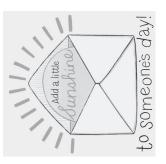


REGENERATION FELLOWSHIP

Florida Prison Ministries P.O. Box 162685 Altamonte Springs, FL 32716 ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED



Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners... HEBREWS 13:3



Regeneration Fellowship Newsletter

...Put forth your branches Director: and bear your fruit...

pur fruit... Ezekiel 36:8 John Mills

An outreach of the Florida Prison Ministries

Vol. 33 No. 7

In this issue:

Editor's Page1	
Quotes and Quips2	2
A World on Fire	3
Light for My Path4	1
Revelation Speaks	5
The Story of Redemption	3
Words of Wisdom12	2
Your Bible Questions Answered14	1
Bible Puzzles1	5
Your Turn .16	
Bible Puzzle Answers17	7
Humor Me1	7
Prayer Request/Bible Question Submissions18	8
Chain Bible Marking GuideBack Cove	۰r

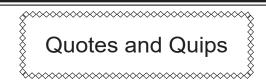


My family often complains that I am negative. In any given situation, I can see the bad side. I can be the pessimist. I can be the party pooper. (I wish I could say that this is a recent thing, but I distinctly remember being called a party pooper when I was a kid.)

Honestly, I don't mean to be. I feel that it is more that I am a worrywart. I often see where things can go wrong so that I can hopefully remedy the situation before things go awry. Isn't that what parents are supposed to do? Isn't that what grown ups are supposed to do? Isn't that what leaders are supposed to do? Be a problem solver, they say, be proactive, anticipate possible scenarios or outcomes and prevent or handle things before they occur. By all means, be prepared!

I may not be sunshine and rainbows all the time, but I do think my skill set can occasionally be an advantage to our family. That being said, I do wish I could be different. I do wish I could be more positive. I would honestly like to be thought of as a rainbow to someone's storm or a rosy sunset to someone's day (see Quotes and Quips, page 2). Perhaps there is a reason God made me this way? Perhaps. Perhaps one day, God will reveal a reason. But in the meantime, it can't hurt (in fact, it may even help) to strive to be some brightness in a world of gloom.

— The Team at Regeneration Fellowship



Jesus Christ did not say, "Go into all the world, and tell the world that it is quite right."

- C.S. Lewis

The dearest friend on earth is a mere shadow compared with Jesus Christ. — Oswald Chambers

You can always give without loving, but you can never love without giving. —attributed to various sources

Character is the ability to carry out a good resolution long after the excitement of the moment has passed.

-Cavett Robert

Life appears to me too short to be spent in nursing animosity or registering wrongs.

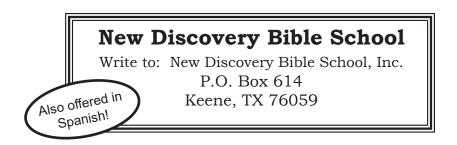
-Charlotte Bronte

Be thou the rainbow in the storms of life.

-Lord Byron

If I can put one touch of rosy sunset into the life of any man or woman, I shall feel that I have worked with God.

- G.K. Chesterton



A WORLD ON FIRE Selected Studies on the Great Commission By David Metzler

"WE OUGHT TO OBEY GOD"

"Did we not strictly command you not to teach in this name? And look, you have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this Man's blood on us!" (Acts 5:28).

The apostles had been told by the angel to return to the temple and preach about Jesus. Specifically, they were to preach the resurrection the words of "this life" that begins here and now and continues into eternity (Acts 5:20). The Jewish rulers had forbidden them to preach any such message or to use Christ's name. Yet there was not conflict in the minds of the disciples. The temple opened at first light. "They entered the temple early in the morning and taught" (verse 21). The Sanhedrin meanwhile sent to the prison for the prisoners. "But when the officers came and did not find them in the prison, they returned and reported, saying, 'Indeed we found the prison shut securely, and the guards standing outside before the doors; but when we opened them, we found no one inside!" (verses 22, 23). Doors, even the firmly fastened doors of prisons, are no problem to the angels of God. The apostles were taken out from under the very eyes of the keepers, either under the cover of deep darkness or because the eyes of the guards were [veiled]...The doors were left secured, or were locked again, leaving everything as it had been before the angel came.

About this time, "one came and told them, saying, 'Look the men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people!" (verse 25). The captain was sent again to retrieve the apostles and bring them before the council. He did this is a peaceful manner, for the sympathies of the population were with the apostles, and the guards risked being stoned. The apostles came peacefully. When accosted by the high priest and asked why they continued to preach about Jesus, Peter and the others replied, "We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus whom you murdered by hanging on a tree. Him God has exalted to His right hand to be Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins" (verse 29). So enraged were the Jews at these words that they decided to take the law into their own hands and without further trial, or without authority from the Roman officers, to put the prisoners to death.

The divine command must supersede the human mandate. A Christian cannot serve two masters.

LIGHT FOR MY PATH

What the Bible Has to Say about the Return of Christ

For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

I Thessalonians 16, 17

In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

I Corinthians 15:52, 53

Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven.

Acts 1:11

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

II Peter 3:10

And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;

Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

Luke 21:25-27

BREATH OF LIFE BIBLE COURSE WRITE TO: BREATH OF LIFE 12501 OLD COLUMBIA PIKE SILVER SPRINGS, MD 20904

REVELATION SPEAKS

By Mark A. Finley

THE MARK OF THE BEAST AND MYSTERY OF NUMBER 666 — Continued [This chapter is based on Revelation, chapter 13]

9. What will this power do to God's people? Revelation 13:7

NOTE: Throughout the centuries, millions of martyrs have paid with blood price their the for faithfulness to God. Church history is filled with examples of such persecution. Why? From Catholic textbook, а we quote this amazing statement: "The church by divine right may confiscate the property of heretics, imprison their



Martyred for Their Faith

persons and condemn them to the flames... In our age the right to inflict the severest penalties, even death, belongs to the church. There is no graver offense than heresy, therefore, it must be rooted out" (Public Ecclesiastical Law, Vol. 2, p. 142).

10. How long was this persecuting power to continue? Revelation 13:5

NOTE: As we discovered before, the 1,260 days are actually 1,260 years (Ezekiel 4:6). In A.D. 538, Justinian, the pagan Roman emperor, officially granted the Roman bishop the role of defender of the emperor's empire, definer of heretics, and defender of the faith. In this church-and-state marriage, Pope Vigilius II was exalted to the highest position of any religious leader in the Empire. The papacy exercised great influence from A.D. 538 to A.D. 1798. In A.D. 1798, the pope was a threat to Napoleon's military ambitions. Napoleon commissioned his leading general, Berthier, to enter Rome and capture the pope. Exactly as foretold, the pope was taken captive and eventually died in captivity.

11. What does God say the number of the beast's name is? Revelation 13:17, 18

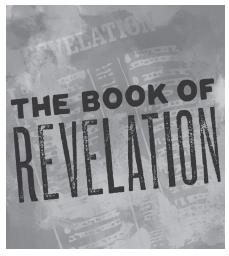
NOTE: One of the official titles of the papacy is *Vicarius Filii Dei*. These three words, "Vicarius Filii Dei," are Latin for "Vicar of the Son of God," or, Webster says, "a person who acts in the place of another." Since this is a Roman power, it is only logical that the method of computation would be in Roman numerals. Taken numerically, the papal title is seen to be 666.

V - 5 I - 1 C -100	F - 0 I - 1 L - 50	D - 500 E - 0 I - 1	501 + 53 112
A - 0 R - 0	- 1 - 1		
l - 1 U - 5		501	666
S - 0	53		

Pope's Title: Vicarius Filii Dei

112

NOTE: Putting all the evidence together, it becomes clear that the papal power of the Roman Catholic system is the beast power of Revelation 13. What is the mark of papal authority? What does the Roman Catholic Church itself say about the sign or mark of their authority? On the 18th of January, 1563, "The Archbishop of Reggio made a speech in which he openly declared that tradition stood above the Scriptures because the church had changed the Sabbath into Sunday — not by a command of Christ, but by its own authority." - Canon and Tradition, p. 263. The basis of papal authority, he



declared, was founded upon the right to change the Sabbath from Saturday, the seventh day, to Sunday, the first day. "The church," says the *Catholic Record*, "is above the Bible and this transference of Sabbath to Sunday is proof of that fact" (September 1, 1923). In a letter written in November 1895, Mr. H. F. Thomas, chancellor to Cardinal Gibbons, replying to an inquiry as

to whether the Catholic Church claims to have changed the Sabbath, said: "Of course, the Catholic Church claims that the change was her act...and the act is a mark of her ecclesiastical authority." What does the cardinal say of the change from Saturday to Sunday? It is a mark of the power and authority of the Roman Church, and, as such, it is the mark of the beast! You may wonder, do all who now keep Sunday have the mark of the beast? NO! Sunday is the sign of papal authority now, and as such is the mark now. But no one will receive the mark until issues are made crystal clear in the future, when the Sabbath question is brought to the attention of the entire world. Then everyone will be forced to decide on which side they will stand.

12. What is the basic issue involved in the crisis at the close of this earth's history? Romans 6:16

By the grace of God, I want to be loyal to Jesus and keep His commandments. What about you?

See chart on page 13 for more study helps.

CONTINUED IN THE NEXT ISSUE

[Ercourage] ore arother, ard all the more as you see the day Drawirg rear.

HEBREWS 10:25, ESV

A halfway house for recently released male ex-offenders

Provides housing for up to six months, assistance in locating employment, and development of life skills. For information and application, have your classification officer call 352-339-4732.



Mailing address: 1500 SE 23rd Ln. Gainesville, FL 32641

THE STORY OF REDEMPTION by E. G. White

THE ARK OF GOD (CONTINUED) (This chapter is based on I Samuel 3-6; II Samuel 6; I Kings 8.)

In the Land of the Philistines

God permitted His ark to be taken by their enemies, to show Israel how vain it was to trust in the ark, the symbol of His presence, while they were profaning the commandments contained in the ark. God would humble them by removing from them that sacred ark, their boasted strength and confidence.

The Philistines were triumphant, because they had, as they thought, the famous god of the Israelites, which had performed such wonders for them and had made them a terror to their enemies. They took the ark of God to Ashdod and set it in a splendid temple, made in honor to their most popular god Dagon, and placed it by the side of their god. In the morning the priests of these gods entered the temple,



and they were terrified to find Dagon fallen upon his face to the ground before the ark of the Lord. They raised Dagon and placed him in his former position. They thought he might have fallen accidentally. But the next morning they found him fallen as before, upon his face to the ground, and the head of Dagon and both his hands were cut off.

The angels of God, who ever accompanied the ark, prostrated the senseless idol god and afterward mutilated it, to show that God, the living God, was above all gods, and that before Him every heathen god was as nothing. The heathen possessed great reverence for their god, Dagon; and when they found it ruinously mutilated and lying upon its face before the ark of God, they were sad and considered it a very bad omen to the Philistines. It was interpreted by them that the Philistines and all their gods would yet be subdued and destroyed by the Hebrews, and the Hebrews' God would be greater and more powerful than all gods. They removed the ark of God from their idol temple and placed it by itself.

The ark of God was kept seven months by the Philistines. They had overcome the Israelites and had taken the ark of God, wherein they supposed their power consisted, and thought that they should ever be in safety and have no more fear of the armies of Israel. But in the midst of their joy at their success a wailing was heard all over the land, and the cause was at length credited to the ark of God. It was borne from place to place in terror, and destruction from God followed its course. until the Philistines were greatly perplexed to know what to do with it. Angels, who accompanied it, guarded it from all harm. And the Philistines did not dare to open the chest; for their god Dagon had met with



such a fate that they feared to touch it, or to have it near them. They called for the priests and the diviners, and inquired of them what they should do with the ark of God. They advised them to send it back to the people to whom it belonged, and to send with it a costly trespass offering, which if God would be pleased to accept, they would be healed. They should also understand that God's hand was upon them because they had taken His ark, which belonged alone to Israel.

Returned to Israel

Some were not in favor of this. It was too humiliating to carry back the ark, and they urged that no one of the Philistines would dare venture his life to carry the ark of the God of Israel, which had brought such death upon them. Their counselors entreated the people not to harden their hearts, as the Egyptians and Pharaoh had done, and cause still greater afflictions and plagues to come upon them. And as they were all afraid to take the ark of God, they advised them, saying, "Now therefore make a new cart, and take two milch kine, on which there hath come no yoke, and tie the kine to the cart, and bring their calves home from them: and take the ark of the Lord, and lay it upon the cart; and put the jewels of gold, which ye return Him for a trespass offering, in a coffer by the side thereof; and send it away, that it may go. And see, if it goeth up by the way of His own coast to Beth-shemesh, then He hath done us this great evil: but if not, then we shall know that it is not His hand that smote us: it was a chance that happened to us. And the men did so; and took two milch kine, and tied them to the cart, and shut up their claves at home...And the kine took the straight way to the way of Beth-shemesh, and went along the highway, lowing as they went, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left."

The Philistines knew that the cows would not be induced to leave their young calves at home unless they should be urged by some unseen power. The cows went directly to Beth-shemesh, lowing for their calves, yet going directly away from them. The lords of the Philistines followed after the ark unto the border of Beth-shemesh. They dared not trust that sacred chest wholly to the cows. They feared that if any evil happened to it, greater calamities would come upon them. They knew not that angels of God accompanied the ark and guided the cows in their course to the place where it belonged.

Presumption Punished

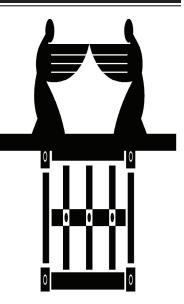
The people of Beth-shemesh were reaping in the field, and when they saw the ark of God upon the cart, drawn by the cows, they greatly rejoiced. They knew that it was the work of God. The cows drew the cart containing the ark to a large stone, and stood still of themselves. The Levites took down the ark of the Lord and the offering of the Philistines, and they offered the cart and the cows which had borne the sacred ark, and the offering of the Philistines, unto God as a burnt sacrifice. The lords of the Philistines returned to Ekron, and the plague was stayed.

The men of Beth-shemesh were curious to know what great power could be in that ark, which caused it to accomplish such marvelous things. They looked upon the ark alone as being so powerful, and were not accrediting the power to God. None but men sacredly appointed for the purpose could look upon the ark, divested of its coverings, without being slain, for it was as though looking upon God Himself. And as the people gratified their curiosity and opened the ark to gaze into its sacred recesses, which the heathen idolaters had not dared to do, the angels attending the ark slew above fifty thousand of the people.

And the people of Beth-shemesh were afraid of the ark, and they said, "Who is able to stand before this holy Lord God? and to whom shall He go up from us? And they sent messengers to the inhabitants of Kirjath-jearim, saying, The Philistines have brought again the ark of the Lord; come ye down, and fetch it up to you." The people of Kirjath-jearim brought the ark of the Lord to the house of Abinadab and sanctified his son to keep it. For twenty years the Hebrews were in the power of the Philistines, and they were greatly humbled and repented of their sins, and Samuel interceded for them, and God was again merciful to them. And the Philistines made war with them, and the Lord again wrought in a miraculous manner for Israel, and they overcame their enemies.

The ark remained in the house of Abinadab until David was made king. He gathered together all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand, and went to bring up the ark of God. They set the ark upon a new cart and brought it out of the house of Abinadab. Uzzah and Ahu, sons of Abinadab, drove the cart. David and all the house of Israel played before the Lord on all manner of musical instruments. And when they came to Nachon's threshingfloor, Uzzah put it forth his hand to the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen shook it. And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzzah and God smote him there for his error; and there he died by the ark of God." Uzzah was angry with the oxen, because they stumbled. He showed a manifest distrust of God, as though He who had brought the ark from the land of the Philistines could not take care of it. Angels who attended the ark struck down Uzzah for presuming impatiently to put his hand upon the ark of God.

"And David was afraid of the Lord that day, and said, How shall the ark of the Lord come to me? So David would not remove the ark of the Lord unto him into the city of David: but David carried it aside into the house of



Obed-edom, the Gittite." David knew that he was a sinful man, and he was afraid that, like Uzzah, he should in some way be presumptuous and call forth the wrath of God upon himself. "And the ark of the Lord continued in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months: and the Lord blessed Obed-edom, and all his household.

God would teach His people that, while His ark was a terror and death to those who transgressed His commandments contained in it, it was also a blessing and strength to those who were obedient to His commandments. When David heard that the house of Obed-edom was greatly blessed, and that all that he had prospered, because of the ark of God, he was very anxious to bring it to his own city. But before David ventured to move the sacred ark, he sanctified himself to God and also commanded that all the men highest in authority in the kingdom should keep themselves from all worldly business, and everything that would distract their minds from sacred devotion. Thus should they sanctify themselves for the purpose of conducting the sacred ark to the city of David. "So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with gladness...

"And they brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in His place, in the midst of the tabernacle that David had pitched for it: and David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the Lord."

CONTINUED IN THE NEXT ISSUE



Following Christ

To have faith in Christ means, of course, trying to do all that he says. There would be no sense in saying you trusted a person if you would not take his advice. Thus, if you have really handed yourself over to [Christ], it must follow that you are trying to obey him.

But trying in a new way, a less worried way. Not doing these things in order to be saved, but because he has begun to save you already. Not hoping to get to heaven as a reward for your actions, but inevitably wanting to act in a certain way because a first faint gleam of heaven is already inside you.





-C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

Co-laborers with Christ

Rusty Stevens, a ministry leader in Virginia, described trying to finish mowing the lawn before dinnertime. His 6-year-old son darted in front of him and grabbed the mower handle. But when Stevens stopped pushing, the mower soon stopped.

The busy dad fought the urge to tell his son to get out of his way and instead offered to help. Stevens began pushing again, leaning over and walking awkwardly to accommodate his eager assistant. Although the mowing commenced, it was slow-going and not as efficient as the solo effort.

That's when Stevens realized a ministry parallel: "This is the way my heavenly Father allows me to 'help' him build his kingdom!" The church leader pictured God busy "seeking, saving and transforming the lost, and there I was, with my weak hands 'helping."

Although God surely can tackle all the work of ministry and evangelism alone, he "chooses to stoop gracefully to allow me to co-labor with him," said Stevens. What a blessing and privilege that God lets us work alongside him!



The Two Sides at the End of Time

(All Scriptures are from Revelation unless otherwise marked.)

PEOPLE OF GOD Receive SEAL of GOD in forehead. 7:1-3	FOLLOWERS OF SATAN Receive MARK of BEAST in forehead or hand. 13:16; 14:11		
Obey commandments of God. 12:17; 14:12 Worship the Creator. No lie in their mouths. 14:5 Undefiled with women. 14:4	Worship the beast and its image 13:12; 14:9; 16:2; 19:20 Accept the lies of the falst prophet. 19:20 Cowardly, faithless, polluted, murderers, fornicators, sorcerers, idolators, liars. 21:8		
Spotless. 14:5 Keep the faith of Jesus. 14:12 Have endurance. 13:10; 14:12 Conquer beast, image, number. 15:2 Are fully ripe grain. 14:15	Make an image of the beast. 13:14 Are ripe grapes. 14:18		
Names in the book of life. Dan. 12:1 Unable to buy or sell. 13:17 BUT redeemed (=bought). 14:3 Have testimony of Jesus 12:17 Servants of God. 7:3 Saints. 14:12 God's "remnant." 12:17	Names not in the book of life. 17:8 Able to buy and sell. 13:17		
Belong to the 144,000. 7:4-8; 14:1-5 Escape the plagues. 18:4 Guests at the Lamb's wedding supper. 19:2 Receive the eternal kingdom. Dan. 7:27	Suffer the plagues. 14:9-11; 16:2 Fed to the birds at God's supper. 19:17-21 Suffer permanent punishment. 14:9-11.		
Come out of Babylon. 18:4 Celebrate fall of Babyon. 19:1-8 Praise God for judgments 15:3, 4 Sing in the Lamb's presence. 14:3	Mourn fall of Babylon. 18:9-19 Curse God for judgments. 16:9, 10, 11, 21 Suffer torment in Lamb's presence. 14:9-11		

YOUR BIBLE QUESTIONS ... ANSWERED

If all His disciples have died, how could Jesus say that some of them would not taste death until they see Him coming in His kingdom? "Assuredly, I say to you, there are some standing here who shall not taste death till they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom" (Matthew 16:28).

This verse can be best understood in light of what immediately follows it — the transfiguration of Christ before Peter, James, and John. The next chapter describes this experience and how God spoke out of the cloud saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased" (Matthew 17:5).

The apostle Peter refers to this event in his writings. Notice how he describes it: "For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and *coming of our Lord Jesus Christ*, but were *eyewitnesses of His majesty*. For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: 'This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.' And we hear this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain" (II Peter 1:16-18).

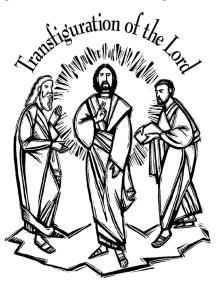
This clearly is a reference to the transfiguration of Jesus. It was like a glimpse into the future for these three disciples. Peter speaks of this preview as the "coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." In addition, Moses and Elijah appeared with Jesus on the mount. Why? They represent the people who will be saved in God's kingdom at the second coming. Moses

— D.B.

represents those who have died and will be resurrected, and Elijah represents those who never taste death.

But isn't Moses still dead? Notice what the Bible says. "Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses..." (Jude 9). Why else would Satan argue at Moses' graveside except that the Lord resurrected him.

Peter, James, and John saw a glimpse of the coming of Christ before tasting death. It's my hope to see Jesus come soon! How about you?



Bible Puzzles

GEOGRAPHY LESSON

Provide the answer for each geography-related question.

1. The Bible often uses Beersheba and Dan as north-south border markers for Israel. Which is the northern marker?

- 3. What body of water runs from the Sea of Galilee to the Dead Sea?
- 4. Caesarea Philippi is in the northern part of Israel at the foot of this mountain.

5. Of these three locations, circle which one is on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea: Tekoa, Joppa, Gezer.

- 6. Circle the larger body of water: Dead Sea or Sea of Galilee
- 7. Circle the direction Nazareth is in relation to Bethlehem: north or south.

8. Circle which coast of the Sea of Galilee that the town of Capernaum is located on: north, east, or south.

9. Circle the town that is closer to Jerusalem: Bethany or Bethlehem.

10. Tradition has it that both Paul and Peter were incarcerated in the Mamertine prison. Name the European city where this prison was located.

Answers to questions can be found on Page 17

Florida Prison Ministries can now be found on the web! You have access to information about our programs including our halfway houses, penpal program, LAMB, newsletters, Bible lessons, training, and more. Tell your friends and family to visit us at:

http://floridaprisonministries.org

^{2.} When the people of Israel crossed into the Promised Land at the Jordan River under Joshua's leadership, were they going: east to west or west to east? (Circle one.)

YOUR TURN



Unconditional Love (Part 2) Ellis A. Chen

How do you learn to love unconditionally? You start by loving God unconditionally. No matter the circumstances, remember who God is and who you are. Love God without conditions not because He needs your love. But because it is who you are.

We've all spent the greater part of our lives loving God conditionally. How many times have we said, "Lord, if you just get me out of this particular jam — I'll go to church every [week]." When we are in trouble, we take out the pan scales and begin to barter for God's love.

Bartering doesn't work because God couldn't possibly love us more. In fact, there is nothing we could do that would make Him love us more or less. God gives us the gift of His unconditional love. It is not conditioned on our response. We have it whether we want it, think we need it, or don't believe it.

After you learn to love God unconditionally, start to love yourself unconditionally too. Now is the time to make your self-talk positive, nurturing, and supportive, instead of negative, badgering, and relentless. Let a new era of unconditional love begin. Stop battering yourself with your failures and reminding yourself of your shortcomings. It is okay to make a mistake. It is okay to make a lot of mistakes. You are not condemned. God forgives the worst thing you've done. Forgive yourself. Love yourself without conditions and you'll find negative habits and behaviors will no longer be acceptible, because you love yourself way too much.

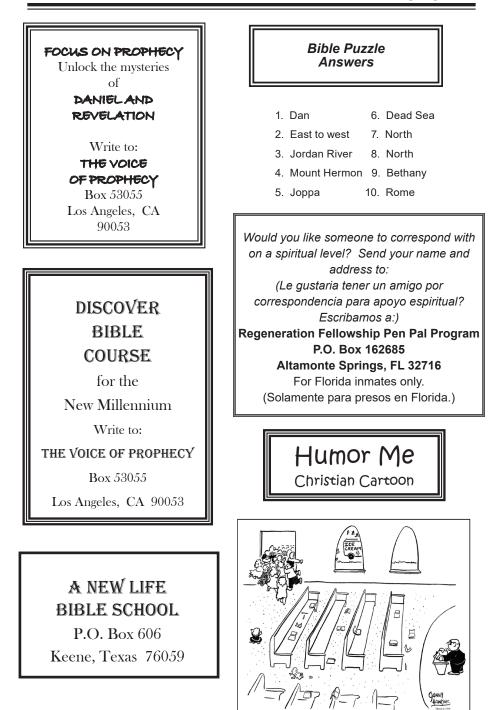
Finally, start to love others without conditions. Can you imagine what your relationships would be like if based on the foundation of unconditional love, a love freely given, not conditioned on a response? Imagine a relationship that says, "I give you wings to fly, not chains to be tied down." Imagine a relationship that hopes for the best in all your endeavors, a relationship that says, "You have my support always. I freely give you my greatest gift, and there are no strings attached to it."

But please remember, unconditional love does not give license to someone to walk all over you. You are not a doormat. Unconditional love says, "I love God first, then myself, and I love myself so much I will not tolerate any abuse." Unconditional love says, "I recognize even though I've given you the gift of my love, you have chosen not to reciprocate it, and that is fine. You'll always have my gift, but I move on. I let you go."

"Your Turn" is your page! We are in need of poems, stories, and art work. Please send to:

Your Turn * Regeneration Fellowship * Florida Prison Ministries P.O. Box 162685 * Altamonte Springs, FL 32716

Art work is best displayed if submitted on unlined paper. Please write legibly and place your full name on *each page* to ensure credit for your work. We apologize for any errors due to illegible handwriting.



REGENERATION FELLOWSHIPPlease pray for:				
Please send the Newsletter to this (these) inmate(s):				
Please send me this Bible Study Course:				
Steps to Eternal Life Pasos para la Vida Eterna				
My Bible question is:				
My name and address is:				
Stops to Étornal Life (Basic Course) Also available as: Pasos Para La Vida Étorna Write to: Regeneration Fellowship P.O. Box 162685 * Altamonte Springs, FL 32716				



Below is the index for the Chain Bible Marking Guide. Cut this out, and place it in your Bible. Each Number represents the first Bible reference in a Bible study topic. Go to that Bible text and mark it with the number and letters in the second column. Each month a new text guide will appear underneath the Chain Bible Marking Guide Index. After listing the first text as shown in column 2, write the reference for the second verse of the topic in the margin so that you can turn

there next. Do this until all verses are marked. Now you are ready to share a Bible study on the given topic with a friend or acquaintance, with your verses listed in order.

DISCOVERING THE TRUTH ABOUT:		
SUBJECT	LABEL	FIRST VERSE
SUBJECT 1- ANGELS 2GOD'S PURPOSE FOR WORLD 3-THE WAY OF SALVATION	1A	Heb. 1:13, 14
2GOD'S PURPOSE FOR WORLD	1P	Eccl. 1:4
3-THE WAY OF SALVATION	1WS	Matt. 19:16
4-NEARNESS OF CHRIST'S RETURN	1NR	Matt. 24:3
5-SECOND COMING OF CHRIST	1SC	Heb. 9:28
6-BIBLE TEMPERANCE	1BT	1 Cor. 10:31
7-MILLENNIUM	1M	Rev. 20:5
8-MOST WONDERFUL PROPHECY IN BIBLE	1WP	Dan. 8:3-14
	1MH	1 Cor. 15:55
10-WHERE ARE THE DEAD?	1WD	Eccl. 12:7
11-PUNISHMENT OF THE WICKED	1PW	2 Pet. 2:9
	1H	2 Cor. 12:2
13-CHRISTIAN'S RULE OF LIFE	1CR	Jam. 2:8-12
14-JESUS, OUR HIGH PRIEST	1HP	Dan. 8:14
15-LORD'S DAY	1LD	Rev. 1:10
16-FIRST DAY OF WEEK	1FD	Mark 16:9
17-CHANGE OF SABBATH	1CS	Ex. 20:8-11
18-GREAT DAY OF JUDGMENT	1JD	Acts 17:31
19-THE PRESENT TRUTH	1PT	2 Pet. 1:12
	1SP	Rev. 15:1
21-SEAL OF THE LIVING GOD	1SG	Rev. 7:1-3
-	1MB	Rev. 14:9-11.14
23-HOW TO KEEP SABBATH		Ex. 20:8
24-CHRISTIANS IN DRESS	1CD	1 Cor. 10:31
25-BAPTISM	1B	Mark 16:16
26-THE TRUE CHURCH	1TC	Rev. 12:1
27-BIBLE PLAN TO SUPPORT GOD'S WORK	1SW	Deut. 8:16
28-GOD'S GATHERING CALL	1GC	Rev. 17:3, 4

No. 12 HEAVEN: 1H: II Corinthians 12:2; 2H: John 14:3; 3H: Hebrews 11:16, 10; 4H: Revelation 21:10-18; 5H: Revelation 21:4; 6H: Revelation 21:1-3; 7H: Revelation 22:14; 8H: Philippians 3:20, 21; 9H: John 20:11-16; 10H: John 20:27, 28; 11H: Matthew 17:3, 4; 12H: I Corinthians 13:12...