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Give Rejection and Shame the Boot! Jesus Christ already did.

So often in services we encounter people dealing with rejection and shame, especially recently. Terrible things have happened in their lives, perhaps many, many years ago. Often when they were young. Abused. Ignored or deserted by loved ones. When older, divorced. Left behind. Dumped. Or maybe when young embarrassed by poverty, by lack, by having nothing and having to depend on others.

One thing about shame and regret – they hang around. Why? Just a couple more tools of the devil. He is a liar and the father of lies. He uses any tool at his disposal.

I have never forgotten a service several years ago at the end of which some people came forward for individual prayer. As we dealt with the people, Cathy and I became aware of two standing over to the side. They were close but just would not come closer. They would not actually come up to us. Finally as most had left we came up to them. Yes, it appeared they wanted prayer. And then they said those words, each of them – “I’m not worthy.” Not worthy? Is there a bigger lie of the devil than that?

No person who ever lived is worthy of Jesus Christ!!!! If we have to wait till we are worthy, we shall wait for eternity. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. He died for the whole world. Now it is up to individuals to receive him and what he did.

Jesus knows the horrors you have lived with or suffered through. Yes, he knows shame and rejection. Just think – on the cross he was lifted above the ground, separated from all people. And yet at that time his father was away from him as well. Remember his words? “Why have you forsaken me?”

How is that for being alone, for being rejected? Hanging in the air between earth and heaven, rejected by both. But he was and he did it for you and me. Yes, he overcame sin, but he also overcame your rejection. You don’t have to suffer rejection and you should not. He was despised and rejected of men (Isaiah 53:3). Reproach broke his heart, and he had no comforters (Psalm 69:20). But you do have a comforter! God has made you accepted in the beloved (Ephesians 1:6). No one in Christ should live rejected. You have a big, big family of believers, with the head of the family being Jesus Christ.

The same goes for shame. Did anyone ever suffer such shame as the Lord? On the cross he was thirsty, he was hungry, he was naked – yes, naked, in front of all those people including his mother. He was beaten beyond description, not really recognizable as a human being (see Isaiah 52:14). And he was alone on the cross. No one was with him. Down at his feet people gambled for his clothes. Priests, scribes, and elders mocked him. So too a thief beside him.

For your sake and mine, he has born reproach; shame has covered his face (Psalm 69:7). For the joy that was set before him – taking care of everything that separated people from God, reconciling people to God – he endured the cross, despising the shame (see Hebrews 12:2).

What are you waiting for? He took care of everything. Yes, bad things may have happened to you earlier in life, terribly bad things. But that was then and this is now.

Declare it! Shout it out! Jesus took care of your shame and rejection. You are free from that. It's time to go on living without it. It is an insult to Jesus if you continue to mope around, held back by those two words. If the devil brings them up again, tell him you are free from all that. Jesus took care of it. Give him the scripture references to read.

These subjects and many more accomplishments of Jesus are covered on our *What Did Jesus Do?* CDs, Parts One, Two, and Three. Shame and rejection in particular are on Part Two. You can request any by going to our web site or by calling or writing. A donation of \$7 is suggested for each CD, or in this case \$20 for all three, but we will give you one CD for free if you cannot afford a donation.

Also, watch the television broadcasts of *What Did Jesus Accomplish?* on our web site in the video section!

JESUS! – I AM! NOW ON WEB SITE

Don't miss this latest video addition to the ministry web site. It is currently on the home page and also of course has been added to the video section. This is one way everyone in the world can watch the ministry television programs – by going to the ministry web site and clicking on the program you want to watch. This is a crucial time in history, and you need to know as much as possible of who Jesus is and who you are in him. Jesus many times identified himself by using the same words his father used to identify himself when Moses asked what his name was – “I am.” Jesus is God, and this program makes this truth clear with abundant examples.

TROUBLING TIMES – STAY ALERT!

As the *WATCHMAN WARNING – THE COMING WARS* pointed out last month, these are extraordinary and very tense times in this world. It is apparent to anyone familiar with scripture and with events underway in the Middle East and elsewhere that things of Biblical importance are about to happen, and indeed have been happening. At the same time the United States is struggling through a political campaign and seems to continue to move ever more away from its roots as a nation. As a believer you must stay alert, stay in the right relationship with Christ, be ready to go when he calls. Whether the next few months or years, it will be soon.

**“...I have spoken it, I will bring it to pass;
I have purposed it, I will also do it.” - Isaiah 46:11**

Now is not the time to be ignorant of things important to God. May you find the truth and live in it all the days of your lives.

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GOD'S MIRACULOUS HEALINGS! ENCOURAGEMENT IN A DARK TIME

We spend so much time today bombarded with negative news stories and harsh world economic conditions, as well as with a very unpleasant national election campaign. How about focusing on some wonderful actions of God that so lift up believers and should be an encouragement to nonbelievers to get busy seeking and searching. Here are some really dramatic healings from recent weeks and one earlier in the year.

The 2 year old girl

Shortly before Christmas 2011 a woman called our office. She had attended many of our weekly programs several years ago. Her granddaughter was suffering from a cancerous brain tumor, and the medical world had no more steps to take. The little 2 year old girl was passing out frequently, and the family just thought that one day she would pass out and not wake up. The woman asked to bring the girl to our office for healing prayer. I knew from our past relationship that the woman had great faith.

So the woman and the granddaughter and the mother of the granddaughter came to the office. The little girl was precious. Cathy held her hand and showed her around the office. I spoke about healing for a short while to the grandmother and the mother, covering the basics of what the Lord has done for us. And then while the grandmother held the granddaughter, I prayed healing for her.

Sometime after Christmas there was a message on the office telephone. The family had taken the little girl to the doctors for a checkup. And the grandmother announced in the telephone message – the doctors say that 82% of the tumor has disappeared! And she thanked me for praying.

A few weeks later another message appeared on our telephone system. It was the grandmother again, joyfully announcing that another visit showed that 94% of the tumor had disappeared.

Then a few weeks later came the message – 100% of the tumor has disappeared. The grandmother was thankful and joyful. “You can use this account anytime, anywhere,” she exclaimed.

Praise God!

The newborn

About a month or so ago, a man from the mountains telephoned. He had watched some of our broadcasts coming out of Charlotte in the past and had received some of our CDs. He had a serious request – his granddaughter had been born a few days earlier, with one lung not as developed as the other. Now she was bleeding from the nose and they had taken her to the hospital. The doctors had asked the family to gather there. The man asked for a healing prayer.

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So I prayed for the little girl to be healed. Evidently the whole family was there and listening. And I hung up the phone. About an hour or two later, the telephone rang. It was the grandfather. He said he was putting the baby's father on the phone. He wanted this father to tell me, and he did – the baby had been taken off the oxygen machine. The doctors declared she could be taken home the next day! [In the background I heard the grandfather telling the family, “we’re speaking to the ‘man of God’.”]

Later in a conversation with the grandfather I learned that the baby granddaughter had been born with one lung half as long as the other. After I had prayed for the little girl, the tube that had been inserted in her nose began wiggling around, or she did, and they jerked it out. And in the healing, the shorter lung had grown to the same length as the larger one. The doctor reported he had never seen anything like it!

Praise God!

The neighbor

About two weeks after this, the same man from the mountains called and left a message. His neighbor had had a massive heart attack, and he sought healing prayer for the neighbor. So I prayed when I received the message. And I called back and left a message that I had received the request and had prayed.

About a day later, a telephone message from the man in the mountains left this report – It was not a massive heart attack! Maybe it was a minor heart attack, or just stress! And the man put his neighbor on the telephone to leave a message of thanks. He was already out of the hospital!

Praise God!

Some Insights

It is all about Jesus. Everything. Making ourselves available, being sensitive to the Holy Spirit and to others, praying the prayer of faith.

Think about all this. In the case of the two year old girl, there was a grandmother of great faith who knew about Jesus and healing, and of course Cathy and I had faith. And when I prayed in faith, there was a great sense of compassion and of the presence of the Holy Spirit. In the case of the newborn, the caller from the mountains had rock solid faith, and I had faith, and of course again compassion for this little girl. And the Holy Spirit certainly was present in power. Then for the neighbor, well, the mountain man had great faith, and I had faith in praying healing. So we see active in these cases faith, the presence of the power to heal, and compassion.

How many times in the Bible did Jesus say something like, “your faith has made you well.” You can’t get away from the importance of faith, absolute faith in Jesus. And remember also how Jesus’ compassion was certainly a key element in his raising of the widow’s dead son in Nain.

God is an awesome God!

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