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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



GOD AND LOVE IN THIS MODERN WORLD

This month is about **LOVE and GOD is LOVE**. In our busy, modern world falling in love has become quite challenging. These days a lot of people use online dating services or just find each other online and start chatting and then meet up later. There is always speed dating where you talk with a bunch of people for 5 minutes and decide if you want to have an actual conversation at a later time. Talk about first impressions. A friend of a friend says they have the perfect match for you and fix you up on a blind date. You say to yourself, Lord please help me! Some cultures still use professional matchmakers. Last but not least is the old fashioned way where you or a group of friends go somewhere and hopefully find “the one”, their “soulmate”. Everyone wants to be connected to someone. The Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make him a helper suitable for him.” Genesis (2:18 NIV)

So many people still die of loneliness and broken hearts. A lot of couples that have been together for a long time die one right after another. They are so connected that one does not make sense without the other. “...and the two shall become one flesh; so then they are no longer two, but one flesh.” (Mark 10:8 NKJV) When a person is newly in love they have a spring to their step and everything is coming up roses. As time goes on love deepens and becomes more mature and stable. You have shared your hopes, dreams, triumphs and tragedies and came out stronger. It is no longer just a physical thing but a spiritual thing. You are a part of each other and that bond is real. As the saying goes, “You complete me.”

God's love for us is like that and more. Eternal, unwavering, and everlasting. No matter what we do or have done he never gives up on us. He still loves us. We push him away and he still welcomes us back. No matter how long it takes. Even when he destroyed the world with water he still saved one man and his family because of love. "But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord." Genesis 6:8 (NIV). His spirit lives inside of us. No one knows us better than God. We are made in his image. "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. He takes care of our every need, large or small. Fills our hearts with joy, wipes away our tears, takes away our sadness.
HE COMPLETES US! HAPPY VALENTINES'S DAY!

By Thomas and Amber Beckman (OH)



On Your Own?

Here's the scene; a half sunken ship at the end of Long Beach Island, Barnegat Light, a deserted beach back in the 60's (you could find beaches with nobody on them back then). No swimmers and no lifeguards, there wasn't even a lifeguard tower.

That enticing ship did not look far away, maybe a quarter mile. It looked to be some kind of one hundred foot long sailing ship and the decks were almost underwater. Adventure beckoned. Besides, we were 17, invincible, invulnerable and totally ignorant.

We decided to swim out to this ship, figuring we could hang out and rest for the trip back. The trip out was tiring but not too bad. Took longer than we thought though and we could have definitely used the rest. But, on reaching the ship saw the water had risen and the deck was now underwater. There was now nothing to hold onto. Knowing squat about the ways of the seas, we didn't know about the cross current at the end of the island or the tides and all that marine stuff. So, back we go and now the going was really no fun at all. We were fighting the current and believe me, we were no Olympic swimmers.

This was actually the first time dying crossed my mind. I could see it as a real possibility. There was no one even within sight, we were on our own, or so I thought. Reflecting now on that time I realize God was there. He saw us onto that thought shore. I remember (with some goose-bumps) the struggle, the mind numbing fatigue and the muscles that felt like jelly and then the feel of sand under my hands and the crawling and pulling each other out of the surf. I was so spent I could easily have stopped there and drown in two inches of water.

There was probably no way we should have made it back. This might have been the first out of many times The Lord saved my butt from my own foolishness. Too bad it took me years to figure this out but thank you Lord for that day when you saved my best friend and me from ourselves. It was not our time,

You are never really alone, The Lord your God is your ever-present help in times of troubles. He will never leave you nor forsake you and if it be in His will that you survive, nothing will change that, not even your own foolishness.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change And though the mountains slip into the heart of the sea; Though its waters roar and foam, Though, the mountains quake at its swelling pride. Psalm 46:1-3. (NASB)

Place your faith and trust in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The great I Am. The Creator and Finisher of all and you can't go wrong.

Always looking up,
George Tamburino (NY)

LIFE

We recently had the non-pleasure of sitting with a dying loved-one watching and waiting for that last breath. On that “death watch” with other concerned family members. As I’m sitting, praying and thinking and I begin hearing a baby playing in the other room across the hall from us. So the thought arises, a baby’s cry and the last gasp, the beginning and the end (of this life at least). What’s more important than either of those? What you do with the time it takes for you to get from one to the other I’m thinking.

Time to grow, time to learn right from wrong and true from false, time to be “fruitful and multiply” and time to make yourself “right” with your Maker before you leave this body. Let it not have been a life lived in vain. Bodily death will make all the “mighty” fall. One moment you might be on “top of the world” and have it all under control but the next? No one knows how long he or she has here. And what better way to make the best of it than to be the best you can be? Helpful to others; what’s the Bible say? Look after the widows and orphans, be a good “Samaritan” and tell others of the eternal life and saving Grace that can be had through Jesus/Yeshua who made THE way for us to be made right in the Father’s eyes.

The important things of life. As it also says, we are but a vapor, here today and gone tomorrow. What’s the best you can expect of this life? 100 years? But then there is the promise of eternity, and if your loved ones and friends are believers it sounds like one big long happy time to me...

If you don’t know the “doorway” check out the Bible (I prefer NASB but there are those equally as accurate in translation) A multitude of them can be found on-line at biblegateway.com. Remember BIBLE stands for Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth and Jesus said I am the way, the truth and the life; no one comes to the Father but through me. (And it ain’t bragging if it’s true..)

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George Tamburino (NY)

What Was Mary Doing?

Luke 10:38-42 Complete Jewish Bible

38 On their way Yeshua (Jesus) and his talmidim (disciples) came to a village where a woman named Marta (Martha) welcomed him into her home. 39 She had a sister called Miryam (Mary) who also sat at the Lord’s feet and heard what he had to say. 40 But Marta was busy with all the work to be done; so, going up to him, she said, “Sir, don’t you care that my sister has been leaving me to do all the work by myself?” 41 However, the Lord answered her, “Marta, Marta, you are fretting and worrying about so many things! 42 But there is only one thing that is essential. Miryam has chosen the right thing, and it won’t be taken away from her.”

Jesus said “one thing is essential”. I looked the meaning of essential and got ‘indispensable’, ‘being part of the nature or the essence of something’. So, what was Mary doing that was so essential?

Sitting at Jesus feet was showing humility and reverence, she was also Listening with rapt attention and taking in all that Jesus might do or say.

It is quite possible to be so busy you actually miss ‘the forest for the trees’.

John 10:27-28 CJB My sheep listen to my voice, I recognize them, they follow me, 28 and I give them eternal life. They will absolutely never be destroyed, and no one will snatch them from my hands.

Matthew 11:15 CJB If you have ears, then hear!

Always looking up,
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FAITH

The faith that we need to enable us to believe in the saving of our souls by God is given to us by His Grace, the work of the spirit of Christ in our hearts. Usually wrought by the ministry of the word and by the being baptized and the Lord's supper, prayer, and other means appointed of God to increase and strengthen us.

Hebrews 11:1 NASB Now faith is the certainty of things hoped for, a proof of things not seen.

God shows both mercy and grace, but they are not the same. Mercy withholds a punishment we deserve; grace gives a blessing we don't deserve. (Gotquestions.org)

Ephesians 2:8 NASB For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;

Romans 10:17 CJB So trust comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through a word proclaimed about the Messiah.

Acts 12:24 NLT Meanwhile, the word of God continued to spread, and there were many new believers.

Romans 10:17 NASB So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

1 Peter 2:2 AMP like newborn babies [you should] long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may be nurtured and grow in respect to salvation [its ultimate fulfillment],

Acts 20:32 NKJV “So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

Colossians 2:7 CJB Remain deeply rooted in him; continue being built up in him and confirmed in your trust, the way you were taught, so that you overflow in thanksgiving. Always looking up,
George Tamburino (NY)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Covered Bridge Benefit Ride

Quentin Dubose, Leukemia & Riley Shepherd, Accident



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2024 SPRING KICKOFF

The 2024 Spring Kickoff is June 7-9, 2024 in Bardstown, Kentucky. **FREEDOM PRAISE RIDERS AND HOLY GHOST RIDERS ARE HOSTING THE EVENT.**

Reservations can be made at: **HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES, 950 MORTON AVE, BARDSTOWN, KY, 40004, PHONE 1-888-465-4329 OR 1-502-849-4667, USE GROUP CODE EGK OR SAY ERIC GILBERT'S GROUP. ROOMS ARE \$159.00 PER NIGHT PLUS TAXES AND FEES. 12 ROOMS HAVE BEEN BLOCKED OFF FOR OUR GROUP UNTIL MAY 10, 2024. PLEASE FILL OUT THE ATTACHED FORM IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND. THE REGISTRATION FEE IS \$15.00 FOR SINGLE AND \$20.00 FOR COUPLE. CHECKS CAN BE MADE PAYABLE TO FREEDOM PRAISE MINISTRIES. SEND THE FORM AND REGISTRATION FEE TO ERIC GILBERT, 65 CHAPLIN-TAYLORSVILLE ROAD, BLOOMFIELD, KY, 40008. MORE INFO TO COME.**

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2024 SKO Hosted by Freedom Praise Riders and Holy Ghost Riders
Registration Form
June 7-9, 2024



Hotel Reservations can be made at Holiday Inn & Express Suites, 950 Morton Ave., Bardstown, KY, 40004, 1-888-465-4329 or 1-502-849-4667. Group Code EGK or say Eric Gilbert's group.

Group rate is \$159.00 per night plus taxes and fees if made by May 10, 2024.

Registration fee is \$15.00 for single or \$20.00 per couple, **Checks can be made payable to Freedom Praise Ministries.**

Name or Names of Persons Attending:

Contact Phone Number: _____

Total Number Attending: _____

Total amount enclosed: _____

Mail form and registration fee to Eric Gilbert, 65 Chaplin-Taylorsville Road, Bloomfield, KY, 40008.

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Thank you, Amber Beckman**

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| Cynthia | Laemmerhirt | 8 |
| John | Klein | 9 |

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February Birthdays

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| John | Platchek | 2/6 |
| Robin | Bocock | 2/13 |
| Rev. Curtis | Bier | 2/16 |
| Billy | Rose | 2/18 |
| Amber | Beckman | 2/22 |
| Karl | Wardlaw | 2/24 |
| William | Link | 2/26 |

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February Anniversaries

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| John | Young | 2/11 |
| Rita | Young | 2/11 |
| Steven | Modricker | 2/14 |
| Fiona | Wehmeyer | 2/14 |

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None to Report

God Bless

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