

Newness of Life Putting God First

A CHANGED LIFE



Luke 14:15-24

New life in Christ..

- Romans 6:4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in **newness of life.**



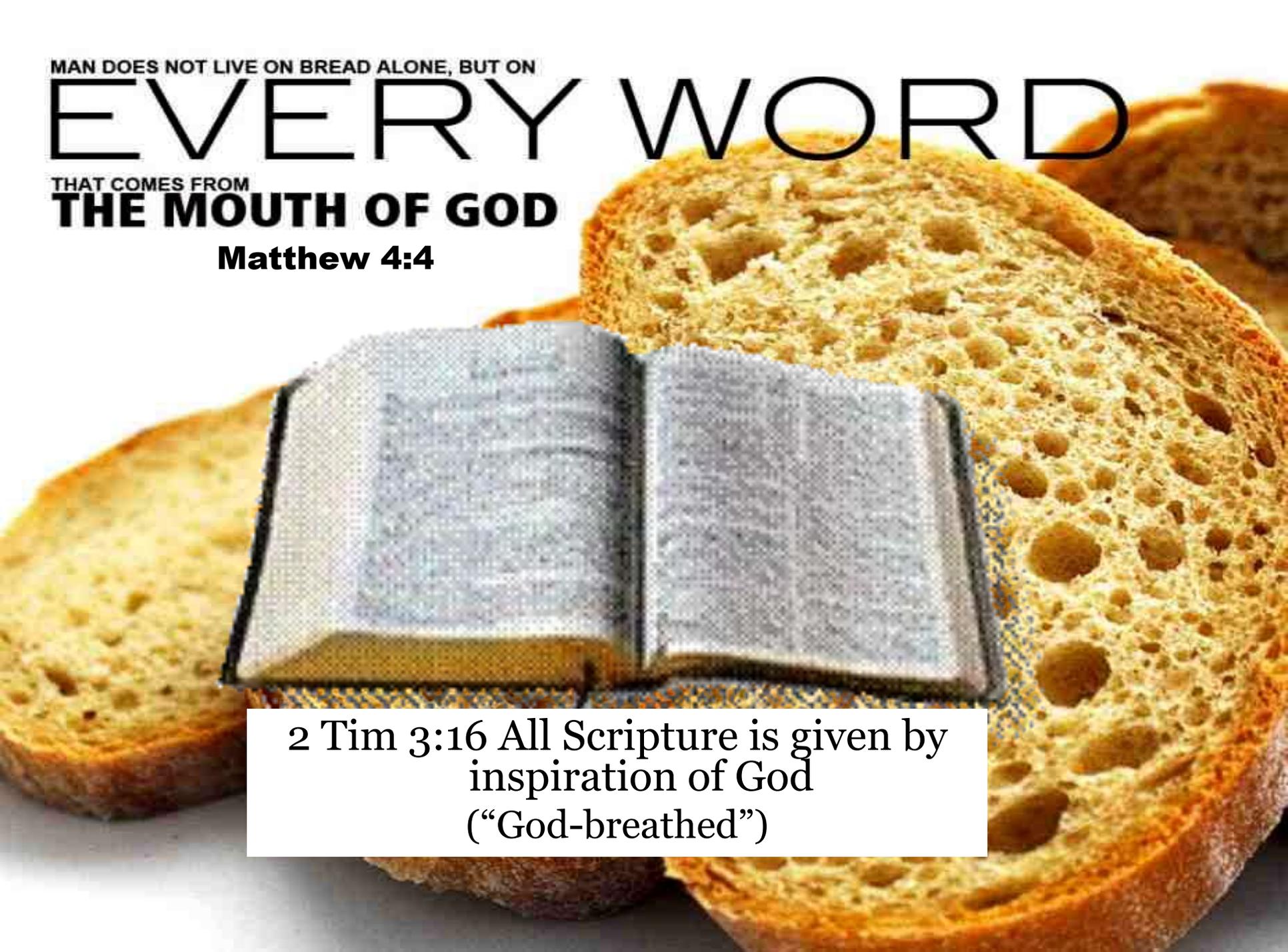
MAN DOES NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON

EVERY WORD

THAT COMES FROM

THE MOUTH OF GOD

Matthew 4:4



2 Tim 3:16 All Scripture is given by
inspiration of God
("God-breathed")

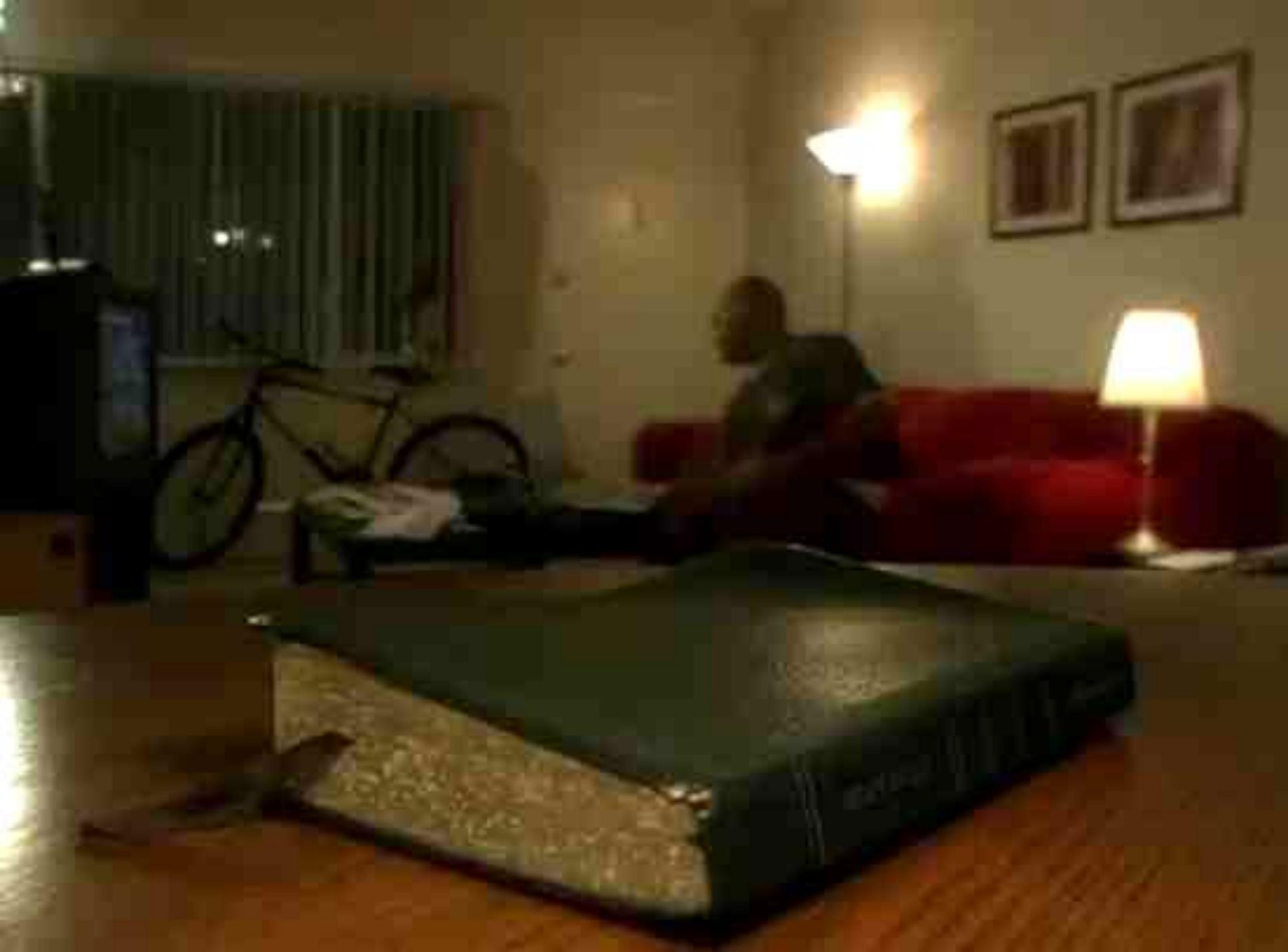


- Deuteronomy 6:5-6 You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.. 6 "And **these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.** 7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.



Sunday
9:45a.m.

Tale of the Neglected Bible



A person wearing a dark hoodie is standing in a living room, leaning forward. In the foreground, a large, thick Bible with a gold-embossed cover lies on a light-colored wooden coffee table. The room contains a red sofa, a bicycle leaning against a wall, a window with blinds, and two framed pictures on the wall.

Sunday
9:45a.m.

Read
Me!



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**“A BIBLE THAT’S
FALLING APART
USUALLY BELONGS TO
SOMEONE WHO ISN’T.”**

The Great Supper

- Luke 14:15-24 "A certain man gave a great supper and invited many, 17 and sent his servant at supper time to say to those who were invited, 'Come, for all things are now ready.'

The Great Supper

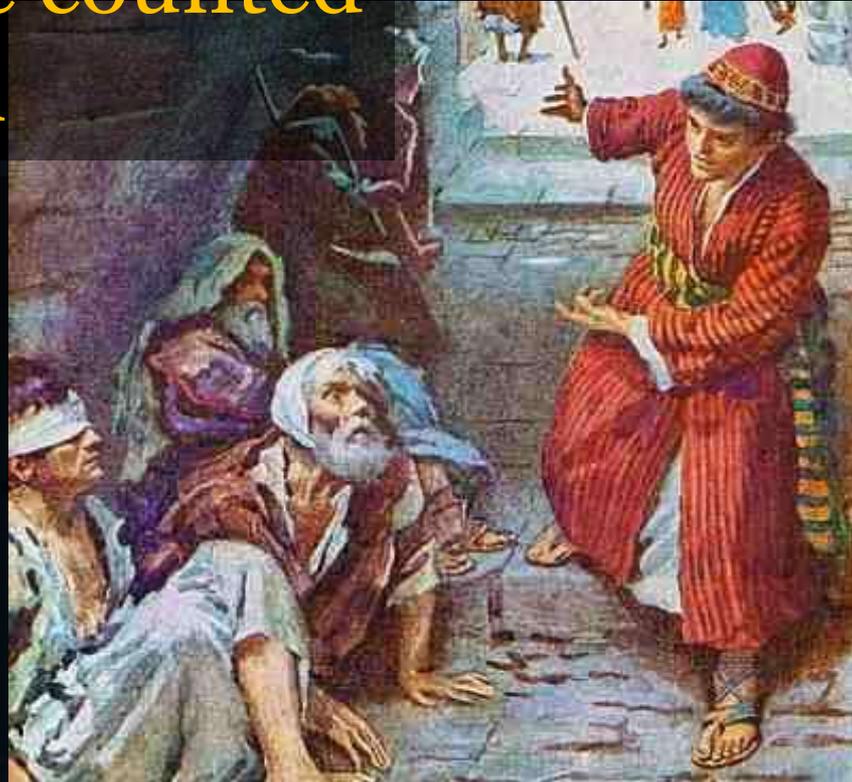
- 18 But **they all with one accord began to make excuses.** The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of ground, and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.' 19 And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.' 20 Still another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.'

Inviting others



- 21 So that servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.'

Excuses are counted as rejection



- 22 And the servant said, 'Master, it is done as you commanded, and still there is room.' 23 Then the master said to the servant, '**Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.** 24 For I say to you that none of those men who were invited shall taste my supper.'

Filled with those
who come gladly

*the poor, the crippled
the lame, the blind*

THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

- Luke 14:25-34 "If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple. 27 And whoever does not bear his cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple.

THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP



- 28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it — 29 lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, 30 saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish...
- 33 So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.



**BUT SEEK FIRST
THE KINGDOM
OF GOD & HIS
RIGHTEOUSNESS,
AND ALL THESE THINGS
SHALL BE ADDED TO YOU.**

MATTHEW 6:33

God's love

A red cross is centered in the upper half of the image. Behind it, a golden, glowing light emanates from a central point, creating a halo effect. In the background, there are faint, golden silhouettes of figures, possibly representing the Holy Trinity or a religious scene. The overall color palette is dominated by red, gold, and dark brown.

- Romans 5:6-10 For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. 10 For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

Sacrificial love



- 1 John 3:15-18 Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. 16 By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. 17 But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him? 18 My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

Expressing our love for God



- 1 John 4:19-21 We love Him because He first loved us. 20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? 21 And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also.

Ephesians 4:11-16

Christ gave

Ephesians 4:11

**God's
Work**

} some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers,

*For the
equipping
of the saints*

Ephesians 4:1-16



For the Building up Of the Body

- Ephesians 4:15-16 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head — Christ — 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Hebrews 10:19-31

*Let us not give up meeting together,
as some are in the habit of doing,
but let us encourage one another —
and all the more as you see the
Day approaching. - Hebrews 10:25*





LORDS SUPPER

DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME



1 Corinthians 16:2

Upon the first day of the week
let every one of you lay by him in store,
as God hath prospered him,
that there be no gatherings when I come

A photograph of a field of white daisies with yellow centers, growing on a green lawn. The flowers are scattered across the frame, with some in sharp focus and others blurred in the background. A semi-transparent white banner is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text "Sing to the Lord." in a black, sans-serif font.

Sing to the Lord.

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