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GOOD NEWS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

CHANGING TO A NEW THING

Since we were little, we have experienced change. We lived it when we were children. It was challenging to become a teenager, and during adolescence. You probably remember how many situations you lived were horrible encounters, and some of those people were bullies. However, you also had nice experiences with lovely people. Altogether, these experiences created in your mind, and in your life, a total change in your environment.


Dr. Gian C. Villatoro

Later in life we lived it again, and everyone that is blessed to be able to have children, embraced that experience that also changed us. Perhaps you are a grandparent or great grandparent, and you know all the changes that life brings.

For a believer, the challenges, the crisis, even the suffering, death, or losing a job, a company, your health, or losing the things and people that you love the most, all that is not going to kill him. Why? Because a believer knows that all those things happen to those who love God and know that everything works out well in the end.

Whatever kind of crisis you are going through, you need to remember all the time that our Lord God had saved you because He loves you. You need to remember what happened when you did not have money in the past, and how the Lord forced you to reinvent yourself. You did a new thing, and you studied something new. You worked in a different environment, and you even moved to a new city or a new state.

The biggest change that you will live in your life is the spiritual change. That is when you learn that everything in life is so fragile, that nothing is certain, and that nothing material will truly sustain you forever. There is not one person on the face of the earth that will be with you, love you, take care of you, or make you feel complete forever. Because everyone, sooner or later, is going to die. Your material possessions will not be enough to give you what you truly need, money can't buy everything.

What we need is the Lord in our hearts. Surrendering to the Lord God should be a daily experience. Every single moment of your day, you must acknowledge that He is God, and not you. Think about your childhood, how the Lord used people around you, whether they were your parents or grandparents, or somebody when you were a little one, and you did not have any resources at all, not any knowledge or experience, money, nothing. How is it that you survived? It was the Lord God that used people to provide you whatever you needed.

There is no difference now. It is always the hand of the Lord that comes down upon us to give us what we need. Our Lord Jesus said, "Thank you Father that you did not reveal this to those who think they are smart, but you revealed these things to little children." We must come back to that child-like innocence in our hearts, and in our faith. To believe and trust in Him. We do what is right every moment, and the rest is in His hands. Nothing else.

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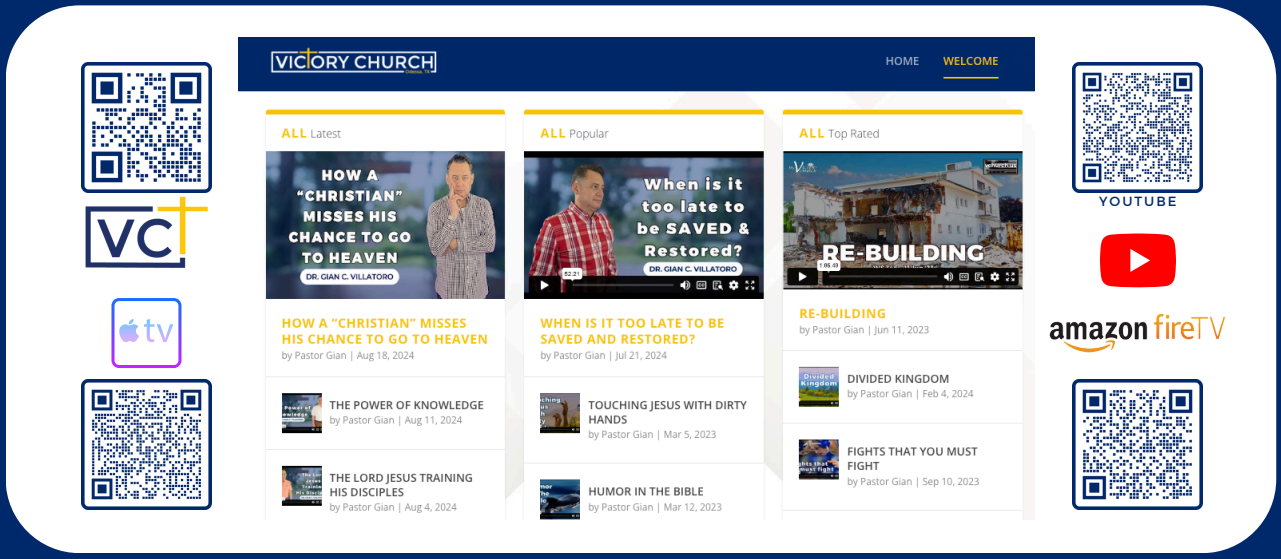




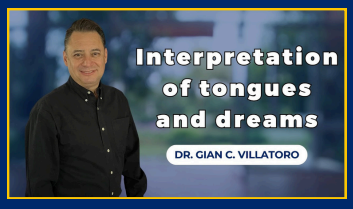
Drama Queen is not exclusive to women. Learn how to deal with problematic people. July 7



Baptism in water is not a tradition, it is a commandment from our Lord Jesus. July 14

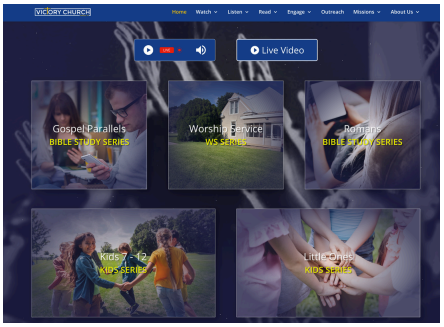


In our Lord God, there is always hope. Look at the thief on Calvary. July 21



Is it possible for someone to prophesy today? Who can do it, and how can you believe it is from God? July 28

CHILDREN VIDEOS



Using a computer, tablet or phone, kids have access to the KIDS series to learn about God and The Bible.

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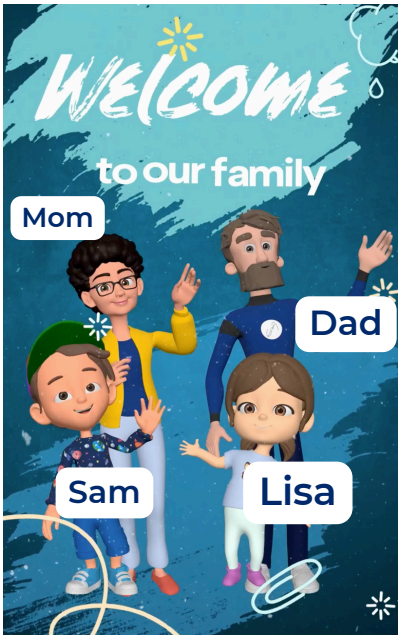

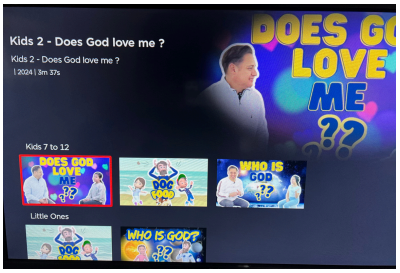

If you own a Roku TV, or Roku TV device, Apple TV device, Amazon Fire TV device, or a Samsung TV, install our channel Gian TV. Once you install it, on the main menu of the channel go down to the category for KIDS.

The content, illustrations, creation of animation, audio recording, filming and final production, is one of the most complicated tasks that we have accomplished here in Victory Church Odessa.

Someone said recently, “You guys are making cartoons now!” — Somehow it is true.

Some kids were interested in watching cartoons on YouTube one day when I was in a house. I heard about it and suggested, “What if you let me show you my own cartoons?” One of the kids said, “Are you famous?” We all laughed. Then I showed them our videos.

One of the kids said to Tracy, “Not to be rude, but Gian’s accent is annoying. ”Immediately Tracy came where all the adults were to tell us and we all laughed about it.

Children are spontaneous, and naturally they will tell you what they think. But the most important comment I heard that day was when I was watching with the children one of the lessons, titled “Would I go to Heaven?” In this lesson, I explain in simple words to a child that the only requirement to go to Heaven is to believe that Jesus is the Son of God. (John 3.16, John 1.12-13). Suddenly, the 9-year-old girl said, “That is so interesting!”

I know she will remember that for the rest of her life. That day I felt that we saved a life.

- Gian

PERSEVERANCE

James 1:12 - "Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love Him."

The Lord God gives you a goal. A true believer hears the voice of the Holy Spirit. You know this is true, because you know when you need to do something, and when you need to stop doing something, Therefore, according to the scripture, the Lord God will give you a desire in your heart. (Psalm 37:4)

You receive that vision, and you begin to walk in that direction. Once you receive that goal that God gave you, you will start going in that direction, as long as you are obedient. That is why you read the Bible.

You persevere every single day. When you do your daily devotion, you will receive a confirmation of what you need to do. All that you need to do is to come back to the Bible, and read it again. The Holy Spirit will lead you to what you need to do, as you continue to obey Him.

You will have obstacles every single day. There is no easy life, and there is no perfect life. Everybody has problems. What happens is that you don't know their problems, but everyone has problems. What do you do when things are not going well? Quitters quit. Are you a quitter? Are you going to quit? I don't think so, because you know you have to persevere, regardless of the obstacles.

You will praise Him every single day. Trusting in Him is a form of adoration. When you declare that you trust Him, you are adoring Him. Declaring that you trust Him is one way to worship God.

Even if it's a rainy day, keep quoting the scripture. Every human being has feelings. And when it is raining, sometimes you can feel sad. That is understandable. You cannot give up, simply because you are sad. That is perseverance.

You can suffer, and you can cry, but you know He is with you. "Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me." (Psalm 50:15)



~Tracy

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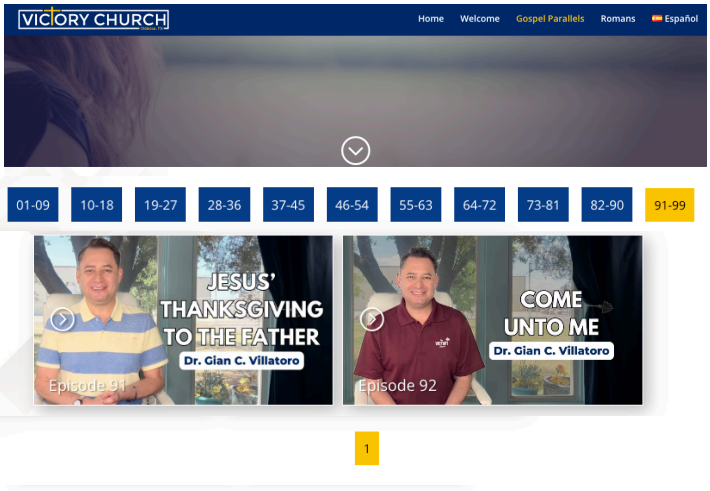

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TOPIC	EPISODE # ON	DESCRIPTION
Being Accepted by People	86 on 7/3/24	Many people are always looking for the approval of others. Learn why you will stop longing for that once you understand why our Lord Jesus did not look for the approval from people.
Regrouping	87 on 7/10/24	From time to time you need to take a break. On this Episode, Dr. Gian shows us how our Lord Jesus did that, why, how, where, and when.
JTB asking a final question	88 on 7/17/24	John the Baptist was a phenomenal leader during the times of our Lord Jesus. Our Lord called him, the greatest of all prophets. What did JTB ask our Lord, as a final question?
Jesus said about JTB	89 on 7/24/24	Our Lord Jesus had a pretty strong opinion about JTB. You need to listen what our Lord said about him.
Woes pronounced on Galilean cities	90 on 7/31/24	Punishment truly comes to people. What did our Lord Jesus say about certain cities, and why? Join us on this Episode.

GOSPEL PARALLELS BIBLE STUDY AUGUST SCHEDULE

TOPIC	EPISODE # ON
Jesus' Thanksgiving to The Father	91 on 8/7/24
Come unto Me	92 on 8/14/24
Plucking Grain on the Sabbath	93 on 8/21/24
Expensive Perfume	94 on 8/28/24





The Saga continues… check the website https://www.amathis.net for all jokes, images and videos.

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AUGUST SCHEDULE



Why our Lord Jesus did use so much time training his disciples ? 8/4



Ignorance can kill you. Learn the importance of acquiring knowledge. 8/11



Is it possible that someone in church will end up in hell ? 8/18



One moment you are great, next moment you have so much doubt… Why? Can you set free of that? How? 8/25

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