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EDITORIAL

Hello house, We thank God for how far we have gone this semester and for the success of the programs we had during the semester as well as the countless blessings He has bestowed on us.

Exams are here again and while most of us don't look forward to it, it is here and we all must be well-prepared. It is time to go the extra mile and pray that God crowns our efforts with good success. Success in all our exams!

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WELCOME ADDRESS

EXAMS ARE HERE AGAIN!!!

Perhaps, you are just like me that cannot believe how fast time went by and you are finally waking up to the fact that exams are in a few days (saying a few weeks makes it sound like the exams are still far away). As with all first semesters, the beginning of the session is usually about settling down, trying to get used to new roommates, adjusting to the schedule of a new class, registrations here and there before you realise exams are knocking. No cause for alarm though, you and I still have few weeks to go and the time left have to count for something!

Just as our earthly fathers would ask about our progress in our academics and encourage us to do well, **our heavenly Father is also concerned about our schoolwork.** God wants to see us excel in every area of our lives. Our academics should bring glory to God, thus we should **make deliberate efforts in our studies.** We must also plan for success and be diligent in our academic pursuits.

Lastly we must depend on God and trust His spirit to guide us in our reading. **God's grace in our exams.** Happy new month to you!

WE ALL NEED A WHEELCHAIR

I once saw someone who is just about the most independent-minded person I know seriously hurt his foot in a freak accident. For some time when he could not move around with his legs due to the severity of the injury, he had to use a wheelchair and was driven around the hospital as he went for scans and treatment by the nurse attending to him. He was powerless. For all his independent-mindedness, he could not do anything or go anywhere on his own. The experience made me realize that we all needed a wheelchair.

Of course, I am not talking about a physical wheelchair. I am talking about a 'life wheelchair'. A wheelchair on which God drives us by Himself after we have been broken. A wheelchair on which we keep moving towards God's intended purpose not because we don't have a contrary will but because we have submitted that will to Christ. A wheelchair through which the reality of Paul's statement- for me to live is Christ and to die is gain will be the reality of our lives. That our lives be driven by Christ and Christ alone. You need a wheelchair!

QUOTE OF THE PUBLICATION

If the stars were made
to worship so will I

If the mountains bow
in reverence so will I

If the oceans roar Your
greatness so will I

For if everything exists
to lift You high so will I

If the wind goes where
You send it so will I

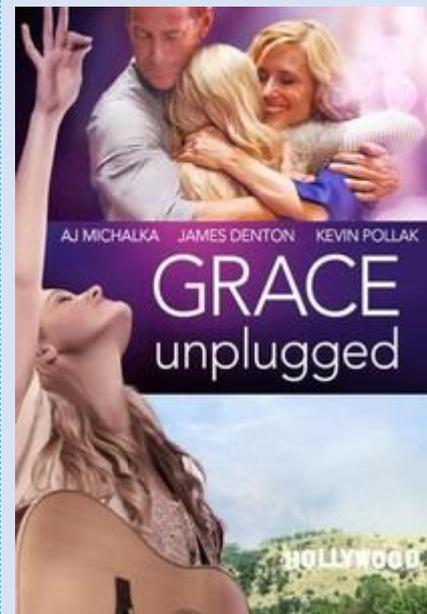
If the rocks cry out in
silence so will I

If the sum of all our
praises still falls shy
Then we'll sing again a
hundred billion times

- Excerpts from the lyrics
of 'So will I' by Hillsong
(Album-There's more)

MOVIE REVIEW: *Grace Unplugged*

Well while we know we are in exam period, this movie review is not to distract us but just to give us something to look forward to after our exams.



Grace Unplugged is a 2013 Christian musical drama film. The film is based on a story by Brandon Rice, written and directed by Brad J. Silverman, and stars AJ Michalka, James Denton, and Kevin Pollak.

The film follows an 18-year-old girl who rejects her father's desire for her to be a church singer and goes to Hollywood seeking stardom. The film was released to

theaters on October 4, 2013 by Lionsgate Films and Roadside Attractions.

Grace "Gracie" Trey is a Christian teenager with religious parents who take her to youth group and church every Sunday. Her dad doesn't let her play and sing her own way when she is anywhere. Gracie thinks otherwise. She and her father Johnny, a former singing star, have sung and played the guitar together ever since she was little. During a worship, Grace decides to add her own touch to a song. This begins a disagreement between Grace, who wants to focus on her musical talent, and Johnny, who wants Grace to focus on her religion. Grace decides to leave home to pursue her own dream. She gets confused in the journey and had to go back home to reconcile with her father.

On a final note, a major lesson learnt from this movie is that nothing truly satisfies save a relationship with Christ.

THE CROSS

A place where two pieces of wood come together as one

A place of suffocation

A place of pain

A place of disgrace

A place of abuse

A place of mockery

A place where vinegar was given in place of water

A place where a crown of thorns was worn

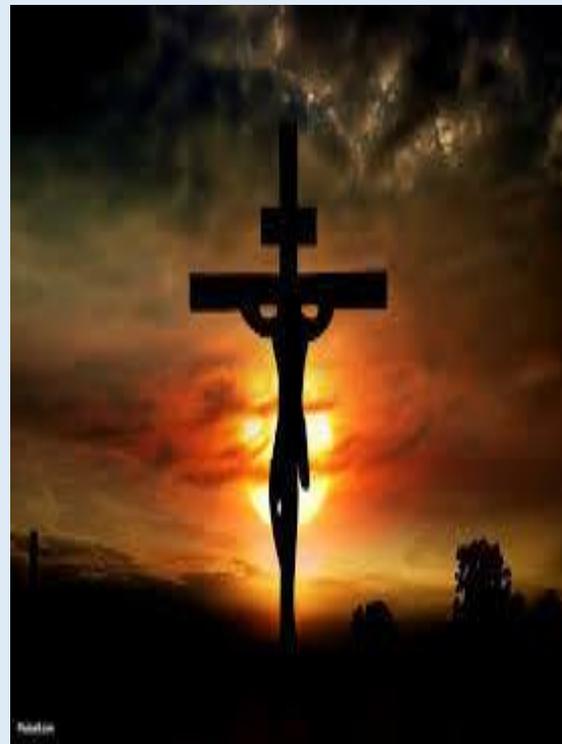
But for me

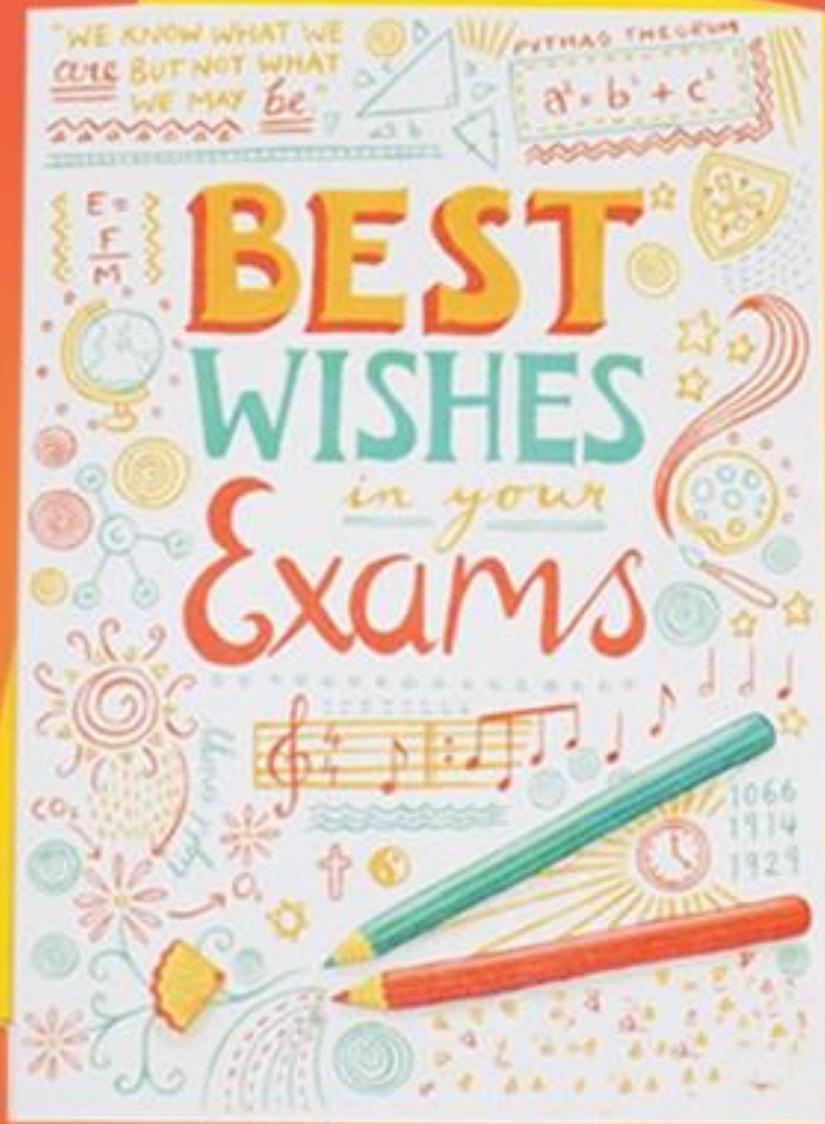
A place where my sin was taken

A place where my yoke was removed

A place where grace and mercy flowed in infinite proportions

A place where my savior died for me





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