



Freedom in the Word

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NOW GOD IS

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Jesus is a now time and an on time God. Time is simply a collection of now moments. Today is now. Yesterday is history and tomorrow is not yet tangible. Jesus Christ is as close as the mention of His name and He is always available now.....no voice mail or waiting on hold forever. Psalm 91:15 says, "He shall call upon me and I will answer him." When? Now! Jeremiah 33:3 says, "Call unto Me and I will answer thee. When? Now!"

The definition of faith listed in Hebrews 11:1 states that "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Genesis 1:3 – "And God said, Let there be light: and there was light, "meaning God said, Let there be light and now there was light. God is working on our behalf now. (2 Chronicles 16:9) He ever lives to make intercession for us now. (Hebrews 7:25) In verse 13 He is now the God of hope. In verse 33 He is now the God of peace for me and thee.

Here are my favorite NOW scriptures: Ephesians 3:20 – Now unto Him (Jesus) Who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us. Jude 24-25 – Now unto Him (Jesus) Who is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, To the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever, amen.

- NOW Jesus is our Healer! (Isaiah 53:5)
- NOW Jesus is our Provider! (Genesis 22:14)
- NOW Jesus is our Protector! (Psalm 91:10-11)
- NOW Jesus is our Joy! Nehemiah 8:10)
- NOW Jesus is our Peace! (Ephesians 2:14)
- NOW Jesus is our Strength! (Isaiah 26:3-4)
- NOW Jesus is our Hope! (Colossians 1:27)
- NOW Jesus is our Truth! (John 14:6)
- NOW Jesus is our Advocate! (Romans 8:34)
- NOW Jesus is our Comforter! (John 14:16-18)

A NOW God wants His children to be NOW disciples. NOW is the time to live His life and work His works, to exemplify the fruit of the Spirit and to operate in the gifts of the Spirit. And for some reading this newsletter, NOW is the accepted time, NOW is the day of salvation. (2 Cor. 6:2) Why not ask Jesus into your heart NOW?

THE MAN WITH NO LEGS

Katie Brigmon

John 5:7 "Sir," the invalid replied, "I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me." NIV

Last month I wrote about the Man with 10 legs. The four friends were there to put their friend through the roof to be touched by Jesus. This man, however, has no one to put him into the pool. He doesn't seem to get a lot of sympathy from Jesus. Jesus said in the next verse, "**Get up! Pick up your mat and walk.**" *At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked.*

Interesting: Jesus didn't pick him up and put him in the waters. He required the sick man to make the effort to "Get Up".

We hear, "I don't have anybody," from inmates a lot. Many have burned bridges with family members and there's no one left it seems. "I don't have anybody," sometimes comes out like a whine or an excuse. A friend told me about a motivational speaker that gave the crowd a universal excuse that works for everything they could ever need an excuse for: "I didn't want it bad enough." Jesus took that man's excuse away. Even if we don't have anyone, we can still have Him. He is a friend that sticks closer than a brother. Proverb 18:24

MINISTRY FOR APRIL:

- Bartlett Unit..... Apr. 2, 6, 13, 20, 24, 25, 27
- Travis Unit..... Apr. 6, 13, 20, 27
- Halbert Unit..... Apr. 9
- Lockhart Unit (Women)..... Apr. 12
- FCI Bastrop..... Apr. 19
- Bryan FPC..... Apr. 26
- Hughes Unit..... Apr. 29

World Largest Women's Prison

We had the wonderful opportunity to join with Daughter's of Destiny in their ministry at Valley State Prison & Central California Women's Facility in Chowchilla California in March. These facilities are right across the road from each other and make up the largest women's prison population in the world.

They loved Rappin' Ron. (smile) His upbeat music and rap caused the inmates to open their hearts and minds to the Word being shared. *Katie*

Pray the Word

Romans 5:20 Where sin abounds grace does much more abound. (present tense)

A bend in the road is the end of the road, unless you fail to make the turn. - Anonymous

Matthew 9:13 Jesus said..., "Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners." NIV

Last Month our partners equipped us to minister the Word at: Bartlett Unit, Lockhart Unit, FCI Bastrop, Travis Unit, Kyle Unit, Valley State Women's Unit & Central CA Women's Facility as well as county jail visits.

Mail Bag

Dear Ron & Katie: I was incarcerated at Travis State Jail and attended your Monday night fellowships there. I was transferred to Hays Cty. I was speaking with another inmate here and we were discussing this great guy that had come to visit with him in place of his regular pastor. He was overflowing with the love of God and related to me how far this man had drive to share God's glory with him. Ron I'm sure you realize we were discussing you. I had been telling him about the wonderful prison ministry that God had given to you and Katie. We finally figured out that the same guy I had been telling him about was the same guy that visited him. We were both in awe of how the good works of men truly glorify our Father in heaven. T.A.

Dear Ron & Katie: I am back in Sugarland. God has led me to join Sugar Creek Church. I started a new Bible Fellowship Class and will soon start a class called My Place in Life and Ministry. Sugar Creek has a prison ministry and I will be contacting the leader in the next few days. God is working wonders in my life and I want to thank the both of you and how God has used you to influence my life. You both made a big impact on me and how my life is today. I continue to learn and pray the Word. I have seen several friends come to Christ since my release 2 ½ years ago. I have seen God turn them from drugs & drink to servants of our Lord. God is so great. J.G.

MATTHEW 25:36 TEAM MEMBER

...I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU CAME...