

Someone Cares Enough

There is a story in God's Word of a beggar desperate for a kind hand. He saw two men headed to church and called out to them for a handout: **"Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms"** (Acts 3:3).

This beggar's hand was out, just hoping to find someone who cared enough about him to give him some food money for the day. This man had no idea that his real need went far beyond his physical necessity of the day and fell deep into the condition of his starving, sin-cursed soul. At first, he must have been disappointed to hear the reply Peter gave him; **"Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none..."** Again, he might have wondered why they would even take time to speak with him if they had no money. But he soon found out that Jesus wanted to meet his spiritual need long before He met his physical needs; **"...but**

such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk" (Acts 3:6).

Jesus came into this world to seek out sinners who need a Saviour. The Apostle Paul, a former Christian killer, told young Timothy, **"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief"** (1 Timothy 1:15). Paul's soul was crippled and hungry because of sin, but Jesus gave him a new life filled with the joy of being forgiven and a life with a purpose. Paul spent the rest of his days telling other spiritual beggars where to find the Bread of Life—Jesus!

My dear friend, I want you to know that you are loved. Christ loved you so much that He took your place on the cross of Calvary. Once again, He has offered you the free gift of eternal life. I want you to know that I am more concerned about your spiritual well-being than meeting

your physical need. **"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life"** (John 3:16).

Jesus took your place on the cross and only required this of you; **"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation"** (Romans 10:9, 10).

You must believe that Jesus is God, He lived a sinless life and died in your place, but you must also believe in your heart that He rose from the grave—this proves His position as God. The rest is simple; just like you ask people to help you with your physical needs, call unto Jesus for your spiritual need; **"For**

whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Romans 10:13). Notice that this verse does not require you to get baptized or stop smoking and drinking; it only requires you to desire a changed life and trust that Jesus will help you! Jesus will then give you eternal life—a life forever in Heaven with Him. Jesus was willing to die and go to Hell for you rather than spend eternity in Heaven without you!

Call on Him today before it is too late—Dear Father in Heaven, I know I am a sinner, and I deserve Hell, but I trust in your Word and ask you to come into my heart to be my Saviour. I believe you are God, and You died and rose again on the third day for me. Thank You! Please forgive me of my sin, come into my heart and help me to live a life that is pleasing to you. In the name of Jesus Christ, I pray, Amen.

Congratulations! If you asked Christ to be your Saviour today, I have great news: **“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more”** (Hebrews 10:16, 17). Your sins are gone in the eyes of God! Have a blessed day, and remember that Jesus loves you, and so do I!

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