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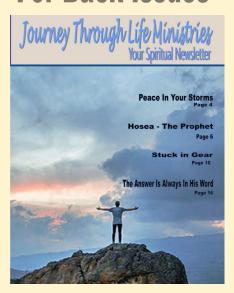
Our goal is to fulfill the great commission Jesus commanded in Matthew 28:16-20 to "...go and make disciples of all...."

This is being achieved by working with churches, professional organizations, social services, and the publication of this quarterly newsletter. As an outreach ministry in the communities, we also offer to adults and youth Biblical studies through various enrichment programs, motivational teachings, and discipleship workshops. All of these programs are created to help individuals to discover the "love" of God and who they are in Christ. And, finally these programs will help individuals to learn the "freedom" they have in Christ Jesus as they become "free" spiritually enabling them to live their lives walking victoriously in the destiny God has planned for them.

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"Heaven's Culture" On Earth - Part 2

Rev. Georgetta Head

"Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence. John 18:36

he Bible is about the rise, fall, and rise of God's Kingdom on Earth. It tells the story of a kingdom established, a kingdom lost, and a kingdom regained. Last quarter we learned that the Kingdom of God is real! It is a government ruled by King Jesus! We also learned that the King's kingdom is one of abundance and there is no lack in the Kings kingdom, because He owns the entire universe, which is everything and everyone! In John 10:10 He says "......... am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Unfortunately, many are not living the abundant life spoken of by Jesus.

As owner of the universe, God had a plan and purpose for His creation! To create human beings in His image who would live by and operate His heavenly kingdom government on earth. Adam and Eve were to be the first "caretakers" in His Garden of Eden (Genesis 2:15). They had the blessing of the government's mandate to "be fruitful and multiply" (Genesis 1:28) and to fill the earth with their kind (children) planting kingdom "gardens" wherever they went. In other words, they were to infuse the territory of earth with the culture of heaven! We were created to rule and dominate the earth for God in His name (Genesis 1:28). Unfortunately, man failed, lost their way and forgot God's plan! But, God was not taken by surprise when Adam and Eve, the first caretakers disobeyed! He already had a plan in place to continue His plan of infusing earth with heaven's culture. God chose a man named Abraham to be the father of many nations. Through Abraham the children of Israel were born and God took them into the wilderness to establish the first church. They were taught the government of heaven through the Law of Moses and instructed to infuse the territory of earth with the culture of heaven. The children of Israel failed to follow the culture of heaven and to ness of time, God sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ to show us the way, to become a living sacrifice for the entire world, and to establish His Church.

When Jesus began His ministry, the first thing He did was to announce "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matt. 4:17). He was announcing "salvation has arrived," the long awaited Messiah is in your presence." I Am the one spoken of in Isaiah 9:6-7! I am here to regain the Kingdom stolen by the enemy, satan! I am here to teach the children of Israel and the world the way of "heaven's culture!" I am here to show them the way into the Kingdom of God! Jesus is our greatest example of "infusing heaven's culture on earth!" He demonstrated "heaven's culture" through His actions, His preaching, His teachings and healing of infirmities and deliverance of those bound. "The Beatitudes" in Matthew 5, a teaching in which Jesus introduces the "lifestyle" of abundant kingdom living, teaches a mindset different from

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the worlds thinking and culture. This is a new way of thinking and living such as, "blessed are the poor in spirit, blessed are the pure in heart, blessed are peacemakers, blessed are those that are persecuted, blessed are the merciful; blessed are they that hunger; blessed are they that mourn; etc." He was teaching a culture of love, humility, unity, justice and a heart that seeks God, a lifestyle of blessings (abundance) totally different from anything they have ever heard before! A lifestyle of not conforming to the ways of the world, but having a changed mindset that profits eternal rewards.

Jesus also infused the culture of heaven through his preaching and teaching in the Synagogue. His many Parables referenced the kingdom of God, God's government and kingdom culture. Jesus did not hide the fact that He was from another kingdom, He made it very clear through His teachings there is another Kingdom, one far greater than what they were experiencing on earth. He preached and taught with such authority that all who heard were amazed and wanted the kingdom He spoke of. His preaching and teaching compelled many to believe in Him.

Jesus also demonstrated the abundance of heaven by healing those with infirmities, and deliverance for those possessed with demons. Many were healed by His touch or set free from demon possession at His rebuke! Jesus tells us in Mark 7:27-29 that healing is "the children's bread," and friends, healing and deliverance is still available today! Another lesson Jesus taught and demonstrated was that of the lesson of obedience! He taught that we are to seek first the Kingdom of God and to always do His will and He shared with the disciples and the Pharisee, He did only what His Father (God) told Him to do (John 5:30).

Before Jesus died on the Cross for the sins of the world, rose on the third day, and seated Himself at the right hand of the Father, He established His Church with 12 disciples. He informed them that His Father would send the Com-

forter in His name who will teach them all things (John 14:26). Jesus was saying, "I am sending to you the Abundance of Heaven who will dwell within you and teach you of all things." The Comforter, who is Holy Spirit, is the Spirit of Truth. He will guide all who choose to believe, to the truth of Jesus Christ, which leads to salvation. These Believers make up the "body of Christ" which is called the Church.

The Church: Believers have dual citizenship—we are citizens of heaven and citizens of earth, but our main citizenship is based in heaven, which means our loyalty should be to God. Just as God taught Moses and had Moses teach the children of Israel in the wilderness, God sent Holy Spirit as a tutor to instruct all "born again believers" the Culture of Heaven (Galatians 4:2) and how to live victorious on earth. Holy Spirit teaches us Heaven's Government (God's Will) through the Word, working progressively in our lives to bring about lasting results. The tools He uses include, church attendance, Bible Study Groups, quiet time with God, and individual Bible study. As we are obedient following Holy Spirit's teachings, we will learn how to walk, talk, act, and dress as Kingdom Citizens. We then will be able to fulfill God's plan for the Church, which is to "go and teach all nations, the Good News of the Gospel, who is Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:18-20).

Every Believer is called to be an "Ambassador" for Christ on earth. Whatever assignment or calling God has on your life, don't let it lay dormant, it is your responsibility to become a "cultural changer for Christ by infusing earth with heaven's culture." Beginning with our families, let's bombard earth with the truth of heaven's culture by being a light for Jesus, compelling the lost to follow our Savior! Friends, many souls are at stake! We need to be His caretakers planting seeds for the Kingdom of God! And, we can start by praying for souls and asking Father God to direct our steps so that "His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven."



uring Jesus' early ministry, He chose 12 ordinary men. There was nothing special or spectacular about them, but Jesus formed them into the backbone of the church and gave them the most extraordinary task imaginable: that of calling the entire world, including the mightiest empire ever known, to repentance and faith in the risen Christ. You can be sure that any educated, first-century Roman citizen would have laughed at any prediction that within three centuries the Christian faith would be the official faith of the empire. The names of the disciples were: Simon (called Peter), Andrew (brother of Peter), James (John's brother); John, Philip; Thaddeus, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas (Didymus), James (Matthew's brother), Simon the Canaanite (Simon the Zealot), and Judas Iscariot. Many have wondered what happened to the disciples such as, how did they died!

Peter was martyred in Rome about 66 A.D. during the persecution under Emperor Nero, he was crucified upside down at his request since he did not feel he was worthy to die in the same manner as his Lord.

Andrew went to the "land of the man-eaters," in what is now the Soviet Union. Christians there claim him as the first to bring the gospel to their land. He also preached in Asia Minor, modern-day Turkey, and in Greece, where he is said to have been crucified.

Thomas was probably most active in the area east of Syria. Tradition has him preaching as far east as India, where the ancient Marthoma Christians revered him as their founder. They claim that he died there when pierced through with the spears of four soldiers.

Philip possibly had a powerful ministry in Carthage in North Africa and then in Asia Minor, where he converted the wife of a Roman proconsul. In retaliation the proconsul had Philip arrested and cruelly put to death.

Matthew the tax collector and writer of a Gospel, ministered in Persia and Ethiopia. Some of the oldest reports say he was not martyred, while others say he was stabbed to death in Ethiopia.

Bartholomew had widespread missionary travels attributed to him by tradition to India with Thomas, back to Armenia, and also to Ethiopia and Southern Arabia. There are various accounts of how he met his death as a martyr for the gospel.

James the son of Alpheus, is one of at least three James referred to in the New Testament. There is some confusion as to which is which, but this James is reckoned to have ministered in Syria. The Jewish historian Josephus reported that he was stoned and then clubbed to death.

Simon the Zealot so the story goes, ministered in Persia and was killed after refusing to sacrifice to the sun god.

Matthais was the apostle chosen to replace Judas. Tradition sends him to Syria with Andrew and to death by burning.

Thaddeus: Taught in Armenia, Syria and Persia where he was martyred. Tradition tell us he was buried in Kara Kaleia in what is now Iran.

John is the only one thought to have died a natural death from old age. He was the leader of the church in the Ephesus area and is said to have taken care of Mary the mother of Jesus in his home. During Domitian's persecution in the middle 90's, he was exiled to the island of Patmos. There he is credited with writing the last book of the New Testament—the Revelation. An early Latin tradition has him escaping unhurt after being cast into boiling oil at Rome. (*Research: Timeline by Ken Curtis, Ph.D.*)

Bible Facts

The first question God asked in the Bible was "where art thou?" to Adam. *God seeking a sinner!* (Genesis 3:9)

The first question asked in the New Testament was "where is He who is born King of the Jews." For we have seen His star in the east, and have come to worship Him. Sinners seeking God. (Matt. 2:2)

When Jesus approached the disciple's boat while in water, they had been rowing for about 4 miles (John 6:19).

When the apostle Philip found the Ethiopian Eunuch, he was reading out loud from the Book of Isaiah. He was converted a short time later. (Acts 8:30-39)

Jesus was on the Cross for 6 hours. (Mark 15:25, 34-37)

Jairus' daughter was 12 years old when she was brought back to life. (Luke 8:41-42)

Deborah, the only female judge of Israel, held court under what was known as "the palm tree of Deborah." (Judges 4:4-5)

Book Review

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7 Keys to life:

- #1 God first.
- #2 Love one another.
- #3 Never hate.
- #4 Give generously
- #5 Live simply.
- #6 Forgive quickly.
- #7 Be kind always.

Journey Through The Bible:

Weekly Bible Study every Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. all are welcome to attend as we study the Word scripture-by-scripture.

Daughters of Wisdom and Virtue Meetings:

Women's meeting are held the 2nd and 4th Thursday monthly. We are currently studying: "God's Original Plan and Purpose." Through this series we are learning that God has not aborted His original plan and purpose for His people the Church. New attendees are welcomed and participation from previous weeks is not a prerequisite for attending.

Men On A Journey Fellowship:

Men's Fellowship meetings are held the 3rd Saturday monthly. The men finished Tony Evan's "Kingdom Men" Series. New series to be announced. All men are invited to attend these monthly meetings. Time is 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at JTLM Teaching Facility.

Shoe Boxes for Seniors Outreach:

Shoe Boxes for Seniors is an ongoing project throughout the year collecting items for distribution in December. Individuals can contribute items or cash donations for Christmas 2019 any Wednesday from the hours of 5:30 to 6:30 at our Teaching Facility in Penn Hills or mail cash donations to JTLM, P.O. Box 17968, Penn Hills, PA 15235.

Footsteps in The Word Workshops:

Interested in growing in your relationship with God; desiring to understand the Bible; interested in understanding your position as a Believer; or interested in understanding Bible principles, statues, commandments, and precepts—great! These workshops are for you!

To register contact Elder Charles or Rev. Georgetta Head at 412-583-8628 or email your inquiry to *journeylife@verizon.net* or visit website's Event page for more information:

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"For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it?" (Luke 14:28)

uying a home for the first time or refinancing an existing home is one of the most important investment decisions a person or couple will have to make. In either case the decision to purchase a home or refinance an existing home should not be a hasty one. This decision will affect you and your family's future for the next 15 to 30 years, so do your homework before signing the papers! Today we will explore some options for purchasing a home, such as loan types.

Once the decision has been made to purchase a home, you will need to get "pre-approved" by a lender for the mortgage loan, and this must be done before meeting with a real estate agent. There are several ways to secure a loan such as a "conventional loan; a subprime loan (mortgage brokers); an FHA loan; a VA loan; or a HELOC. Selection is based on the buyer's qualifications, such as credit scores and amount of money available as a down payment. This quarter we will discuss securing a conventional loan, next quarter subprime lending.

Conventional Mortgage: This is securing a mortgage loan from a local banking institution. A conventional mortgage is underwritten by Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, which means that they create the rules and regulations associated with these products. Most conventional loans require higher down payments and solid credit worthiness. These programs are mandated from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The borrower is usually required to have a 20% down payment. If less than 20%, a PMI or private mortgage insurance is charged to a borrower when he has less than 20% equity in the residence. This insurance covers the lender in the event that the borrower defaults on the debt. Therefore, the only benefiting party in the transaction is the lender. To avoid this fee, a borrower must either make a down payment of 20% or more, or procure subordinate financing to cover the needed funds.

The borrower(s) credit report is reviewed by the lender to determine his ability to repay a mortgage debt. If the borrower has any liens or judgments on his credit report, they must be paid in full prior to procuring a conventional mortgage. A bankruptcy must have a minimum of two years discharged or dismissed from a bankruptcy in order to qualify for the new debt. Any late payments on a current mortgage of 30 days or later in the previous 12 months automatically disqualifies a borrower from a conventional mortgage, even if other requirements are met.

The borrower must have a credit score of 620 or higher for consideration of a loan. The borrowers "debt to income ratio" is used by lenders to determine the amount of a borrower's income that is strictly dedicated to debt repayment. The higher the debt to income ratio, the more likely the borrower is over his head in debt. The preferred debt to income ratio for most conventional mortgage companies is less than 30% although with certain situations lenders will qualify a borrower with a ratio up to 40%. This is a lender-to-lender decision and case-by-case situation. Interest is applied to all mortgage loans and can be either a fixed rate or an adjustable rate. Note, rates vary year to year. Personally I don't recommend an adjustable interest rate. Next quarter—Subprime Lending



ast quarter we discussed how excessive worry or anxiety can lead to fear and depression and can have adverse affects on our time, emotions, physical health and actions. This quarter we will focus on fear and how the Word of God (also called *The Sword of the Spirit in Ephesians 6:17*), can be an effective tool when facing fear or any difficulty.

God made our bodies to feel fear. In fact, the Bible mentions "Do Not Fear" 365 times. Whether it's a fear of change, people or disabling phobias—we can't escape fear. Jesus even experienced fear in the garden of Gethsemane as he was about to face the agony of the cross to save mankind (Matthew 26:36-46), and He defeated the devil in the wilderness by speaking the Word of God with boldness—even when His body was weak after fasting for 40 days and 40 nights (Matthew 4:1-11).

There are Two Types of Fear Mentioned in The Bible!

The first is "FEAR OF GOD": This fear is a reverence, love and respect for who God is. It is the source of wisdom and comes from knowing and spending time with God. The fear of the Lord brings life, healing, strength, confidence, rest and security (*Psalm 111:10, Psalm 91:1-2, Proverbs 3:7-8, 14:26-27, &* 19:23 NLT). The second is the "SPIRIT OF FEAR": This fear is not from God and involves torment (punishment) or timidity, (2 Timothy 1:7). It impacts every aspect of life and can lead to depression. It can, however, be overcome!

Some Suggestions When Facing a Spirit of Fear! Decide to trust and surrender your life, your soul (includes your mind, will and emotions), and your circumstances to God—believing that His will is best! Remember Jesus surrendered His will at Gethsemane when He faced fear and always did the will of His Father God (Psalm 56:3, Proverbs 3:5-6, Isaiah 26:4, 1 Peter 5:7, Matthew 26:39 & 42, John 5:19 & 30, & 8:28). Receive, in your heart, God's Perfect love and believe His Word as truth! His love casts out fear (Psalm 119:160, 1 John 4:18). Meditate on scriptures to strengthen your faith; Faith is developed by hearing, believing, speaking and applying the scriptures to your life (Romans 10:17, 2 Timothy 2:15, Hebrews 4:12 & 11:6).

Develop a prayer life (possibly with a faithful prayer partner), it will keep your heart and mind at peace. (Philippians 4:6-7). Remain focused on positive thoughts (Philippians 4:8). Seek help from trusted sources if your fear is paralyzing or life threatening (Proverbs 11:14). Remember crippling fear is not from God and you have power over it (2 Timothy 1:7).

Personal Experience

One of the sources of my depression over the years was fear of failure. I was relentless in my pursuit of success and achievements. I was a workaholic and a perfectionist. Although it is good to show excellence in our work and life, I burned myself out and no matter how hard I worked, I was unfulfilled and became more stressed. Often I would beat myself up with condemnation, guilt and shame when I made mistakes—and I made a lot of them. I eventually realized that there was only one perfect person--Jesus Christ! After many sleepless nights (insomnia), demanding schedules (because I was afraid to say no), and therapy sessions, I finally understood and faced many fears by meditating on the Word of God. The Bible became my Life Owner's Manual, where I was able to find help for my problems. (Cont'd on page 13)



Acknowledge God

In all your ways and

He will direct your path.

Prov. 3:5-6

he Lord requires us to obey His word and not to use our sacrifices which He does not need anyway. We all at times have been at a crossroad of decision, to do, or not to do, to honor "truth" or compromise "the truth." There are also many examples in the scriptures of people like us, who did the same things. It all boils down to make it a decision according to "truth and obedience" One such example was king Saul as recorded in the book of First Samuel 15:1-35.

God had given Saul an order to destroy all the enemies, which in this case was "Amalek." This nation of people had become Israel's bitter enemy and treated them very evil when they came against them as God was delivering Israel out of Egypt (Amalek represented a type of the flesh). This means when God was trying to deliver his people out of Egypt, Amalek - the human nature tried to pull them back into Egypt with fear, defeat and discouragement among other things.

In this chapter king Saul was commanded by God to destroy Amalek, he instead spared this evil king of Amalek whose name was Agag. King Saul also compromised by sparing the best of the flock which was a big compromise of disobedience. The Lord had to send his prophet Samuel to king Saul to tell him the consequences of disobedience. The Lord removed him as king and replaced him with king David, this is how God dealt with disobedience on Saul's part.

First Samuel 15:20-23 reada: "Then came the word of the Lord unto Samuel, saying, It repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king: for he is turned back from following me, and hath not performed my commandments. "And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the Lord all night. "And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning, it was told Samuel, saying, Saul came to Carmel, and, behold, he set him up a place, and is gone about, and passed on, and gone down to Gilgal...... "And Samuel said, When thou wast little in thine own sight, wast thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel, and the Lord anointed thee king over Israel? "And the Lord sent thee on a journey, and said, Go and utterly destroy the sinners the Amalekites, and fight against them until they be consumed. "Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the Lord, but didst fly upon the spoil, and didst evil in the sight of the Lord?"

It's always better to obey what the Lord tells us to do rather than suffer the serious consequences of disobedience.

Read the Story Below CAN YOU FIND THE 16 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE?

I once made a remark about the hidden books of the Bible. It was a lulu, kept people looking so hard for facts and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the name of the books were not capitalized, but the truth finally struck home to numbers of readers. To others, it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. YES, THERE WILL BE SOME REALLY EASY ONES TO SPOT. Others may require judges to help them. I Will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them, and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea, so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax now for there are really sixteen names of books of the Bible in this story.

(One preacher found the 15 books in 20 minutes but it took him 3 weeks to find the sixteenth one)

Answers will be published in Fourth Quarter Newsletter

When facing life problems, remember the Word of God as your first line of

The Word (God's Truth)	Our Defense
For times when you want to know God's will for your life	Romans 12:1-2
For times when you wonder if any good comes from your suffering	Romans 8:28; Psalm 34:18-19
For times of great pressure	2 Corinthians 4:8-10
For times when you need a reason to keep going or doing good	Romans 5:3-5; Galatians 6:9
For times when others hurt you	Genesis 50:19-20; Matthew 6:15
For times when you feel you have no one to come to your defense	2 Timothy 4:17-18
For times when your enemies seem too numerous to handle	Isaiah 59:19
For times when you need wisdom	James 1:5; Ephesians 1:17
For times when you feel weak	Isaiah 40:28-31 & 41:10; Psalm 46:1 Nehemiah 8:10
For times when it seems like there's no future hope	Isaiah 64:4; Jeremiah 29:11
For times when you do not know what to pray	Romans 8:26-27
For times when it seems like God will not keep His promises to you	1 Kings 8:56; Deuteronomy 7:9
For times when you feel alone	Joshua 1:5; Hebrews 13:5
For times when you are discouraged or anxious because of lack or serious illness	1 Peter 5:7; Isaiah 41:17; Philippians 4:19; Matthew 6:25-33; Psalm 23:1 & 4; Psalm 118:17
For times when you are fearful of man	Deuteronomy 31: 6 & 8; Psalm 27:1 & 118:6; Hebrews 13:5-6; Matthew 10:28



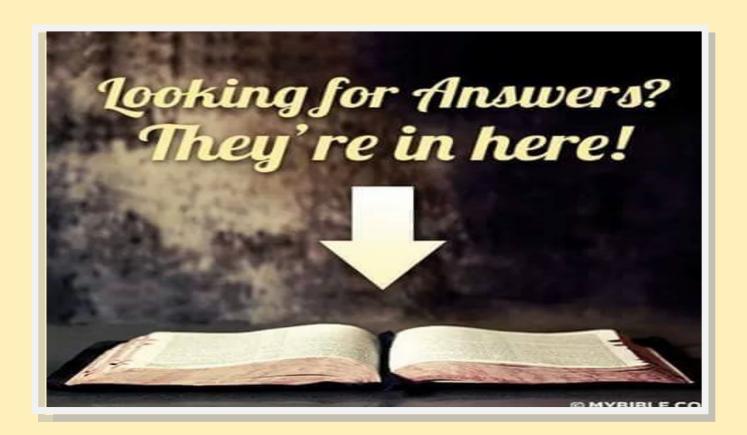
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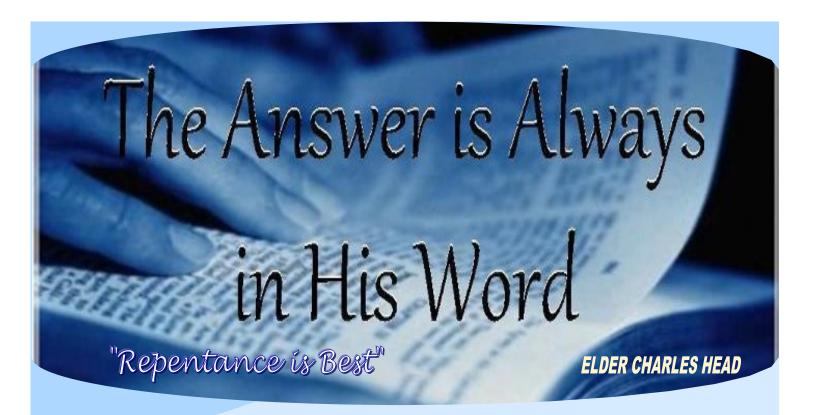
"And Ruth said, entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God."

(Ruth 1:16)

he story of Ruth and Naomi is a wonderful story of loyalty and faithfulness between two women. Although God is not mentioned in this Book of the Bible, He is busy behind the scenes protecting and providing for these women as he guides His plan for redemption for mankind (Jew and Gentile) between Naomi, Ruth and a man named Boaz.

We pick up our story of Naomi returning to Bethlehem-Judah, after a 10 year absence, with a Moabite woman named Ruth, who left the god of Moab to follow the Living God of Israel. The people were excited about her return, but Naomi said unto them "Call me not Naomi, call me Mara: for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me" (Ruth 1:20). Just as we often do, Naomi blamed God for her broken heart. You see, a woman during that century without a husband, son, or nephew to provide for her, experienced great hardship. So, Naomi was deeply discouraged! In her mind, she believed God sent her out full and brought her back empty (Ruth 1:21), but little did she know that God was going to use Ruth to turn her sorrow into joy and hope! Their return to Bethlehem-Judah was during harvest time! God guides Ruth to glean at a nearby field which just happens to belong to Naomi's relative, Boaz. Boaz is a good man who cares for the needy and poor! He soon discovers Ruth and was told by friends of her loyalty and faithfulness to her mother-in-law Naomi. Boaz gave Ruth favor and instructed her to glean only from his field for safety and provision. The story ends with Boaz becoming their "kinsman redeemer," their protector and their provider. Ruth and Boaz got married! And, Ruth became great-grandmother to David, in which the lineage of Jesus Christ came through.

What's so wonderful about this love story? It portrays a picture of God's amazing love for all humankind. It's a story of redemption for Jews and Gentile! The story of Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz is an illustration of God bringing His children Israel (Naomi) home, and the Gentile world's (Ruth) loyalty to Israel, and Boaz (Jesus) as both their "kinsman redeemer." God sent His only begotten Son, Jesus, to the world to become a "kinsman redeemer" for "whosoever will" believe in His name for salvation, which is eternal life. The next time you read the story of Ruth, replace your name for Ruth, and Jesus for Boaz. Jesus is the lover of our soul— He is our "kinsman redeemer!" If you don't know Jesus as your Savior, read page 20 and pray the "Sinner's prayer for eternal life with Jesus!



"Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the Lord your God, and cry unto the Lord," (Joel 1:14)

he Lord is a Lord of order and does things in an orderly manner. He gave us His orders and they have conditions attached to them that we, the body of Christ, must meet so that we may receive the full benefits of His Kingdom. The Lord left us examples in the Bible as a guide for us to follow. One example is found in Joel chapter 2 on the subject of "repentance" on the part of Israel before the second coming of Christ, which is for the future. Joel 2:12-32 is a description of a call to repentance and some things must be in order before the Lord will pour out His spirit and bring deliverance in their time of much trouble.

God's prescribed order for them is:

- 1. A call to repentance Joel 2:12-17
- 2. Restoration and forgiveness Joel 2:18-27
- 3. Promised outpouring of God's spirit Joel 2:28-32

When we want heaven's best from God, with his favor on us, it will always start with a repentant heart and a humble spirit from the beginning. The Lord's way is not for us to be arrogant with a pridefull self-righteous attitude, in which we think we have it and nobody else but us.

In the case of Israel, they have rejected the truth, that Jesus Christ as the true messiah who came to redeem man from sin. It is sad to say that it has and will be great consequences they will suffer in order for them to totally repent and return to the Lord.

Listed in Joel 2:12-13 are God's instructions to Israel to repent: "therefore also now, says the Lord, turn you even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, in with mourning. And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness and repents him of the evil." On a personal level we must know that God has not changed His order of doing things. He is still a loving calm and merciful heavenly Father, but He still requires us to repent when we have sinned. It is His order and we must align ourselves, not our opinions and weak philosophy which have no foundation, if not, our future and destiny will end in eternal destruction.





ourney Through Life Ministries 7th Annual Luncheon and Tea Celebration was held on May 5, 2018, at Comfort Inn, Penn Hills, PA. The afternoon was very inspiring with Evangelist Lloyd and Tanie Massie leading us in worship ushering in the presence of Holy Spirit.

Rev. Georgetta Head presented an anointed message on "A Place Called Gethsemane." She presented the audience with Biblical wisdom on how to handle "The Pressures of Life." As always Holy Spirit moved mightly, touching many hearts through worship and the message. Many came forth for prayer surrendering their "pressures of life" and some to recommit their lives to the Lord.









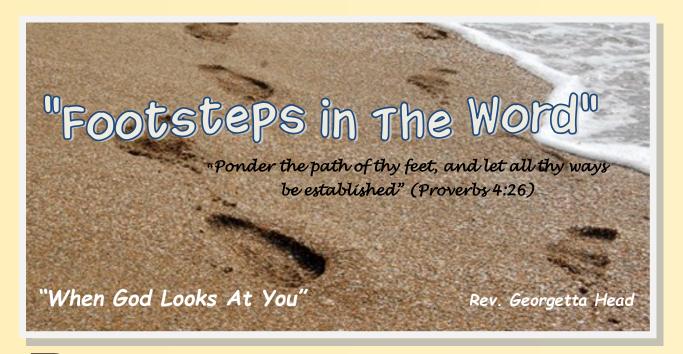












id you know that when God looks at you, He doesn't see an ordinary child! What Father God sees is an "extra-ordinary child" of His! Many Believers don't have a clear understanding of their position in the "body of Christ" – which is Kingdom Citizenship! So let me assure you, when Father God looks at you, He sees a child with a "divine purpose and calling." 1 Peter 2:9 reads: "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light:" This scripture reveals many descriptive words about how God sees you and your position in the Kingdom. For instance when Father God sees you:

He sees: a chosen generation
He sees: a royal priesthood
He sees: a holy nation
He sees: a peculiar people

Now that makes you an extra-ordinary Child of God? You are a "chosen generation" chosen, by Father God to represent Him on earth as His Ambassador. This is a privilege and responsibility given to "ALL" born-again Believers, His Church, which you are, made up of "chosen" Believers called out of every nation, to witness the Good News of the Gospel to everyone.

God sees you as a **"royal priesthood"** meaning you are to offer yourself as a "living sacrifice" so that you can enjoy freedom and access to God 24/7 because Christ is now your mediator in Heaven. You do not have to offer animal sacrifices because Christ was your living, perfect sacrifice making your position in the Kingdom possible. God sees you as a **"holy nation"** set apart to be a witness to the world, the principles of God's Word by being a "living example" in Word and Deed. You are a **"peculiar people."** Now this is a very interesting phrase! Peculiar in Greek means "possession," "one's own property" or "an acquisition." In other words, Holy Spirit is informing you that you belong to Father God. You have been acquired by God, because of the "perfect sacrifice" of Jesus Christ. So a "**peculiar people"** simply means you are a person into possession belonging to God!

In the 6th Chapter of Judges we read of a man by the name of Gideon. He too didn't understand his divine purpose and calling. God saw him as a mighty man of valor! He saw himself as "least in his family." By faith, once he stepped into the "right position" as God saw him, he did great things for the Kingdom of God.

Father God sees all of His children having "great potential and abilities." We need to align our thoughts and hearts with Father God's truth about how He sees us and walk in our "position." By faith, step into your "divine purpose and calling!" You are Father God's chosen representatives called out of a life of darkness into His marvelous light because of what Jesus accomplished on the Cross. Isn't that something to sing praises to God about? Remember, when Father God looks at you, He sees great potential—an extraordinary child of His bought with a "great price—His Son."



id you know that citrus fruits such as grapefruit and oranges have great benefits for healing and are powerful fat fighters? For instance doctors state that these citrus fruits can: 1) lower the risk of some cancers, especially of the stomach and pancreas; 2) fight certain viruses; 3) lower blood cholesterol; and 4) protect the arteries from disease. These healing fruits contain vitamin C, known as ascorbic acid, which reduces the stubborn, clinging fat in your cells.

Grapefruit, for example, is loaded with cholesterol-lowering pectin that is made even stronger by the vitamin C it contains. Dr. James Cerda, professor of gastroenterology at University of Florida says that grapefruit is as powerful as *cholestyramine*, a proven cholesterol-lowering drug. And a compound called *galacturonic acid*, found only in grapefruit adds a unique therapeutic benefit: it breaks up and dislodges the fatty plaque buildup in arteries and whisks it away. It has been suggested by Dr. Cerda that grapefruit could somewhat restore narrowed, clogged arteries to health.

Oranges are a great source of vitamin C, which is necessary for healthy gums, teeth, bones and muscles. Vitamin C is also a known cancer inhibitor, blocking the harmful effects of powerful carcinogens called *nitrosamines*. Several studies link eating oranges to a reduced cancer risk in general, and specifically cancer of the esophagus and the pancreas. Experiments have shown that oranges can also lower blood cholesterol because of the pectin in the skin and membranes. Vitamin C alerts and stimulates your metabolic system and cleanses away the accumulated fat in your cells. It liquiefies and dilutes the fat for easier flushing from your body.

God made fruits and vegetables not only as a good source for nutrition but also as healthy healing agents for our bodies. So before you decide to hate eating fruits or vegetables, research the benefits fruits and vegetables add to your body for health and longevity. Research from "Healing Foods and Juices" by Globe Digest.

People, Places, or Things In The Bible

id you know that Damascus is one of the oldest inhabited cities in the world and is mentioned quite often in the Bible. Damascus' history can be traced back to 10,000 B.C. Damascus is the capital of Syria and is located 50 miles from the Mediterranean Sea.

The Book of Genesis mentions the existence of Damascus during Abraham's time (Gen. 14:15). The Book of Acts mentions Apostle Paul (Saul) walking on the road of Damascus when he had an encounter with God (Acts 9:3-4). During the Roman occupation of Damascus, Apostle Paul was struck blind by God as he approached the city with plans to arrest believers.

Following the Roman empire, Damascus became part of the Muslim empire—and under Saladin became capital of Egypt in A.D. 1150. In 1920, the French made Damascus capital of the League of Nations mandate of Syria. In 1946 Syria gained full independence. Damascus today has a population of two million and is a predominantly Sunni Muslim city that boasts of ancient ruins and modern universities.

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I confess with my mouth the Lord Jesus, as my Savior and believe in my heart that God has raised Him from the dead and You are now seated in Heaven.

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