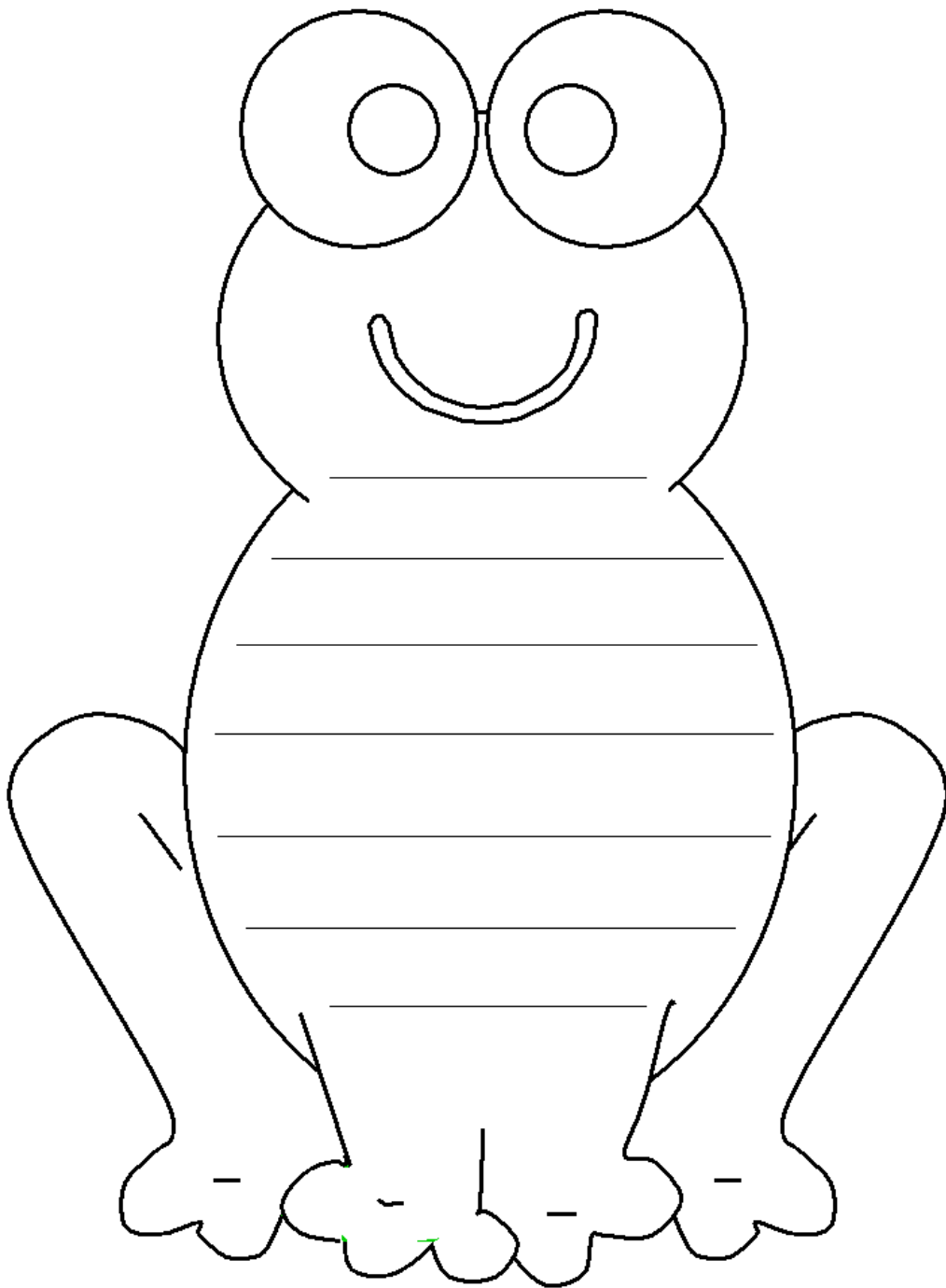


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# In Touch

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## Friday Bible School Special



FULLY RELY ON GOD

## Sherbet the frog recipe

Got a frog in your throat? Your kids will be so "hoppy" to try this cool dessert



### Ingredients

- 1 scoop lime sherbet
- 1 small green paper plate
- 1 green gummy candy
- 2 Junior Mint candies
- Green decorator's gel

### Directions

To make the sherbet frog, set a scoop of lime sherbet on a small green paper plate (trim the plate to resemble a lily pad first, if you like). Cut one green gummy ring candy into quarters and place the four pieces under the sherbet scoop for feet. Set a Junior Mint candy and half a gummy ring in place for each eye. Finally, add a green decorators' gel mouth and nostrils.

## Frog cupcakes recipe



### INGREDIENTS

- 1 (18.25 ounce) package white cake mix
- 1 (16 ounce) can prepared vanilla frosting
- 6 drops green food coloring, or as needed
- 1/4 cup green decorator sugar
- 12 large marshmallows
- 48 semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 drop red food coloring

### DIRECTIONS

Bake cupcakes according to the directions on the package. Allow them to cool completely.

Scoop 2/3 of the frosting into a small bowl and mix with green food coloring. Frost the cupcakes. Sprinkle some of the green sugar over the tops.

Cut the marshmallows in half to make two circles. Dip half of each marshmallow piece into water and dip into the green sugar to make the eyelids. The remaining white will be the eyes. Place on the cupcakes. Use a little bit of white icing to glue a chocolate chip into the center of each eye for the pupil.

Mix the remaining frosting with red food coloring to make pink. Use the pink icing to draw smiling mouths and nostrils or even tongues on the frogs.

# Fully Rely On God



F.R.O.G. is an acronym for Fully Relying on God. It's a phrase that sums up what everyday FAITH is all about. **God Keeps His Promises when we rely on Him and we** can "Fully Rely On God" to enjoy all the blessings and favor in life. In Joshua 23:14 we read, "You know with all your heart and soul that not one of all the good promises the Lord your God gave you has failed. Every promise has been fulfilled; not one has failed." God has future in His hands, Scripture assures us He will never leave us or forsake us. He is our refuge and strength and before we call He will answer for His children.

Believer's life is a pilgrimage and a person could fear the Lord, obey his words but may walk through darkness. People fear the Lord but may not obey Him. For example, a son may fear his father but may not be obedient to his father if he is not present at home. Similarly, Believer's fear the Lord while in the church or reading bible but act as if he does not exist at other times. The two principles mentioned in this passage are: trust in the name of the Lord and rely on his God and do not create own lights in darkness. Solely depend on God and refuse to solve the problem in worldly wisdom. There are several kinds of darkness in a person's life, the moment you are with Jesus (FROG) enlighten in all the area and lead into the path of success.

**1. Darkness of Death:** David talks about walking in the valley of death. Death is really darkness as it is the end of the life in this world and door of entry to new life in eternity. Paul writes that death is the last enemy (1 Cor 15:26). Facing death in a person's life is not a pleasant experience. God can send light even in the darkness of death and deliver us as this wonderful real life story suggests. Psalmist David was not afraid of the darkness of death.

**2. Darkness of Danger:** Daniel and his friends lived in a hostile environment. Their faith was constant challenged. As they could not find any fault in Daniel's life in his work place, they conspired against his spiritual life. An edict banning all prayers to anybody else except the King was passed. But Daniel refused to stop praying to God, he was in clear danger. He was thrown in the lions' den. Here God sent his angel so that angels would not harm Daniel (Daniel 6). In the darkness of danger of lions' den there was God's provision for deliverance.

**3. Darkness of Depression:** Depression means no hope about the future. Elijah, a great prophet of God proved God to detractors by bringing fire from heaven at Mount Carmel. This great victory and euphoria disappeared when Jezebel the queen sent him death threat. The prophet was depressed and wanted to die (suicidal tendency) as he saw no purpose in life and ministry. In the darkness of depression God sent his angel to feed him physically and the Holy Spirit spoke to him, providing new vision for ministry. In the dark moment Elijah did not light his own fire but trusted God.

It is said if you want to boil a frog, don't throw in a pot of boiling water. It will immediately jump out. Put him in a pot of cold water and turn the heat up so slowly that he won't even notice the dangerous increase in temperature. Young Children fear that the trend in our world is to slowly turn up the heat. Pay attention. Don't allow yourselves to be desensitized by gradual lapses in good judgment.



God uses us in accomplishing His great purposes of effecting real life-change in those around us. We need to remember: God has the power to change people's lives; God uses us in that process

What does "Rely on God" look like?

Recognize what God is doing

Express the truth

Leave the results to God.

Yield ourselves in prayer

Make a list of five friends who are not followers of Christ. Start praying five minutes a day that they will become followers of Christ.

Have a blessed month in Christ and enjoy in the celebration of FBS Day

With Love & Serving in His Vineyard

**Pastor Shalom**

# Elevate

Rising to New levels in Life

***God wants us to grow in 4 levels ...Faith, Family, Finances and Freedom  
Financial principal summarized...a) Live below your means      b) Give generously  
If we are able to practice these two things, we can see revelation in our finances***

## 10 financial commandments      (Teaching by Robert Morriss Continued)

9. Exodus 20:16 "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor"

9. Thou shalt use your finances to bless others and be a witness about God

Think about this- why did God put you in your neighborhood? To bless you...God has other purpose too...He puts your family & you as a witness (how we live our life? We live a life differently than the world; we live a life according to the principles of God.

If we won't handle our finances correctly, I think we are giving bad witness about God. Never forget God provides our heart's desires and we need to be good stewards.

10. Exodus 20:17, "You shall not covet your neighbor' house... nor anything that is your' neighbor's.

10. Thou shalt not try to keep up with the Joneses.

Because of covetousness we tried to keep up with the Joneses. Col 3:5 'Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth; fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire and covetousness, which is idolatry. Lots of people never say covetousness is Idolatry but is adultery. The reason is, we value something higher than we value God that becomes covetousness.

All of these financial principles have to do with our being content in serving God, loving God, putting God 1<sup>st</sup> in your life. And it is wonderful to use your finances according to God's principles. Let me tell one more thing, what if is your finance is messed up?

If you are finances are messed up or if you are in a bad situation, God won't leave you or forsake you, turn to Him and begin to implement 10 financial commandments on the authority of God's word, I will promise you, you will go to a higher level.

## Have a Growth Plan

***Colossians 1:10 - That you might walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God.***

Do you have a growth plan for your life? Are you doing anything deliberately and tactically to better yourself? Know today that growth doesn't come automatically. We may have success but that doesn't mean we've reached our highest potential. There is always room to rise above. There are other rough waters to wade through and new horizons to be discovered in life!

Many of us fall into the "destination trap" where we think we've arrived just because we've reached a certain goal. We think that since we've accomplished something, or got our degree, or a certain position, that we can just kick back and en-cash what we've already learned. But, in order to continue developing in life, we have to take responsibility for our own growth. We have to have the attitude, "How can I improve. What can I do to make myself better?"

So, how do we do that? We have to stir up that desire to learn. We should have a goal to grow and learn something new every day. It can be as simple as, "I'm going to get up every morning and spend the first twenty minutes meditating on God's Word and thanking Him for what He's done." "I'm going to listen to a teaching CD on the way to work." "At night, I'm going to turn the TV off a little bit earlier and read a book for twenty minutes." "I'm going to indulge in conversations that will increase my understanding on the Word of God" "I'm going to go to church regularly." Now, that's a growth plan!

As we take responsibility for our personal growth, God will honor our efforts. He'll give us the right breaks. He'll give us the right opportunities and He'll help us rise higher and higher. As we continue to grow, we'll see every dream and desire God has put in our heart, come to pass!

# Is Trouble Troubling You?

## *Trouble is chastening*

Hebrews, chapter 12, verse 6 and following says: " For whom the Lord loves he chastens, and scourges every son whom he receives. If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chastens not? But if you be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are you bastards and not sons"

If we are God's children, then when we get out of line, he will chastise us. And in chastising He deals with us just like a father deals with his son. He does not deal with a sinning saint as a sinner but as a son.

Two C's are always operating in a believer's life. He either changes after he is saved, that is, his conduct changes or there is chastisement. And if you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons. In the book of Hebrews it goes on to say that He chastises us to make us " partakers of his holiness".

So if you are born again and get into wilful sin, you will be chastised by the Lord; not because he does not love you but because he does.

If you claim to be saved and live habitually, by preference in continual sin, and you are never chastened by the Lord, then you should check up and make dead sure you are saved.



## *Trouble is conditioning*

In II Corinthians, chapter 1, verse 4, we read " who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God".

Often-times trouble in our lives is conditioning us to be a blessing to others. The world is full of people who are sad, despondent, depressed and on the verge of a nervous breakdown. And the only answer is people who are equipped to help those people. Unless we have gone through the difficult circumstances the other people have gone through we would not be able to truly relate, sympathise or pray for their need.

## *Trouble is Conforming*

Do I believe in predestination? Yes Romans 8.29 says " For whom he foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son,"

The pearl is a product of suffering. A little piece of foreign matter enters an oyster, then the oyster secretes a solution that covers the little piece of sand or foreign object and then secretes more – layer after layer. And as time goes by you finally have a perfect pearl..

Trouble comes into our lives; but if trouble is rightly received and correctly responded to, it will make out of us a pearly – a pearl of a believer.

Why do believer's have trouble? Sometimes it is for chastening. Sometimes it is for conditioning. Always it is for conforming. And if we respond to trouble in a Christlike manner with the right attitude then it always works for God's glory.

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21 days to Breakthrough

4th June to 24th June

Contact: Pastor

Spending time with JESUS...be blessed!

23rd June 2011

Overnight Prayer

@ Salmiya & Fahaheel

Starting at 10 pm

## Teusday Fellowship Meetings in June

7th June—James & Prabha Newton , Salmiya

14th June—Richard & Anita Soans, Fahaheel

21st June—Joseph & SathyaPrabha, Salmiya

*Ruth - Women's Fellowship*

*Saturday, 24th June 2011—5 pm*

*@ Annex Hall, NECK, Kuwait City*

## EAGLE

Kannada Bible Study

18th June 6:30 pm @ The Parsonage

## Birthdays In June



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*Celebrating  
Wedding Anniversary  
in June*

*Gary Sobers  
Catherine Wilson*

*On  
18th June*