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WHAT IS YOUR BLESSED HOPE?

And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you (John 16:22).

The sorrow that Jesus spoke about is still prevalent everywhere and it seems that when Jesus saw His disciples they were fearful, frightened, and full of grief. It has been suggested that the joy which no man can take from you begins when one, as a new creature in Christ, starts living his life in view of Christ's eternal kingdom of righteousness on a newly created earth spoken of in Rev 21. The ability to keep this thought in view during all our circumstances is the product of one's faith. Living faith enables one to experience the reality of that hope now and share in Christ's risen, victorious life, and long to be with Him, like Him and in His eternal presence. This joy becomes a reality in the life of every child of God, who by faith can see his place in the eternal kingdom on a newly created earth. Many of God's children are full of sorrow for anyone of a hundred different reasons: sickness, loss of loved ones, pain, wickedness abounding everywhere, corruption in all levels of society, lawlessness, religious persecution, and the list could go on and on. This is what they see and feel every day and it molds and

shapes their inward being and causes the many sorrows that one feels around us.

There are a number of great examples of how people, during some of the most difficult circumstances, were able to experience this joy that no man was able to take from them. Job was such a man and this is how he demonstrated his joy that no man could take from him, Job 19:25: *For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: 26 And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:*

David had this same blessed hope and he expressed it in these words, Ps 17:15: *As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.*

Abraham demonstrated this joy with his faith during his test with Isaac, Gen 22:5: *And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.*

Look with your eyes of faith and see Jesus coming down in the New Jerusalem to the New Earth and let that joy be ever present.

PLEASE READ OUR FIELD REPORT AND PUTTER'S PEN ON THE BACK PAGE

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE FIELD

POSITIVE RESULTS

Thank you for praying about new contacts. Since our last prayer letter we have some positive results and much reason to praise the Lord. A hotline caller responded to our second series of ads in the *Thrifty Nickel*, or now called *The American Classified*, and she lives in the Atlanta area. Chantel is her name. She was raised in a JW family (her mother was the main influence) and when she was old enough she stopped attending the Kingdom Hall because (this amazed me) she could see some of the conflicts with the Watchtower (WT) teaching and Scripture. She was looking for answers to her many questions. I sent her a copy of *CHECKMATE* and then a few weeks later our tract on *How To Have Peace With God*. I am praying now that after our next contact we'll have an opportunity to visit her.

The update on Jim and Terry is also positive. I tried for nearly the whole two months to contact him and finally last week was successful. He had been in the hospital (he's 70) the entire month of May with an infection and on "iv" at home until last week. I spoke to him about the Scriptures that state no fornicators or adulterers will be in God's kingdom. It troubled him enough to make some admissions of guilt. I sent him the same tract as the JW girl and will keep praying and contact him again soon. The Lord is so merciful!

Michael and I are also back in very positive conversations. He responded to a text message when I asked him if I could send him a book. When he got *CHECKMATE* a few days later, he replied with, "Congratulations, we will talk soon." He has a daughter, Amanda, who is a devoted WT missionary (pioneer) whom he loves dearly. She is forbidden to speak with him. I promised to pray for this need and he was very thankful.

Ponder all these things in your hearts before the Lord and please continue to pray for more contacts and fruit.

A LOST CAUSE

One of the first burdens that I felt as our work in cult evangelism began to mature was for the people in our Baptist churches. Countless times when I would encounter a JW and ask him where he went to church before he started attending the Kingdom Hall he would say, "I used to be a Baptist." Then I would ask him, "What was it that drew you to the JWs." Without fail this was the reply, "I didn't learn anything in the Baptist church." I began asking the Lord to show me the problem and how to correct it and He did — our Baptist Sunday schools are listening centers rather than learning centers. When a teacher teaches someone the times tables, he can say them, he knows how to use them, and he will continue using them the rest of his life. This is real teaching.

The past tense of teach is taught, not spoke. I looked up the word "teach" and this is the definition: **to cause to know**. The "cause" requires a minimum of three things: accountability, a sense of need, and application. This is what causes one to learn. In our Sunday schools, **we have lost the cause** that enables anyone to learn. Without the cause people sit and listen. Every Christian should have been taught the basic doctrines, the 10 commandments, the 6 pieces of armor, 7 things one should add to his faith, the unity and diversity of the Godhead, and the list goes on. This means that if you would ask anyone in a pew they would know these things just like the times tables. The reason they don't is that they have never been taught. Lord please help us!

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"PUTTER'S PEN"

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things (1Cor 13:11).

Have you ever wanted to be a child again, not go back and relive your childhood, but just for a minute be a child again? A few weeks ago my four daughters and I went up to our youngest daughter's home in VA. Since it is about a 10 hour trip, traveling with 4 children and one "old lady," we stopped and checked into a hotel overnight. The next morning we all went to the lobby for breakfast. Three of the kids and I were finished so we went back to the room to get ready to leave.

When we entered the room, the kids started jumping on the beds. I started to get on them for it and tell them to stop...but I didn't. As I watched them jump, I thought they are really just being kids and having fun and then this still small voice inside me, this voice of my inner child, said to me loud and clear....JOIN THEM....and so I did!!!

For about 3 minutes, hand-in-hand, I jumped on the bed with my grandkids...and for 3 minutes I was a child again...and I loved it! Until next time, Jehovah-jireh, "Putter"

PS: Of course the first words out of my mouth when I could breathe and my heart went back to normal was DO NOT DO THIS AT HOME!!! But it sure was fun and a memory the kids will not forget.

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