



FREEDOM IN THE WORD

Matthew 25:36...I was in prison and you came...



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THROUGH HIM

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Romans 8:37 - Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

Believers on the mountain top got there THROUGH HIM. Believers and unbelievers alike who have hit rock bottom will discover the fastest way to come back from a setback must be THROUGH HIM. Why? Father God is sovereign! Sovereign means supreme rank, supreme authority, and supreme power. He is pre-existent, preeminent, and excels all others. That means man was created to be DEPENDENT. That is why the Lord is our Shepherd and takes care of all our needs. (Psalm 23) (Philippians 4:19)

Matthew 6:33 says to "seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things (that we have need of) will be added." Things come AFTER seeking God first. As a prayer partner at church I experience some devastating prayer requests from hurting people. Some requests may be similar to this scenario: My husband just left me. My son is in jail. My daughter wants to go live with her dad and I just got laid off my job today. This lady is having a "Ziklag day." (See 1 Samuel 30) I usually say "You've come to the right place." That right place is the church, the community of believers, the place of power in agreement, the place where we bring our petitions in times of trouble. (Psalm 46:1) (1 John 5:14-15)

Many people try to solve their problems in their own ability or seek man's solution for their pollution and then turn to God as a last resort. That means our faith is not primarily "in Him." As believers, one of the first things to be established is the fact that "He is, and He is a rewarder of them that diligently, earnestly, and sincerely seek Him." (Hebrews 11:6) *Romans 11:36 - For of Him, and THROUGH HIM, and to Him, are all things: to Whom be glory forever. Amen.*

Let's establish a "Through Him" consciousness and mentality. When little foxes come to steal the fruit from our vines or a "Goliath" problem arises to torment and intimidate we can pray the Word with faith believing "I can do all things THROUGH Christ Who strengthens me knowing that no weapon that is formed against me shall ever prosper!" (Phi. 4:13) (Is.54:17)

BEWARE OF SCOFFERS & MOCKERS

Katie Brigmon

Psalm 1:1 - Blessed in the man who...does not sit in the seat of the scornful (mockers).

I think of mockers as those who ridicule people. Scoffers or the scornful are those who stir up trouble, heckle, or criticize.

I don't want to sit near these type of people. Why? I don't want any of that attitude to rub off on me.

If I'm around someone that is constantly scoffing at our government, the next thing I know I'm getting an attitude about our government that is not prayerful at all. If I'm around someone who is angry at all the men in the world then suddenly I'm allowing things to bother me that never did before.

I knew a lady several years ago that had worked in an office with a certain group of women for many years. A new employee came in that was recently divorced. She constantly scoffed at things married women HAD to do for their husbands. One day when she was out the original group realized that they were all now having some marriage issues that they'd never had before. Sitting next to a scornful co-worker was affecting them.

Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us... stir up love and good works,... exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

Father, help me to surround myself with exhorters and encouragers. Help me not to be scornful. Fill me with your love and mercy in Jesus' name. Amen!

MINISTRY FOR OCTOBER 2011

Kyle Unit	Oct. 2
Bartlett Unit.....	Oct. 3, 6, 10, 17, 24
Travis Unit.....	Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24
Lockhart Unit (Women).....	Oct. 9
Halbert Unit	Oct. 13
TCCC Del Valle	Oct. 7, 14, 19
Bastrop FCI	Oct. 16
Florida Prisons	Oct. 27, 29, 30

Ministry Diary

After thirty years of prison ministry we have met many wonderful chaplains who serve Christ faithfully in prisons. Most of them we met while they ministered in Texas prisons. Some of them are now serving in other states.

Chaplain Alex Taylor is an awesome man of God that we met while he was at the Ellis Unit. He is now over the chaplains in the state of Florida. He has helped open those doors for us there. In October we will minister at the Central Texas Reception Center in Orlando, the Hernando Correctional Institution in Brooksville, and Sumter Correctional Institute in Bushnell.

We praise God for these opportunities!

PRAY THE WORD

Romans 8:35-39 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will trouble, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or death? 37 No, in all these things we have complete victory through him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things that are present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. NIV

God turns the pain of failure into the privilege of usefulness. Alistar Begg

Last Month our partners equipped us to minister the Word at: Bartlett Unit, Lockhart Unit, Travis Unit, Bradshaw Unit, Bastrop FPC, Bryan FPC, and TCCC Del Valle as well as one on one jail visits.

MAIL BAG

Ron - I'm so in love with Jesus! It brings tears to my eyes just now typing this letter to think how wonderful my life is, how everything my heart has desired for my entire life has been set before me, how wonderful His people are, and how foolish it would be to anything but love Him back with all I've got. T.H.- (ex-prisoner)

Hi Ron & Katie-I want to tell you Ron that you have a good wife. She talks very straight and makes people understand. I always enjoyed listening to her preach. And Ron, you taught me to learn the scripture to beat evil. I have learned a scripture from you: It is Romans 12:2 and also Philipians 4:13. I just wanted to tell you your scripture stuck in my head. Thanks for everything, even the Merry Christmas picture. D. K.

Ron & Katie, Greetings... Thank you for your encouraging words. There are quite a few things here on the Trusty Camp that have to do with Bible Study and church. I'm blessed in that area. A few guys said they are babies in Christ so I decided to encourage them to start learning memory verses - as we know the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but might through God to the pulling down of strongholds. I have to say that being at Travis was a bigger gift than I ever wanted for myself. Please let all my brothers know that the Hope of God is only a word away. Thank you Ron, Katie and volunteers Phil, Deborah, Eddie, The Jacksons, Chris and the mailman. Along with the inmates at the Travis Bible Institute your desire to serve God was always so strong it burned a desire in me. J.C.



Matthew 25:36

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