

ROCK OF AGES MINISTRIES

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Dear family in Christ,

The Promise of Power ...

Acts 1:8 (KJV) But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

The promise of power for Christians in Acts 1:8 is repetition of the promise given in Luke 24:49. More than likely both refer to the same event that took place right before Jesus ascended back into heaven. Last words are very important, especially when spoken by Christ Jesus just before leaving earth for a very long time. We need this vital truth as much as did the disciples that day. We have God's promise of supernatural power for declaring the Gospel of Christ worldwide. Are you tapping into it? Daily? I would not dare to stand before inmates or prison officers without dependence upon such power.

This power of Christ was wielded on several occasions this month.

We conducted what turned out to be a three day revival meeting at Georgia State Prison, in Reidsville, GA. Normally, GSP is a four day, Monday – Thursday revival, and would have been, except there was a mix-up. We were under the impression from the administration that due to Ramadan, the meeting would start on Tuesday morning, not Monday morning. When we showed up on Tuesday, we found out we were a day late! However, the Lord of all grace abounded through us, and a total of 13 men called upon the name of the Lord Jesus for salvation through the combined effort of 4 of us. The next day we began a three day revival meeting at Long State Prison. This was my second revival meeting at LSP. On my first revival there, after three days of preaching, no one made profession of faith. That was the first (and hopefully the last) time that has happened. This time, we were blessed to lead 4 men to Christ for eternal salvation. The services were very well attended, in no small part due to our being able to visit the men in their dormitories before each service. This was the first time at LSP that we were allowed to do that. We also held a two day revival meeting at the Paulding County RSAT facility in my home town of Dallas, GA. We were allowed to do visitation in 3 of the dorms leading up to one preaching service. Thankfully, we saw 4 men step out by faith to receive the Lord Jesus Christ (John 1:12).

I would remind you that new converts stand in need of much prayer. The evil one is always on their trail stirring up doubt and unbelief. However, we stand on another promise from God: 1 John 4:4 (KJV) "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." Please do pray for Christian growth by all who heard the Gospel from our lips.

We remain in Christ's Intensive Care,

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Right Time, Right Place ...

Acts 8:27-29 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship, 28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet. 29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.

Our universe consists of time, space, and matter (Genesis 1:1). Therefore, since God created the universe, He is outside of time, space, and matter. It amazes me how He can so coordinate events in time and space in such a way that His will is accomplished. What unbelievers would say was "coincidence," with God is "providence."

I left home Friday morning, arriving at Bacon Probation Detention Center around 4 hours later. Upon entering, we made our way into A dormitory, and dispersed amongst the inmates, most of whom were sitting on their bunks. Just hours before, a young inmate was under conviction of sin. He had spent time in prayer, asking God to send some Christian along to help him. I approached this young man at his bunk, and began speaking with him. After questioning him for a few minutes, it was obvious by his answers that he was not a born again man. After showing the plan of salvation, he knelt with me, and hopefully received Christ into his spirit. Afterward, as we rejoiced together, he seemed greatly relieved. It was then that he told me how he had prayed earlier that day, and that my coming to him was a direct answer to that prayer! Hallelujah!! Thank God for His providence! A divine appointment, indeed.

The next day, in a different dormitory, I came upon a small group of inmates sitting on two bunks talking. I began speaking with them. All but one claimed to be saved already. I witnessed to the lost man for quite a while, and finally "drew the net." However, he didn't get in! I urged him not to wait, but he said he wasn't ready to be saved yet. That night, though, he came to the revival service. He stepped out, and came forward to receive the Lord Jesus during the invitation. I had the joy of leading him to Christ. Divine appointment!

We also had revival meetings this month at Rogers State Prison, and Smith State Prison, all in Georgia, with several souls saved during visitation and preaching services.

Our son, Dr. Jerry, was rushed into emergency surgery in Grand Blanc, MI on the 13th. The next day, we left for Michigan, and spent the next 4 days with him. He came very close to losing his right leg due to a very bad infection. Two more surgeries were required before sending him home. Please do pray for him.

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