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Heart Cry

"When You said, "Seek My face," my heart said to You, "Your face, O Lord, I shall seek." Psalm 27:8 NASB

Years ago, the Lord led me on a path toward a deeper place of knowing Him. So often in our walk with God, we seek Him for His help, for His plan, for His purpose. But in that seeking, we are missing something: The 'NOW" of knowing what is on the heart of God. What burdens is HE carrying? What is breaking His heart? These things I wanted to know.

What is the Heart Cry of the Father?

I had known pain and heartbreak early in my life, some brokenness and disappointments. I felt the Holy Spirit use every vanquished moment to make my heart more open, more sensitive. He was creating in me the heart of an Evangelist: one who sees people not as they are but as what He can make from their broken lives. Just as He had so beautifully built from my broken dreams.

In the inner chamber of the Intercessor one can be overwhelmed by the grief of the very real feelings of hurt and rejection that run rampant over the earth. Father wounds. Mother wounds. One of the most devastating things that can happen to any person is for them to believe that 'No one cares for my soul...'

That belief, when sown early into a life can lead to destructive and anti-social behavior that can put one at odds with the rest of the world for most of their lives. These things should not be. It is to these broken and rejected ones that we are called by the Love of the Father. WE are to be their family. We are to embrace them. We are to speak life to them. We are to bring a mother or father's heart into their lives.

The Christian mothers and fathers that God brought into my life just in time, were those who brought that love, acceptance and friendship into my loneliness. From that bonding I became what the Father intended me to be.

Beloved. There is a world, crying, crying, crying for love and understanding. Their Heart Cry is rising up to the Father day and night.

The fact that all of creation is under travail waiting to see the full manifestation of the sons of God is proof that we, too, should be willing to live lives differently.

Can we see ourselves laying down our battling, our weapons of war, and walking towards them, set on love and healing, filled with grace and compassion?

The world is a wreck. We need to be Healers and Helpers. Amen.



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Featured Article FAMILY NEWS

On A Personal Note ...



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We reached another milestone in our family as my Mom turned 92 towards the end of last month. It was a bit of a challenge getting out there this time [long story] but we made it and we had a nice time with a few of my family members as we celebrated Mom's birthday. Lots and lots of hugs, kisses laughter and enjoyable memories for years to come. How is your summer going? Ours is just getting started!



One of the many promises that we have in Scripture is one of *life* and having life in abundance. (See John 10:10; Rom 6:23; Rom 8:1-5; John 6:63; John 5:24 and more!)

This, too, can be referred to as having the life of God - or you could say having the God kind of life which is eternal. Something that is given to us now by the Spirit and also in the world to come after death. (II Cor 5:1-7; John 14:1-6; John 11:25; John 17:3)

Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life. He conquered death by death [death is now swallowed up in victory - the tomb is empty, and Jesus rose from the dead] and because He lives we, too, shall live also. (See I Cor. 15:55; John 11:25; John 14:1-6; Eph 5:14) The life that He now lives He lives in us is by the Spirit -Spirit life. (See Gal 2:20; John 6:63; Gal 5:17; Rom 8:11-16; John 3:3-8) As Paul says "if we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit." (See Gal 5:25) As carriers of the kingdom Spirit Life travels with us. Where He goes, I go!

Ministry News TOP STORY

Lift Him Up in Phuket, Thailand



The reports of what the Lord is doing in Phuket, Thailand are encouraging. Our partnership each month with the Rapha Healing Center is bringing the message of healing and deliverance to selected communities in the region with regular outreaches and services.

Just this past month we were able to secure rent deposits for a new location for worship and prayer. The new location will provide opportunities to do more!

Ministry News TOP STORY

Making a Difference for Christ



We are privileged to bring Christ into fatherless homes in selected areas across Thailand in 2022. Our Families Without Fathers (FWF) project and Project REAP - *Regional Education Assistance Program* continues to make great strides each month with forty (40) plus children and young adults in six locations.

Your prayers and financial giving each month helps to provide school fees and related supplies while bringing Christ into each of their lives with learning groups like these and more. Shine Jesus shine!

Featured Item PRAYER

Prayer Points

"Because He has inclined His ear to **me**, Therefore I shall **call upon** *Him* as long as I live."

Psalm 116:2 NASB

His ear is open to our cries!

- Pray for our Global Training Platforms in Thailand, & Myanmar.
- 2. For our Care For Kingdom Families Projects: REAP: and the FWF in Thailand, during the 3rd quarter of 2022.
- As this year continues to unfold for all of Firstlight to be strategically placed in 2022 and beyond! *projects, *people, * places, *increased funding!
- 4. For God to arise in all that we do!