The Characteristics of GOD's Children



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If today we are called home by God, are we sure that we would go to Heaven?

We know that the ones who will go to Heaven are God's children, not merely people who like to go to church.

Therefore it is important for us to know whether we are God's children, because if we turn out not to be His, then we will not go to Heaven; instead we will go to hell.

If we would like to know whether or not someone is a Christian, it is not too difficult to find out. For example, we could take a look at his ID card or inquire if the person likes to go to church or not.

If we want to be more certain, we can check whether the person is registered as a member of a church or even check whether or not he has been baptized.

However, it is not so easy to judge whether or not a person is a child of God. Indeed, the Bible records that God has put a mark on every child of God, but as humans we cannot see the mark. Likewise we cannot see the Holy Spirit who dwells in our hearts.

2 Cor 1:22 who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

If so, can't we know whether or not we are God's children?

Our Bible is marvellous. The Lord Jesus describes in detail the characteristics of God's children.

Let us read Matthew 7:21-23:

Mat 7:21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

These three verses emphasize one thing in that verse 21 is repeated and explained further in verses 22-23.

If the Lord Jesus felt the need to repeat and explain it twice, then this was certainly an issue that the Lord Jesus took seriously.

We understand from reading verse 23 "depart from me, ye that work iniquity' that these people were not allowed to enter the Kingdom of Heaven or in other words they had to go to hell.

Let us analyze what kind of people they were.

From these verses it is clear that these people knew God or at least THOUGHT THEY KNEW GOD. Because if they did not know God, they could not call upon His name. (It is similar to instances when we see a stranger in a public place: we would not be able to say or call his name.)

The words "say" and "Lord, Lord" gave evidence that they did not only think they knew God. They even felt close to and intimate with God. (If we do not know someone very well, then chances are we would not call out to the person in a loud voice repeatedly. We would probably approach the person and call his name with a normal voice.)

Beside that, verse 22 explained that they said, "Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?"

Apparently they not only felt close to God, but were considered as great people who have been used by God extraordinarily because they prophesied in the

name of God, cast out demons in the name of God and performed many miracles in the name of God. How fantastic!

I do not know if any of us have ever prophesied in the name of God, cast out demons in the name of God and performed many miracles in the name of God. Probably most of us have never done such things.

If they who were superb as such finally went to hell, then what about us?

If we examine, the actual key to why these people were denied entry to the kingdom of heaven is found in verse 23, "I never knew you!"

From this verse we see that being God's children does not merely mean that we know and think of God as our Father but more important is whether or not God knows us and considers us as His children!

Therefore if we want to know whether or not the Lord Jesus knows us and deems us as His own, we need to study the characteristics of people that are known to God.

The characteristics are described in John 10:1-16 in "The Good Shepherd."

John 10:1 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth **not by the door** into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

- 2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.
- 3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.
- 4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.
- 5 And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for **they know not the voice of strangers**.
- 6 This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them.

- 7 Then said Jesus unto them again, **Verily**, **Verily**, I say unto you, **I am the** door of the sheep.
- 8 All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.
- 9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.
- 10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.
- 11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.
- 12 But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep.
- 13 The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.
- 14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.
- 15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.
- 16 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

Just as there was a repetition in Matthew 7:21-23, there was also repetition in the Parable of the Good Shepherd in that verse 1-5 were repeated and explained in more detail in verses 7-16.

Verses 1-2 "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth **not by the door** into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

This is explained further in verse "7 Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.

8 All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.

9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep."

These verses explained about the "door," that is the door to salvation. It was clearly stated that Jesus is the door of salvation and those who claim to provide ways to salvation other than through Jesus (the door) are just thieves and robbers (v. 1).

Why could Jesus be the only door? Because Jesus and only Jesus died on the cross to give his life to redeem all mankind. "The good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep" (v. 11).

Furthermore:

- 3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.
- 4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.

14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

The three verses above describe the following conditions:

- God's children always listen to God's voice-- "the sheep hear his voice" (v. 3)
- God knows His children and there are personal relationships between God and His children-- "he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out." "(I) know my sheep" (vv. 3, 14).

• God will lead His children out of a worldly life-- " (he) leadeth them out." (v. 3)

• God's children do not only hear God's voice, but also follow God-- "the sheep

follow him: "(v. 4)

• God's children know the voice/Word of God and know God personally--"for

they know his voice." "and am known of mine" (vv. 4, 14)

If we look at these characteristics of God's children, in that they listen to the

voice/Word of God, have a personal relationship with God, are guided by God,

follow God and know the Word as well as the person of God, then, I think, the

starting key to becoming a true child of God is by developing the fifth

characteristic, which is "God's children know the voice/word of God and know

the person of God".

What is the meaning of knowing the word of God and knowing the person of

God?

To know the word of God means to know all the laws and commandments of

God, while to know the person of God is to know God as a person and to know

all His character and greatness.

So the first characteristic of a child of God is:

"We know the person of God and know His laws and commandments."

Do we know God and all His laws and commandments?

Let us get some examples:

God is all-loving.

Psalm 36:5 Thy mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens;

and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.

Psalm 25:6 Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they have been ever of old.

Rom 8:38... nor powers, ... 39 nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

What is God's great love like? Does that mean that we may commit sin at will, because God will certainly forgive?

God is also gracious.

Psalm 30:5 For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

Luke 6:36 Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful."

What is the generous God like? Since God is generous, can we assume that God is easygoing and so we dare to enter a church which is "God's house," with any appearance and attitude at will? Dare we eat and drink in church, chat and even play games in God's House?

Our God is the most holy.

Isa 5:16 but the LORD of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and God that is holy shall be sanctified in righteousness.

How should we respond to God's holiness?

1 Peter 1:14 as obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

15 but as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

16 because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

17 And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear: 18 forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;

19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

Beside the many other attributes of God, we also need to know all the laws and commandments of God.

For instance, how our attitude should be when we enter God's house.

Heb 12:28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

What a ministry is and how our attitude and performance toward a ministry should be.

1 Pet 4:10 As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

11 If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

What is the most important task that the Lord commanded us to do as long as we live in this world.

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God.

and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

How we should live our lives as God's children.

Phil 2:12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

Are all food "clean" in God's eyes for us to eat? (Are we allowed by God to eat all kinds food?)

Mark 7:18-19 And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him; because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?

And there are still so many laws of God and God's other commandments that we must understand.

Probably quite a lot of us feel that we have already known God, His laws and commandments.

To what extend do we have to get to know God, His laws and commandments?

5 And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for **they know** not the voice of strangers."

The above verse explains that we should study the person of God and His laws and commandments, until we can distinguish between God's laws and commandments and those that are not His. Or, in other words, until we can distinguish between the word of God and those that are not of God, between God's teachings and heresies.

Why should we reach that level of understanding to be able to distinguish between the Word and heresies?

Because God knows that there are a great number of false prophets and teachings that will mislead a vast number of God's children, especially in these last days.

Mat 7:15 "Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

Mat 24:11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

Mat 24:24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

How can we get to know the person of God and all His laws and commandments?

We can know God and His laws and commandments from sermons delivered by His servant. Therefore, we must prepare our hearts to listen carefully to His words and earnestly pray to God that the Holy Spirit would guide us and give us understanding.

1 Cor 2:10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with

14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

spiritual.

15 But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.

We can also learn how to get to know the person of God and all His laws and commandments in a deeper way from books. The best book to study is the Bible because information from and about God and all His laws and commandments are contained in His Word.

We do not need to worry if we do not understand everything because as described in 1 Corinthians 2 above, if we are God's children, the Spirit of God Himself will explain to us even the things that are hidden in God.

How should we read the Bible?

We need to read the Bible from "Genesis to Revelation" without skipping any section.

Why should we read from Genesis to Revelation?

Because the Bible is a unity.

Why is it that we should not skip reading any part of the Bible?

Because there is not one verse, word or even punctuation that is meaningless.

From the first description of the characteristics of God's children, we understand that their development is not determined by how long we have been going to church, or how often we have gone to church, how active we are in church, nor how much we give financially. It does not matter how high our positions are in church, **instead, it is determined by how deep we know God and His laws and commandments.**

I remember that when I was a teenager, there was a saying "people who know the Lord" used as a description for God's children. Not just people who had been to church, but those who have come to know the Lord.

We are God's children and God is our Father:

Rom 8:15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father."

Adoption, of course, brings the responsibility to know the Father. Hence, it is questionable if we as children of the Father do not know Him and do not have the desire to get to know our Father better.

We often hear many stories of abandoned children who strive to find and get to know their parents.

I once watched a movie about a girl who lived with his mother in Vietnam. She tried to find her Korean father. The child left Vietnam for unfamiliar Korea, to look for her father. He sought out her father not to hold him accountable but just to see her father's face.

If we consider ourselves to be "God children," is there any desire to get to know our God who is our Father? Do we desire to read the Bible, to contemplate and implement His Word in our lives?

Psalm 1:1-2 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the LORD;

and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

Psalm 63:6-7 when I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches.

Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

Psalm 119:27 Make me to understand the way of thy precepts: so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.

Philippians 3:8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ,

2 Pet 3:18 But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

If until now we do not have a desire to get to know the Father and there is no desire to read the Bible, we should ask ourselves "Is it true that I am a child of

God?" Or do we actually JUST FEEL that we are God's children like those people who call God, God? Or in simple terminology, could it be that actually we are only CHURCH VISITORS because how would it be possible that we are God's children if we do not have any desire to know God?

God's children must know God and that all of God's laws and commandments have been delivered by the Lord Jesus on other occasions, for example:

Mat 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

The kingdom of God is God and all His greatness, whereas His righteousness are God's laws and commandments. Only God's laws and commandments are true, nothing else.

The word "seek ye first, and all these things shall be added unto you" means that we GIVE PRIORITY to knowing God and all His laws and commandments. God will add what we need when we come to know Him and all His laws and commandments.

In the Old Testament "to know God and His laws and commandments" was described as "to fear God."

Deuteronomy 10:12 And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

Deuteronomy 31:12 Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law:

What does to fear God mean?

If I may make a comparison: What is the meaning of "to fear the Police"?

To fear the Police constitute three requirements, namely:

- 1. We have to know the characteristics of the police: How can we fear the police if we do not know what the police are like, because not all who wear a uniform are policemen. We know that members of certain mass organizations wear uniforms, such as members of the armed forces, for instance.
- 2. We have to know the traffic signs, laws and regulations and understand the instructions of the police.
- 3. We have to be obedient: After we understand the police and their rules, we obey their orders.

Likewise the fear of God starts with knowing God, understanding all His laws and commandments and obeying them. How would it be possible for us to obey when we do not know God and His laws and commandments?

The second characteristic of God's children is that they follow the Lord--"the sheep follow him".

What is the meaning of following God?

Following God means not to follow our own desires but to follow the will of God.

What are our desires?

Our desires are the desires of the flesh, namely:

Gal 5:19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that **they** which do such things **shall not inherit the kingdom of God**.

It means that when we, as God's children still do things like the above, there is no change in our lives. Before becoming a Christian we committed adultery, now after becoming a Christian we still commit adultery; before, we worshipped idols, now we still worship idols; before, we often disagree, now we still often disagree; before, we got drunk, now, we still get drunk; et cetera. It is very likely that we are not God's children although we attend church. Since we have not become followers of Christ, verse 21 warns that we "shall not inherit the kingdom of God." Why can we not enter the kingdom of God and go to hell? Because if we are still living in the flesh, then we are not God's children. Once we accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior at that moment we have died to sin.

Rom 6:1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?

4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:

6 knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.

7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.

8 Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:

9 knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

10 For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.

16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

19 I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

20 For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness.

21 What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death.

22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Following God means following God's will, that is, living according to the leading of the Spirit to produce the fruit of the Spirit.

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

23 meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

The third characteristic of God's children is that they have a personal relationship with God.

"He calleth his own sheep by name"

Christianity is not about doing rituals, instead it is a personal relationship with God. Before the fall into sin, men had a very personal relationship with God, but sin broke that relationship: men were cast out from the presence of God. The Lord Jesus died on the cross to pay for our sins so that we can be reconciled back to God have a personal relationship with Him again.

Rom 3:25 whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

Therefore a child of God will have a desire to come close to God. He will make

time for devotions and routine prayers. Additionally, a child of God will also feel a personal connection with God. Not only will we talk to God through our prayers, but we also will experience God's answers to our prayers. We will see and feel how God's power is manifested in our lives, like a child who sees the abilities of his father in solving many problems.

Hence our personal relationship with God becomes one of the characteristics and the basis of our faith. Many Christians have been amazed by another's testimony. This is not bad, but we should not base our faith on the testimony of others, whomever he is and no matter how great his testimony is, because our faith must be based on our personal relationship with God as experienced by Job and the Samaritans.

Job 42:5 I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee.

John 4:42 and said unto the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard him ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world."

The fourth characteristic of God's children is that we feel God's guidance to be like Jesus Christ in every step of our lives. "and leadeth them out"

All this time, do we feel the guidance of God bringing us out of a mundane life to be like Jesus Christ?

If we have never felt God's guidance and feel that we walk alone in this world, then we ought to check our status. Because just as much as parents will continue to guide their children to develop into good and healthy children, so God continually guides us that we may become more and more acceptable to Him, that is, to be like the Lord Jesus Christ.

Rom 8:29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

If we go back to Matthew 7:21:

Mat 7:21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."

These verses can be explained as follows:

- 1. Not all who call or even cried Lord, Lord, are God's children and therefore there is no certainty that they will enter the Kingdom of Heaven.
- 2. Those who do the will of the Father (and thus known by Jesus), those who know God, know the laws of God and obey the will of God will enter Heaven.
- 3. Serving God, even in marvelous ways like prophesying, casting out demons and performing many miracles, are not the main characteristics of God's children. Everyone can do that by saying the name of the true, God because the power lies in the "name of God"--not in the person doing it.

Mark 9:38 And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us..... "

Similar to an incident where a police officer shot a man to death, the powerful aspect was the pistol-- not the police, because if the gun was fired by an amateur, but the bullet hit the vital part of one's body, the victim can die, too.

- 4. A child of God is a person known by God.
- 5. Any person who is not a child of God, however great or good the person is, is basically an evildoer because he did not receive the forgiveness of sins from God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

If we observe the Great Commission from the Lord Jesus in Matthew 28:19-20.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the

Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

It is clearly conveyed that we have to "teach all nations" to make them **His** disciples.

The term "disciples" is related with "learning" and "teaching" activities. Learning and teaching what?

Learning and teaching "all things whatsoever I have commanded you" What are they?

To know God and to know all the laws and commandments of God.

And then "teach... them to observe (all things whatsoever I have commanded you)."

In the last days before the return of the Lord Jesus, let each one of us check ourselves to make sure that we are truly God's children. Let us sincerely learn to be God-fearing people and read more of the Bible while we have the time and the chance to do it, as this beautiful opportunity will not always be available. Let us set up a time for meditating and conducting Family Altar as well.