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FANNING THE FLAMES

Listen! The time is short! Don't wait any longer!

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.*** *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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THE KINGDOM OF GOD SUFFERS VIOLENCE, AND THE VIOLENT TAKE IT BY FORCE. —JESUS, MATTHEW 11:9

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On July 4th, America celebrated 250 years as a nation. While our history is far from perfect, we currently enjoy a freedom to worship Jesus Christ and the ability to send out missionaries to other nations in a way that much of the world does not. We enjoy the freedom to be witnesses of the gospel of Jesus Christ in public places and preach him on the streets. And yet even with all this freedom, many believers do not share Christ with anyone. The Church in our nation is too comfortable. We hang back when we should be pressing forward for the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus said, "from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force." Matthew 11:12

I am in the season of raising toddlers, a 3-year-old and 17-month-old, at home. And yet I find myself asking "What more can I be doing? What could I do to push the Kingdom of Heaven forward?" I urge all of you consider this question. Can you be doing more to share Christ? Hasn't Jesus been good to you? With all of the blessings and benefits of being a Christ-

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believer, couldn't you share these with someone else?

Not everyone WANTS to hear, but everyone MUST hear the truth so that they can make a decision. When they walk away or are even derisive and insulting, aren't they insulting Christ and not you? You may wonder, "What if I say the wrong thing? What if they won't listen?" But what if you do say the right thing? What if they do listen and even repent?

The apostle Paul prayed for boldness. So, if he prayed this way and the result was the boldness we see from him in the Bible, then I want to pray for boldness the way he did. *"for me, (Pray) that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth* ***boldly*** *to make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak* ***boldly****, as I ought to speak." Ephesians 6:19-20 NKJV*

Pray and ask Holy Spirit what things you can personally do to advance the kingdom of heaven and reclaim your nation for Christ. Take your nation for Christ by force, ripping it from the hands of the enemy. Don't sit back and relax while the enemy is mounting his next attack. Don't go down without a fight.

Pray.

And be bold for Jesus.

Testimony

Keith and Jenny Raby from the UK have a ministry called Revelation Daze. They have played music at our missions conferences, and we've joined them in UK for street ministry. They use their music gift as a witnessing tool. They play music and preach their testimonies on the streets of Northern England and anywhere else the Lord leads them to go. Everywhere they go they use their music CDs filled with the message of Christ as tracts to share.

Jenny writes: "We have been camping lately in our newly converted camper, and we got to give 7 cds and tracts with people we got chatting to whilst there.... We ended up sharing your dad's testimony with one couple who came to sit with us in the sunshine.... and they were absolutely amazed to hear the incredible story of healing and transformation..... they have stayed in touch too to say they'd listened to the cd too which has the Gospel message on at the end.... but the Conversation was led so naturally by sharing your dad's testimony.
The One Day Soon album has also gone into every prison in the UK apart from two.... (21,000 copies were distributed) and we received a card with testimonies from the Ministry who put them in... saying there have been reports from the prisons saying the Worship has been heard being blasted through the corridors.... and the guards gave noticed a real shift in the atmosphere.... All Glory to God!!!!! ....

He is on the move!"

MISSION TRIP

I believe the Lord has put into my heart to go to Mexico City. I am believing for God to open the doors for that trip and all the connections I will need. ~Mary