in prayer,  
believe that you have received it,  
and it will be yours.

And when you stand praying,  
if you hold anything against anyone,  
forgive them, so that your Father in  
heaven may forgive you your sins.”

Mark 11:23-25  
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But these are written  
that you may believe that  
Jesus is the Christ,  
the Son of God,  
and that by believing  
you may have life  
in His name.

John 20:31  
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And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Acts 2:42-47  
English Standard Version

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Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

James 1:2-4

As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.

James 2:26

There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and destroy. But you—who are you to judge your neighbor?

James 4:12

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

James 5:16  
Today's NIV

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But I, like a flourishing olive tree in the house of God, put my trust in God's faithful love, for ever and ever. I shall praise You forever for what You have done, and shall trust in Your name, so full of goodness, in the presence of Your faithful.

Psalms 52:8-9  
New Jerusalem Bible

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For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, "The one who is righteous will live by faith."

Romans 1:16-17  
(Quoting Habakkuk 2:4)  
New Revised Standard

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I have been crucified with Christ.

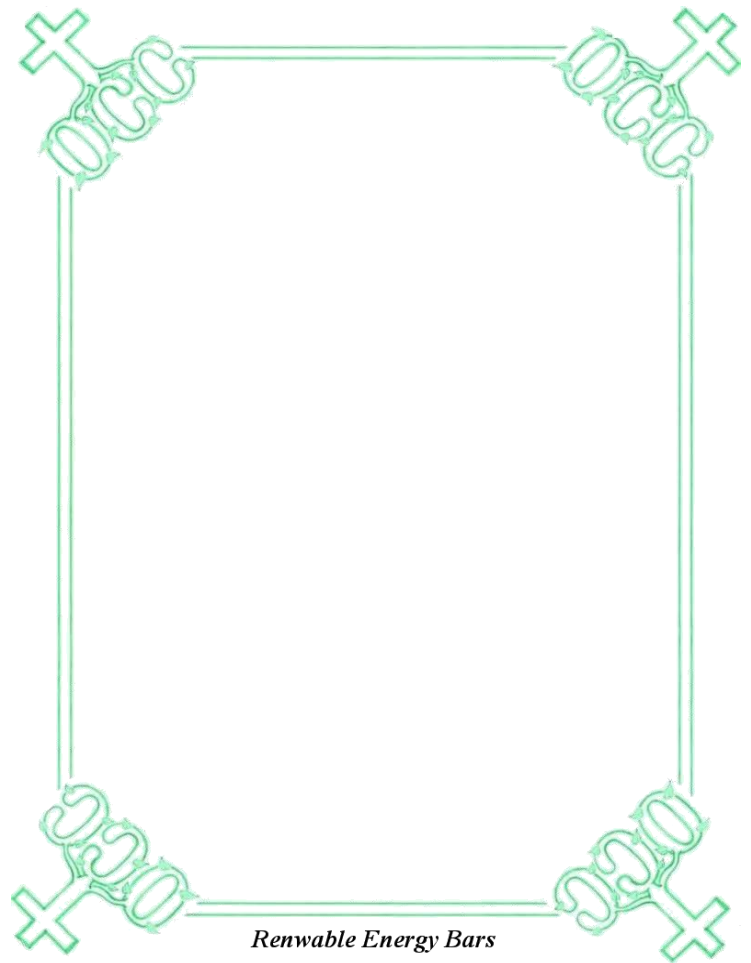
It is no longer I who live,  
but Christ who lives in me.

And the life I now live in the flesh

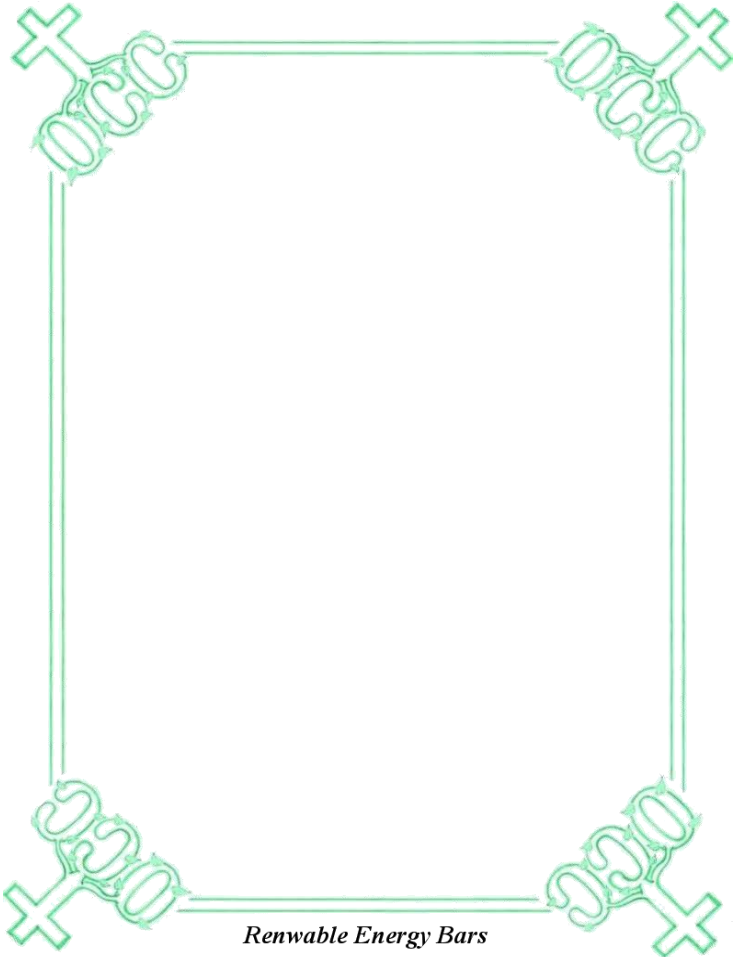
I live by faith in the Son of God,  
who loved me and  
gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20  
English Standard Version

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