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Special Moments Pt. 2

This is a wake-up call for me, you, and anyone else who profess, confess, the Name of the Lord. Special Moments come and go in a flash, a second, even a period of time to tell somebody about a Savior who can save and deliver right now from the pit of Hell, “Now”!

I can’t be delicate right now because we were saddened and hurt about the death of Michael Jackson. Rumors went around saying he was led to the Lord by Andre Crouch and his sister, Sandra, (preachers of the gospel). This gave us hope that his life was not about gaining the whole world and losing his soul. However, the rumors were false, not true. Well truth had to come out no matter how it made the Crouch’s look.

As I said in Part I of Special Moments, Behold, now. Is the accepted time, behold, now is the day of Salvation! Tomorrow may be too late for someone. The Bible says, there is only one way to Heaven

Jesus said: “I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me.” (John 14:6)

Good works cannot save you.

“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.” Ephesians 2:8-9).

Let me tell you right now, fear is not an option. God did not give you the spirit of fear, He gave you power, love, and a sound mind today! If we’ve missed opportunities to tell our close friends, our co-workers, or our family members, go back and re-claim that special moment, saying today is the day I will begin to do what I’m supposed to do as a child of God. It’s not just left to the preacher, but also to the pew member. And you thought you didn’t have a purpose? Tell them, “I’m not going to be lost when Jesus comes for me, and I don’t want you to be lost either. I need to tell you about the awesome Savior I serve and it will be up to you if you want to accept Him too. You know God loves you so much, that He’s made this special moment for me to present Him to you. Do you want to hear more?”

Now at that special moment, God has opened a door for the gospel to be presented. His arms wide open to the person, and most of all, He can use you to do it!

Or do you want God to ask...
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later, why didn’t you…? Use wisdom, but there is sometimes only a short window open. This is not a reasoning contest. That time might be the most important time for them in their entire life. And don’t get discouraged! At sometime write down what you want to say. Read it over and over until it’s in you. That’s how faith comes. Hearing and hearing, and hearing... the word of God. You’ve got to start somewhere. Body of Christ, this is important, and He will not cause you to be ashamed! Praise God!

What does it take for an athlete to get ready? Well, we’re in a race to the finish and souls need to be saved. Look at it as finishing your assignment. You have assignments when you’re in school. Well, this is your assignment from God, to tell somebody the Good News of Jesus Christ, any, and every opportunity you have, with joy. This should not be grievous. You give away everything else, why not the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Back to the athlete, he trains, he practices in whatever he’s training for, to be the best and get a reward. We must follow the same example. It’s not about the “Bling Bling” for what we are training for. It’s about the glory of God, being adequate, and having consistency, to get to the point where you say, “God made a way for Himself to be clothed in flesh to come down to this earth to save a sinful wretch like me!”

Charles Stanley says, “when you have alt against somebody and they’re no longer with you, put a doll or object in a chair and pretend it’s them, and tell them how you feel and ask for forgiveness,” because so many people have things bottled up in them that makes them hard to talk to or receive anything you’re talking about. The part I want you to see is that, that’s a creative idea that God had given him, but it’s also a way for you to or receive anything you’re talking about. The part I want you to see is that, that’s a creative idea that God had given him, but it’s also a way for you to practice on the object when it’s time to confront someone with the gospel.

Practice as an athlete, telling something (AIR) about Jesus! Every moment will seem like butterflies, even when you seem ready or think you’re ready. But get those scriptures down in you, where you can paraphrase them or go to them if you have to. You’re fighting for a soul and the reward is to glorify God!

When you step out and do what you’re supposed to do, HIS POWER will be there. You might not say all you thought you were supposed to say, but God gives the increase, by tugging on the person’s heart. And then again, their heart might be so hard, it will take more plowing to get the soil of their heart to receive the seeds sown.

Seeds that fall on hard ground mean that as soon as it tries to spring up, it is withered away, having no moisture (no WORD). It will take your prayers and confessions BY FAITH, saying, “Lord I thank you that this seed I planted today, will come to flourish.” Also give them literature (prayers, devotionals, bible tracts, or a bible) to read. Fellowship with them from time to time if possible; ask God for creative ideas. (“How much more shall my Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him.”(Matthew 7:11b)

My God is ABLE to SUPPLY the need for those SPECIAL MOMENTS in your life!

God Bless!
PRAYER

Father, hallowed is Your Name. I reverence You and all your Power. Thank you for all the readers of this Newsletter.
Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Keep us covered by your blood as we seek your face about direction, a job, children, finances, health, and our inner attitudes.
Rise in me that I may speak of and live that joyful life You have intended me to live. Today I speak LIFE into my situation, that Jesus loves me and counts me worthy. Thank you for dying for me, for shedding Your blood, and for rising from the dead. No one else could do for me, what Jesus has already done on the Cross. The cross is where my sins were nailed and I receive all my blessings and promises from You.

My loved ones are saved, my co-workers are saved, my neighbors are saved because of the burning passion and desire You give me to talk about the Good News to them.

Take away every fearful moment and every hesitant moment, so I can tell somebody about You and that You would receive the glory!

Yes Lord I am Your vessel

“IThought I COULD DO IT... !”

Have you ever tried to do something and it didn’t turn our right? You said all the right words, did all the steps they told you to do. You so called fasted, you so called prayed, and you doubted in your heart still!

On your job, they gave you all the instruction to do the job, but somehow, it didn’t quite turn out like you thought it would for you!

Teenagers, I’m talking to you, having a boyfriend or girlfriend, and you said, I’m not going to have sex and you wind up with a baby!

Husband/wives, you say I’m going to learn to communicate better, but the family splits up!

Ministers of the gospel says, I’m going to work so that everyone I meet gets saved, and then you leave the church!

In each instance and at a split second, we did not take the Power of the Holy Spirit, did not have on the whole armor of God, did not pray, and lastly did not take self out of the equation, and the heart and feelings took a front seat instead of a back seat, and we thought “me,”/ “I” could do it, could handle it, overcome it, move in the right direction instead of the wrong direction.

There are many tasks at hand that we cannot handle in our own strength. “Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.” Zechariah 4:6b

That’s why it’s so important to rely on the Holy Spirit’s Power to lead and guide, and we do that by “praying first!!”

Then the word says “Wisdom is the principle thing, therefore get wisdom: and with all your getting get understanding.” Proverbs 4:23.

In the mist of all this, God still has you covered, still loves you, still causing things to happen for your good, still working out solutions to your mess-ups. What an awesome God!

Now go back and repent, that after trying to live your life without Him, you found out that you needed Him more and more!

When the “I” comes before your sentence, think again! “There is a way which seemeth right unto man; but the end thereof are the ways of death.” Proverbs 14:12

Next, are you teachable? Can God really begin to train and teach you? The word says, “The way of the fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkened unto counsel is wise.” Proverbs 12:15

God wants us to be wise in everything that we do to give him glory! However, don’t be frustrated after messing up. Keep “looking unto Jesus” who is “the author and finisher of your faith.” Hebrews 12:2

He is the source, while the cross is the means.

God Bless!
For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Hebrews 4:12

**My MISSION:**
Reach and encourage others in letting you know that God is able to do the impossible.

**My VISION:**
Be on the web reaching those I don’t see but God does.

BELIEVE! IT CAN HAPPEN!

How much more shall your Father which is in heaven, give good things to them that ask him? Matthew 7:11b

**My MISSION:**
Use the God-given gifts for His glory!

**My VISION:**
Teach others to reach for those God-given gifts in them.

**BELIEVE! IT CAN HAPPEN!**

“A good deed is never lost: he who sows courtesy reaps friendship; and he who plants kindness gathers love.” Basil

**Bible Quiz: STUDY QUESTIONS FOR “Jesus—THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE”**

1. Name, according to John 14:6, three things that Jesus is.
2. What does the name Immanuel mean?
3. According to Acts 4:12, there is only one name by which we can be saved. What name is that?
4. Matthew 26:28 teaches us that there was a specific reason for Christ’s death. What was that reason?
5. Hebrews 4:14-15 provides us with the reason why Jesus Christ is qualified to serve as the sacrifice for our sins. What is that reason?
6. What did Peter say in 1 Peter 2:21-22 about Jesus?
7. In 1 John 2:2, John speaks of Christ as a “propitiation.” What is a propitiation?
8. What, according to 1 Timothy 2:4, does God want?
9. What two rhetorical questions did Jesus ask in Mark 8:36-37?
10. What was Christ’s teaching when He asked the two rhetorical questions in Mark 8:36-37?
11. What, according to Ecclesiastes 12:13-14, is our purpose while we live here on Earth?

**ANSWERS:**
1. The Way, the Truth, and the Life.
2. God with us.
3. Jesus.
4. For the remission of sins.
5. For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?
6. He was without sin.
7. Our substitute, our satisfaction.
8. To have all men saved and come into the knowledge of truth.
9. To give in exchange for his soul.
10. That the soul was worth more than the whole world and to lose it would be an eternal loss. Man could not give in exchange for his soul.

**Please Look Up For Yourself!**
**Go To Answeres If You Have To!**

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