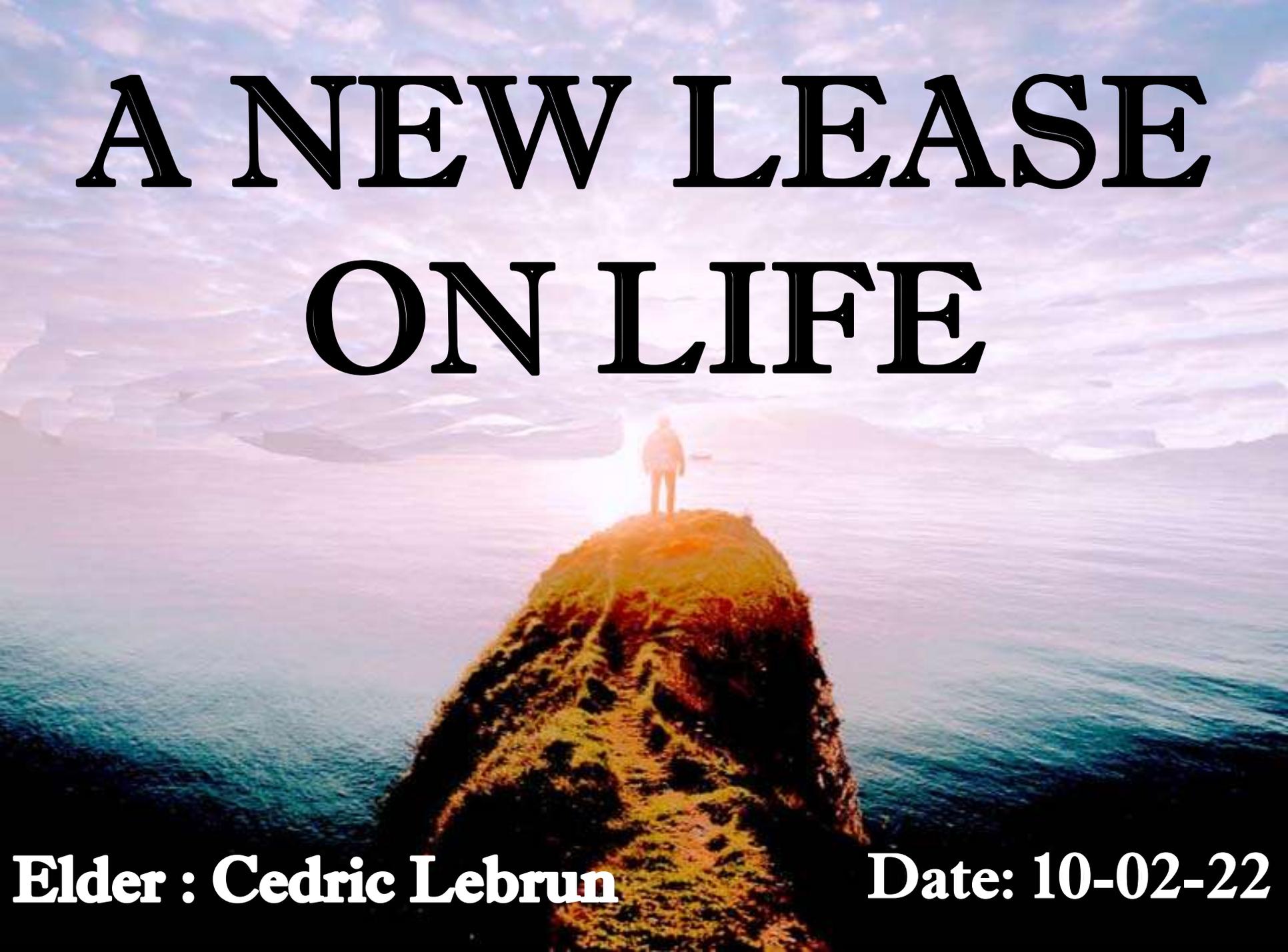


# A NEW LEASE ON LIFE

A person stands on the peak of a rocky, grassy cliff, silhouetted against a bright sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a strong glow and casting long shadows. The ocean stretches out to the horizon, with waves breaking against the shore. The sky is filled with soft, wispy clouds, and the overall atmosphere is serene and contemplative.

**Elder : Cedric Lebrun**

**Date: 10-02-22**

# MORNING READING

## PSALM 125 - A Song of degrees

**1 They that trust in the LORD**

**Shall be as mount Zion,**

**Which cannot be removed,**

**But abideth for ever.**

**2 As the mountains are round about**

**Jerusalem,**

**So the LORD is round about his people**

**from henceforth even for ever.**

**3 For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; Lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity.**

**4 Do good, O LORD, Unto those that be good, and to them that are upright in their hearts.**

**5 As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the LORD shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity: But peace shall be upon Israel.**

## **Hebrews 13:8 New International Version**

**Let the one who does wrong continue to do wrong; let the vile person continue to be vile; let the one who does right continue to do right; and let the holy person continue to be holy.”**

## **PS 125:5**

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# MAIN READING

## 2 Kings 20:1-21 NIV Hezekiah's Illness

1 In those days Hezekiah became ill and was at the point of death. The prophet Isaiah son of Amoz went to him and said, "This is what the LORD says: Put your house in order, because you are going to die; you will not recover."

2 Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the LORD,

**3 “Remember, LORD, how I have walked before you faithfully and with wholehearted devotion and have done what is good in your eyes.” And Hezekiah wept bitterly. 4 Before Isaiah had left the middle court, the word of the LORD came to him: 5 “Go back and tell Hezekiah, the ruler of my people, ‘This is what the LORD, the God of your father David, says: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears; I will heal you.**

**On the third day from now you will go up to the temple of the LORD.**

**6 I will add fifteen years to your life. And I will deliver you and this city from the hand of the king of Assyria. I will defend this city for my sake and for the sake of my servant David.”**

**7 Then Isaiah said, “Prepare a poultice of figs.” They did so and applied it to the boil, and he recovered.**

**8 Hezekiah had asked Isaiah, “What will be the sign that the LORD will heal me and that I will go up to the temple of the LORD on the third day from now?”**

**9 Isaiah answered, “This is the LORD’s sign to you that the LORD will do what he has promised: Shall the shadow go forward ten steps, or shall it go back ten steps?”**

**10 “It is a simple matter for the shadow to go forward ten steps,” said Hezekiah.**

**“Rather, have it go back ten steps.”**

**11 Then the prophet Isaiah called on the LORD, and the LORD made the shadow go back the ten steps it had gone down on the stairway of Ahaz.**

**12 At that time Marduk-Baladan son of Baladan king of Babylon sent Hezekiah letters and a gift, because he had heard of Hezekiah's illness. 13 Hezekiah received the envoys and showed them all that was in his storehouses—the silver, the gold, the spices and the fine olive oil—his**

**armory and everything found among his treasures. There was nothing in his palace or in all his kingdom that Hezekiah did not show them.**

**14 Then Isaiah the prophet went to King Hezekiah and asked, “What did those men say, and where did they come from?”**

**“From a distant land,” Hezekiah replied.**

**“They came from Babylon.”**

**15 The prophet asked, “What did they see in your palace?”**

**“They saw everything in my palace,”  
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my treasures that I did not show them.”  
16 Then Isaiah said to Hezekiah, “Hear the  
word of the LORD: 17 The time will surely  
come when everything in your palace, and  
all that your predecessors have stored up  
until this day, will be carried off to  
Babylon. Nothing will be left, says the  
LORD.**

**18 And some of your descendants, your own flesh and blood who will be born to you, will be taken away, and they will become eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.” 19 “The word of the LORD you have spoken is good,” Hezekiah replied. For he thought, “Will there not be peace and security in my lifetime?”**

**20 As for the other events of Hezekiah's reign, all his achievements and how he made the pool and the tunnel by which he brought water into the city, are they not written in the book of the annals of the kings of Judah? 21 Hezekiah rested with his ancestors. And Manasseh his son succeeded him as king.**

## **Isaiah 9:6-7 King James Version**

**6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from**

**henceforth even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.**

**James 1:17**

**New International Version**

**17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.**

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## **Joshua 10:12-14 NIV**

**12 On the day the LORD gave the Amorites over to Israel, Joshua said to the LORD in the presence of Israel:**

**“Sun, stand still over Gibeon, and you, moon, over the Valley of Aijalon.”**

**13 So the sun stood still, and the moon stopped, till the nation avenged itself on[a] its enemies, as it is written in the Book of Jashar.**

**The sun stopped in the middle of the sky and delayed going down about a full day.**

**14 There has never been a day like it before or since, a day when the LORD listened to a human being.**

**Surely the LORD was fighting for Israel!**

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