



## The Good Report

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It's a wonder that the lost are ever able to get out of bed because their "news" sources are so full of fear, worry and anxiety. The Lord told us to focus on the "good report" and just a few seconds into the local "news" tells us that it is full of nothing but the "evil report".

We hear the term "gospel" so frequently that we have allowed the true meaning of the word to slip from our understanding. "Gospel" means "good news". The Lord Yeshua/Jesus came under the banner of "good tidings". His birth was surrounded with the good report and peace. He came to destroy the works of the adversary (1 John 3:8) and when he proclaimed from the cross, "It is finished" his work was accomplished! Praise God!!!

I was meditating on the word when it became clear to me I was under a false impression that my sin was out there floating in the sea of "forgetfulness". I was secretly fearful that at any time God was going to remember my sin and I'd be in a pickle. But when we really meditate on the word and let our old "man taught" ideas fall by the wayside, we see something completely different. My sin (all of it) was put on the Lord; he bore it and then paid the complete consequences for it. When his blood was offered on the mercy seat in heaven my sin was eradicated and completely judged in Christ! Hallelujah! My sin isn't out there waiting to spring up and bite me, it was judged in the pure sacrifice of the Lamb of God once and for all. I am truly a new creature, like nothing ever created before. My mind needs renewed, but my spirit woman is holy, pure and complete in Christ. I have nothing to add to make Yeshua's sacrifice more acceptable. His work was enough and as long as I hold fast to my confession of faith in HIM, I'm in righteousness and able to come boldly before the throne of grace! So are you!

I am working to build my faith on the foundation of bedrock. My faith is in Christ, in the Lord's perfect work. I am a faith child who has faith that what God has promised He is able to perform and did just exactly that. His Son was enough. His Son's pure blood was enough for every single human person's sin. It eradicated sin and although it still looks dark out there God has said, "Light be" and the work of faith is done.

Did you know that God doesn't just love, He IS love? What does that mean to you? If you look around and see the creation of God you are seeing the demonstration of His love. God loved the thought of having children so much that He envisioned a world with everything we see and know and then put us into it. He loved the thought of interacting with us freely and with no reservation so He saw



### **Believers DO THESE THINGS:**

- Bless those who curse them
- Pray for the Lord to send laborers into HIS harvest.
- Pray for one another that *THEY* might be healed.
- Are quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath (anger).

## Who Loves You Baby?

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the end of His creation from the beginning. He saw us making choices. He saw us choosing Him and holiness. He also saw us choosing the wrong things (as children with free will often do) and then made provision for those wrong choices. He didn't fence us in so that we couldn't make wrong choices, He warned us, but still put us in a garden with trees and choices.

What good is it for a child who is forced to say, "I love you"? How honest is the sentiment? How does it feel when you learn that someone has said, "I love you" only to find out that the person lied and just said it for selfish motives? It is hurtful and disappointing.

God in all of His power (love being the motivating force) envisioned, imagined and carried out love towards His creation. He demonstrates His love. God is a giver and He loves cheerful givers. Love doesn't just speak, it acts. God gave His all when He made creation. He didn't hold back His best as He spoke, "Light be." He didn't hold back when He said, "Let everything be" and caused all we see to become.

I would love to remind you that you are made in the likeness and image of the Father. That means you have within yourself the ability to love like God. You can be as generous as God. You can be as forgiving as God. You can be as creative as God. In spite of the flesh you occupy now, you have the Holy Spirit in you (if you are born of the spirit) and thus have the Confirmer of the word living in you.

In Genesis God spoke and the Holy Spirit, who was hovering over the surface of the waters, caused all of creation to manifest. The Spirit of Compassion (love) was there demonstrating, working a work of love over a darkened chaotic world.

I exhort you brothers and sisters to take the time to meditate on 1 Corinthians 13. Speak it to yourself out loud where you can hear it. Listen to your own words. Meditate by chewing on the sentences one at a time. Fill your own ears with the words. The Love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit. Allow the precious Holy Spirit to give life to the words of 1 Corinthians 13 for you and then for those in your sphere of influence. You can cause a change in your environment when you choose to be like your Father. Don't ever assume you "know it" as faith comes by hearing.

Will you read these words and let them slip or will you follow them and do as directed? Let me encourage you with these words from 1 Corinthians 13. "Love never fails." If you want real success, you need to walk in love towards God, towards yourself and towards others. See the cross. It reaches up and down, up from God down to you. Then see the arms of the cross they reach left and right, from you to the person on your left and the one on your right. You are in the cross and the intersection of the upright to the cross beam. Love holds us together. We are knit together in love. Our faith works by our love. Love is truly the greatest force in existence. It overcomes all the dark forces on earth. We can't live without it.

Selah.



## The Just Shall Live By Faith

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*“So, as much as in is, I am ready to preach the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes; to the Jew first, and also the Greek. For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, the just shall live by faith.” Romans 1:15-17*



Have you ever tried reading Paul’s letters like you had written them? If you have, did you ever run into something you really didn’t have much of an understanding of yet you just kept on reading? Well if you were writing it that wouldn’t be the case. Not many of us would write something and not know what we were writing. I believe these three verses are in that category; we read them and just keep on reading, not really knowing what we just read. Let me show you what I mean.

If you were ready to preach the gospel to someone anywhere at any time wouldn’t it be important that you know what you were going to preach? We can see here what the gospel is in general, and then it is defined in exact truth. When most of us read the word gospel we know that the word “gospel” means “good news” and that’s true. But what is the “good news”? In general; the “good news” is that the gospel is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes. But that general statement, “Believe in the gospel it is the power of God” doesn’t help anyone much. It might raise more questions in a person’s life than help. There are many winds of doctrine out there in the world and only one truth that makes men free. For instance, if a person was taught that being as good a person as you can possibly be and you’ll be ok with God was the gospel or good news he or she would be wrong and in need of further instruction of what the gospel really is. What the power of God is available to do in salvation of a person’s soul. Or possibly in another case, a person is raised up believing that when he sins he needs to go into a little closet behind a curtain and confess his sin to a man in charge and then that man in charge gives the sinful man some praying instructions and forgives him, and off he goes thinking he is ok now until the next time he sins. Then he must go through the same thing all over again believing that this is the way of the good news. There are many winds of doctrine that lead people away from the real gospel that is the power of God unto salvation. I know a lot of folks and so do you that go to a building called Baptist or Methodist or Assembly of God, there is an endless list of names of denominations. These folks go for the most part because they believe it is part of the gospel, part of the way of life for hearing the good news. Sadly, many if not all these denominations do not preach the gospel with exact truth, the gospel is only preached in generalities. The folks sitting in the pews rarely hear what the exact truth of the power of God, the gospel is. Why they miss it, I don’t know because it’s right there on the page.

The gospel is the power of God and through that power the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith. That righteousness is His righteousness. The just shall live by faith. Faith in what? Faith in His righteousness giving salvation to anyone who hears and believes Jesus was, is and always will be the only way into that righteousness. While the Holy Spirit shows us that we are now justified in the sight of God without any works of the law. The faith that we have been given is first to begin believing we have been made the righteousness of God because of one man’s obedience. No special duties to keep it and certainly we did no special duties to receive it. Everyone that has ever been born again was born again by the grace of God and faith in that grace. Every other work to please God for salvation is a dead work and the end of it is death and separation from God and his eternal kingdom. One man doomed the entire human race into death and separation from God through his disobedience, the first Adam, but by one man’s obedience (Jesus) the last Adam, and the entire human race can receive salvation. Unfortunately the entire human race will not receive this salvation that is based solely on the finished work of Jesus because many multiple millions have been taught a lie and have believed it. We receive His righteousness as a gift from God our Father when we believe that Jesus is the way into salvation. No one receives His righteousness by being good or keeping the law, and no flesh has ever been justified by the keeping of the law. The first Adam caused the problem, keeping the law will never solve that problem. That is why the gospel, the power of God is revealing the righteousness of God to anyone that hears and believes. We are the righteousness of God now after believing and the Holy



## The Just Shall Live By Faith.....continued

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Spirit reveals that to us here a little and there a little from faith to faith until we become skillful in that word of righteousness. So, again:



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*No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper...**because your righteousness is of ME** saith the Lord !! Isaiah 54:17*

## The Way Of Escape

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There are times in my life when I am TEMPTED with wrong thoughts. All of us are TEMPTED with wrong thoughts. You can't live on this planet and not be faced with TEMPTATION, but being TEMPTED isn't sin, falling for the TEMPTATION is sin.

TEMPTATION is an outside force attempting to penetrate our defenses. Being TEMPTED is part of this fallen world, but FALLING for TEMPTATION isn't a forgone conclusion. We have the ability to see the TEMPTATION coming from an unseen force and resist it. How do we resist the TEMPTER?

*1 Corinthians 10:13 There hath no **temptation** taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be **tempted** above that ye are able; but will with the **temptation** also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.*

There are some who teach that God puts temptations in front of us to see if we're going to "bite".

*James 1:13 Let no man say when he is **tempted**, I am **tempted** of God: for God cannot be **tempted** with evil, neither **tempteth** he any man: 14 But every man is **tempted**, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.*

We're told in the book of Hebrews that Yeshua/Jesus was tempted in all points like we are, yet HE remained without sin. All through the New Testament we see that there is a tempter and he is a devil. He uses the weakness of flesh and appetite to draw us away and to entice us. Then once he has successfully tempted us he condemns us for falling for his bait. That is the god of this world or kosmos and that is how he functions. Our God is a deliverer and a lover of our souls. He brings good and perfect gifts. His best gift was Yeshua/Jesus. Through that one gift He has given us the ability to be dead to temptation and sin!



Imagine a dead man lying next to the most delicious chocolate cream pie. How much pie is that dead man going to eat? Envision a dead woman lying next to a shopping center full of discounted items. How many items is she going to lavish on herself? If we have believed the report that Yeshua/Jesus has died for our sins, you can see that we are like the dead man next to the pie or the dead woman next to the mall. We have the ability within ourselves to resist any

## The Way Of Escape.....continued



and every temptation the adversary offers. We are dead in Christ (or at least we're supposed to be.) If we don't revive that dead person (the old self) we can allow the Lord to rule and reign and decide where we go, what we do and what we say. If on the other hand we allow that old man to rule and reign we'll fall for the temptations and find ourselves in a sticky wicket.

Before man was created the devil spoke and planted a seed in God's garden. He allowed pride in his core, and chose to say words that weren't God's. This former angel caused a tree to grow that was a corruption of God's perfection. Now mind you, the devil isn't as smart as God or as far seeing as God. God saw the end from the beginning, so the devil speaking and planting tares wasn't a surprise to God. God didn't have a plan A and

then end up forced to create plan B. Hey it needs to be said, because the adversary has planted that idea in our heads as well. God looked into the darkness of the enemy's rebellion and said, "Light be." Everything God does falls within His original plan!

I've said all of this to encourage you. God is on top of the darkness. The darkness and light are the same to Him. Psalms 139:12 God isn't limited by anything or by the deeds of anyone. So the devil rages on and makes a lot of noise. He gets his slaves to make noise too and to scream "boo" at the children of God. But our God is so far greater than a measly fallen angel that there is really no comparison.

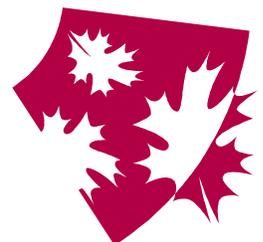
Sure there are things out there to tempt us. There are those out there who would try to tempt us. They use things our flesh craves, BUT our God is able to show us the way of escape. It runs parallel with the darkness. What is the way? Better said, "Who is the way?" You know the answer before you read it on this page. Yeshua/Jesus our Lord, our Savior is the way and the truth AND the light. He is the way out of darkness. He is the truth in the face of every stupid lie the adversary speaks. He is the light at the end of every dark tunnel! He walked pure and holy. He kept every jot and title of the law. He suffered all the suffering that ever needed to be suffered!

Do NOT believe the doomy gloomy reports. God is love and love NEVER fails. We can rise far above the stormy situations of life. Within us is the power that took the imaginations of our God and caused them to materialize. The Holy Spirit who led and directed every step the Lord took, every miracle he did lives inside of us! How great is that? How measly is our adversary? He's only as big as the next lie he tells and we choose to believe.

When you feel tempted all you have to do is put up your shield of faith in God or your shield of faith in love. God loved you so much He gave you EVERYTHING that pertains to life and godliness. In the knowing Jesus you have the power to walk in abundant life and to walk in godliness (acting just like our God.) Submit to Love, resist the devil and he will flee!

*Psalms {107:8-9}*

*Oh that [men] would praise the LORD [for] his goodness,  
and [for] his wonderful works to the children of men!  
For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the  
hungry soul with goodness.*



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## Jeff and Cerise Welter's November 2009 Schedule

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sabbath
1	2	3	4 Gardendale 14630 N. Holly- hock #35 7-9PM	5	6 Hobbs, NM 207 E. Alston 7-9PM	7 Roswell NM 2401 N. Grand 2- 4PM
8	9	10	11 Gardendale 14630 N. Holly- hock #35 7-9PM	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Gardendale 14630 N. Holly- hock #35 7-9PM	19 Hobbs, NM 207 E. Alston 7- 9PM	20 Mission Trip Jeff	21 Mission Trip Jeff
22 Mission Trip Jeff	23 Mission Trip Jeff	24 Tentative Jeff returns	25 Gardendale 14630 N. Holly- hock #35 7-9PM	26 Thanksgiving	27	28 Cerise's Birth- day!
29	30			Most Thursdays Cerise is at the Russian Ladies' Bible Study	Please be in prayer for Jeff while on the road and during	Mission Trip Days Thanks so much