

## See New Life I

There are seasons when we feel unfit, rejected and disregarded.

During these seasons we can feel like a throw away.

- During these seasons we can feel marginalized.

The good news today is there is new life after seasons.

Faith sees beyond the current circumstance.

- The good news today is “See New Life” now!

Consider *Psalm 118*

### I

New life is prophesied. *Psalm 118:1-16*

See New Life after any crisis and distress. **Vs 5-6**

*NLT Psalm 118:5* In my distress I prayed to the LORD, and the LORD **answered me and set me free.** <sup>6</sup> The LORD is for me, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me? <sup>7</sup> Yes, **the LORD is for me**; he will help me. I will look in triumph at those who hate me.

Call upon the Lord with your complaint. **Vs 5**

See He is for you. **Vs 6 and 7**

He is for you, have no fear.

*NKJ 2 Timothy 1:7* For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and **of a sound mind**.

*With no fear you need a sound mind for sound decisions.*

He is for you and He will help you.

- See New Life!

### II

New life is provided. *Psalm 118:17-28*

Dealing with death is part of our journey to New Life.

**NLT Psalm 118:17** I will not die; instead, I will live to tell what the LORD has done. <sup>18</sup> The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not let me die.

- See New Life after the threat of death.

Dealing with **rejection** is part of our journey to New Life.

**NLT Psalm 118:22** **The stone that the builders rejected has now become the cornerstone.** <sup>23</sup> This is the LORD's doing, and it is wonderful to see.

<sup>24</sup> This is the day the LORD has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Jesus was a misfit, from rejected town and people.

See New Life beyond rejection.

When you move from obscurity to prominence it is marvelous. **Vs 23**

When you move from obscurity to prominence it is wonderful.

No matter what declare "This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it." **Vs 23**

- *When you See New Life, you sing a different song.*

### III

New life is **proclaimed**. **Acts 10:34-43**

Cornelius was rejected by the Jewish religious leaders.

New life is **declared** through the life of Jesus Christ for **everyone**. **Vs 36-38**

**Acts 10:36** This is the message of Good News for the people of Israel-- that there is peace with God through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> **You know** what happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee, after John began preaching his message of baptism. <sup>38</sup> **And you know that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. Then Jesus went around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.**

New life is proclaimed through us today for everyone.

We carry the good news so everyone can "See New Life". **Vs 39-42**

**Acts 10:39** **"And we apostles are witnesses** of all he did throughout Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a cross,

<sup>40</sup> but God raised him to life on the third day. Then God allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to the general public, but to us whom God had chosen in advance to be his witnesses. We were those who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> **And he ordered us to preach everywhere and to testify that Jesus is the one appointed by God to be the judge of all-- the living and the dead.**

We are to speak a b**etter** m**essage** than the present events.

We are to speak resurrection after death, life after death.

- *We only start to live after we are freed from the fear of death.*

We are to help people ‘See New Life’.

*NKJ* **2 Cor 4:18** while we do not look at the **things which are seen**, but at the **things which are not seen**. For the **things which are seen are temporary**, but the **things which are not seen are eternal**.<sup>1</sup>

*NLT* **2 Cor 4:18** So we don't look at the troubles **we can see now**; rather, we fix our gaze **on things that cannot be seen**. For **the things we see now** will soon be gone, but **the things we cannot see will last forever**.<sup>2</sup>

We proclaim “See New Life”, beyond this c**urrent** c**risis**.

*See New Life!*

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<sup>1</sup> [The New King James Version](#). (1982). (2 Co 4:18). Nashville: Thomas Nelson.

<sup>2</sup> Tyndale House Publishers. (2015). [Holy Bible: New Living Translation](#) (2 Co 4:18). Carol Stream, IL: Tyndale House Publishers.