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GOD WANTS YOU TO KNOW HIM

*God wants to know you and talk with you. He wants you to have his peace. But **all have sinned** and come short of God. This is how **God demonstrated that he loved us**: he sent Jesus to pay the price for us. Why did Jesus have to die for our sin? Because **the wages of sin is death**. Jesus died the death penalty instead of us. What do you have to do? Make Jesus Lord of your life and believe that he died on the cross and **was raised from the dead for you**; Then say with your mouth you believe! Pray: "I believe in Jesus. Take my life and do something with it." That's it!*

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What is in Your Mouth? by Mary Leonard

We are going back to the basics. We are talking about faith. Our text is *Romans 10:6-9*

"But the righteousness that comes from faith speaks like this: Do not say in your heart, "Who will go up to heaven?" that is, to bring Christ down or, "Who will go down into the abyss?" that is, to bring Christ up from the dead. On the contrary, what does it say? The message is near you, in your mouth and in your heart. This is the message of faith that we proclaim: If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

We all have to come to Jesus through faith. *"For by grace are you saved through faith." (Ephesians 2:8)*, faith through and in His grace. Through faith in Him we understand Him *(Hebrews 11:3)*. Romans 10:6 says there are some things we say and some things we don't say.

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What is in your mouth? by Mary Leonard

The one who says "who will go to heaven and bring Jesus down here" has a doubting problem. That person is an unbeliever. The one who has put their faith in Jesus understands that His Spirit is with us since we asked Him into our hearts. You don't have to beg God in heaven; He is closer to you than your own nose. Verse 8 says, rather, faith speaks like this: the word and the spirit are available—right in your mouth. YOU give voice to God's Word. You hear your voice sound and that energizes faith in your spirit. The message is in your heart and then it is in your mouth. You speak it out your mouth and that in turn stirs up more faith in your heart.

"This is the message of faith that we proclaim: CONFESS IT WITH YOUR MOUTH! Faith is an act, speaking your faith is an act! Now, how do you put this into practice? Example: A need has come up, and you realize that the resources for this need aren't at your disposal. You have a choice to make and quickly: either let doubt and unbelief come out of your mouth, or choose to speak your faith in God over the situation. So, you choose to speak FAITH. "I trust you God." You have just declared your faith and activated it. "I trust you Father" and the more you declare your trust the better you feel. Then before you know it, someone sends you $1000, and the need is met!

So, I say to you,

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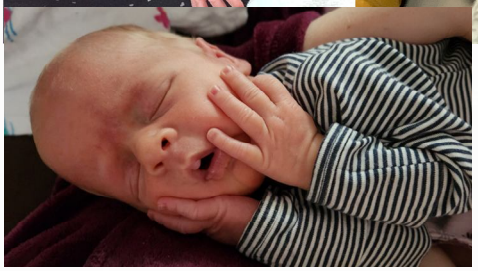
Every March 17, I have the privilege of being reminded of a great evangelist! He preached the gospel with boldness, healed the sick, cast out demons, raised the dead, loved unconditionally... Yes, St. Patrick! Born in Scotland, he was kidnapped not once but twice and brought to Ireland to work as a slave. The Lord gave him a dream of the voices of Ireland begging for the "holy boy" to come back. He wrote "For daily I expect to be murdered or betrayed or reduced to slavery if the occasion arises. But I fear nothing, because of the promises of Heaven; for I have cast myself into the hands of All mighty God, who reigns everywhere. As the prophet says: 'Cast your burden on the Lord and he will sustain you.'" He inspires me to be BOLD for Jesus!