

Beloved friend in CHRIST, I pray that during these dark days in the world that you are REJOICING in the LORD (Phil. 4:4) & standing against the wiles of the devil (Eph. 6:10-17). I see casualties everywhere, especially on Skid Row & in prisons, who have fallen on the battlefield (spiritual), becoming a P.O.W. to the defeated enemy satan, who has no authority or power (II Tim. 2:25, 26). These days of heavy spiritual warfare demand a commitment to live a life of faith & trust in HIM, who crushed satan at the cross. Always remember the three greatest words ever spoken, "IT IS FINISHED" (John 19:30). JESUS CHRIST, LORD OF LORDS & KING OF KINGS (Rev. 19:16) spoke them, glory to GOD.

May was another fruitful month of 22 services, which included 4 services at L.A. Co. Jail & counseling for 12 hours. Well over 350 prayed the sinners' prayer & every Skid Row Mission service were heavily attended, as were L.A. Co. Jail & Chino Women's Prison! In fact, after having 32 services in April, May 1st had 120 inmates at the L. A. Co Jail service & over 90 prayed the prayer inviting Jesus in their hearts. The next night at the Long Beach Rescue Mission, over 3-dozen came in. The HOLY SPIRIT was on a role, as HE draws them in (John 6:44).

I'm already scheduled to minister in the Cayman Islands in July & back to Washington & Oregon (Walla Walla Penitentiary & 3 others) in September. A week to Pittsburgh will come probably in October, which is a real blessing to go back to my hometown & minister. I'll get to see my brother Robert & loved ones. There are so many that I miss. On June 21st, I'll spend 5 days with my daughter Lea, son-in-law Doug & precious grandchild Elijah.(my birthday gift).

Recently, I witnessed to a successful actor & he said, "What do I need JESUS for, I have a million in the bank & I'm bedding some gorgeous women.î I told him there would be no U-haul truck behind his hearse (1Tim. 6:7). Only GOD'S WORD lasts forever. CHOICES. The SON of GOD instructed HIS followers with these words, "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. (I John 2:15). This world is an ordered system under the influence of satan. The BIBLE teaches that the 'defeated one'. satan, is the "prince of this world." (John 12:31). He is the "prince of the power of the air" (Eph. 2:2). The Apostle John noted that, "the whole world lies in wickedness" (I John 5:19), or perhaps more accurately, the whole world lies "in the wicked one." The idea is that the unsaved are under the influence of satan, as if in a drunken stupor & without any awareness of their true condition (I John 4:3; Mark 9:25,26; II Cor. 4:4). There are millions in his P.O.W. camp, no locks & no keys, saying, "I'm doing my own thing," or "I'm cool." I, me, & my are the unholy trinity. Tragically, they are enslaved to satan & this world system.(1Tim.4:1&2)

As believers, we should not be shocked, dismayed or scandalized at the things we see on TV & in the newspapers, on the radio. The BIBLE teaches that wickedness & perversion will increase as we approach the end of the age, as satan pulls out all the stops & assaults before the LORD'S coming. Take your pick - politics, entertainment, business, education - they are all filled with corruption. Occasionally we can find a godly man or woman who bucks the godless currents & wicked tides of our culture.

No wonder, at different periods of history, some men, seeking a pious life with GOD, chose to be monks in an attempt to escape the corruption of the world by isolation. Their goal may have been lofty - the achievement of their goal unattainable. Isolation from the world is impossible - even in a monastery. Be-sides that, we are called to live righteously in this present evil world. We are called to be a light in the darkness with a redemptive GOD, to have the power to live

righteously, & enabled to serve HIM faithfully, they MUST be born again (John 3:3). In Acts 4:12, there is NO name unto salvation that man could be saved except thru JESUS CHRIST. My passion & consuming desire is to proclaim JESUS CHRIST as the ONLY Savior for sinful men. This is truly the crucial hour of history in our battle for the souls of men. REACH OUT TODAY!

Yours warmly, in HIS LOVE & GRACE. To you who sent LOVE offerings, a 100-fold return & blessings.

In His Majesty's Service,

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