

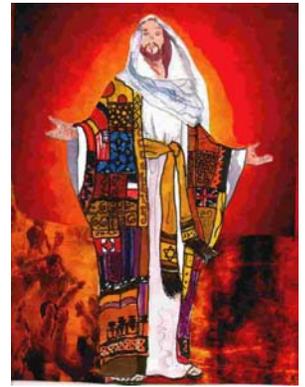
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Newsletter for July 2003

Praise of the Month

Mary and I were given the pleasure of being set in the right place at the right time to help a biker nicknamed named Bear find Jesus. When Bear first came forward in church for prayer our Lord impressed upon my heart that He wanted Bear to be a witness to other bikers. Our first praise for the month is that on May 30, 2003 a fellow biker was in a very bad accident. He was very severely injured. He was paralyzed from the chest down. His head was literally pulled off his spine. His spine was broken in several places with his spinal cord stretched. He died twice as they were trying to reassemble him. Bear and his biker friends went to visit Doug. At first the nurse told them they could not go in. Then she talked to Doug and he asked if Bear was there. (a divine appointment) Bear got to witness and pray over Doug. Bear then again visited Doug and saw the change in him. The healing that had begun. The following Sunday Bear told the congregation the story. After services I was talking to Bear and he looked at me with that childlike faith and said "I know if you go pray for Doug he will be healed."



I knew God had set another divine appointment. We drove 5 hrs to Salt Lake City two Sundays ago. Mary, Ray, Carolyn and myself prayed over Doug for salvation and healing. One week later Doug was able to lift one leg off the bed three times by himself. Praise God for His continuing works. Please, Please understand that we are just the instrument of God's power. It is never something we do, but what our Lord is willing to do through us. Our Lord can only work through a humble and contrite heart that is willing to get out of the way and let Jesus step in. I have never seen such faith in all my many travels. Doug's faith can move a mountain. I know my Jesus will honor such deep trust in him. We all would be able to move mountains if only we had such faith.

You see that Sunday we were going to pray for another in Salt Lake City. We were going to pray for Martha. In hopes that she would have one more day to find Salvation. Martha died at 9:10 am that Sunday before we could pray with her. Did she find Jesus? I don't know, maybe I should have been bolder before they took her to Salt Lake. I can only hope God answered our prayer that Jesus revealed Himself to her before she went home. We were in Rock Springs when

we got the news of Martha and almost did not go to Salt Lake City that day to pray over Doug. We almost missed seeing such great faith. But I praise our Lord I was able to hear his still small voice direct us.

Another praise is that our web site should be on line by the time you receive this. The address is www.hiswillministry.org. Visit it and let us know what you think. If it is not up online just keep trying we are just waiting on our server.

Mary's Thoughts for the Month

Dear Ministry Partners:

Edward M. Bounds, the great writer and prayer warrior, told a story about a friend of his whom was an avid hunter. One morning his friend was standing outside in a field, and heard the distant sound of a pack of deer hounds. As he stood there the sound grew closer and closer, the dogs were obviously in the pursuit of a deer. As he watched, a young fawn ran for all he was worth across the field where he encountered a fence, which he bounded over. There the fawn tried to rest,



obviously tired, frightened and worn out. A few moment's later two dogs came over the fence, and the fawn ran full force towards Edward's friend, and stuck its little head between the hunter's legs. The man quickly scooped up the little fawn and held it against his chest. Minutes later he fought off the dogs. In recounting his story to Edward, the friend said, "I would have fought off the very hounds of hell to protect that fawn, for in its weakness it had appealed to my strength." In the same way we must appeal to our

Almighty Father in our weakened state, for protection. Christian, the Lord of Heaven will move any obstacle to protect you and answer your prayers. Submit to His authority in your life, and pray for His will daily. Please continue in prayer for us, as we are praising God for this time of testing that He is putting Jay and I through. Pray that we will glorify Him through it all.

Love in Christ Mary.

Pastor's Corner

It has been a rough month with Martha dying. It brings me closer to the reason our Lord called me to be a pastor. My calling is to bring people into the kingdom and once they are in to bring them to spiritual maturity. I can not tell you for sure if Martha knew Jesus or not. I only know my Jesus honors the prayers of His chosen. As they drove Martha to Salt Lake City Mary looked at me and said I don't think we will see her again. We spent that Friday in prayer that our Jesus would not take her until He had revealed himself to her. Did He?

I can only hope and believe He did. But, if I had been bold enough to ask Martha straight out I would know.

Please, oh please don't let any opportunity to tell someone about Jesus go by. That person may not have a second chance. You may be the only Bible that they will ever see.

I had a great joy in helping one of our local pastors with their jail ministry. This last Friday the local sheriff locked me in jail. We had three men, Praise God. The sheriff did not have a room big enough to hold us. Therefore, the jailer locked me down in a cell with the three men. It was at first a little disconcerting but then Jesus was in a tomb for three days and rose again.😊😊

Please keep us in your prayers. We have been going through a time of trial. But we praise our Lord for finding us worthy.

This month we are sending out a special tape by Pastor Tony Sanchez on the gifts of healing. Pastor Tony and his wife held a 3 day meeting in Pinedale on deliverance and healing. Pastor Tony gave us permission to send out this special love gift.

Our prayers are with you. Love in Jesus

Pastor Jay

This Months Bible Moment



With Pastor Jay

In Matthew 14:23-32 we read the story of Peter walking on water. I have heard many a pastor say Peter had no faith because he sank. I don't know about you, but I am sure I do not have enough faith to walk on water. Above Pinedale is Fremont lake. This is a 600+ foot deep lake that is a mile wide and several miles long. I asked the question of several men the other day "If I take you to the middle of Fremont Lake will you get out of the boat and try to walk on the water?" The answer was a resounding "NO!!"

Think how much faith Peter must have had to have taken that first step out of the boat. As I have been known to say it is the Book of Acts. Think where you and I would be today as Christians if the first apostles had not held a faith deep enough to take the first step. Peter had a great amount of faith in Jesus but his mistake was he took his eyes off his supply.

Are things not going the way you think they should? Does it seem that God's blessings are being withheld from you? Do you not feel the presence of our Lord like " the old days"? Then maybe you have taken your eyes off the supply. The Word of God is true and faithful. In the above verse we see that Peter took his eyes off the supplier and put his eyes on the storms surrounding him. What happened? Peter immediately began to sink. This is what happens when we take our eyes off Jesus our supplier.

Dear ones, I am speaking to you from my personal experience. It is easier than we realize to take our eyes off Jesus. This last week I let Satan try to rip my heart out. I am ashamed to admit it but I took my eyes off Jesus one evening and the STORMS of this world overwhelmed me. My heart started to sink, my faith dropped down to the bottom of the ocean. I was on a sinking spiral that only Jesus could stop. Mary tried to stop it but she took her eyes off Jesus and put them on me. This only took her into the storm too. I praise our Lord that He is so faithful if only we will ask. My Jesus came to my rescue just like He did with Peter. Jesus put His arms around Mary and I and carried us for a few moments and that was all it took to get our eyes back on Him. I just Praise our Lord and Savior for His Love.



The picture to the left was actually someone's home. Many years ago I spent some time working in the Caribbean region. Some people were so poor that old abandoned cars were their homes. This one was located in an old limestone quarry. The people always hide during the day for fear of being arrested. When you are tempted to take your eyes off Jesus and put them on the cares of the world remember you live in the most blessed nation in the world.

REMEMBER OUR GOD IS NOT DEAD HE STILL BLESSES HIS CHOSEN

*God Bless
Pastor Jay*

TEACHING OF THE MONTH

This month by
Mary Warner

BEING ABOVE REPROACH

I was reading an article by Andrew Storm recently about spiritual pride; it was an excellent article, highlighting the underlying root of many a failed ministry, which is spiritual pride. We have seen the devastation left behind by ministries whose leadership failed to be above reproach. The cost of this devastation in the body of Christ is high. In proverbs we read that “Pride goeth before the downfall”, and we can see that is true by looking at these mighty ministries that have fallen in the last few years. Paul Billheimer said, *“The sands of time are strewn with the wrecks of the broken lives of many who were once mightily used of God, but who suffered shipwreck upon the rocks of spiritual pride”*.

When God calls you into the ministry, you are under the obligation to be above reproach in all areas of your life. God expects you to be financially accountable, to be morally accountable, to be spiritually mature, and to obey the laws of the land. Now, I am not talking about past sins that are covered by the blood of Christ, if that were the case then none of us would even qualify to serve in positions of leadership. Jay and I have worked in churches where they wouldn't allow divorced men (or women) to serve in leadership positions, even though the divorce occurred before these people were saved. The blood of Jesus covers our sinful past as soon as we are born again, period. Our forgiven past should never be revisited by anyone, including us, unless the Lord wants us to testify about His deliverance and grace. Once we are saved, and growing spiritually we have an obligation to all those around us to be above reproach. As Christians we also have the obligation according to scripture to hold each other accountable. If we fail to live above reproach we will fall into Satan's snare. For example our daughter who has recently returned to Christ found out that her driver's license had been revoked. Apparently she had been stopped in the past for expired plates and was driving without insurance. A month ago she was shopping and her purse was stolen (along with her driver's license). She went to the DMV to apply for a replacement and was told that her license had been revoked because she had failed to take care of the former ticket, and prove she had insurance. Being a baby in Christ she could have come up with a number of excuses for not taking care of this incident, however she actually took responsibility for it instead. If you knew her history, you would realize what growth this shows. Now if she continues driving knowing full well she has no driver's license then she will be consciously sinning. We as Christians must obey the laws of the land, we have no excuse not to, unless those laws ask us to deny Christ. You cannot be a good Christian without being a good citizen as well. Satan will use all types of devices to get us to walk the middle line here. He will use temptations to pride disguised as our own thoughts and motives. Satan will happily take a long-term approach with these attacks, slowly building on what he has been feeding into our mind until he can sway us into making one bad decision after another. Then pride steps in and takes over, until we find it nearly impossible to confess our wrongdoing. Like a seed, it will then grow, and begin to manifest itself in other areas of our lives, until eventually, if it has not been dealt with, God will be forced to remove us from the ministry He has called us into. We are told in the Bible to have the mind of Christ and that we are to bring into captivity every thought to the

obedience of Christ. We are to be full of His Spirit, controlled and directed by Christ Jesus. If Jesus were in the world today, you would find him obeying the laws of the land and being a good citizen. He would pay fines, he would drive fully insured, and he would drive with a proper driver's license. Jesus would not do 85 mph in a 75-mph zone, just because everyone else was. I can't picture Jesus shoplifting, or pocketing the incorrect change a clerk gave him. I am pretty sure he would pay his bills on time, and license his dog. I don't think he would have overdue books or borrow something and then never return it. He gave us an example in the gospels directly out of a fish's mouth, pay what is due, and do what is right. If you have a problem with being spiritually proud, then you have a hard time confessing your wrongdoing. If that is the case then you are just like the Pharisee who looked at the repentant sinner and said I am glad that I am not like him.

Do you find yourself looking at the speck in your brother's eye while there's a plank in your own? If you have a problem with pride, God has probably tried to get your attention by humbling you. Take it from me, the sooner you submit to him the better off you will be. Jay and I have discovered in our Christian walk that the minute the Lord brings something to our attention that we need to deal with, that is the time to deal with it. It only gets harder to deal with it as the months go by, and nearly impossible if the months turn to years. If you have a stronghold of pride (or any stronghold that keeps you from being above reproach) deal with it by renouncing it from the very depths of your heart, mind and soul in Jesus' name, then cast it away from you as a vile hated thing. "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to pulling down of strongholds" (2 Cor. 10:4). Finally you must repent before the Lord and if this stronghold has caused you to sin against your brother you must confess it to him or her and ask for forgiveness. Remember our Lord can only work through a humble and contrite heart that is willing to get out of the way and let Jesus step in.

Recently Jay and I have asked the Lord to reveal even the secret sins of our hearts so that we can confess them and be made clean. We can never expect the mighty power of God to work through us if we are harboring sin in our lives. If you notice that your Christianity is stagnant, and going nowhere you should examine yourself closely for spiritual pride. God will only trust His mighty power to save and heal to an empty humble vessel. Christian, do not let Satan dominate any area of your life for very long, or he will soon control you.