

**Born Again Through the Living and Enduring Word of God 3****Main Bible Verse:**

(2 Peter 1:4-5) Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires..” For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge;

**Prayers of Blessing to the New Friends:**

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**List of Healing Prayers Request:**

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**Prayers for the Kingdom Commission:**

- Monthly Church Fasting and Prayer will be held every last Saturday after Morning Prayer. We encourage brothers and sisters to attend the Morning Prayer at 8:30 and join us for the Fasting and Prayer afterwards.  
Date of Fasting and Prayer in March: 4/25.

**Summary:****1 Peter 1:3**

- v(1 Peter 1:3) Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
- Three Changes of Peter’s Life After He Was Born Again
  - Change of the way he faces God.
  - Change of the way he faces men.
  - Change of the way he faces himself.

**Romans 8:5-7 | Matthew 16:21-25 | 1 Peter 3:15 | 2 Peter 1:6 | James 3:2 | Matthew 12:35-37 | Proverbs 15:1-4 |**

**Matthew 5:37 | Luke 5:4-8 | Philippians 3:5-8 | Acts 3:6-8 | 2 Peter 1:10-11**

- How did Peter overcome himself:
  - v(Romans 8:5-7) 5 Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. 6 The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. 7 The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law, nor can it do so.
    - Peter lived in accordance with the Spirit had his minds set on what the Spirit desires.

- v(Matthew 16:21-25) 21 From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life. 22 Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. “Never, Lord!” he said. “This shall never happen to you!” 23 Jesus turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.” 24 Then Jesus said to his disciples, “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 25 For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.
  - Jesus taught Peter to have in mind the concerns of God.
  - Deny himself, take up the cross, and follow Jesus.
  - Peter departed from the life of having in mind the concerns of human, a stumbling block to Jesus, and became a wonderful vessel of God.
- v(1 Peter 3:15) But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,
  - In our hearts set apart Christ as Lord.
  - Always answer with gentleness of respect.
- v(2 Peter 1:6) and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness;
  - v(James 3:2) We all stumble in many ways. If anyone is never at fault in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to keep his whole body in check.
  - v(Matthew 12:36-37) 36 But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every empty word they have spoken. 37 For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned.”
  - v(Matthew 12:35) The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him.
    - ◇ Be empowered by the Holy Spirit to have self-control, keep our tongues from evil.
- v(Proverbs 15:1-4) 1 A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. 2 The tongue of the wise adorns knowledge, but the mouth of the fool gushes folly. 3 The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good. 4 The soothing tongue is a tree of life, but a perverse tongue crushes the spirit.
  - v(Matthew 5:37) Simply let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.
  - Let our tongue speak life. Do not take the fruit of the knowledge of good and evil.
- v(Luke 5:4-8) 4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.” 5 Simon answered, “Master, we’ve worked hard all night and haven’t caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.” 6 When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. 7 So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink. 8 When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus’ knees and said, “Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!”

- Peter's life changed from self-centered to "because Jesus said so".
- Peter truly humble before Jesus, confess and repent for his sins.
- v(Philippians 3:5-8) 5 circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless. 7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. 8 What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ
  - Jesus revealed Himself to Saul. Saul's life was transformed by the Holy Spirit and became the great apostle, Paul.
  - Paul was born again with the new attitude, whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ.
- v(Acts 3:6-8) 6 Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." 7 Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong. 8 He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God.
  - When Peter realized that it was not him, but Jesus. He lived a life in humility and his ministry glorified Jesus.
- v(2 Peter 1:10-11) Therefore, my brothers, be all the more eager to make your calling and election sure. For if you do these things, you will never fall, and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The Lifter of My Head  
jiào wǒ tái qǐtóu de shén

Lyrics & Music:  
Saryah Yu

Yēhéhuá shì wǒ de zhǔ bì bùzhì dòngyáo  
yǒu yēhéhuá de bāngzhù hái yào jù shuí  
ne yēhéhuá shì wǒ mù zhě bì bùzhì quēfá  
yǒu yēhéhuá zuò wǒ jīngqí  
bì quánrán déshèng

Chorus

Yēhéhuá shì wǒ sìwéi de dùnpái  
shì wǒ de róngyào  
yòu shì jiào wǒ tái qǐtóu de shén  
yī sù suīrán yǒu kūqì  
zǎochén wǒmen bì huānhū  
nǐ shì wǒ de pánshí wǒ de bāngzhù

Yēsū wǒ yào àimù ní  
Wǒ yào àimù ní  
qīngdǎo wǒ de shēngmìng  
Ní shì wǒ wéiyī suǒ qiú  
ràng wǒ xīn dāndān kěmù ní

Chorus

Wǒ xīn mǎn yì wǒ xīn mǎn yì  
duì nǐ de ài hé sīniàn wú zhǐ jǐn  
ràng wǒ zǒuxiàng nǐ de shēn pang  
tiējìn nǐ  
zhǔ a wǒ kěmù xúnqiú nǐ

Verse

Qing qing ting wo yao qing qing ting  
wo yao ce er ting wo zhu sheng yin  
Qing qing ting ta zai qing qing ting  
Wo di mu ren ren de wo sheng yin

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Ni shi da mu zhe sheng ming di zhu zai  
Wo yi sheng zhi ting cong zhu sheng yin  
Ni shi da mu zhe sheng ming di zhu zai  
Wo di mu ren ren de wo sheng yin

Yuànzhu de ēnhuì cí'ài yǔ nǐ tóng zài  
yuànzhu de líng shí shí wéirào  
ēndiǎn jiàngxià cì fú yǔ nǐ  
píng'ān xǐlè tiāntiān chōngmǎn nǐ  
ēndiǎn jiàngxià cì fú yǔ nǐ  
píng'ān xǐlè tiāntiān chōngmǎn nǐ

Chorus

Cì fú yǔ nǐ cì fú yǔ nǐ  
píng'ān xǐlè tiāntiān chōngmǎn nǐ  
cì fú yǔ nǐ cì fú yǔ nǐ  
píng'ān xǐlè tiāntiān chōngmǎn nǐ

# The Lifter of My Head

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Lord, You are my solid Rock,  
I shall not be moved

With You as my Provider who is there to fear  
Lord, You are my Shepherd, I shall not want  
With You as my Banner there will be victory

## Chorus

For You are my shield and my defender,  
glory of my life  
and You are the lifter of my head  
Weeping may remain at night,  
but at dawn we will rejoice  
You're my solid Rock, Lord, You are my Help



Jesus, I'm in love with You  
I'm in love with You,  
forever I'll be Yours  
You are everything to me,  
and all I ever need is You

Chorus

My heart is full, my heart is full  
With love and desire  
that will know no end  
Come draw me near,  
in Your embrace I belong  
Lord, all I ever need is You

Verse

Listen quietly I want to listen quietly

I want to listen to my Lord's voice

Listen quietly He is listening quietly

My shepherd knows my voice

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You are the great shepherd, Lord of life

I listen only to my Lord's voice

You are the great shepherd, Lord of life

My shepherd knows my voice

May Father's love and His grace be with you

May Holy Spirit cover you

Grace upon grace, granted to you

May His peace and joy flow over you

Grace upon grace, granted to you

May His peace and joy flow over you

Chorus

Grace upon grace, granted to you

May His peace and joy flow over you

Grace upon grace, granted to you

May His peace and joy flow over you