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CHOSEN BIBLICAL Old Testament SCRIPTURE-



This month's coloured attachment scripture is AMOS 5:6(a)

"SEEK THE LORD AND LIVE"

Many people are unaware that here is an alternative to judgement, for God offers life and emphasises the importance of the issue to require it and seek Him, the same as all require food. Seeking after the Living God prepares the heart and attitude of mind, through

humbleness and repentance in prayer. God wants people to turn quickly to God for help. Hope and answers are found in seeking God, especially in times of personal struggles.

Life embraces more than physical existence, it includes a relationship with God. Believers are to be zealous and seek the things of God and reject anything that is not of Him, to understand the importance of knowing Him, His truth and holiness.

Life is to be lived for God and not self. Earthly life is temporary. Spiritual life that comes through faith in Christ is a foretaste of the life believers who have sought God will enjoy in the new heaven and the new earth.

True life with God is the work of The Holy Spirit and is abundant life. The Holy Spirit makes obedience to God possible to those who seek to receive revelation and guidance of His purposes. God is at work in all that happens to believers to warn, to correct, to test, to exercise faith, to purify and to benefit others. God draws His people near to Himself for them to receive His goodness.

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Christ is portrayed as The Authoritative Judge and Restorer, The King of The Kingdom.

BIBLICAL KNOWLEDGE- Did you know that Christians are virgins in the sight of The Lord? They are to walk in the ways of the Holy Spirit and be filled constantly with The Holy Spirit. Spiritual preparation cannot be bought or borrowed, it is a continual relationship with God.

An exposition and a Colouring Page of The Parable of the Wise and the Foolish Virgins is

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. **AN AUGUST EVENT-Sixtus II** occupied the office as **bishop of Rome** in 257–258. He rose to the position during the reign of Emperor Valerian when the empire was

ravaged by plagues, droughts, earthquakes, tornadoes, and tidal waves. Valerian was initially tolerant toward Christians, but as natural disasters shook his realm, he superstitiously began to blame the church. Edicts were issued against bishops and priests, and decrees forbade the gathering of Christians for worship. The followers of Christ, however, were not daunted, and within a year Valerian knew his edicts were failing. In July, 258 he ordered bishops, priests, and deacons executed. He confiscated church property and denied civil privileges to believers. Members of the royal court who espoused Christianity were made slaves on imperial estates. Sixtus II created a small chapel in the catacombs, and there he met secretly with his faithful group. One day as he taught the people, imperial soldiers burst in and seized him. He was put before a judge, condemned, and taken back to the catacombs where, on August 6, 258, he was put to death in his Episcopal chair. Several of his deacons also perished.





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Father God, We praise You for Who You Are. You are so good to us. You Forgive iniquities, Heal our weaknesses. You Redeem us from destruction. We thank you Jesus In You Name AMEN.

