Series: John 10:9-16

Serving God with Vision While Dealing with Tribulations

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for giving us vision to serve your kingdom.

Thank you for giving us vision to serve while we struggle with some tribulations.

I ask you to help the homeless that are dealing with tribulations while living on the streets and in homeless shelters.

Guide us to have vision as servants so we have no reason to fear you

Guide us to live our life in the path of righteousness with a vision to serve for the kingdom.

Thank you for this message that will be preached today.

Help us overcome our tribulations in our life going forward after this service and starting tomorrow morning.

In Jesus name, Amen.

We need to serve God with dignity in our life because we have to understand that God lets us suffer with purpose. This sermon will preach on the scripture on Isaiah 41:10. When we read Isaiah 41:10, God will strengthen you as you have a good vision while serving God as the rock of your salvation. I wish that lectures from Pastor John Johnson at Star of Hope Mission in Houston are televised or recorded because everyone needs to hear his lectures on vision. More people understand we need to serve God with vision to remain righteous to God and his kingdom. When you see people convert themselves to the path of unrighteousness is not living your life in the path of righteousness to God's kingdom.

This flock continues to grow and now has large attendance like Joel Osteen church in Houston. I am preaching the truth about God as a follower of Christ Jesus. A good vision to serve God with a righteous heart. When you read Isaiah 41:10, we need to have no reason to fear God as our personal savior and rock of our salvation to God's kingdom. Only people that fear God are people that are afraid to sacrifice their soul and heart for God. People fear God because they are afraid to make sacrifices to turn their life over to God and rather continue to live their life by the world. For example, LGBT community, women and liberals supporting abortion rights, legalizing marijuana. God will strengthen your heart when you have vision while serving God while dealing with your tribulations.

- Living in bondage is a tribulation
- Being envy, hate and jealousy is a tribulation
- Dealing with mental health and depression is a tribulation
- Food insecurity among homelessness on the streets is a tribulation
- Living in conceit is a tribulation.
- Selfish ambitions is a tribulation

- People living paycheck-to-paycheck and struggling to take care of their household is a tribulation.
- Have hard time finding employment is a tribulation
- Living in an overcrowded household struggling to take care of your family and/or yourself is a tribulation.
- Struggling living in a single parent household is a tribulation.

We need to call on God to guide us with our tribulations, not politicians and government. Say I want to be righteous to God. I want you to read out loud Isaiah 41:10. The key words in that scripture to know are righteousness, strength and fear. Isaiah was talking to Israel, Art and Jacob. When I read and look at the scripture, we must understand that Christ Jesus is our God and only personal savior. This needs to be educated to Muslims because Muslims are really lost. Muslims are trying to serve masters, such as Muhammad and Christ Jesus. It does not work like that. Muslims and all of us must serve one master named Christ Jesus that rules heaven and grants us grace and gift and eternal life. God is the only one that can help us in bad times and during our tribulations. World and politicians will not help you in bad times. Only thing politicians and the world can do is divide us to lead us to the path of righteousness. That's why Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. never believed in electoral politics because said it does not solve anything. I say people need to not vote in elections because it turns out to be disappointing after politicians just use our votes to get them elected to office. With your strong faith in God and your righteous heart, God can strengthen your well-being in bad times while dealing with our tribulations. God will strengthen your well-being with vision to God and Holy Spirit because it will get you to the Most Holy Place in the Tabernacle. Every night as a family or individually is to hold up your hands to God to praise him for today and give you an opportunity to live another day on earth. With this exercise, God can bless you and wake you up in the morning to live another day on earth. Say to the person next you: I want to live another day on earth.

Read Psalm 56:8 Read Proverbs 18:10 Read James 1:2-4

This message and sermon will bring me back to Romans 5:3-5 because we need to understand that we suffer while serving God with purpose. We must be willing to suffer as good stewards to God because it will help us understand that we must sacrifice the world and keep our focus on him. Say to the person next to you: I will sacrifice and suffer with the purpose to worship God. Say to the person on the other side of you: I will listen to God in my heart in my life with purpose as a shepherd. I want to add by saying that I am glad I learned from Charles Nowlin from Star of Hope Mission in Houston to know how to better understand the bible by context. It improved by preaching before I walked in and got admitted to Star of Hope Mission in Houston on May 2, 2023. I pray for homeless men at the Philly House daily for their well-being and ask

for God to guide them because I do that to prevent them from leaving the Philly House and ending up relapsing into the world. I pray for homeless men and women that hangout at Suburban station in Philadelphia because I pray for them to give up their conceit and go stay at places like the Hub of Hope to have a place to stay to get themselves back on their feet. I pray for the women that come to the Philly House to eat breakfast, lunch and dinner to ask Christ Jesus to guide them overcome their tribulations they are dealing with on a daily basis.

In order to overcome our tribulations, we must glorify God during our tribulations on a daily basis. When I speak to members and visitors during biblical counseling in my office in the past, I guide them to say a prayer and how to deal with their tribulations. Conceit and selfish ambitions were a tribulation for myself before I walked in and got admitted to Star of Hope Mission in Houston. The classes that I have to take in the program up to level 5/five months and my case manager have helped me overcome selfish ambitions, tribulations and conceit in the Spiritual Recovery Program. I learned how to glorify God during my tribulations and take good advice from case managers, the Program manager and classes. That's why I feel like I always got blessings from God daily at the Star of Hope Mission in Houston. If I learned how to glorify God during my tribulations at Star of Hope Mission in Houston, God can do the same for homeless and low-income individuals in Philadelphia when they keep their focus on God and live obedient to God by sticking through your tribulations to let God bless you with a breakthrough in your life. While you are glorifying God through your tribulations, you must be patient with God and his kingdom. Say to the person next to you: I want to be patient with God to be praised by his kingdom. I was happy that case managers and the program manager got me to stay in the Spiritual Recovery Program at Star of Hope Mission in Houston until October 2023 commencement to work on my tribulations and let God guide me while dealing with my tribulations. The 12-step classes helped me a lot because I got good feedback from other clients in the room on how to deal with my tribulations while I was at Star of Hope Mission in Houston and after Star of Hope Mission in Houston. Read Romans 8:26-27. Star of Hope Mission in Houston is the best shelter I stayed at that helped me with my tribulations. When I stayed and was part of homeless programs before. Star of Hope Mission did not really help me with my tribulations and let me rush out of the shelter to continue to live with struggles and tribulations.

The tribulations that Star of Hope Mission in Houston helped me with in the Spiritual Recovery Program:

- 1. Helped me with making conceit decisions and let God guide me daily.
- 2. Take the right steps in my life to have a vision towards God and prevent relapse in the world.
- 3. Have more self-control in my life as a christian and disciple
- 4. I learned how to keep my spiritual virtues strong to God and Holy Spirit
- 5. Strengthen my spiritual discipline with stronger prayer life and contentment to God.

- 6. Stop my selfish ambitions and focus more on myself daily.
- 7. Providing brotherly love to others
- 8. Stay away from mammon in my life and stop letting mammon control my life.

It is good to glorify God when we have nothing because we do not need to be rich from the world. We need to be rich from the spirit of God in our hearts. We do not need to make ourselves rich from mammon because we need to be rich with God in our hearts forever. I am coming out of 2 Corinthians 6:9-10. God needs to be the only person we need to treat and trust as a possession in our life by glorifying and having strong faith in God in our hearts. We need to put God first before listening to politicians and the world. Next scripture I will be talking about is Phippians 4:6-8. You notice one thing you see in the scripture Philippians 4:6-8 is that it talks about let our request be known and thanksgiving. When we are living to glorify God through our tribulations, we must pray to God to keep our request known to God without begging God for our requests. As God being our supplier, we must thank him prayer daily in our life. Say to the person next to you: we must have good gratitude for God and the Holy Spirit. Say to a person near you peace with God is having a good understanding of God's word.

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for this message today and let us give you this message to improve our life to God. Guide us to give us hope in your kingdom

Guide us to have a prayer life and keep us around people in our inner circle that will have no hate and envy towards us for serving God the right way in our life.

I ask you to let us go forward in our life not to care for what other people think of us.

I ask you to judge people that like to judge us and do not worry about their own destiny because there are too many people on earth that are in other people's business too much, not their own destiny.

Guide us to give us patience while glorifying and serving for your kingdom daily.

Strengthen our praise and our family praise for you daily.

Strengthen discipleship in the world and let us not be ashamed to serve you under your grace and mercy to our gift of eternal and everlasting life.

Guide and strengthen us to suffer with purpose to serve as disciples and stewards to your kingdom.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to preach on the key important topic to this flock.

Keep our hearts pure and truthful to you as our one God in our life forever.

Guide us to continue to show love for people around us if they do not love us daily.

Guide us and help us avoid temptation in our life while we glorify God during our tribulations. In Jesus name, Amen.

If you like this message and apply this message to your life, I encourage you to continue to worship with us by seeking a church home that we dedicate ourselves to pray for you daily. You

can call our prayer line during the week or you can talk to our prayer ministry at the end of the service, so we the Prayer Ministry can keep you in their prayers and help you seek God in your life. Let us pray for you. We pray for people and you because we love you as a child of God, brother and/or sister. If you are still dealing with ungodliness and sin in your life related to the message, call our prayer ministry number (332) 333-1973. I will be in NYC on my birthday later this month and I will be 41 years old. My trip to Houston has been locked in for August 11-17, 2024. My return date to Philadelphia is August 17, 2024.

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