

It's My Time to

Isaiah 31:4 (NLT)
But this is what the LORD has told me:
"When a strong young lion stands
growling over a sheep it has killed, it is
not frightened by the shouts and noise
of a whole crowd of shepherds...

Isaiah 31:4 (KJV) For thus hath the LORD spoken unto me, Like as the lion and the young lion roaring on his prey, when a multitude of shepherds is called forth against him, he will not be afraid of their voice, nor abase himself for the noise of them...

*Jesus Christ is the Lion of the Tribe of Judah and as He is, so are we in this world. He is WITH (AS ONE WITH. EQUALLY WITH. ACCOMPANYING; AMONG; BESIDE; IN. MORE THAN) you!

1 John 4:17 (KJV) ...as He is, so are we in this world.

Romans 8:11 ... the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you...

John 14:12 Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

-you are not roaring against the enemy on your own (you can't!) - you are WITH THE Lion!

*we already have victory over EVERY enemy - over EVERYTHING that disagrees with God's Word. We can stand victorious in Christ!

Psalms 20:6 NIV Now this I know: The LORD gives victory to His anointed. He answers him from His heavenly sanctuary with the victorious power of His right hand.

1 Corinthians 15:57 KJV But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

-know that you are standing side-by-side with the Lion of the Tribe of Judah and you are standing victoriously!

Jeremiah 20:11 But the LORD is with me like a mighty warrior; so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail. They will fail and be thoroughly disgraced; their dishonor will never be forgotten.

Psalms 76:5-6 NLT Our boldest enemies have been plundered. They lie before us in the sleep of death. No warrior could lift a hand against us. At the blast of Your breath, O God of Jacob, their horses and chariots lay still.

*victory is yours! It is a done deal - do you agree with that?

*"at the blast of Your breath..."

-the enemy cannot stand against God's Word.

Isaiah 33:3 NLT The enemy runs at the sound of Your voice...

*speak the Word!

-the enemy is already defeated because of Jesus Christ and you are connected to Him - you are a joint-heir with Christ. His victory is your victory!

*we just need to learn how to see things with our Spiritual eyes instead of our flesh.

2 Kings 6:16-17 "Don't be afraid," the prophet answered. "Those who are with us are more than those who are with them." And Elisha prayed, "Open his eyes, LORD, so that he may see." Then the LORD opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

Psalms 119:18 Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in Your law.

-we need to see things based on the Word of Godnot our situation.

Psalms 119:37 NLT Turn my eyes from worthless things, and give me life through Your Word.

*if we abide in the Word, we will keep our Spiritual focus.

*because we are victorious we can roar - we can growl!

ROAR (*HAGAH*): Study. To ponder; to imagine; to meditate . To murmur; mutter; roar; speak; talk; utter (pronounce).

-hagah is a process. The more we study and think on the Word, the more we



voice the Word - whether it be a whisper or a roar.

-study what the Word says about your trial. Meditate on what the Word says about your trial and speak it! Speak it to yourself, talk about it - ROAR!

*turn your trial into an opportunity to feed on the Word.

Numbers 14:9 KJV Only rebel not ye against the LORD, neither fear ye the people of the land; FOR THEY ARE BREAD FOR US: their defense is departed from them, and the LORD is with us: fear them not.

-the enemy is bread. Your trial is food if you use the Word to deal with your trial.

*just because we have the victory doesn't mean we won't encounter the enemy.

-the enemy is always trying to voice his opinion about us, but we can stand victorious when we know the truth.

Nehemiah 6:8-9 I sent him this reply: "Nothing like what you are saying is happening; you are just making it up out of your head." They were all trying to frighten us, thinking, "Their hands will get too weak for the work, and it will not be completed." But I prayed, "Now strengthen my hands."

*the enemy is always trying to scare us with lies.

Psalms 52:2 KJV Thy tongue deviseth mischiefs; like a sharp razor, working deceitfully.

*when you know the truth you can publicly criticize or disapprove the lies!

Psalms 119:163 GW I hate lying; I am disgusted with it. I love your teachings.

*the more we declare the truth, the stronger we will be.

-disrupt satan's plan to come against you. Stand against his evil babbling! Publicly announce his defeat! When he is rising against you, you have the power to condemn his evil babbling with the Lord of Lord's final verdict for your life!

Psalms 64:3, 7 They sharpen their tongues like swords and aim cruel words like deadly arrows...BUT GOD will shoot them with His arrows; they will suddenly be struck down.

*the lies of the enemy are no match for the truth of God.

Isaiah 44:24-27 NIV "This is what the LORD says— your Redeemer, who formed you in the womb: I am the LORD, the Maker of all things, who stretches out the heavens, who spreads out the earth by Myself, who foils the signs of false prophets and makes fools of diviners, who overthrows the learning of the wise and turns it into nonsense, WHO



CARRIES OUT THE WORDS OF HIS SERVANTS AND FULFILLS THE PREDICTIONS OF HIS MESSENGERS...who says to the watery deep, 'Be dry, and I will dry up your streams.'"

*what are you saying about your situation?

Matthew 17:20 NIV He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can SAY to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

*speak to the mountains in your life! Know that you have power over them through Jesus Christ.

Luke 10:19 NIV I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

POWER: force. Specifically miraculous power.

Ability; abundance; meaning; might; strength. Authority; control; influence; rule; command.

Acts 10:38 NIV ...God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and...He went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with Him.

POWER (of the devil): oppressed - brow-beaten; under enemy control; dominated Exercising dominion over.

-the power of the devil is nothing compared to the power of Christ! And we have that power so we have nothing to fear!

-don't let the words of the enemy scare you, intimidate you, or lead you in the wrong direction. Be aware of who is shepherding you!

SHEPHERD: a person who herds, tends, and guards sheep. A person who protects, guides, or watches over a group of people.

SHEPHERD: to tend a flock; pasture it. Generally to rule; by extension to associate with. Keep company with. Devour; eat up; evil. Use as a friend. Entreat (ask). Feed. Make friendship with.

*Jesus is the Good Shepherd.

John 10:11 NIV "I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.



John 10:14-15 NIV "I am the Good Shepherd; I know My sheep and My sheep know Me— just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father—and I lay down My life for the sheep.

Psalm 23

*Jesus is the Good Shepherd and satan is always trying to imitate Christ.

-we can see several reasons why the enemy would be named shepherds in this verse.

*the enemy wants to rule over you and lead you into the flesh - and he "shepherds" by suggestion. We have to know the truth from the lies.

*Jesus is the Good Shepherd and we have everything we need to ignore the enemy and his leading through the Word of God.

Hebrews 13:20-21 NIV Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in us what is pleasing to Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 NIV All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Deuteronomy 30:1-141 NIV Now what I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach...No, the Word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it.

OBEY: do; fulfill; maintain; accomplish; advance; be; become; be busy; be ready; be dressed; finish; be occupied with.

-you do not have to be led in the wrong direction - you have everything you need in Christ to ignore the enemy and roar!

-don't let the words of the enemy scare you. Stand victorious against his attack. Condemn his evil babbling with the final verdict of the Word. Announce the enemy's termination!

Matthew 18:18 NIV "Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be



loosed in heaven.

*know what is bound and loosed in heaven so you can bring heaven to earth.

Matthew 6:10 NIV Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

-the enemy wants you to hate life and feel like it is hell on earth, but you have power in Christ to stand against this evil plan of his!

*the enemy may make a lot of noise but you do not have to listen. You can silence him with the truth of the Word! You have everything you need.

2 Corinthians 12:9 (KJV) And He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in My infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

-His grace is sufficient.

GRACE: the Divine influence on the heart and its reflection in your daily life.

SUFFICIENT: to raise a barrier; to ward off. To avail - to be of use or value to; to profit; advantage; have force or effectiveness, worth and usefulness; to serve; to help. Be enough.

*HIS WORD IS ENOUGH to defeat the enemy. It will silence the enemy. It will officially disapprove the lies! As we speak the Word we are raising a barrier between the enemy and ourselves. The Word gives us the advantage - it is all we need to see victory!

*we can get excited about our inability when we realize what we have in Christ.

*His grace / Jesus Christ / the Word is sufficient!

Romans 5:17 NIV For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!

-through Christ life will be a royal reign instead of a royal pain!



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*do not abase yourself because of the threats of the enemy.

-to abase yourself is the same Hebrew word for afflicted in our key verse.

ABASE: to depress. Abase self; deal harshly with self; trouble self; chasten self; make self miserable; weaken self.

*when we meditate on the lies of the enemy instead of the truth of the Word, we are abasing or afflicting ourselves - but we can change that and be revived through the Word.

Psalms 3:3 NIV But You, LORD, are a shield around me, my glory, the One who lifts my head high.

-when you focus on Him you will see what is rightfully yours and you will experience real change.

*we need to recognize what we are doing to ourselves and we need to realize we have the power to stop!

Psalms 43:5 NIV Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise Him, my Savior and my God.

*we are no longer slaves to our flesh - we have power through Jesus Christ to defeat our flesh!

Romans 6:6, 11-12 NIV For we know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin...count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires.

-we LET sin reign by listening to the lies.

*in the flesh we abase ourselves, but in the Sprit we cheer ourselves up, we uplift ourselves, we deal gently with self, we benefit self, we do not punish ourselves, we do not make ourselves miserable - we make ourselves joyful, we strengthen ourselves.

Philippians 4:6-7 NIV Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

-go to God for what you truly need - for what will defeat the lies of the enemy and the effect those lies have on us!

-whatever the enemy means for evil can be turned to good when we put our focus on Christ / the Word.



Hosea 2:15-16 (NLT) I will return her vineyards to her and transform the Valley of Trouble into a gateway of hope. She will give herself to Me there, as she did long ago when she was young, when I freed her from her captivity in Egypt. When that day comes," says the LORD, "you will call Me 'my Husband' instead of 'my master.'

*see Jesus the right way - He loves you, He is your ADVOCATE (intercessor; consoler; comforter. Backer; supporter; promoter; defender; champion; vindicate; justify; favor; further. 1 John 2:1), and He has already given you the victory.

Psalms 26:3 NLT For I am always aware of Your unfailing love, and I have lived according to Your truth.

-are you aware of His love or are you more aware of your situations? Are you living according to His truth or the enemy's lies?

*take what the enemy meant for evil and make it good - make it good by CHOOSING to focus on the Word and see things the way God sees them.

-stop afflicting yourself and begin to receive the life Christ died for you to have through His Word!

Psalms 27:11-14 NIV Teach me Your way, LORD; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors....false witnesses rise up against me, spouting malicious accusations. I remain CONFIDENT of this: I WILL see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. WAIT FOR THE LORD; BE STRONG AND TAKE HEART AND WAIT FOR THE LORD.

*focusing on the problem is abasing ourselves. Make the right choice - choose life! Choose the Word and experience the goodness of God now!

*focus on the Word. God's good promises are 100% truth. You can KNOW that you will see the goodness of the Lord by staying focused on His Word.



*do not abase yourself because of the enemy's vain, empty threats. Roar! Use what God has given you and watch the enemy flee in seven ways!

Deuteronomy 28:1-2, 7 (KJV) And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all His commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high...And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God...The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

HEARKEN DILIGENTLY (SHAMA SHAMA): to hear intelligently, attentively. Call (gather) together, consent, consider, be content, DECLARE, give ear, perceive, PROCLAIM, PUBLISH, regard, show (forth), understand, whosoever [heareth], witness.

OBSERVE (SHAMAR): to hedge about as with thorns. To keep charge of; to guard. Attend to. Look narrowly; observe; remain focused on.



-if we are not seeing victory, we need to *shama* and *shamar* and continue to do so because the enemy cannot stand against God's Word. Use what you have been given - everything you need for life and godliness is yours through the Word.

*REMEMBER, HIS GRACE IS SUFFICIENT!

-the enemy has no Spiritually legal right in your life! He has to flee in seven ways - tell him!

