



## The Only Effective Prayer



*John 15:7 If ye ABIDE in me, and my words ABIDE in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.*

Man today lives in a time and in a world full of corruption and pressures that can overwhelm. As believers we need to remain in constant contact with God and heaven or else we too will be overwhelmed. We can all be discouraged and fall into unbelief if we don't know how to tap into the power of God from heaven. So here we are, in a world but not of that world. We are like wheat seed sown in good ground, but an enemy has sown tares and the tares seem to be abounding. So what do we do?

Let's really look at this verse and get some help shall we? We're told to ABIDE in Yeshua/Jesus. Why? Why can't we merely go on our own merry ways and do our 9 to 5 jobs and that be enough? Because of the enemy and the tares. We're told, *1 Cor 15:33 Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners (moral habits)*. God's first command was to be fruitful and multiply, but because the enemy has sown tares in the earth there is a work that must be done BEFORE we can carry out God's ultimate command. He sent man into His garden to till and tend it. Adam (mankind) was sent to destroy the works of the adversary. (1 John 3:8)

Have you ever asked yourself why John the Baptist had to come to PREPARE the way of the Lord? John the Baptist walked in the same spirit as the Prophet Elijah. John the Baptist witnessed the baptisms of men who wanted to find and make repentance. He was like a gardener who has been given a plot of land to till and tend. First you have to

remove boulders and pebbles that would make plowing difficult. Then you pull up any weeds that might choke the plants you're going to propagate. Last you plow up that ground and then seed can be sown.

Let's remember our first verse. We must ABIDE in Yeshua/Jesus and also have his words ABIDE or live in us and THEN we can ask what we will and it will be done unto us. Notice there are steps here and they follow an order. Let me number them so it will be a little clearer for you.

1. ABIDE or live in Yeshua/Jesus (our part)
  2. Have his words ABIDE or live in us (our part)
  3. Ask what we will (our part)
  4. Wait for what we ask for (our part)
- God will do what we ask (God's part)

Can we mix up that order and still be productive? No, God uses order so that things work properly. You don't bake a cake before you mix up the batter and pour it into the pan. You make a cake in a specific order so that it will taste good.

Ok now let's take this spiritual truth and apply in practically in an everyday situation. Imagine you're ill. That's not too hard to imagine. Sickness is all around us and practiced by a great many people. The first thing we have to do is "ABIDE in Yeshua/Jesus". How do we do that? He's in heaven on the right hand of God and in the natural, out of our reach. Let's look at this more closely. We've taken for granted so many things because of old practices that we miss a lot. We in America have called our Lord by the name JESUS for so long that it's a habit. American's have a habit of naming children pretty names without having a clue what they mean. If a name sounds pretty they give that name to their child. "Jesus" is a poor transliteration of a translation of his name. The name his mother Merium called him was Yahowshuwa. The shortened version of his name or the "nickname" given him became Y'shua. In Hebrew his given name meant the salvation of Yah. Yah being a shortened version of the name of God.

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With just a little more light we can see that we are to ABIDE or live in the salvation supplied by Yah or God through Yahowshuwa. That requires a little more than just a simple waking up and going to work each day, it requires some understanding through study.

God wants His children saved. His whole purpose in creating us was to destroy the works of the adversary (and that includes sickness). In order for us to be effective in destroying the works of the adversary we must know the will of God. I dare say that everyone who actually takes the time to read this article and this newsletter has a full copy of the bible. The bible is a book composed of several different covenants made between God and different men. It's more than even two covenants; a new and an old. There is a covenant God made with Adam, a covenant made with Noah, a covenant made with Abraham and a covenant made with the Israelites. There are various covenants between those covenants. Each of these covenants is part and parcel of a larger covenant made between YHVH and His Son Yahowshuwa.

We hear the term "God's will" all the time, but with a very superficial understanding. God's will is first of all how He wants something done. God's way is the only effective way to get anything done. He is the only all seeing, all knowing and all powerful one out there. There aren't twenty five right ways of doing a thing. You can't have twenty five gods all doing twenty five different things and have productivity. You have to have a single absolute truth (unchangeable and unmovable) in order for anything to be eternal. The very concept of eternal means lasting forever.

I'm quite confident that all of us have heard of a "last will and testament". This sort of will is the final wish of a loved one regarding his assets. It is a legal document which binds all involved parties to carrying out this person's last desires. As long as the party writing the will is alive the document can be changed or added to. Once that person dies the last will written and notarized is binding. The dead person can't come back and change it, he/she is dead. If that person gives all his/her worldly goods to an heir, he/she can't renege.

God gave all His handiwork into the hand of Adam entrusting him to destroy the works of the adversary (this being the Will of God). He told him to be fruitful and multiply. In all of the many words God spoke was not a wasted syllable. *Isa 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.* Adam was fruitful and did multiply. He was the first seed and he was "planted" and brought forth many sons. He was sown in good ground and while he "slept" the adversary sowed tares. Then over the course of time God spoke through prophets (men) more of His will. He had to use men because He'd given His handiwork over to men to tend, He couldn't say something and go back on His word. *Psa 89:34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.* Even in the "failure" or sin of Adam God began speaking of His salvation or Yahowshuwa. Calling upon or using the name of Yeshua is powerful. Knowing who and what we have in God's salvation is our power tool. We live

according to only what the word said and says today. Yeshua is presently interceding for us. What is intercession? Intercession speaks of a work done between two parties. With Yeshua it's between God and man. Yeshua is holy and therefore able to stand or sit in the presence of Almighty Holy God. God is the only power source. He has the power we need to do what He demands of us. He wants us to be fruitful and multiply and we have to have His power in order to do so effectively. We can't stand in His presence without some intermediary. Why? Because of the corrupting failure of the first Adam. Yeshua is the word or will of God that became flesh (also known as the last Adam). He walked completely righteous and holy before God although sown among a world of tares. He was the ONLY one who ever walked this way. He is the ONLY one who could walk this way. Why? First because he was God in human flesh. *1 Tim 3:16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.* Second because all of humanity from Adam live in sinful flesh. Even if we could keep the Torah without flaw (and we can't) humanity from Adam (without ABIDING in Yeshua) is in enmity with God and therefore makes EVERY human incapable of standing before God without a holy intermediary.

Let's go back once again to our first scripture. *John 15:7 If ye ABIDE in me, and my words ABIDE in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.* Notice here it doesn't say, "If you ABIDED or lived in me once". It says, "If you ABIDE" (present tense and continuing tense).

ABIDE (NT:3306 meno (men'-o); a primary verb; to stay (in a given place, state, relation or expectancy): KJV - ABIDE, continue, dwell, endure, be present, remain, stand, tarry (for), X thine own.) We must ABIDE in God's salvation. It must be a constant continuing thing. We have to continually guard our garden (heart) so that we ABIDE or live in the righteousness we have in him *James 5:16 The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.*

So we make Yeshua lord over our lives. We decide to listen to him and do what he says without question. That takes a lifelong commitment. It isn't done lightly and one must "count the cost" in order to make this decision.

We have only skimmed the surface of John 15:7. That's as far as most folks ever go. They read it in a surface sort of way and go no further. We haven't even covered steps 2-5 yet! Effective prayer takes more than a surface understanding of the word. It requires diligence. My prayer is that you will be diligent to study and meditate over and over upon the few words I've shared here. I trust also that you will really meditate on the subsequent steps so that you will be prepared as we delve into them in the days and months to come. Like every good writer I leave you wanting more! Until next month I hope you've enjoyed this first course. By the way I haven't forgotten about going from sickness to health. Whether you see yourself from sickness to health depends upon whether you stay with us from step 1 through step 5.

Our desire is to see the ENTIRE body of Christ become a productive well functioning body. We can't reach each per-

son individually, but we know that the healthy parts of the body can strengthen the weaker parts. We want to strengthen you where you are so that you can in turn touch the person next to you and strengthen them. For this reason we offer Jeff's teaching on "Righteousness Consciousness". We offer it without cost to whoever wants it. You must know about how to ABIDE in righteousness to have heaven's power available to you. Write and ask for it NOW!

## Working Out With Jeff The Bread of Life



Eph 3:1-3 For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me toward you: How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery...which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

For years I would read this and ponder, and I'd read it again and ponder some more. As the years passed and I pondered I would finally do what most do, I asked the Holy Spirit to reveal to me the mystery Paul was talking about. Yes I know you folks out there have known that the mystery was written right there in plain sight in Ephesians, but bear with me for a bit because I didn't. The church upbringing I had, as little as it may have been, did not shed any light on this question of the mystery. In fact after I did hear from the Spirit exactly what that mystery was, I found out almost the opposite was being presented to me by the "teachers" I was hearing. But without knowing or understanding the truth the lie had little effect on my life. It wasn't until much later in my personal walk with my Messiah that the lie began to work against what He Himself by His Spirit was working to speak into me. When any of us has a traditional understanding of any matter and it does not come from the word of God, it begins to work against the word in our lives. The word of God becomes of no effect in our way of living because we live in a tradition that causes us to not see but yet be certain we are right in what we are blindly doing.

Now back to the mystery! I will in very certain terms present to you the mystery hidden from all the ages until Paul wrote it down for all to read. If you would turn back a page to Ephesians chapter 1 and begin reading in verse 1 Paul writes from verse 1 to verse 12 that he is part of a people that were chosen before the foundation of the world. God tells this group of people (Israelite believers), through Paul, that they should be holy and without blame before Him in love. (No other people on earth had any way to do this.) Verses 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12 Paul uses "us" and "we" referring to that group of people he is part of (Israelite believers). They received from the Lord "first" and

then he begins in verse 13 talking to another group of people (non-Israelite believers) that should come "after". He wrote in 1 Cor. 15:46 Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. Here we see a principle working I call, "a double reference". A double reference is something which occurs first naturally and afterwards occurs spiritually. We can begin to see this double reference laid out by God Himself in the bible. "First" He lays it out by types and shadows in His chosen people (Israelite believers) but the work He's doing in this "first" group of people is incomplete without the second group of people (the non-Israelite believers). Heb 11:39-40 And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: God having provided some better thing for "us", that "they" without "us" should not be made perfect. This same chosen group of people (Israelite believers) being offered the Messiah's sacrifice "first" causes them to become spiritual people in a spiritual kingdom. Ephesians 1: 12 Paul writes, "We" should be to the praise of God's glory, who "first" trusted in Christ." Simply put Israelites! Paul was from the tribe of Benjamin (an Israelite). No other people were given that opportunity before God's chosen people Israel. Beginning in verse 13 Paul changes who he is talking to by using the term "ye", "your", "you" five times in verse 13, then verses 15, 16, 17, and 18 obviously referring to someone else besides the "first" group of Paul's people Israel. He is talking straight to the Ephesians, not of any tribe out of Israel. Of course we know that the Ephesians were not natural Israelites but were preached to by the Israelites that had received Jesus as Messiah. Now non-Israelites were welcomed into the family, the temple Jesus was/is building. It is not an Israeli building. It is not a gentile building. It is a building made up of both Israelite believers and non-Israelite believers; a new man with nothing missing and nothing broken; perfect peace shalom-shalom!

Jesus drew natural pictures to teach spiritual truth. The word is full of such parables. Here is one you may have missed in your study and the Lord has drawn it out for me so I could draw it out for you. The Lord spoke of himself as being the bread of life. Not everyone has made bread before so we have to look at the ingredients, and the making of it to get a clearer understanding of what the Lord was sharing. You can't have bread without flour, water, oil and a leavening agent. Each of these elements are also pictures of spiritual things.

With Passover here I want you to consider this mystery; the family, the temple, the building, the new man that God is raising up in Himself and His Christ. Because Israel was first let's call them the flour in the bowl that Christ is mixing together. Always remembering that without Christ/Messiah as Savior you won't be in the mixing bowl Israelite or not! Without Jesus all are separated from God forever at death in this flesh body. So born-again Israelites are the flour. We shall consider all born-again non-Israelites leaven or yeast and put them in the bowl along with the flour. All you bakers out there know we can't make bread without water (a picture of new birth) and oil (a picture of Holy Spirit). Now when you mix all of this together and add heat for a certain amount of time you will get

bread (a picture of Showbread). Jesus said He was the bread of life not that bread that came down from heaven and men died, but the bread that gives life and that life more abundant. When the day of Pentecost was fully come Israelites from every nation under heaven were present at the temple hearing the gospel. That means the “first” to hear the gospel were Israelites. These Israelites in turn went to other Israelites “first” and preached the gospel. The Lord told them to preach to Jerusalem (1<sup>st</sup>), Judea (2<sup>nd</sup>), Samaria (3<sup>rd</sup>) and the uttermost parts (last). When the first no longer would receive the gospel they went to the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and last groups and preached the truth.

We are now living at the point in time where the first shall be last. Israel, God’s chosen, the “first” to receive Jesus will now be the last and final group of people to hear once again the same message. That message being, “Repent for the Kingdom of God is at hand. The Messiah has come in the flesh and His name is Yeshua/Jesus”. The mystery is that there should be no more mystery yet people still refuse to see Jesus. God loved the whole world not Israel only, not the gentiles only, but the whole world and everyone that was and will ever be born into it. Jesus did not come to condemn the world the world was condemned already. He came to save them while they were still in the world that they might have life eternal with Him.

## Final Preparations



I’m all about being prepared. I am also all about being flexible. I understand that walking in the will of God means I have to always be ready to make changes to fit into God’s plan. Today I’m working to be prepared to go to Russia. First I have to make sure that everything here at home is in order before I leave. My husband is my

FIRST responsibility and then I work out from there. I see lots of folks who go out ill prepared for life and I choose not to travel that path.

My bags have been packed and repacked a number of times. I have one bag full of things to bless the orphans and people of Minsk with. I have one bag to live out of for a couple of days and one bag to live a month and a week out of. There are lots of unseen situations ahead for me, but praise God I have the Holy Spirit for those times.

This adventure makes me think of the spies Moses sent into the Promised Land. I imagine they had much less time to prepare and took far fewer provisions. They were heading into unfriendly territory to clean out the land of natural enemies. My journey will not be about going into spy out a land full of natural enemies, but to go into a land to rescue the souls and lives of humans. It will be a journey that involves “fishing” with bait. The fishing I’ll be doing will be for the hearts of humans and I’ll be using the resources God has entrusted in my hands. I will have folks praying for me (THAT MEANS YOU) and a husband who wars for

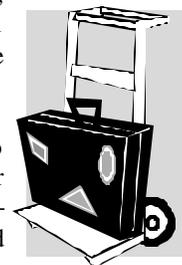
me in the spirit. I will go into Belarus as the spies did, “wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.” Matt 10: I will carry no natural “weapons of mass destruction”, but carry the sword of the Spirit! Of course I will brandish the “shield of faith” so I can quench all the fiery darts of the adversary. He has already thrown a few at me as I prepare, but they don’t slow me down. My shield is soaking wet and the darts are already out before I go too far.

When I have quiet time I imagine holding little unwanted infants in the baby orphanage. I imagine changing diapers and whispering the name of the Lord over and over into their tiny ears. I imagine crying alligator tears as I am forced to leave them in their lonely cribs. I know this journey will be one of the hardest things I’ve ever had to do. I rock myself in my comfy recliner here in Gardendale and imagine hundreds of unwanted children of all ages gathered round. I see myself stumbling over the words that are yet unfamiliar to me as I attempt to bridge the language barrier between us. And then something wonderful happens. The Holy Spirit shows up on the scene. The love that is calling out from my yearning soul reaches into the hurting heart of just one child. A connection is made and the name of Yeshua is shared. A tiny spark is lit and the hope of a raging fire begins.

I trust that your hearts go with me as I venture into Belarus. God loves them as much as he loves us here in America. *Luke 12:48 For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.* God entrusted us with much so that we would share it with those who have so little.

I heard yesterday that the distribution of bibles is way down this year compared to last year. I see so few people really share the gospel of Yeshua/Jesus. I don’t see many believers laying hands on the sick. I haven’t seen anyone cast out devils for most of my life. I yearn to see folks speak with new tongues. All of that is unimportant to me today. *Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me. Isaiah 6:8*

Part of my preparation is preparing you to pray for me as I travel. There will be eight women from six countries going into Belarus. I remind you that we are traveling into not only unfamiliar territory, but territory claimed by the enemy. He overlorded it and has lost men in authority. FOR NOW. As is God’s way, we’re being sent to those who seem to be the feeblest. This encourages Jeff and I because we know that “Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary 1 Cor 12:22.” If God sends men to care for the weakest element, He is about to do a great work. Thank you for sowing into our lives. This won’t be the last time we venture into Belarus and Russia. We will return to water the seed you’ve sown. We will tend the garden and shoo the birds away. We are prepared thanks to God and to you.



Please mark your calendars to pray for me from May 31<sup>st</sup> through July the 5<sup>th</sup>. Listen to God carefully and don't hesitate to pray Psalms 91 for me as you are led. I need you and am not shy about asking for your help. With all my love, Cerise

## Are There Still Apostles?



Jeff just dealt with the fact that men have traditions within their thinking that keep the word of God from having any effect. If a person needs healing and has been taught that "healing has passed away" he/she won't go to God for healing in spite of the fact that the word clearly promises, "By whose stripes ye are healed". We're told that "faith comes by hearing". If it's impossible to please God without faith, then we need to hear. We're told that our ability to hear comes from the word of God. If we can't hear because we believe a tradition rather than the word of God, then faith just doesn't come and we can't please God. Faith is the way we obtain anything from God. We want to obtain from God. We need to obtain from God. We are in a nasty corrupt world and we need God's supernatural help for every second of every day.

*Eph 2:19-22 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.*

Here are just four verses in a letter written by the Apostle Paul to both believing Hebrews and believing non-Hebrew people. He tells us in this specific passage of his letter that while although we **were** unbelieving strangers and foreigners to the truth of God's word we are now "fellow citizens with the saints". He then proceeds to tell us that we are built upon the foundation of the **apostles** and **prophets**. Because men have been told that "miracles, tongues and healing all passed away with the last apostle" the adversary has been able to keep the word of God from working in the area of miracles, tongues and healing. The traditions of men are strong and cause them to believe the lies more than the word of God through His apostle Paul.

*Eph 4:10-13 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: **Till we all come***

*in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ:*

Again, we have the apostle Paul telling us about **apostles** and **prophets**. He also tells about evangelists, pastors and teachers. The devil doesn't care if we have evangelists, pastors and teachers nearly so much if he can mess with the foundation. He knows the word of God better than we do. He's the supreme legalist. He uses it against we humans every day of our lives. He knows that a house built without a foundation is built on sinking sand. So what did he do? He convinced men that there were no more **apostles**. He convinced them that "unless every word a prophet says comes to pass they aren't prophets". I know I heard this and was thoroughly convinced of its validity. Never mind that we're told in *1 Corinthians 13:8 Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away*. Prophets are just as subject to failure as any human on earth. They don't cease to be prophets just because they prophecy inaccurately. I've even heard people say stupid things like, "They should be taken out and stoned".

If you carefully look at Ephesians 4:10-13 you will see that we will need the **apostles** and **prophets** "till we all come in the unity of the faith". This is speaking of the time when the believing Hebrew (or Jew) and the believing non-Hebrew come in the unity of the faith. This isn't going to happen until Yeshua/Jesus returns and reigns on an earthly throne. Has that happened yet? No, of course not. So what we need until he returns are **all of the gifts** he gave us. Not only do we need evangelists, pastors and teachers, but we need **apostles** and **prophets**.

Another religious tradition that the adversary passed through unread men or men he had thoroughly deceived was that there were only 12 apostles. Let me put that lie to rest.

?? Rom. 1:1 Jesus is an apostle!

?? Rom. 11:13 Paul is an apostle.

?? 1 Peter 1:1 Peter is an apostle.

?? Matthew 10:2 Simon Peter, Andrew, James the son of Zebedee, John his brother, Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, Lebbaeus-Thaddaues, Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot were all apostles. (These are the apostles of the lamb spoken of in Rev. 21:14.)

?? Acts 1:26 Matthias is an apostle.

?? Rom 16:7 Andronicus (an apostle) and Junia (a woman apostle)

?? Phil 2:25 Epaphroditus (the English translators refused to call him an apostle though the word messenger is actually apostle)

If you count these apostles specifically named in the letters of the "accepted apostles" you come up with 18 apostles. That is way over the number 12 and flies in the face of the traditions we've been told.

We need the anointing of the apostle in our lives. They are part of a foundation that our lord set two thousand years ago. We don't want to leave our gift on the table just to be admired and missed

like it is something we “used to have” but can’t use or enjoy today. The apostle is supposed to establish the order of God in the Body of the Anointed One. The prophet foretells what God is doing in the earth at any given period. How many of us would like to know ahead of time something is coming that we need to avoid? If we had a prophet accepted among the people today imagine what might have happened on 9-11? A warning would have been given and those with hearing ears would have alerted our security forces to evacuate the towers. Prophets all over warned folks about the danger, but few heard and fewer listened. Instead of 3,000 plus dying we could have had none die. We could have saved the folks on the planes as well.

We’ve already discussed order and how important it is to “baking a cake”. The apostle shows us which thing to do first, then second and finally last. Without the order of God in our lives we have chaos. Do you see chaos in our world today? Guess why?

God called Jeff to “put the foundation back under the household of faith”. With the ministry of the apostle and prophet back under the Body of Christ we are going to begin to see things change like we’ve never seen them change in our lifetime. We ask those of you who can see the ministry of apostle working in Jeff to pray in line with *2 Cor 12:12 Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds.* We believe that there should be signs following the work and anointing of the apostle, but only to those who believe toward that. The sooner the foundation is back where Yeshua/Jesus put it, the sooner we’ll be outta here! Thank you.

## What is Prosperity?



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As we look around America we see many things; some good and some not so good. As we look around at the “churches” in America we also see many things; some also good and also not so good. One of the things we see is a huge chasm between the “haves” and the “have nots”. According to the way the Lord set up things before he left, this ought not be so.

*Acts 4:34-35 Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold, And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need.*

Somewhere along the time line of the maturity of the Body of Christ corruption crept in. Corruption shouldn't surprise us, but it should be rejected nonetheless. The Lord taught that as soon as the truth is spoken or “seeds are sown” the adversary shows up to either steal the truth, starve the truth of nutrients or choke the truth with worries. Tares in the garden didn't surprise the gar-

dener. Corruption in His garden didn't surprise our God. He's big enough to allow them to nest in His branches until the harvest comes.

So here we are and we have corruption in our garden and we want to deal with it. God gave us a picture of what to do. He said “wait until the harvest” and the angels would gather them up and burn them. That picture is specific, but can also be used generally. A tare can be false grain or false truth just as easily as it can be a false brother. Now we aren't supposed to be the ones who deal with false brothers at the last harvest of God, but we are supposed to see false truths within our minds and bring them to the light. If you know something is a lie you don't wait until God comes bringing New Jerusalem to deal with that lie.

*John 3:21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.*

Over the next months we will begin to look at prosperity according to the word of God and it alone. The first principle we want to share is that we are a Body and we need to work as such. A Body is made up of many parts which supply different functions working together. Over the years since the Lord left, the Body has segmented into different functioning parts much like the different functioning parts would be formed within a womb. At the same time that body within a womb is formed, it is alive. No it isn't reacting with other humans yet, but it will soon. We (as the Body of Christ) are being formed to function effectively. We are about to be quickened for a specific purpose, but we have to come together for the good of the whole. We need to become “aware” of our hands and see our toes wiggle. We need to see the head control it all! We are about to come to the light at the end of the tunnel, (excuse this pun). It all will make more sense as we grow into the full stature of a man (child).

## Tremendous Blessings

You are looking at a seventeen year old promise in its full manifestation. Yesterday we paid in full for 2.47 acres of beautiful land and have the deed to it. There are 70 pecan trees on the land as well as a 30ft. X 30ft. building with a 30 foot long carport. Eventually we plan to move our mobile home onto the land. For now we are just rejoicing for the answer to our prayer.



The entire perimeter of the land is surrounded with a blood red fence. The “blood-line” is completely around this piece of land. The roof on the building is blood red too! We look forward to the furtherance of the gospel done from the office building that already sits on the land. We will now be able to have a true storehouse for the children of God!



## Confessions of Faith



During morning prayer time I keep a journal with confessions that I pray over our family and the family of God. Many of you have shared the need for your children to come back to God or to simply be born again for the first time. For the past 2 1/2 years I have added scriptures to the list of many confessions of faith I make over your children. Below is an abbreviated list with what each scripture is good for. During your prayer time you too can take them and use them for your kiddos. Remember the power of agreement is awesome. USE IT.

For children who you have not heard from in ages:

**Jer 31:16-17** Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy. And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that thy children shall come again to their own border.

For salvation for your children:

**Ps 86:16-17** O turn unto me, and have mercy upon me; give thy strength unto thy servant, and save the son (child) of thine handmaid. Shew me a token for good; that they which hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because thou, LORD, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

General confession for blessing over your kiddos:

**Ps 112:1-2** Praise ye the LORD. Blessed is the man that feareth the LORD, that delighteth greatly in his commandments. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

For increase of finances for you and your children:

**Ps 115:12-14** The LORD hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless them that fear the LORD, both small and great. The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

When your kids are running with wicked people:

**Ps 144:11-12** Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood: That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our

daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace.

General confession that God is working in your kids:

**Phil 2:13** For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

For peace and a firm foundation for your kids:

**Isa 54:13** And all thy children shall be taught of the LORD; and great shall be the peace of thy children.

For things to go well with you and your kids:

**Deut 12:25** Thou shalt not eat it (blood); that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of the LORD.

Salvation of your kids:

**Isa 49:25** But thus saith the LORD, Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children.

When your kids are away from God after being raised in the way of the Lord:

**Prov 22:6** Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Reminder that kids are a blessing:

**Ps 127:3-5** Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.

A confession for our grandchildren:

**Prov 17:6** Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.

Extending of the covenant to our seed;

**Gen 9:9** And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you;

These are verses to say by faith. Job looked at his children and feared. We look at our children and believe. We confess in spite of what we see for we walk by faith and not by sight. We hope that you will take the time when the Lord leads to speak these verses with your kids in mind.



# Jeff's Schedule May 2005

Sun	Mbn	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sabbath
1	2	3	4 Prayer Day	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Odessa Meeting 18 Antebellum 7-9PM	12 Andrews Meeting 1109 NW 12th Pl. 7-9PM	13 Hobbs Meeting Dr. Dean's office 7-9PM	14 Roswell Meeting 2-4PM 2401 N. Grand
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Odessa Meeting 10 Louisiana Cove 7-9PM	26	27	28
29	30 Leave for Dallas	31 Cerise leaves for Belarus	For directions to any meeting call 432-550-7642	For prayer requests via email	firstlightconsulting@yahoo.com	

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