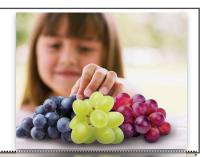
## JLH Women's Saturday Devotions

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## Taste & See, the Lord is Good Sister. Henriques



My grand daughter Jayliah is a delight to see eating as she's transitioning from milk only to baby food. One day I was eating a cookie and I noticed she was staring at me and watching my feet move listening to me humming. Her little mind wasn't comprehending why grandma was expressing the joy eating this cookie while she sits in her high chair with her baby cookies. She tried eating them but there wasn't much excitement in it. So grandma was moved with compassion while mom wasn't looking and handed her a lemon cookie. She reached for it and stared at it for a second and took a bite. Whoa, it was a Kodak moment, her eyes lit up, a smile came on her face and her feet begin to move also. We were enjoying cookies together until my daughter walked in and saw her child eating sweets and took it away. Oh did Jayliah cry, her mom tried giving her the baby cookies but Jayliah tossed it on the floor, she realized the taste was not the same. I watched my grandchild weep over something she had taste and seen for the first time. *Psalms 34:8 O taste and see that the LORD is good: Blessed is the man that trust in him.* 

King David was expressing to the people how good the LORD is when we reach out and trust him in all aspects of our lives. When my grand daughter reached for the cookie she didn't know what it was until she taste it, and saw "This is good."

We have a choice to pick and choose what we will eat and drink rather it's good for us or not. For instance some prefer fried chicken over baked chicken or scrambled eggs over a boiled egg. Either way, we must seek after what we want. Imagine the ones who choose not to taste and see that the Lord is good but rather trust and believe in other gods. They are starving spiritually to experience the One and Only TRUE Living God. *Deuteronomy 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD*.

When Jesus drew us, He was giving us the opportunity to taste and see His Goodness, His Truth, His Grace and Mercy. *John 14:16 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.* 

I've noticed in scriptures Jesus gives examples using food or drink when reaching people? Why? Because they're either hungry or thirsty. The disciples wanted Jesus to send the people away not realizing **they've taste and seen the goodness** of Jesus and didn't want to share the goods. But Jesus told them don't send the people away, **you feed them!** *Read Matthew 14:13-21*The woman at the well was thirsty she needed everlasting water, Jesus met her right where she was. And gave **HIMSELF**. She taste and seen the Lord was good! *Read John 4* 

A beautiful example of someone seeking but haven't taste the goodness of Jesus was a man named Cornelius, and who did Jesus use to witness His goodness? He chose Peter who was also hungry **Acts 10:10** to go feed a hungry seeking soul. But Peter let pride and the law get in the way forgetting what Jesus Commanded Him to do...GO.....*Matthew 28:19* and realized *God is no respecter of persons. Acts 10:34* -When God's words come to us it should bring us joy. *Jeremiah 15:16* 

We were chosen to received the Holy Spirit, Jesus gave us this opportunity to taste and see, so don't be selfish and stingy....give the people what God has given you....Jesus, Our Lord and Our Savior. Amen.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Psalm 118:24 This is the day that the Lord has made, WE shall rejoice and be glad in it.

So while we are out and about today eating and drinking .....remember God has chosen you to feed a hungry and thirsty soul. Your testimony is a great way to start. You've witness the goodness of Jesus and ALL HE HAS DONE, Your soul cries out Hallelujah Thank God for saving me!! Be encouraged, God Bless, Love Ya!

## Matthew 25:35-40

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.

Then the righteous will answer him, saying,

"Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothed you? And when did we see you sick in prison and visit you?

And the King will answer them. Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.