正确的信念通往正确的人生

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嗨,孩子们,看看这张地图,你能认出来吗?是的,这是新加坡的地铁路线。新加坡的地铁 能带你去很多不同的地方噢!紫色线可以带你一路北上到<榜鹅>站,它也可以带你一路南下到<滨 海港湾>站。如果你还想四处逛一下,你可以选择坐绿色线从东边的<樟宜机场>站上车,一直坐到 西边的<大士连路>站。坐地铁能去的地方实在太多了!



但是要到达你想去的地方,最好确保你上的车是开往正确的方向。你知道吗?有一次我发现 我坐错了方向,列车往北走,但我想去的地方是南面的<**滨海港湾**>。那天我没有留意地铁站的标 志,我正在看书,当我抬起头的时候,我已经在<石龙岗>站了。我本想往南走的,但我几乎一直 在往北走。值得庆幸的是,当我意识到发生了什么的时候,我可以在下一站下车,去换乘地铁。 这一次,我得确保自己回到正确的轨道上,朝着正确的方向前进!

你知道吗?你有一个像列车一样不断向前推进的思维方式(train of thought)。我们的思想就好像列车一样不断往前冲,所以要确保一开始往正确的方向思考是很重要的,因为一个想法会连锁反应引发下一个想法,一不留神在你察觉到之前,你可能发现自己已经走在错误的方向上了。



今天的圣经故事是关于一个人,他的名字叫米非波设,在他还很小的时候,他就相信了一个 谎言。正因为如此,他花了很多年的时间处于悲伤和害怕之中,就因为他小时候被告知的事情。 他被告知的谎言是:他有一个可怕的敌人,这个敌人想要抓拿他。他只知道他很害怕,一辈子都 得躲起来。这个故事最悲哀的部分是,事情本来不必变成这样子的。你看,米非波设生来就是王 子,他确实是一个真正的王子,他的祖父是扫罗王,他的父亲是一位勇猛的勇士——约拿单王 子。将来,米非波设会成为国王的。



年少时的米非波设也过得很好,他拥有一切所需的东西,他的未来似乎也很光明。但有一 天,一切都变了,就在那一天之内,他的生活发生了翻天覆地的变化。事情发生的时候,他才五 岁。就在那天,他听到了惊恐的喊叫声:"扫罗王死了!国王死了!"也就在那天,他听到了女 人们的哭叫声:"约拿单死了!"他的祖父和父亲都在战争中阵亡了。接下来,传来更可怕的坏 消息,他听说大卫,他父亲最好的朋友现在是他最大的敌人了,正要来抓拿他!



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为了保护他,他的保姆抱起他逃跑,使他逃离这一切人和事。但是当保姆逃走的时候,小男孩掉在地上,两条腿都摔瘸了。可怜的米非波设!就这样,他既没有了家人,也失去了希望,更 看不见未来,难怪这孩子陷在痛苦和惶恐中一直到长大。再这样下去的话,他的这一生就只能在 这样的悲哀中度过了,而真实情况本来不应该是这样子的。



终于事情出现了转机。有一天,这时米非波设已经长大成人,有人来敲他的门,那是大卫王 宫里的一位长官,这使得米非波设害怕极了。他的一生都在躲避大卫王,他料想这次肯定只有坏 消息。他浑身发抖地跟着士兵们一直到王宫。但出乎他意料的是,米非波设这次听到的不是他所 预料的坏消息,而是非常好的消息,好消息是大卫根本不是要抓拿他。你看,大卫和他父亲约拿 单是最好的朋友,大卫记念着曾与约拿单所立下的盟约,要慈爱恩待约拿单的家眷。事实上,大 卫寻找米非波设只是为了恩待他,大卫想帮他。



<u>撒母耳记下 9:7</u>记载着大卫是这样对他说: "不要惧怕,我必因你父亲约拿单的缘故施恩与 你,将你祖父扫罗的一切田地都归还你,你也可以常与我同席吃饭。"米非波设简直不敢相信自 己的耳朵, "不要惧怕"已经是非常棒的好消息了,但接下来一连串的好消息一个比一个更棒 呦!首先,王把所有属于他父亲的东西都还给了他,他不再贫穷了; 然后,王还给了他仆人,许 许多多的仆人,为他做工和照顾他。 米非波设不但没有受到他所预料的王的忿怒,反而却得到 王的恩惠和尊荣。大卫王说: "你要天天与我同席吃饭,我随时欢迎你来!"哇,我很高兴米非 波设最后一切都回到了正确的轨道上。



但是想象一下,如果他从一开始就知道真相,他的生活该会好得多!要是他一开始就知道大 卫王有多爱他就好了,他可以直接跑到王那里,得到他所需要的一切,而不是逃跑远离大卫。为 什么仁慈的大卫对米非波设表现出如此多的爱和恩惠?米非波设到底做了什么使得大卫王如此爱 他呢?**答案是什么都没有。**米非波设什么都不必做,他不必配得上或赢得仁慈的大卫的恩惠。记 得吗?大卫和米非波设的父亲约拿单是最好的朋友,大卫因甚爱约拿单,就也爱约拿单的儿子。 因为大卫承诺永远恩待约拿单,米非波设也因这话就白白地得到王同样的爱!



孩子们,同样,阿爸天父想要你为任何你需要的东西来找他!相信阿爸天父会保佑你取得好 成绩和永远改变你的生命,这会使你跑向祂,对祂说:"我需要你的帮助,今天就向我展示你的 恩惠吧!"当你这样做的时候,你可以肯定祂会回答你,并指示你该怎样做。为什么我们能相信 呢?答案是,因为耶稣!因为耶稣,我们可以大胆地宣告,诗篇 23 章 6 节告诉我们:"我一生 一世必有恩惠慈爱随着我,我且要住在耶和华的殿中,直到永远。"就像大卫王让米非波设一辈 子都和他一起同席吃饭一样,阿爸天父告诉你,你一生都可以去找祂。所以在你的人生中,当你 看到"噢,糟糕!噢,我的天啊!"的情况时,记得抬起头,看到阿爸天父正微笑着对你说: "今天我能给你什么恩惠呢?我要格外爱你和对你好,都是因我儿子耶稣的缘故!"看,领会到 了吗?这一切都不是在于你的缘故,这一切都是出于耶稣的缘故!



接下来,让我告诉你一个女孩子,在她上学时度过的一段痛苦时光的故事。这一切都始于她 在课堂上的表现没有达到她的期望。因为她没有做得她想做的那样好,她开始为自己感到难过; 因为她自我感觉不好,她开始相信老师不喜欢她;因为她相信老师不喜欢她,她开始在课堂上感 到更加害怕和悲伤。"哦,糟糕,老师的脸上为什么没有了笑容?"她担心,"这一定是因为老 师她生我气的缘故。"每次她交作业时,她都会更加不安,"哦,我的天啊,"她嗫嚅着说, "我就是做得不够好。"事情开始变得越来越糟,甚至有一段时间,女孩竟然忘记了神是多么爱 她,多么恩待她!感谢主,她祷告后立刻感觉好多了!



于是她不再担心自己是否足够好,而是开始享受神对她是多么的好!就这样,事情开始起了 变化,她开始放松,在课堂上笑得更多了;其他的孩子也开始更多地和她说话;她开始发现她的 老师根本从来没生过她的气,她现在可以享受这门课了;令她更开心的是,她开始在学业上也表 现得越来越好。这一切都始于她想起神一直对她这么好!



今天我们听到了米非波设的故事,这位王子长大后还是相信大卫王是他的敌人,如果不是那 天他自己遇见大卫王且得到这么好的消息——大卫并不是想伤害他而是想帮助他,那么他的这一 生都会笼罩在大卫会追捕他的恐怖之下了。反观我们自己,今天你我有什么好消息呢?好消息 是,我们不必惧怕我们的神,我们不必担心祂会对我们皱眉,惩罚我们。我们所知道的真相是— 一我们知道神爱我们,并应许永远恩待我们!毫无疑问,恩惠慈爱会伴随我们一生!为什么?因 为这是我们应得的吗?不是的,这一切跟我们所做的或是没有做的无关,与我们的表现无关;这 一切都只在于耶稣为我们所成就的事情的缘故!因为耶稣,神微笑着对我们说:"不要害怕,我 保证永远对你好!"你越相信这个真理,你就会变得越强大!



让我们用以下这句宝贵的经文作为我们本周反复思量的内容来作为结束吧,你可能也想在你的圣经上标记强调一下,在罗马书 8 章 37 节告诉我们: "然而靠着爱我们的主,在这一切的事上已经得胜有余了。"我们不必害怕失败,因为我们属于爱我们的耶稣。所以,下次当你发现自己感到害怕或悲伤时,请记住今天的课程,大胆地大声说: "靠着爱我的主耶稣,我已经得胜有余了。"阿门!

孩子们,我们很高兴你能加入今天的课堂来。如果你需要任何帮助,你都可以随时来找阿爸 天父。现在让我为你祈祷,当我这样做的时候,我希望你闭上眼睛,看到耶稣总是和你在一起, 时刻准备着祝福你——"谢谢你,耶稣,你总是爱我们,恩待我们,我可以大胆地向你求助!" 孩子们,如果你在学习上需要帮助,我希望你告诉神;如果你们有些人在功课上感到挣扎,不知 道如何才能进步时,要知道耶稣与你同在,并且愿意帮助你。现在和我一起祷告——"谢谢主耶 稣,帮助我的学业!谢谢你的智慧,让我更快地理解和明白并记住我所学过的东西!谢谢你帮助 我享受复习的过程!谢谢你会给我好成绩,使我在我的学习上获得成功!感谢你耶稣!我奉耶稣 的名祷告,阿门!"嗨,孩子们,我们的祷告是满带能力的!当你有所突破时,记得要写下你的 见证,与我们一起分享赞美神的慈爱!



孩子们,如果你正在听这个故事,你从来没有邀请耶稣进入你的生命,成为你的主 和救主,你现在可以这样做,跟着我重复这个祷告:"亲爱的主耶稣,感谢你为我死在 十字架上。你是神的儿子,你死了,也被埋葬,第三天又复活了。你宝血洗去了我所有 的罪,使我得以永远与阿爸天父在一起。我请求你现在进入我的生命里,成为我的主和 救主,我永远是个义人,永远是有福的,永远是神的孩子。奉耶稣的名,阿门!"

BELIEVE RIGHT, LIVE RIGHT

Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. Romans 8:37, NKJV

Hey, Rock Kidz. Look at this map. Do you recognize it? Yes, it's the train lines in Singapore. The trains in Singapore can really take you places. The purple line can take you all the way north to Punggol. Or it can take you all the way south to Harbourfront. If you wanted to, you could get on the green line at Changi in the east, and ride all the way to Tuas in the west. There are so many exciting places to go by train! The best way to get to where you want to go is to make sure you get on a train that is headed in the right direction. Did you know that I once found myself heading north, when I really wanted to go to harbourfront in the south. I wasn't paying attention to the station signs that day. I was reading my book. And by the time I looked up, I was in Serangoon! I was almost all the way north when I actually wanted to be all the way south. Thankfully, once I realized what happened, I could just hop off the train and change trains. This time, I made sure that I got myself back on the right track, heading in the right direction. Phew!

Did you know that you can have a train of thought? Just like trains, it is important for our thoughts to go the right way. One thought leads to another and before you know it, you could be heading the wrong way.

Today's Bible story is about a man who started with believing a lie from the time he was little. And because of that, he spent many years being sad and scared because of what he was told when he was little. The lie he was told was that he had a terrible enemy who was out to get him. All he knew was that he was afraid and had to spend his whole life in hiding. His name was Mephibosheth. The saddest part of this story is that things didn't have to be like this. You see, Mephibosheth was born a prince. Yes, a real life prince! His grandfather was King Saul, and his father was the mighty warrior, Prince Jonathan. One day Mephibosheth himself would get to be king.

Life was good for young Mephibosheth. He had everything needed. His future seemed so bright! But one day, everything changed. In a single day, his life turned upside down and his life was never the same again. He was only five years old when it happened. That was the day he heard frightened voices shouting, "King Saul is dead! The king is dead!" that was also the day he heard the women weep, "Jonathan is no more!" His grandfather and his father had both been killed in battle. Then, the bad news got worse! He heard that David, his father's best friend was now his worst enemy and was coming to get him!

In order to protect him, his nanny grabbed him and took him far away from everything and everyone. But as she was running, the young boy fell, and he became crippled in both legs. Poor Mephibosheth! Just like that, he had no family, no hope, no future. No wonder the boy grew up miserable and afraid. Now Mephibosheth could have lived his whole life scared and sad... except that something happened that turned his life around.

One day when Mephibosheth was already a grown man, someone came knocking at his door! It was an officer from King David's palace. This made Mephibosheth very afraid. He had spent his whole life hiding

from King David. This could only be bad news. trembling, he followed the soldiers all the way to the palace. But instead of the bad news he expected, Mephibosheth heard very good news! The good news was that David was not after his life at all. You see, David and his father Jonathan, were best friends! And David remembered the promise that he had made with Jonathan, to love and care for Jonathan's family. David was, in fact, looking for Mephibosheth just to be good to him. David wanted to help him!

2 Samuel 9:7 tells us, "Don't be afraid," David said to him, "for I will surely show you kindness, for the sake of your father Jonathan. I will restore to you all the land that belonged to your grandfather Saul, and you will always eat at my table." Mephibosheth could not believe his ears! "don't be afraid" was very good news. But the good news just keeps getting better. First, the king gave him back everything that belonged to his father. He did not have to be poor any longer. Then, the king gave him servants. Many servants, to work for him and take good care of him. Instead of the anger he expected, Mephibosheth received favour and honour from the king. "Eat at my table every day of your life," King David said. "You are always welcome in my presence!" Wow! I'm glad that everything worked out right for Mephibosheth in the end.

But imagine how much better his life would have been, if he had known the truth right from the beginning. If only he had known how much King David loved him. Instead of running away from David, he could have run right up to the king for everything he needed. Why did Kind David shows so much love and kindness to Mephibosheth? What did Mephibosheth do to make King David love him so much? The answer is nothing. Mephibosheth did not have to do anything. He did not have to deserve or earn Kind David's favour. Remember, David and Jonathan, Mephibosheth's dad were best friends. Because David loved Jonathan so very much, he also loved Jonathan's son as well. Because David promised to always be good to Jonathan, Mephibosheth freely received the same love from the king!

Hey, Rock Kids! Daddy God wants you to come to Him for anything that you need. Believing that Daddy God wants to bless you with good success will change your life forever. It will make you run to Him and say, "I need your help! Show me your kindness today!" when you do this, you can be sure that He will answer you and show you what to do. Why can we believe this? The answer is, because of Jesus! Because of Jesus we can boldly declare, Psalms 23: 6 tells us, "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever." Just like King David who told Mephibosheth to eat at his table all the days of his life, Daddy God tells you that you can always go to Him all the days of your life. So when your eyes see the "Oh no!", and the "Oh dear!" in your situation, look up and see Daddy God smile at you and say, "What kindness can I show you today? I want to be extra loving and good to you. all because of my Son Jesus." See that it is not about you at all! See that it is all about Jesus.

Let me tell you about a girl who had a miserable time in one of her classes. It all started when she didn't do as well as she hoped in the class. Because she didn't do as well as she wanted to, she started to feel bad about herself. Because she felt bad about herself, she started to believe that the teacher didn't like her. And because she believed the teacher didn't like her, she started feeling even more scared and sad in this class. "Oh, no! Why is the teacher not smiling?" she worried. "it must be because she's mad at me!" Each time she handed in her work, she would worry some more. "Oh no," she mumbled, "I'm just

no good." Things got worse and worse, and for a while the girl actually forget how much God loved her and was always good to her. Thankfully after she prayed, she immediately felt better.

She stopped to worry if she was good enough and started enjoying how good God was to her. And just like that, things started to change. She started to relax and smile more in class. The other kids started to talk to her more, and she started to see her teacher was never even mad her at all! She could now enjoy the class and to her great joy, she started to do better and better as well. And it all started when she remembered how good God always is to her.

Today we heard the story of Mephibosheth, the prince who grew up believing that David was his enemy. He would have spent his whole life afraid of the king, except that one day, he met David himself and found out the good news – the king did not want to hurt him, the king wanted to help him! But what about us? What is the good news for you and me today? The good news is that we don't have to be afraid of our God. We don't have to worry if he will frown at us and punish us. We know the truth – we know that god loves us and promises to always be good to us. Surely goodness and mercy will follow us all the days of our lives. Why? Because we deserve it? No. it is never about what we do or do not do. It is always about what Jesus has done for us! Because of Jesus, God smiles at us and say, "Don't be afraid. I promise to always be good to you." the mor you believe this truth, the more and stronger you get.

Let's end with a good verse for us to meditate and think about this week. You might want to highlight this as well. Romans 8:37 tells us, "Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us." We don't have to fear defeat, because we belong to Jesus who loves us. So, the next time you find yourself feeling scared or sad, remember today's lesson and boldly say out loud – "I am more than a conqueror through Him who loves me." Amen!

Hey, Rock Kidz. We are so glad that you have joined us today. If you need help in anything, you can always come to daddy God. Right now I'm going to pray over you, and as I do, I want you to close your eyes and see Jesus always with you, always ready to bless you. Thank you, Jesus that You always love us and are good to us. I can boldly come to you and ask for help. Rock Kidz, if you need help for your studies, I want you to tell the lord about it. If there are some of you struggling with your schoolwork and don't know how you can improve, know that Jesus is with you and wants to help you. Now pray this with me – "thank you Jesus, for helping me with my schoolwork. Thank you for wisdom to see and understand things faster, and to remember what I've studied. Thank you for helping me enjoy my revision. And thank you Jesusie, that You will give me good marks and good success in my studies. Thank you Jesus. In Jesus' name, I pray, amen." Hey, Rock kidz, there's power when we pray! When you have received your breakthrough, do write in to share with us your testimony, so that we can celebrate God's goodness together.

Hey Rock Kidz, if you are listening to this story and you've never asked Jesus to come into your life to be your Lord and Saviour, you can do so now. Just repeat this prayer after me, "Dear Lord Jesus, thank You for dying on the cross for me. You are the Son of God, who died, was buried and on the third day, you rose again. Your precious blood washed away all my sins making me forever right with Daddy God. I ask You now to come into my life to be my Lord and Saviour. I am forever righteous, forever blessed, forever a child of God. In Jesus'name," and everyone say, "Amen."