

The Berean

AFRICA



The body of Christ in Africa and the world should be a body that focuses on enlightenment and encouragement in the scriptures.



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...they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so."

CHRIST IS COMING SOON AND WILL REIGN ON EARTH

MAN EXALTS HIMSELF – GOD REVEALS WHAT MAN TRULY IS

We do often make an appraisal of ourselves that may be proud, mistaken or incomplete.

Many at times we view ourselves as glorious, powerful, wise and enduring.

The Scriptures repeatedly link our pride with the wickedness, deceitfulness and rebellion of the human heart. (*Jer. 17:9*).

Are you sometimes tempted to judge by appearance, status, strength, wealth, popularity or outward success? To be honest, we often do.

On the contrary, God examines our hearts, motives, character and faithfulness. (*Prov. 16:2*).

Consider Jethro's counsel to Moses (*Exodus 18:21*).

Additionally, during David's choice as King, Prophet Samuel was impressed by Eliab's appearance. God taught Samuel a lesson (1 Sam. 16:7) and directed him in his choice. (1 *Sam. 16:12*).

The lesson extends to marriage. (*Prov. 31:30*).

Sadly, human pride begins in the heart. This explains why man's appraisal of himself is always limited, proud, fearful or deceptive. It is not rooted in the fear of the Lord. (*Prov. 8:13*). (*Prov. 14:12*).

Consider Daniel 2. King Nebuchadnezzar was shown a magnificent image which appeared glorious; Head of gold, Chest of Silver, Belly of Brass, legs of iron, feet partly iron and clay. Isn't this how we see ourselves? As precious metals rising in greatness in our sojourn on earth?

Isn't it ultimately shocking when later in *Daniel 7* God shows the same sequence differently?

Daniel records, "and four great beasts came up from the sea..."

(*Daniel 7:3*) The glorious image becomes Lion, Bear, Leopard, terrifying fourth beast...

The Lord sees not as man sees. In our character, God sees predatory beasts. (1 *Peter 3:3-4*) – Beauty and Strength are temporary attributes. (*Micah 6:8*) – Be humble.

Our Lord condemned outward religion without inward truth. (*Matt. 23:28*) Aren't our words sometimes misguided like Nebuchadnezzar's? (*Daniel 4:30*) God humbled his pride. (*Dan. 4:25*).

After experiencing a beast-like condition, Nebuchadnezzar was humbled. He then made a candid confession. (*Dan. 4:37*).

Our father Abraham always approached God in humility. (*Gen. 18:27*). The Scriptures warn against inflated self-evaluation. (*Luke 14:11*), (*Psalms 14: 2-3*).

Our words, thoughts and actions may seem right in our own estimation; but can they stand the test before our Creator? (*Prov. 21:2*).

Remember, the works of the flesh are manifest. (*Gal. 5:19-21*) and those who practise such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.

Can we all spare a moment for a sober appraisal of ourselves? (*Rom. 12:3*) The Scriptures always urge us to spare time for an honest self-examination of our walk and conduct in the faith. (*2 Cor. 13:5*).

May we all in total submission to God and in the Spirit of the Psalmist allow God to search our hearts (*Psalms 139:23*) and renew a right spirit within us (*Psa. 51:10*) as the day of reckoning draws nigh. Jesus warned "... I am he who searches mind and heart, and I will repay each of you as your works deserve". (*Rev. 2:23*)

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Why do People revenge?

Genesis 34:31

And they said, should he deal with our sister as with an harlot?

2 Samuel 13

Absalom got his brother killed for abusing his sister, Tamar.

Judges 16:28

To avenge for his two eyes.

People revenge for the following reasons:

To cope with emotional pain, humiliation or betrayal.

To feel in control.

To feel satisfaction.

To communicate a message.

To correct perceived imbalance .

But the problem is that revenge doesn't bring lasting peace, it only provides an immediate emotional release.

Revenge often prolongs hostility, fuels the act of repeatedly dwelling on the same negative thoughts, feelings or past events (rumination).

God says: seek peace and pursue it (**Psalms 34:14**)

Blessed are the peace makers: for they shall be called the children of God.

I know that the temptation to seek revenge is real but we have to overcome it if we are truly children of God and brothers/sisters of and in Christ.

About us

THE BEREAN

Christadelphian



August Readings

- 2 Samuel
- 1 & 2 Kings
- Romans
- Mark
- 1st Corinthians
- Lamentations
- Jeremiah



Bible study groups

Let us study the Bible online, together. We have different Bible study groups, that works best for each of us. If we study the Bible together on WhatsApp, Zoom and in our gatherings, we learn from each other.



Our Fellowships

- Do Christadelphian believe in angels?
- Which Bible does Christadelphians use?
- Why don't Christadelphians vote

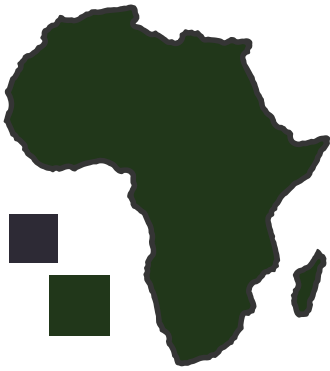


Our Ecclesias in the world

Ahsante kwa Kazi to Ecclesia in Kenya, Malawi, Zambia, Uganda, Tanzania, USA, Canada, Mozambique, Australia and Papa New Guinea.

Acts 17:10

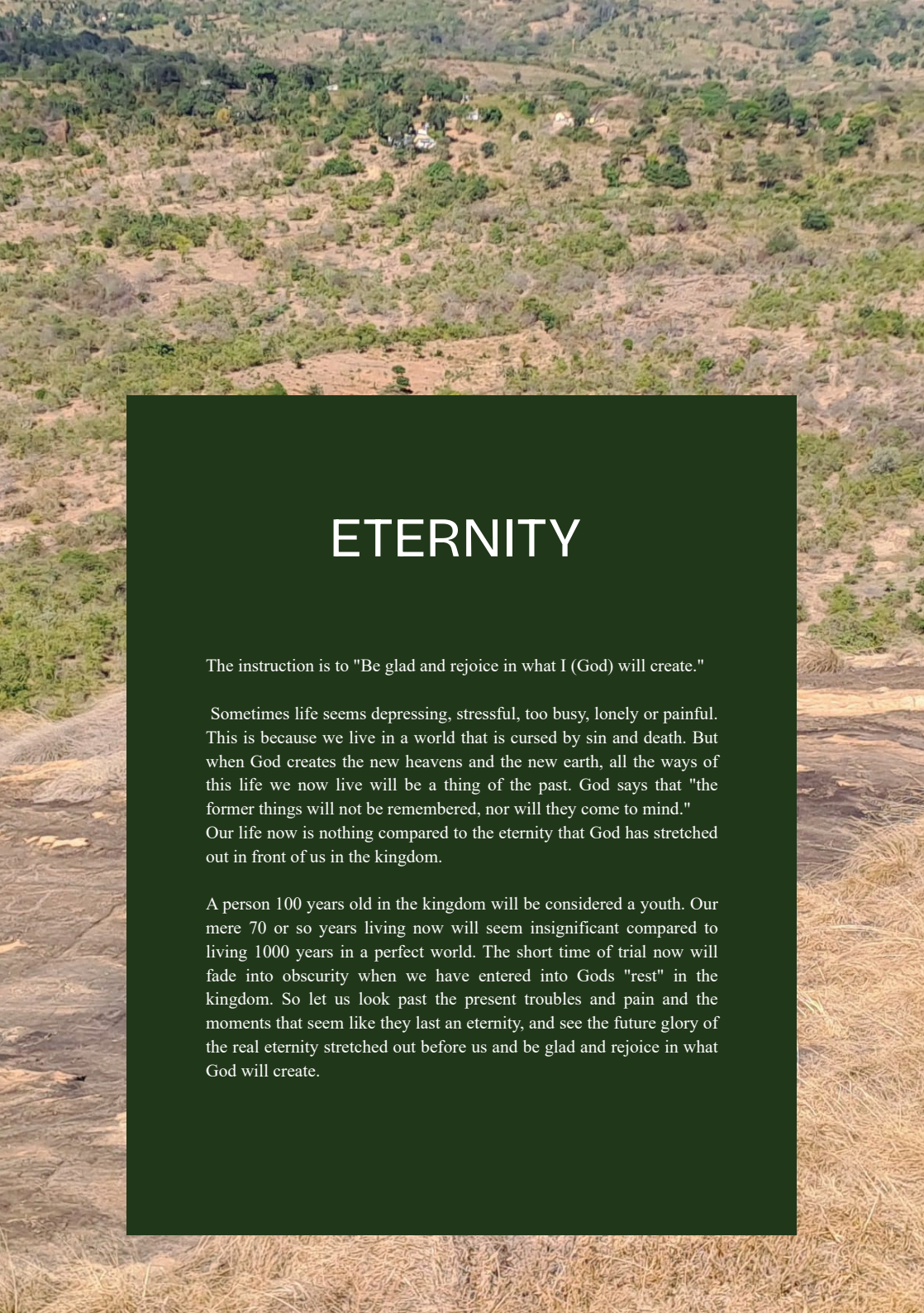
Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.



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The instruction is to "Be glad and rejoice in what I (God) will create."

Sometimes life seems depressing, stressful, too busy, lonely or painful. This is because we live in a world that is cursed by sin and death. But when God creates the new heavens and the new earth, all the ways of this life we now live will be a thing of the past. God says that "the former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind."

Our life now is nothing compared to the eternity that God has stretched out in front of us in the kingdom.

A person 100 years old in the kingdom will be considered a youth. Our mere 70 or so years living now will seem insignificant compared to living 1000 years in a perfect world. The short time of trial now will fade into obscurity when we have entered into Gods "rest" in the kingdom. So let us look past the present troubles and pain and the moments that seem like they last an eternity, and see the future glory of the real eternity stretched out before us and be glad and rejoice in what God will create.

African Berean Ecclesia

News & Events

**The Berean Christadelphian
August 2026
Annual Gathering**

Location: **Phalombe, Malawi**
Dates: 28th - 30th August, 2026

Theme: Be Ye Transformed

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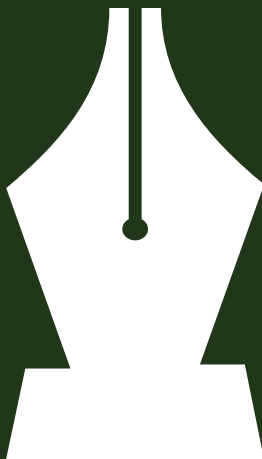
Location: **Madowa, Uganda**
Dates: 17th - 20th December, 2026

Theme: Be Ye Transformed

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Continue next month should the Lord will.
