



~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, thank you, God that You are acquainted with and understand what is in my heart. Lord I ask that You bring the truth out to everyone, the truth sets us free, sometimes my Lord it is painful but it does set us free. Lead and guide each person, fill them with God's will for them and future plans. Lord, give them peace and touch their lives and bless them, in Jesus' name. Amen.....

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Scripture

1 The same thing happened in Iconium¹ when Paul and Barnabas² went into the Jewish synagogue³ and spoke in such a way that a large group⁴ of both Jews and Greeks believed. 2 But the Jews who refused to believe¹ stirred up the Gentiles and poisoned their minds² against the brothers. 3 So they stayed there¹ for a considerable time, speaking out courageously for the Lord, who testified² to the message³ of his grace, granting miraculous signs⁴ and wonders to be performed through their hands. Mark 16:20; Acts 19:11; Heb 2:4; 4 But the population of the city was divided; some sided with the Jews, and some with the apostles.^{note} 5 When both the Gentiles and the Jews (together with their rulers) made an attempt to mistreat them and stone them, 6 Paul and Barnabas learned about it and fled to the Lycaonian cities of Lystra and Derbe and the surrounding region. Matt 10:23; Acts 8:1; 7 There they continued to proclaim the good news.

Acts 14 : 1-7

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Paul and Barnabas went to the Jews first with the Gospel. They went into the Jewish synagogue together and spoke with such power that a great number both of Jews and of Greeks believed.

But the unbelieving Jews [who rejected their message] aroused the Gentiles and embittered their minds against the brethren.

(beware of wolves in sheep's clothing....you have seen them....people spewing the Gospel, but yet living worldly or trying to get everything they can out of people....or trying to mess up your life, because they just can not tolerate you having a good life at the moment because they are suffering or they are jealous....none of it is from God. Quarreling, strife, back biting, gossip, lies, lust, temptation are not from God He is incapable of it.....why??.....because He is the truth....)

Paul and Barnabas stayed on there for a long time, speaking freely and fearlessly and boldly in the Lord. Who continued to bear testimony to the Word of His grace, granting signs and wonders to be performed by their hands.

12 I tell you the solemn truth, **the person who believes in me will perform the miraculous deeds that I am doing, and will perform greater deeds than these, because I am going to the Father.** Matt 21:21; Luke 17:6; Acts 5:12; Acts 19:11; 13 **And I will do whatever you ask in my name,** so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. Jer 29:12; Matt 7:7; Matt 21:22; Mark 11:24; Luke 11:9; John 15:7; John 16:24; Jas 1:5; 1John 3:22; 14 **If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.**

15 "If you love me, you will obey my commandments. John 14:21; John 14:23; John 15:10; 1John 5:3; 16 Then I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you forever – 17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it does not see him or know him. But you know him, because he resides with you and will be in you.

John 14:12-17

There is power in the name of Jesus; He is the Savior, Redeemer, the King of kings, the Priest of priest, the Lord of lords.....His name is Jesus.....He is the Son, part of the diety....God in human form.....and He is very much alive and well.....so why do some think it is a fairy tale?blessed are those whom have not seen but believe, for they saw and did not believe (the people alive than).....we are to just simply.....have faith and believe. Stepping out in faith.....means you just believe Him.....above I stated He is incapable of a lie for He is the truth...so just believe. So why do some think it is a fairy tale, because they think if they can not see Him, it must not be real, they are of the world.....every parent knows what it is like to love a child; to take care of them, watching them to grow.....what do they call it?? LOVE but tell me how tall is it, what color is it, how many heart beats does it have, what does it look like in physical appearance.....?? We know it exists, because we experience it we feel it in our heart, spirit and we know it is real.....but yet we do not see it, except for as a person responding to love, but yet they have no physical image of it as a picture.....we in faith know it and believe it.....there is no color or appearance to love....we just know and this is not temptation or lust love....it is a for life thing; wanting to be with someone for life through the life span, or wanting to watch your child grow and nurturing them to grow in a healthy way through love.....and everything that goes with it.....learning, teaching, support. (1 Corin. 13 is love did you know it is how God loves us? Did you also know it is how we are to love?) Sort of makes you have a mental image of Jesus doesn't it? We do not have to see Him to believe it, to know that it is real. So Paul and Barnabas spoke freely, fearlessly and boldly.....in Him. He bore witness to them.....granting signs and wonders. He lives in us, we are His hands and feet.....to go boldly, fearlessly and freely as He bids.

But the residents of the town were divided, some siding with the Jews and some with the apostles. A divided house will fall.....where there is strife and division....it will fail. Remember the parable of the seed? Some fell on ground but did not root??....these are the one's whom hear the Word, say they believe it but when trouble comes they fall away (they doubt, don't believe God is whom He says He is). They don't think God has any power or is in control....sounds good....but is He real, than why doesn't He do something? Question: " where was God when Jesus was murdered?" Answer: on His throne, He allowed it.....and.....Jesus knew He was the sacrifice, the blood offering for our sins....and....He went up on that cross....for.....YOU.....a complete stranger. God gave up His Son and the Son gave up His life for His friends....US.....God got His Son back, and Jesus is alive....still He paid the price. Could you give up your life for someone??....did you know this could also be more than just say physical death? It could be dying to a way of life (drugs, alcohol). It could be giving up a job. It could be giving up a hobby you made a idol, or a sport.....you are dying to it.....giving it up....in what? LOVE...

You see Jesus paid the price; by His stripes we are healed, so when we die to something.....SIN....it is covered...when we die to false idols.....it is covered.....etc. His blood paid the price.....What a shame the people of that day did not know who or what they rejected....God lines everything up, you may not see it now but He does....

God never sleeps or slumbers. The thing is if you have your fingers in everything and not letting God take care of it, than He will let you do it, till you give it to Him.....When I let go and let God.....the meth house was cleared out, the witch across the street was moved across the United States....the practicing drug addicts that were the witches neighbor (weird huh, and true) were moved. When I pondered what I would do if my husband had a heart attack in the winter month's because I knew they did not clear the streets.....next morning snow plows cleared the streets and they did every year till he passed away. All the party animals/friends of husband that met daily in the garage left one by one, the homeless man that was a cliff hanger (hustler) left. The strife was gone. The brother in law whom we were helping with a room in the house because he was depressed and we concerned for him after his relationship/marriage failed.....whom stayed with us for three years, over that...moved.....I prayed and said Lord I cannot handle this any more I have had enough I cannot do it.....I give it to you. Than I stood back, and let go and let God.....the mentor I had prayed and fellowshiped with me, we studied the Word, Bible studies....it helped bring me back into balance. Than as my mentor said; there are two things you step back for when you open a door; " God and the Lion"whoosh.....He cleaned house.....so don't ever give up; meditate in the Word for what you are going through, pray and give it to Him.....and don't put your finger in it....

When there was an attempt both on the part of the Gentiles and the Jews together with their rulers, to insult and abuse and molest [Paul and Barnabas] and to stone them. They aware of the situation made their escape to Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, an the neighboring districts. And there they continued to preach the glad tidings. (see God provided a way out, at times we may not quite see it clearly but it will come into focus).

A man sat who found it impossible to use his feet, for he was a cripple from birth and had never walked. He was listening to Paul as he talked, and (Paul) gazing intently at him and observing that he had faith to be healed. He shouted at him, saying. Stand erect on your feet! And he leaped up and walked. The Holy Spirit was working in the man's heart, giving him the gift of faith.

And the crowds, when they saw what Paul had done, lifted up their voices, shouting in the Lycaonian language. The gods have come down to us in human form! (false gods) (They left God out giving Him the glory) But when the apostles heard of it, they tore their clothing and dashed out among the crowd, shouting. They corrected it; we also are [only] human beings, of nature like your own, and we bring you the good news that you should turn away from these foolish and vain things to the living God. (Paul's messages to the Gentiles were on a spiritual level they could understand. He spoke of the evidences of God in nature.)

But some Jews arrived there from Antioch and Iconium, and having persuaded the people and won them over, they stoned Paul and [afterward] dragged him out of the town thinking that he was dead. But the disciples formed a circle about him, and he got up and went back into the town and on the morrow he went on with Barnabas to Derbe. (The same people who wanted to worship Paul a few days earlier decided to stone him when the Jews stirred them up. It's possible that Paul experienced death at this time, for he later described a time when he didn't know if he was dead or alive and was caught up to heaven (2 Corin. 12: 2-4).

When they had preached the good news to that town and made disciples of many of the people, they went back to Lystra and Iconium and Antioch. They than established and strengthened the souls and the hearts of the disciples, urging and warning and encouraging them to stand firm in the faith and [telling them] that it si through many hardships and tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God. They than appointed and ordained elders for them in each church with prayer and fasting, they committed them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe [being full of joyful trust that He is the Christ, the Messiah]. Then they went through Pisidia and arrived at Pamphylia. And when they had spoken the Word in Perga [the doctrine concerning the attainment through Christ of salvation in the kingdom of God], they went down to Attalia/ and from there they sailed back to Antioch, where they had [first] been commended to the grace of God for the work which they had [now] completed. After arriving there, they gathered the church together and declared all that God had accomplished with them and how. He had

Psa 119:105

**Thy word [is] a lamp unto
my feet, and a light
unto my path.**



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Opened the door of faith [in Jesus as the Messiah, through whom we obtain salvation in the kingdom of God]. And there they stayed no little time with the disciples.

"The spiritual man has a penetration that judges everything, but He Himself cannot be judged by anyone," For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ." That's simple. Now, what are we going to do with this truth? Are we going to argue about this? Are we just going to say that it was good? Are we going to do something about it? Are we going to open the door of our personality, fling it wide? Oh, we don't have to be afraid, the Holy Spirit is an illuminator. He is light to the inner heart, and He will show us more of God in a moment than we can learn in a lifetime without Him. When He does come, all that we have learned and all that we do learn will have its proper place in our total personality and total creed and total thinking. We won't lose anything by what we have learned. He won't throw out what we have learned if it is truth,, He will set it on fire, that's all. He will add fire to the altar. The blessed Holy Spirit waits to be honored. He will honor Christ as we honor Christ. He waits, and if we will throw open our heart to Him, a new sun will rise on us. I know this by personal experience. If there is anything that God has done through me, it dates back to that solemn, awful, wondrous hour when the Light that never was on land or sea, the Light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world, flashed in on my darkness. It was not my conversion, I had been converted, soundly converted. It was subsequent to conversion. How about you?" (A.W. Tozer; Tozer Speaks Volume 1; pages 176-177; 2010)



The Knots Prayer

Dear God:
Please untie the knots
that are in my mind,
my heart and my life.
Remove the have nots,
the can nots and the do nots
that I have in my mind.

Erase the will nots,
may nots,
might nots that may find
a home in my heart.

Release me from the could nots,
would nots and
should nots that obstruct my life.

And most of all,
Dear God,
I ask that you remove from my mind,
my heart and my life all of the 'am nots'
that I have allowed to hold me back,
especially the thought
that I am not good enough.
Amen

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