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God's Time

Catherine Pulsifer God's time is different than ours The Lord who made the moon and the stars Has time which we don't understand All things were created on his command.

With God a day is like a thousand years So as we pray about our fears Trust in Him and His timing too He knows better than we do.

And a thousand years are like a day That is hard to understand, you say He sees the present and the future Which makes His timing such a treasure.

He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end. Ecclesiastes 3:11

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"When he finished the book of Revelation I thought he'd quit preaching..."



Bubba's cousin Goober was walking from the pier carrying some fish in a bucket. When he was approached by the Game Warden who asked him for his fishing license. Old Goober replied, "I did not catch these fish, they are my pets. Every day I bring them down for a swim and then I whistle and they jump out of the water back into my bucket." The warden is highly skeptical, so Goober says, "If you don't believe me just watch!" and throws the fish into the water. The warden looks at Goober and says, "Now whistle to your fish and show me how they jump out of the water." To which Goober replied, "What fish?"

Bargain Hunter

Debra was shopping at a produce stand in her neighborhood. She approached the vendor and asked, "How much are these oranges?" "Two for a dollar," answered the vendor. "How much is just one?" she asked. "Sixty cents," answered the vendor. "Then I'll take the other one," said Debra.

<u>Wallpaper</u>

A young woman decided to redecorate her bedroom. She wasn't sure how many rolls of wallpaper she would need, but she knew that her friend next door had recently done the same job and the two rooms were identical in size. "Buffy," she said, "how many rolls of wallpaper did you buy for your bedroom?" "Ten," said Buffy. So the girl bought the ten rolls of paper and did the job, but she had 2 rolls leftover. "Buffy," she said. "I bought ten rolls of wallpaper for the bedroom, but I've got 2 leftover!" "Yeah!" said Buffy. "So did I."

The Checkup

A woman rushes to see her doctor, looking very much worried and all strung out. She rattles off, "Doctor, take a look at me. When I woke up this morning, I looked at myself in the mirror and saw my hair all wiry and frazzled up, my skin was all wrinkled and pasty, my eyes were blood-shot and bugging out, and I had this corpse-like look on my face! What's wrong with me, Doctor?" The doctor looks her over for a couple of minutes, then calmly says, "Well, I can tell you one thing...there's nothing wrong with your eyesight."

Breakfast

After breakfast one day, Marsha waited for John to comment on her first attempt at homemade cinnamon rolls. After several minutes with no reaction, she asked, "If I baked these commercially, how much do you think I could get for one of them?" Without looking up from his newspaper John replied, "About 10 years."

Doctor Visit

"Doctor, it's been a month since my last visit, and I still feel miserable." "Did you follow the instructions on the medicine I gave you?" "I sure did. The bottle said 'Keep tightly closed'."

Happily Married

A married couple never fought, not even once in 25 years of marriage. A friend of the couple asked, "How is that even possible?" Husband replied, "Well, we went to a Ranch for our honeymoon. While horseback riding, my wife's horse jumped and my wife fell off. She got up patted the horse and said, 'This is your first time." After a while it happened again and she said, 'This is your second time.' And when it happened a third time, she pulled out a gun and shot the horse. I shouted, 'Are you crazy?!? You killed a horse!!' She gave me a look and said, 'This is your first time.''

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I MUST NEEDS GO!

Pastor Billy R Douglas

Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many: And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused. Luke 14:16-18

As I read the above scripture the words "I MUST NEEDS GO" jumped off the page at me. In this fast paced life that everyone seems to live today sadly more times than not people are just too busy to serve the LORD. We see in the marriage supper parable that those who were invited all began to make excuse as to why they could not come. It is no different today. People always on the go too busy to give the LORD any of their time. Too busy to go to church, too busy to read their Bible, too busy to pray. Feeling as though everything that they are doing is important while leaving that which is most important undone. I have shared this with you before but it merits repeating...the devil does not have to get you to live a sinful lifestyle, caught up in drugs, alcohol or adultery. All he has to do is keep you so busy that you do not have time for the LORD. All he has to do is keep you ON THE GO until it is too late and you are all out of time and you leave this world lost and undone without God. I want to share with you something that I came across years ago. I have no idea who wrote it but it is such a perfect example of what we are talking about here....

"I will follow You, Lord, but first let me see if my parents approve."

"I will follow You, Lord, but first let me enjoy my teenage years and then I will follow you."

"I will follow You, Lord, but first let me get married. And then I will follow you."

"I will follow you Lord but first let me raise my children, they are such a handful and then I will follow you"

"I will follow You, Lord, but right now I have to work six days a week to pay the bills, and to get the kids through college, but after I get through this then I follow You."

"I will follow You, Lord, but first let me retire. Then I will have time to follow you."

"I would like to follow You, Lord, but it is too late now. I have not done it all these years, it's just too late now."

Death comes at last, and the day of salvation is over. One is separated from God eternally because one put off following Christ until it was too late.

May we all redeem the time that we have and spend that time wisely. Making sure that first and foremost we follow the LORD. For in the end that's all that is going to matter. Until next time, Pastor Billy R Douglas

Memories In Hell

Sister Nancy Willis

Some people think that hell is a joke very few people take the thought of hell seriously any more. Some consider hell as an illusionary place. But hell is an eternal place of torment. Three times in Mark the 9th chapter Jesus referred to the lost who enter hell as going to a place where the worm dieth not. What are some of the torments of hell? First, the absence of Gods presence, Second, eternal separation from loved ones who died in the Lord... you will never see them again. Third, you will still have your memory. In Luke 16: 19-21, the one thing the rich man took to hell with him was his memory. His life was an open book... as soon as he opened his eyes in hell he could remember everything he had on earth and all the things that he failed to do. He remembered he had five brothers and he did not want them to come to this place of torment. You will remember how you laughed away the convicting power of the Holy Ghost, You will remember the time that you trampled Gods mercy under your feet, but it will be to late. Think of it... Hell has no escape. People in hell have no hope of any kind. They are trapped forever. Everyone who is in hell right now are there against Gods will, 2 Peter 3:9 says The Lord is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. Repent and you can spend eternity in heaven. Where we will see Jesus and rejoice forever and ever.

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"Do You Have A Wait Problem?"

Evangelist Mike Heltsley

Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the Lord, and my judgment is passed over from my God? Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Isaiah 40:27-31

The Hebrew word for wait in Isaiah 40:31 means To bind together (perhaps by twisting) to expect:- gather (together), look, patiently, tarry, wait (for, on, upon). What does it means to wait upon the Lord? In the Word of God, we are told to that if we want to be blessed by the Lord, we must learn to wait upon the Lord Now the question is, what does it mean to wait upon the Lord? 1.To wait upon the Lord means to put your trust in the Lord. Proverbs 3:5-6 - Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. 6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Psalm 37:3-5 - Trust in the Lord, and do good: so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed. 4 Delight thyself also in the Lord: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. 5 Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass 2.To wait upon the Lord means to have faith in the Lord. Mark 11:22-24 - And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. 23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. 24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. 3.To wait upon the Lord means to call upon the Lord in prayer. Jeremiah 33:3 - Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not. 4.To wait upon the Lord means to serve the Lord with gladness. Psalm 100:1-2 - Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. 2 Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing. 5.To wait upon the Lord means to be patient with the Lord. Hebrews 10:35-36 - Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. 36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. 6.To wait upon the Lord means to be obedient to the Lord. James 1:22 - But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. 7.To wait upon the Lord means to trust in the Lord for your soul salvation. Romans 10:9-10 - That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. 8.To wait upon the Lord means to have hope in the Lord. Psalm 42:11 - Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God. Jeremiah 17:7 - Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. Now another question is asked: What happens when I wait upon the LORD? 1. Job 14:14 tells us that if we wait upon the Lord, our change will come. 2. Isaiah 30:18 says if we wait upon the Lord, God will be gracious, compassionate and have mercy upon us 3.Lamentation 3:25 says that the Lord is good to those who wait upon Him 4.In Isaiah 64:4 tells us that the Lord has some great things for us if we wait on Him. 5.In Micah 7:7 says that our salvation will come ,and our prayers will be heard by God if we wait upon the Lord. 6.And in Isaiah 40:31 -But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. That is He will you the strength to overcome your problems, overcome your tribulations, overcome your disappointments, overcome your setbacks, overcome your sickness, all because you wait upon the Lord. So why should we wait upon the Lord, we ought to wait upon the Lord because: Jesus Christ is our bread when we are hungry Jesus Christ is our Comfort when we are feeling lonely Jesus Christ is our Peace when we are feeling tense Jesus Christ is our Rest when we are feeling weary Jesus Christ is our Joy when we are feeling sad Jesus Christ is our Strength when we are feeling weak Jesus Christ is our Living Waters when we are thirsty Jesus Christ is our Help when we are in need Jesus Christ is our Wisdom when we are confused Jesus Christ is our Protection when we are endangered Jesus Christ is our Supply when we are empty Jesus Christ is our healing when we are hurt Jesus Christ is our encouragement when we are feeling depressed Jesus Christ is the Lord of Lord, the King of Kings Jesus Christ is the Light and the Savior of the world Jesus Christ is the Living Word of God Jesus Christ is the Prince of Peace Jesus Christ is Good Shepherd Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life Jesus Christ is the Alpha and Omega Jesus Christ is the Resurrection and the Life

Until next time, let your light shine for Jesus! Evangelist Mike Heltsley

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A World Turned Upside-Down

Pastor Steven Huston

Take two magnets with like polar ends (two north ends or two south ends facing each other) and push them toward one another; what happens? As these magnets are pushed toward each other there is an unseen force that makes them want to repel away from the other. Eventually they come to a point where, if possible, one will turn quickly around and the magnets will accept one another. We are finding American culture in the midst of a quick, polar-opposite shift. It didn't happen overnight; but rather over many years of rejecting the authority of God's Word in the government, society, entertainment, schools, and even to some degree in the church. Combine that with the chaotic upheaval of a so-called pandemic which promulgates fear and moves people to accept whatever they're told; such a great shift in thinking, believing, and behavior makes our country ready for a great reset. Many are buying the lies and deception that Satan, the evil one, has sown; we are ripe for the picking. America has shifted from a binary view of gender to a non-binary; it affects our schools, hospitals, entertainment, and is pushed by governmental agencies. In many areas what was once seen as unacceptable is now seen as acceptable; while that which was acceptable and good and right is now viewed with disdain and hatred. There was a day that we allowed God's Word to define not only good and evil, but terms as well-like marriage, love, sin, sex, and the list goes on; but now we have replaced God's true definitions with man's fallible and everychanging definitions. Honorable military training, like just war theory, have been removed from the teaching of those young men and women who desire to serve and protect our country. Without such training, and the indoctrination many of them receive, the likelihood of them becoming pawns against the citizens of America for a roque government are likely. We've lately been witnessing the vilification and demonizing of those who believe in America's Constitutional Republican form of government, conservative values, Christian values, and those who will not get vaccinated. These kinds of people are called domestic terrorists, violent extremists, and a host of other names that either makes them out to be subhuman or someone to be feared. Our nation has gone from one nation united under God to one nation brokenfragmented. We used to firmly believe in the discussion of ideas in the public square. That is how we ended up with the Federalist and Anti-Federalist papers; articles published in the newspaper for all to read and discuss regarding the, at that time proposed, Constitution of the United States of America. The polar-change that has taken place is best shown by the need for "safe space" and "free speech" zones on college campuses, nearly everything which runs contrary to the politically proposed agenda being called "hate speech," and even the title of a recent book by Mary Anne Franks, The Cult of the Constitution: our deadly devotion to guns and free speech. Our world has turned upside down. In a world that has turned upside down it is important that we cling to Christ and His Word; that is the only stable ground we will find. It used to be popular to be a Christian and there was a day when most would identify themselves as such. We will soon be leaving, if we haven't already, the day of the nominal Christian. It will cost one something to identify as a Christian in this fast changing world; for the environment is quickly turning hostile toward Christianity. Are you ready to stand in this evil day? If we are to stand we must be in our Bibles, the only source of truth, seriously rather than sparsely; for deception is rampant, far-reaching, and often difficult to discern. If we are to stand we must watch and pray. Watching demands us to be soberminded and vigilant. Prayer is communion with God, hearts ready to hear from Him. If we are to stand we must take our relationship with Christ seriously, being willing to walk in His way regardless the cost. If we are to stand we must walk after the Spirit and not after the flesh. If we are to stand we must be willing to die like so many who have come before us throughout the ages, and today around the world as well. We must recognize that it is no strange fiery trial that we face; it has been the normal course of action for those who stand against sin, recognizing death as nothing more than a door to eternity. And what a blessing to recognize that door as one that takes us face to face with our Saviour. O glorious day! If we do stand we may turn our corner of this upside down world upside down again. In Acts chapter 17 true Christians were accused of turning the world upside down; are you prepared to be such a one?





The Valley Of Deep Shadows

An old man who was very ill, wrote the following of Heaven: "I am interested in Heaven because I have held a clear title to a bit of property there for over fiftyfive years. I did not buy it. It was given to me without money and without price. But the donor purchased it for me at a tremendous sacrifice. I am not holding it for speculation since the title is not transferable. It is not a vacant lot. For more

than half a century I have been sending materials out of which the greatest architect and builder of the universe has been building a home for me which will never need to be repaired because it will suit me perfectly, individually, and will never grow old. Termites can never undermine its foundations, for they rest upon the Rock of Ages. Fire cannot destroy it. Floods cannot wash it away. No locks nor bolts will ever be placed upon its doors, for no vicious person can ever enter that land where my dwelling stands now almost completed and almost ready for me to enter in and abide in peace eternally without fear of being ejected. "There is a valley of deep shadows between the place where I live and that to which I shall journey in a very short time. I cannot reach my home in that City of Gold without passing through this deep valley of shadows, but I am not afraid, because the best Friend I ever had went through the same valley long ago and drove away all of its gloom. He has stuck by me through thick and thin ever since we first became acquainted fifty-five years ago and I hold His promise in printed form, never to forsake nor leave me alone. He will be with me as I walk through the valley of shadows and I shall not lose my way when He is with me."

What does the Bible say about having "worldly" FRIENDS?

Evangelist Chris Dowell

Here's a common question I receive and needs to be known to every believer. The answer is of course, found in the Word of God. Here are a few verses of scripture, that I believe will show what God has intended Born again Believers to live by concerning this question. 1 Corinthians 15:33 KJV "Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners." If one hangs around something filthy, you're gonna find some of the dirt and filth will rub off on you. The same goes spiritually. I've seen many Christians pickup words/talk that shouldn't be uttered from a Christian, all due to associating ones self with those in darkness. 2 Corinthians 6:14 KJV "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?" Paul writing in 2 Corinthians, I believe, sums up the answer. A born again Believer should have NO fellowship or communion with someone who is not saved. Those who are washed in the blood of Jesus, the Bible calls "the light of the world". I've never seen light mix with darkness. Either the LIGHT will penetrate darkness and convert it to light, or darkness will overtake the light. Sadly, many believers struggle with such simple truth. Does this mean we should avoid sinners all together? No. In most scenarios, whether school or work, we have to live in a society that has rejected Christ. I'm a firm believer we should love the sinner, hate the sin. However, we should love a sinner enough to shine the light of Christ, tell them about Jesus and try to witness to them the best we can. But having fellowship, with those in darkness, is not what God intended. The outcome of such actions, will rarely lead to the light overtaking darkness. 1 John 2:15 KJV "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." Every born again believer needs to make sure you are surrounded by other believers, for encouragement and strength. Proverbs 27:17 KJV "Iron sharpeneth iron: so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend." I always enjoy being around other believers of the Gospel, it proves this scripture, in Proverbs, true. Iron sharpens iron. Know the enemies tactics. An army cannot win a war, if they do not understand who their enemy is and how their enemy works. I believe these scriptures will help enlighten you, the reader, to better equip yourself to live like the Word of God tells us to live. The Word of God is our only truth today. Those of us who love and appreciate God's Word should do our very best, to spread this soul saving message of Jesus Christ and Him Crucified to everyone we possibly can. Be the salt and light in this dark world. With Jesus shining through you, you can.

> God bless. Bro. Chris Dowell 548 Harding Drive Mount Washington, KY 40047

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The Boiling Point

Kristy Horine

And the LORD said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? and how long will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them? Numbers 14:11

I stood at the kitchen stove and watched the dark, roiling mixture rise to the rim of the silver pan. The end product would be chocolate syrup. It's a simple recipe I've used hundreds of times: combine ingredients, boil for five minutes, cool, and enjoy. Yet every time the boiling moment comes, I feel the panic rise. Once those bubbles form, they crawl up the sides of the pan. Just when I think it's going to boil over and I will surely burn the house down, the bubbles pop, and the mixture recedes. Then the bubbling begins again, and the rising and falling continue until the timer goes off. Not once has the syrup boiled over, but my heart races every time. I grip the spoon, at the ready to stir like mad-although I know stirring will ruin the consistency. I tell myself out loud, "Don't panic." Still, the boiling points get me-in chocolate syrup and life. The Israelites were the same. Ten spies returned from checking out the land God had already promised. Eight of them said the milk and honey were great, but the giants were too big. Two of them reminded the people God was bigger than the giants. Despite God's miraculous deliverance of His chosen ones, the people panicked and decided a return to slavery was just the ticket. God decreed their carcasses would fall in the wilderness. Panic cost them the promise. How many times have circumstances reached a few boiling points that made our hearts race? We quake at the shadows of giants in our lives. We decide panic is better than God's promises and grab our tiny spoons to do something that makes us feel more comfortable and in control. We forgo the taste of chocolate syrup or, even better, milk and honey because of fear. Don't panic. See what God has done. Believe what He will do. The result is oh so sweet.



Whosoever Shall Call Upon The Name of the Lord Shall Be Saved

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Romans 10:9-13



French Toast Casserole

8 ounces whipped cream cheese 1/3 cup chopped pecans 1/4 cup light brown sugar 2 teaspoons maple syrup 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon 2 cups of milk 5 eggs 1/4 cup granulated sugar 1/2 teaspoon vanilla 1 loaf thick sliced bread 2 tablespoons sugar 1 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon

confectioners' sugar, optional

Mix together the cheese, pecans, syrup, brown sugar, and 1/4 teaspoon of cinnamon. Then set aside. Next, beat together your milk, eggs, 1/4 cup granulated sugar, and vanilla. Spread your cheese mixture on one side of each slice of bread. Layer the bread slices at an angle in a 9 x 13" baking dish, cheese side up. Pour the milk mixture over the bread evenly and completely throughout. Cover the dish with plastic wrap and let it chill overnight. Then, remove the plastic wrap and sprinkle with 2 tablespoons granulated sugar and 1 1/2 teaspoons of cinnamon mixed together. Bake in the preheated oven set at 350 degrees F (or 176 degrees C), for 20 to 25 minutes and until browned and the egg is set. Sprinkle the dish with confectioners' sugar before serving, if desired.

Cheesy BBQ Dip

1 pound ground beef

1 white onion, diced

1 cup Sweet Baby Ray's Honey Barbecue Sauce

24oz Velveeta, cut into 1 inch cubes

1 jalapeño, diced

1 red pepper, cut into small thin pieces

1 green pepper, cut into small thin pieces

1 cup Mexican cheese blend, shredded

Tortilla chips for dipping

On the stovetop, add the onion, green and red pepper and beef to a large skillet over medium heat. Break the meat apart and brown until cooked through, stirring occasionally. Once the meat is cooked, drain grease and add Sweet Baby Ray's Honey Barbecue Sauce. Mix until fully coated. Add beef mixture and other ingredients into aluminum pan. Place the pan in the oven on 350 for about 35-40 minutes. Stir occasionally until everything is completely melted together. Serve with tortilla chips.

Enchilada Casserole

1 pound ground beef 1 can (10 ounces) enchilada sauce

1 cup salsa

6 flour tortillas (10 inch)

2 cups fresh or frozen corn

4 cups shredded cheddar cheese

Preheat oven to 350. In a large skillet over medium heat, cook beef until no longer pink; drain. Add enchilada sauce and salsa to the skillet; set aside. Grease a 9x13 baking dish. Place 2 tortillas at the bottom. It's ok if they overlap. Take one-third of the beef mixture and spread it over the tortillas. Add 1 cup of corn and sprinkle with cheese. Repeat this process of layering until your casserole is ready to go in the oven. Bake uncovered for 30 minutes or until the cheese is bubbly. Broil at the end to brown the cheese.

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By Sister Michelle Deuling

Verse for Today: Matthew 9:20-22 And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment: For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.

Additional passages for Today: Mark 5:25-29; Luke 8:43-44

Thought for Today: Reach out to Jesus, He is all you need.

Story for Today: Tina lay back down on the bed she had arranged on the couch. She needed just a few minutes of rest and then she would get up and try to finish the laundry. Each day she grew weaker and weaker and had pretty much given up on living a normal life. She no longer joined her friends or family on outings, nor did she even attempt to maintain her receptionist job. Between doctor appointments and just trying to care for herself, she was exhausted. She had been to too many specialists and doctors that said they had the remedy. She had tried one medication after another, and nothing was working. She had traveled to other continents and had been to the best of the best all to no avail. She continued to grow weaker and weaker. She had attended special church services where the speaker claimed to have a special power that would cure her, only she left each one disappointed and feeling abandoned. As she drifted off to sleep, Tina saw a vision of a man clothed in white walking through a meadow with sheep all around him. In her vision the man was caring for the sheep and there was such peace about him that all she wanted was to be close to him. Before she woke, she remembered seeing his eyes. He had looked up from the little lamb that he was reaching for and saw her. His eyes pierced through her, and she awoke knowing that this man was the Jesus of the Bible. She had heard stories from the Bible as a child and she even had memorized John 3:16. She knew that the Bible said that Jesus was the Son of God and that He had come to earth as a baby. She knew that He was said to have performed many miracles before He was crucified. She also knew that some of her friends that called themselves Christians believed that he had risen from the dead. Instead of taking out the laundry when she got up, Tina went to the bookcase and picked up the Holy Bible that her grandmother had left her. She sat down and began to read from the book of Matthew. Tina was amazed at the words of this man. She knew that if she had lived when He walked the earth she would search for Him. She knew He was the answer to her problems and that if she could just find a way to be close to Him, everything would be alright. Tina pondered the words she read in the book late into the night. She knew that Jesus was a good man. The way that He ministered to the sick, and helpless left her loving Him more with each passing moment. She recalled the words she read in Matthew 11:28 "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." And then in chapter 15 when it told of the miracle He did because He had compassion on the people and then all the teachings that showed His wisdom and power and she knew she just needed Him. She recalled how He had prayed to the Father and then His promise that everyone that followed Him would be with Him and inherit everlasting life. She wanted this. If she could just talk to Him; just touch Him. She began to speak to Him like He was right there with her. She closed her eyes and could picture the Man in her dream reaching out to her. She put her hand in His and promised Him the rest of her days. She did not know how many days she had left on this earth, but she knew that she wanted to love Him and share His love with others every moment she was given. As she talked with God, she asked Him to forgive her of the wrong things she had done and things she had not thought about for years came to her mind. She made a list of people she needed to go back to apologize to and make restitution. Even though she did not hear an audible voice, she knew that she had met with the Savior and that He had forgiven her. All of a sudden her sickness didn't' seem as important, though she knew if she were to have a life here on earth, she needed God to heal her. But now, the idea of sharing what she had learned seemed much more important.

Questions for Today: How do you touch the hem of Jesus' garment? Isn't that necessary for each of us?

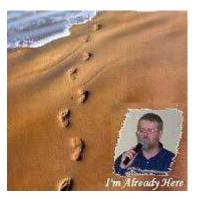
Prayer for Today: Lord, please help me to realize and remember You are all I need; but I do need You. Meet each of us where we are and heal us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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"I'M ALREADY HERE" by Billy R. Douglas (2005)

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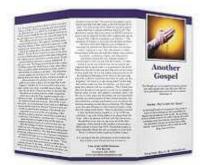
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George Whitten

Joh 21:14-15, 22 This is now the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, after that he was risen from the dead. So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.

Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? follow thou me.

After Jesus resurrection, He showed himself to the apostles several times. Once, they were fishing, and Jesus met them on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. Peter was there, back at his craft, but swirling with inward emotions. The anguish of his recent denial, three times, exactly as Jesus had predicted, mixed with the amazement and perplexity at the empty tomb, and finally the astounding relief and joy witnessing the risen Lord. Peter was on an emotional roller coaster for days, but the issue of his denial remained unresolved. The Lord's encounter with Peter on the Sea of Galilee was to fully restore him. Three times Jesus probes His beloved disciple "Do you love me?" But this is more than just a quantitative restoration. The Lord is penetrating the apostle's heart in this amazing conversation, because He really knows how much Peter loves Him and He wants Peter to know that He trusts him completely even after his awful failure. So Jesus gives Peter his lifelong commission- "Feed my lambs!"; "Feed my sheep." Jesus knew that He could entrust Peter with this responsibility, and He told him so. Peter was restored. Yet Peter still wobbles, even as he receives his restoration, when he asks about his fellow apostle, John. Jesus' response, "what is that to you, you follow me!" settles the matter. The Lord is saying, "stop the competition, Peter. Those days are over, yet you're still comparing... I have work for you; I have a life for you; live it!" The enemy would love to dig up your past, thrust it in your face, and leave you comparing yourself with others for the rest of your life - but the Lord has a life for you and He wants you to live it. Your life, not someone else's. He loves you and He trusts you to be who He made you to be. So don't allow your past failures or your present jealousies to prevent you from the life you're called to live for Him!

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Dealing With Sin

Pastor Loren Larson

The true gospel always deals with sin. It does not "sugarcoat" the truth. The gospel does not ignore sin or call it by another name. Jesus did not come from heaven and give His life on a cruel cross so that we could pretend that sin did not matter. He gave His life that we might be free from both the penalty of sin and the dominion of sin. No believer is without sin, yet that does not mean we have to sin a little bit every day or be dominated by sin continuously. The grace of God gives us the power to face sin, take personal responsibility for our sin, and then overcome sin. All sin must be recognized, cleansed by the blood, and defeated through the processes of faith and grace. None of this is possible without the cross of Jesus Christ and the Christians' faith placed securely in it. The good news in all this is that the gospel of Jesus Christ has the power to free us from every aspect of sin. Let us not ignore sin! Let us deal with it and live free from the dominion of sin. The world needs to see a believer that neither denies nor continually gives in to sin. Let your light shine!

Romans 6:1-2 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? (2) God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.







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