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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

You lost your treasure or did you.....?

(Part 2)

by

A disciple of Christ

In the article that preceded this, my opening point was how could we live on after a loss that saddened our hearts so much? We feel we will grieve or blame someone (or something) for what happened for the rest of our life. As I share this amazing work of God it reminds me of listening to Paul Harvey, the famous radio announcer that would capture my attention with his narratives and after coming back from commercial break would present a refreshing awe inspiring twist "...and now..., for the rest of the story".

Early in November, 2018, I got a call from my cousin to offer me the Fung Wong Restaurant property. My first thought was to find the right person deserving of a golden opportunity. We prayed for Gods' will to be done. As we got more vested into the sale, the property became more enticing with the almost 4 acres of land with woods leading down to a branch of the Nashua River. I could envision how I would manage the property with the "family" pricing it was going to be a little piece of heaven. But thru prayer, trusting and obeying (my wife initially) I held back my desires. I was not happy w/ her constraints but I knew God was in control and he would get her to see my point! LOL-Not!!! In hind sight, I discovered how God spared me from a serious disconnect from the path He had been leading me on by her wisdom (and the thought of crossing her). Lol. During the mist of the "storm" I felt this was meant for me. I had all the answers. Sure there was a lot of work and time involved but if God started this venture he would see it to completion for His glory. However, I thank my prayer support for the timely scriptures and God's work with me. "Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans." (Proverbs 16:3) God knew I needed help to stop reading into and overthinking the situation. I welcomed surrendering my thoughts to accept his plans. But, then there was (and still is) the waiting for answers. Scripture helped me to be productive instead of wondering how the outcome of my journey would be. "Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." (Psalms 90:12). The verse was incredible in replacing my worries with a heart of wisdom that gave me 24/7 coverage. What a friend I have in Jesus that he knew how to turn me from worries to using my hands to do work for the Kingdom. I'm still learning how to make each

day count for the Kingdom of God. However, whenever, I feel the pressure of having to make the right decision, I'm reminded of the eternal values. And my priorities are organized according to the Kingdom needs. And that results in peace and joy. Seeking God's way is way better than wondering about how to gain earthly values. As we surrender...."May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us-yes, establish the work of our hands." (Psalms 90:17). Yes, let the work of our hands count as an effective and productive reflection of the permanency of the Kingdom of God.

When it was becoming evident that the property was not going to be part of the dreams and hopes "I" envisioned, my prayer was consistent that the property would be used to further the Kingdom of God. My brother and partner Charley shared his vision of people praying along the river banks as we prayed for Gods' will to be done. After the sale I had to get out some personal property off the premises where "by chance" I met the new owner and his associate. Ian told me he was leading apostolic meetings in his home and intended to use the property to expand his outreach!!! Time seemed to stop as I couldn't believe what I thought he just said! I hugged him with elation and shared how I didn't think I would ever get answer to that prayer. Or more likely "I" let go and aligned with Gods' plan. And then Ian's friend shared how they could use the river below for baptizing which was like Charley's vision of people praying along the river banks.

However, I learned a valuable lesson. Some things or ideas that would consume my thoughts and efforts... became "I don't need that (in my life)!" items. I experienced a true "the truth shall set you free" movement just like a weight being removed and a feeling light and free to go. I realized, I had man-pride items that I valued and placed before God. I need to be always watching out to God. "I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it." (Ecclesiastes 3:14) There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak." (Ecclesiastes 3:3, 6-7)

It is important to know without taking the Word to heart, we will keep on going.....going on in our ways. Our ways lead to death. Several years ago I took Pastor Gary's offer to attend a discipleship Bible study. The study guide presented in "Every Man a Warrior" helped me to read and appreciate the Bible while highlighting key scriptures to equip men to become warriors-to succeed in life. "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." (2 Timothy 3:16-17). Applying the study guide, I took other verses to heart which instilled a desire to follow the Word. Next, Pastor Gary re-introduced an outline he created to read the Gospel-daily. I studied the Gospels daily and took notes because I was learning so much. The discovery of the Kingdom of God that Jesus proclaimed to bring to earth was realized. Afterwards, I came upon verse after verse supporting the Kingdom of God both in my notes and further readings of the Gospels. The study guide suggested to have a dedicated QT. Early morning time with God worked very well for me. It lined up with with Jesus' time w/ God-the Father so he could avoid the crowds that sought him. The anticipation of getting into the Word became exciting. Many times I couldn't stop and had to follow up on references to the readings. "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will." (Romans 12:2). Nothing changes for eternity unless

we repent-turn from our ways. Follow the Word and discover as a disciple (follower) of Jesus-the Kingdom of God is here.

Remember God-the Creator of all loves us and has a path for all of us to enter his Kingdom of Heaven. We need to turn from our ways and the treasures we have formulated. Repenting and following the Word of God. Let God help to make each day count as we train our thoughts not to wander but to seek what work our hands will do to grow the Kingdom for our salvation and the life of our loved ones, especially our immediate family. Think hard on what happens to them if we don't tell them the Truth. And when comes a time when God allows a trial upon your life, remember the darkest hour of the night is followed by dawn. God has all the answers even if he has you abide in his time. The lessons learned from waiting upon Him is priceless.

Normally, I play Vball on Mondays but finding the gym was closed, "by chance" I remembered Ians' invitation to his bible study. As Ian was going over Genesis, high lighting Josephs' diligence and positive attitude to bring glory to God despite the abandonment's he encountered. It appeared Joseph was forgotten for 2 years but he continued to trust God in all things. True to his word, Ian had a huge horse watering trough he uses as a baptizing tub in his apartment. I asked him about his belief in the power of the Holy Spirit and his reply was that it's what is written in Gods' Holy Word. I'm trusting God will bring Ian and myself together to do a work thru the Holy Spirit in His time.

What's in your pocket? Worldly treasures with its burdens or the eternal treasures God freely gives

Submitted by
Peter Wong (MA)

MISQUOTING GOD

Genesis 3:1-5 Complete Jewish Bible

3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any wild animal which *Adonai*, God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, "You are not to eat from any tree in the garden?" The woman answered the serpent, "We may eat from the fruit of the trees of the garden, but about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You are neither to eat from it nor touch it, or you will die." The serpent said to the woman, "It is not true that you will surely die; because God knows that on the day you eat from it, your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

The "serpent" right off the bat distorted what God said. God only said not to eat from one particular tree not "any tree".

Eve too, wrongly told what God actually said. God did not say do not touch it, only not to eat the fruit.

Then the serpent tries to tell Eve this rule of His was for His sake and not for her benefit. So, she and Adam would not become competitors with God.

He started with overstating the prohibition, so it seems overreaching and nonsensical, then he attacked God's reasons.

And also, that she would not only suffer but greatly benefit; "you will be like God".

These three steps are a classic representation of the way people are often lead astray. Exaggerate, then lie about the other side's motives, then promise a reward.

This is what is happening in our world. People increasingly rely on their own feelings to determine right from wrong. They do not rely on God, they do not rely on a religion, they do not rely on a Bible. Morally speaking, they are their own gods. And, people, 'you reap what you sow', and keep in mind, 'narrow is the path and few there are that find it'

Submitted by
George Tamburino (NY)

GIVE THANKS AND PRAISE

Psalms 148:13 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for His name alone is exalted. His glory is above the earth and heaven.

Psalms 92:1-2 Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)

It is good to give thanks to Adonai and sing praises to your name, "Elyon, (Most High)

2 Chronicles 20:21 New King James Version (NKJV)

And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who should sing to the Lord, and who should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army and were saying: "Praise the Lord, for His mercy endures forever."

Romans 14:11 (NASB)

For it is written, "As I live says the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

I Thessalonians 5:18

In everything give thanks, for this is what God wants from you who are united with the Messiah Yeshua (Christ Jesus)

We are told numerous times in scripture to give thanks to God and Praise Him for all things. They say it is important in the Bible if it is repeated three times, so , this must be supremely important. Praise and worship were so powerful as to be used as a weapon in warfare also. The singers and musicians went out before the troops. We can willingly praise Him now, but according to Revelations, at the end, all will praise Him whether they want to or not.

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SCRIPTURES TO CONTEMPLATE

“Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ” (Titus 2:13 KJV) Thank you Ken “PK” Hedden (NY)

THE WAY OF LOVE I CORINTHIANS 13 (ESV)

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DAYTONA BIKE WEEK

Mark your calendars to attend Daytona Bike Week March 4th-13th, 2022. MJM will have a booth set up at the event. Come join the festivities and help out at the booth.

2022 SPRING KICKOFF

The 2022 Spring Kickoff is June 10-12, 2022 in Berlin, Ohio, Holmes County. RIDERS FOR THE CROSS IS HOSTING THE EVENT.

Reservations can be made at: BERLIN HERITAGE INN, P.O. BOX 331, 4703 SR 39, BERLIN, OH 44610, (FOR GPS: PUT IN MILLERSBURG 44654), PHONE 330-893-6600, USE GROUP CODE JESUS1. FRIDAY NIGHT \$124.99, SATURDAY \$104.99 PLUS TAX. WE HAVE 20 ROOMS RESERVED UNTIL MAY 27, 2022. PLEASE FILL OUT THE ATTACHED FORM IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND. SEND THE FORM TO AMBER BECKMAN, EMAIL: AMBER_BECKMAN@HOTMAIL.COM, TEXT 614-598-0682 OR MAIL 565 HIBBS ROAD, LOCKBOURNE, OHIO 43137.

There is no registration fee.

Food will be catered in on Saturday night by Berlin Farmstead Restaurant. The menu will be broasted chicken, roast beef, baked ham with pineapple glaze, mashed potatoes and gravy, garden salad, green beans, noodles, and dutch apple pie. More details to follow.

MOTORCYCLISTS FOR JESUS MINISTRIES



2022 SKO Hosted by Riders For The Cross

Registration Form

June 10-12, 2022

- Hotel Reservations can be made at Berlin Heritage Inn – 330-893-6600. P.O. Box 331, 4703 SR39, Berlin, Ohio 44640 (for GPS: Put in Millersburg, OH 44654) Use Group Code JESUS 1
- Group rate Friday Night \$124.99, Saturday \$104.99 plus tax if made by May 27.

Name or Names of Persons Attending:

Contact Phone Number: _____

Total Number Attending: _____

I'm staying at Berlin Heritage Inn

Return form to: Amber Beckman, amber_beckman@hotmail.com or 565 Hibbs Road, Lockbourne, Ohio 43137. For questions please call 614-598-0682.

GOD'S CANVAS

VISIT LAS VEGAS



“He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.” (Ecclesiastes 3:11 NIV)

February 2022 Voice Newsletter Report

January 29, 2022

Years of Service for January

Cynthia	Laemmerhirt	6
John	Klein	7

February Birthdays

Mary	Beckman	2/1
James	Towle	2/5
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
Gail	Towle	2/27

February Anniversaries

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

New members for January 2022

Linda Guidi-Wong MA (Lifetime Member)

God Bless

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Respectfully Submitted By:

Michael Fields

National Membership Secretary

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

MJM OPERATING ACCOUNT – NOVEMBER ENDING

BALANCE \$ 8,947.21

DECEMBER DEPOSITS

DUES		115.00
LIFETIME DUES		450.00
BANK SERVICE		
FEE	(.50)	564.50

NO DECEMBER EXPENSES

DECEMBER ENDING

BALANCE * \$9,511.71**

***** 2,025.68 GOODIES *****

450.00 LIFE TIME DUES

7,036.03 MJM OPERATING

MJM LIFETIME SAVINGS ACCOUNT - NOVEMBER ENDING

BALANCE \$7,858.91

DECEMBER INTEREST \$.10

DECEMBER ENDING

BALANCE \$7,859.01

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**Submitted by Linda Hawkins
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