



**DIOCESE OF TIRUNELVELI**  
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**PUNE**



**GOD'S PROMISE FOR THIS MONTH**

*The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms; and he shall trust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, destroy them.*

*Deuteronomy 33: 27.*

**MESSAGE FOR THE MONTH**

By A.Johnson (Catechist)

Dear Brother & Sister in Christ,

Greeting to you in the name of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ.

I pray that God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ will be kind to you and will bless you with peace.

This is the time to mediate the love of Jesus Christ who obeyed God our Father and gave himself as a sacrifice for our sins to rescue us from this evil world.

*That through death he might bring to nought him that had the power of death, that is the devil. Hebrews 2 : 14.*

In the death of Jesus Christ, Satan's power of death met its match once for all. That death out-dies all other deaths. Death in Adam doesn't finish a man, but death in Christ does. It's a mighty death. In Christ all those who deserve to die have died, with the result that he who had the power of death no longer has dominion over them. They are dead and ashes are something of which you can never make a fire. Christ's work was not only redemption, it was death's destruction, which all that means. A house once burned to ashes can't be burned a second time, for if the first fire has done its work there is nothing for the next to do. For us redeemed sinners who have already died a death in Christ, death itself is passed away. We have become possessors of His incorruptible life.

*God was merciful, we were death because of our sins but God loved us so much that he made us alive with Christ and Gods wonderful kindness is what saves you. Eph 2 : 4,5.*

Do you think God would do anything less for you ? Remember, He loves you with an everlasting love. He sent his only Son to die for you and pay the penalty of your sin. No, He wants to bless you. He wants to give you power for living. But He can't bless you unless you trust and obey Him unless you are willing to live by faith. As you exercise faith in an unlimited resources, you will begin to experience the abundant life which Jesus came to give.

May God bless you with his love and may the Holy Spirit guide you in your ways. Amen.

**MEMORY WORDS FOR THE MONTH**

03.04.2011 GALATIANS 3 : 28  
10.04.2011 II CORINTHIANS 4: 10  
17.04.2011 MARK 11 : 10  
24.04.2011 LUKE 24 : 6

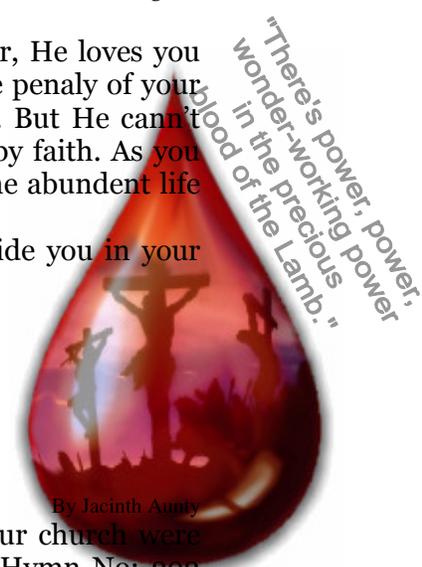
**STORY FOR THE MONTH**

Have you ever thought how the Hymns which we sing in our church were written? And in what situation? Now I am going to narrate about the Hymn No: 292 NAAN PAAVI THAAN.

Nearly before 100 years back, the famous preacher of that time named Dr. Ceaser Milan went from his native place Jenniva to London. There he met the famous, talented in all arts madam Charlet Eliet at an auditorium. Though she was very talented in singing, music and in writing songs, she was not interested in religious matter.

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Madam Charlet Eliet played piano in front of many big people. She played so nicely that everybody appreciated her. Even Dr. Milan too appreciated her and told her that Lord Jesus Christ has given you good talents and He wants you to use your talents to glorify His name also.

This statement was not liked by her and she went home in anger. That night she didn't get sleep. Lord Jesus Christ started speaking with her. She felt the presence of God and committed her life to Lord Jesus Christ at around 2a.m in the night by kneeling down near her bed. To show the change in her life and to show her faith in our Lord Jesus Christ she wrote this song NAAN PAAVITHAAN at that night only.

Many people like this song for the peace in mind and also to renew our life with Lord Jesus Christ.

This song was written when Madam Eliet committed her life to Lord Jesus.

Children of God has selected you in his flock and blessed you with many talents. Only it's you, you should utilize it for His glory instead of rusting it. Read Matthew chapter 25. Use the God-given talents for His Glory only. May God bless you to do this in your life.

### **ARTICLES FOR THE MONTH**

#### **Which Thief Do You Resemble?**

James in his letter to the Jews scattered all over the world says, "Now listen, you who say, Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money. Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes" (James 4:13, 14).

Well, there is no harm in the above plan – Go to a place, work/trade and get money in return. I find no harm in such an idea. There is no sin in it. I think everyone of us have such an idea. Go to a place, work and earn money to live.

But James poses a question to the ones who have such a common idea. In fact he thunders, "What is your life?" James is very direct. He slaps you in your face and makes you think. James' question is a very important one. "What is your life?" Have you thought about this question? Have you thought of answering this question? Have you thought what your life is? James is not asking "What is life?" rather he is asking "What is your life?" Many of us carry on living even if we don't know why. We need not be philosophers to answer James' question. We know what our life is. We know what we live for.



*There are two kinds of Christians today in the Church. One kind is like the first thief...*

There were two thieves who were crucified beside Jesus. The Christians of today are like one of the two thieves. Let me explain: Those two thieves each had something to say to Jesus that day. Both of them had just a few more hours to live. So it was almost their last words spoken. It was of high importance. Those last words reflected their philosophies of life. One said,

"Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us." Look at what he said. There is no harm in this. He was being honest. He wanted to

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live. He knew that the Messiah could do anything. He needed a miracle and he asked for it. Of course he asked the right person. In a few hours he would be killed. If there was one person who could save him from that it was the Messiah. Clever chap!

Look at what the other thief said. The other thief said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” What was that!! That was not very clever. Come on! Here was the Messiah next to you and you ask him something that you cannot see now. Hey, don’t you want to live in the present? The Messiah is the maker of the universe. He made everything and he could do anything. Why would a thief who was just a few hours away from his death utter such a vague wish? Strange.

There are two kinds of Christians today in the Church. One kind is like the first thief. They seem to say, “Lord, since you are the God of this universe - omnipotent, all powerful, please get me this job. I could live comfortably with this secure job.” And you would hear them quote Scripture too: “Lord, since it’s written in your Word that you will do much more than we ask for and beyond our imagination we ask you to help us buy this swank car and pick up this posh flat.” Does this sound similar to the prayers that are being made in your life and fellowship meetings? Well, these kinds of Christians are only bothered about this life it looks like (And this life is a life that James calls a mist). This life is very precious to them. They are always looking to be secure and comfortable. Their idea of God blessing a person is when he gets a good job and is comfortable. Their idea of God blessing a church is when the church can afford a mega structure with air conditioning or arrange mega meetings in the city with star preachers preaching in them. You’ll find this kind everywhere. “Of course, Jesus said he offers life to the full,” is what they say.

### **Happy Good Friday**

Death is a dreadful thing! Well, we say that it’s good because of the good results that followed from that day. Jesus’ death was part the Father’s plan so that man’s sinful condition could be remedied. Today is the day that we celebrate the life granted to us through the death of Jesus Christ. Thank You, Lord. Happy Good Friday to all of you!

### **‘I don’t believe in Kismet’**

I don’t find God in things made by humans. I prefer to look for Him within, in my heart. You can also find His presence in nature. I feel that though God is everywhere, it is absolutely essential for us to find Him in our heart.

I have a simple way to connect with God. I strongly believe in Jesus and I try to Connect to Him by reading the Bible whenever possible. Everyday, before I start my day or going to bed, I religiously read at least one Scripture from it. Even when on the set, before I start shooting, I read it. It has helped me to understand life better and be closer to God.

I believe neither in karma nor in kismet. True contentment lies in having heart-to-heart conversation with God. It gives me immense peace, seeking His love, guidance and forgiveness.

By Rakhi Sawant, a Film Star



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**BIBLE QUIZ FOR THE MONTH**

1. நூற்புது நூன் கிறிஸ்து, பகலும் மலையில் தங்கி, அப்பம்  
யுகியமலையும், தண்ணீர் கிடியாமலும் கிடுங்குமன் யார்?
2. நூற்புது கடாநிகளை வெகிசுடியாக வெந்துமன் யார்?
3. நூற்புது நூன் தோலுண்டை பர்வலம் மட்டுமே மூட்டி  
மேளமன் யார்?
4. நூற்புது திவரணை வெந்து நியமயகிடுயி யார்?
5. நூற்புது வடுமயும் கிவ்மலேவ நியமயம் விசாநிக்கு  
வந்தமன் யார்?
6. நூற்புது நூன் சாத்திரமும் தோலிக்மலயட்டு, கருட்டு மிகுகை  
கனின் நடுவில் சந்திக்கு கெண்டிடுக்குமன் யார்?
7. நூற்புது வேடுகும் சாத்திரமேன் உய கிவகை கெண்ட  
வெய்யமலும் யுகியமலயிவ, கிடுமயும் கிவ்வ சந்தி  
சுமம் பண்ணிக் கெண்டமர்கன், அவன் யார்?
8. நூற்புது நூன் கிறிஸ்து மூலம் மிகுகைமன் வரை கிறட்டு  
உருதி தேவ சந்திக்கு விசுக்கு கிடுமர்கன், யார்?
9. நூற்புது வயகிடுவ நூன் கிவன் விவகம் பண்ணிமன், யார்?
10. நூற்புது வடுகைமலயம் வந்துகிடுகிடுவ அவர்கை  
சந்திக்கு வந்தமன் யார்?

கியமல விசாநிகை, தேவ சந்திரம்துடன்  
மூலம் 24 சும் தேடுகிடுகிடு கெடுகிடு வேண்டிவ.

**BIBLE QUIZ**

-Mrs.Prema Samson

நூன் யார்

- மாடை :- கிறிஸ்துமன் :
1. I சாசுவல் 4:13    2. சந்திக்கு 12:14    3. சந்திக்கு 38:8  
4. சந்திக்கு 39:3    5. சந்திக்கு 112:8

- நூன் யார்?
1. நூன் மலேகை நகர் மலேகை. மிகை அவ்வ
  2. தண்ணை மலம் பண்ணை. நூன் தண்ணை அவ்வ
  3. தண்ணை துருகிடுகிடு. நூன் துருகிடு அவ்வ
  4. தண்ணை அக்கி மந்தி திடுகிடு. நூன் மந்தி  
அவ்வ
  5. தண்ணை திடுகிடு பண்ணைமர்கன். நூன் திடுகிடு

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