

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

Special Points of Interest:

- Love is the fruit of the Spirit !
- People have the capacity to love without regret !
- As God has forgiven you, do likewise !
- The enemy can't steal your Peace unless you let him !

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Well in year 2001-2002, I began a Newsletter under the name of "Children Of Christ Gospel News", in which that began my struggle and future of hearing God speak to me on different topics, formatting and being creative, and working with a software program I had no idea of how to use; going from a one page to a booklet Newsletter, but God got me through it. My only

issue was financing the ink, which was costly.

In 2008, I was asked to do a Newsletter for The Texas Conference Ushers, Nurses, and Greeters Organization where they supplied the information from many of the Methodist Churches in that organization and I formatted, proofread, and re-created, and printed. Well the booklet got bigger and I began to think, I should start my own Newsletter again.

The title had been inspired within me by The Holy Spirit since April of 1997. Now, I do think the time has come. I would love to encourage you and speak as God gives me utterance. Pray for me as I pray for the readers. If there is something you like, let me know. **BE BLESSED !**

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If you want to find out what matters most, read the Word of God. There is Power in the written and spoken Word of God. It works every time it's applied correctly.

- "God watches over His word to perform it." (Jer. 1:12)
- "So is my word that goes out of my mouth: It will not re-

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turn to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it." (Is. 55:11)

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These are some of the

first scriptures I learned and have built a foundation upon in my heart. There are so many treasures hidden in God's Word that are to be illuminated by The Holy Spirit. Let's train ourselves to speak God's Word with affirmation and faith to be followers of Christ Jesus.

HELPING ME LOVE MY FELLOWMAN / WOMAN

I'm carrying around excess baggage from past circumstances that I need to get rid of. I've told so many people to just "Let It Go!" Well, I need to follow my own advice.

People are not perfect and neither am I! Yet and still, when people mess up in my life, I hold them in their mess. I don't want to be around them, but yet in still, I have to, because God has made them apart of my life for this season for the simple reason of molding me in **His** Love and to quit being so self righteous.

Yeh, they messed up

and I have to forgive, release **them and me** in this holding spot I've made for myself. What is it doing for me? Making me happy, or making me frustrated and stressed and not allowing God to free me. Don't I want God to use me, work in me, and change me? Well, yeh! Well Let It Go!



Advice: Let It Go! Easy or What?

Frustrated and stressed leaves you in a holding pattern where roots grow and maturity stops.

I can't, you say! Well let's see how long **you** want to be miserable! Let's see how much wear and tear it will be on **your** body! Let's see if you even go to the hospital for some unknown symptom that has flared up!

Sin grows like a root and it's called a root of bitterness that springs up and will be hard to chop down once it takes a hold of you. Hebrews 12:14 says, *"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord;* 15th verse: *Looking diligently lest any* man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you and thereby many be defiled." The grace of God is always there for you and me. However, we surrendering unto God and really wanting to is another. No it's not easy once you've stayed in it awhile, but God knows the right timing for your heart to really desire change (to melt). I've been through it and those old thoughts will just keep coming. Well, what got me, was when I thought something was conquered and relaxed because everything was going fine and "Bam!" it came from an altogether different direction.

God in His sovereign care still takes care of you and I because He knows what the end will be. He wants to teach us to forgive at the onset, so readily, so quickly, so we won't have to go through it again.

Well, I guess that lesson is maturing in me now because He won't leave me along and



Follow Peace !

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Forgive at the onset, readily, and quickly!

PRAYER:

Father Thank you for this day! Thank you for your Holy Spirit. Without you I could do nothing.

Forgive me this day my trespasses, the thoughts I had toward someone today (call their name). Reveal to me by your Spirit what I need to pray for because I don't always know. Renew a right spirit in me and create in me a clean heart.

Order my footsteps in the

direction I should go that will bring glory to you, that will honor you. In my love walk don't let me fall short. Help me be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to get angry because | know | can't do it by myself. There are walls in my life that need to be broken by your Spirit. There are places in my heart that need to be soften and melted by the truth of your word. Your "Will" be done in my heart, in my life, in my soul.

Change me O Lord ! I know there will be circumstances I can't change, so I choose to change, in your way, Father.

Thank you for loving me so! Thank you that it's already done! I rest in your power that has begun the work in me, and when I will want to give up, or do it my way, I know that you are near to set me on the right track. I love you Lord, In Jesus' Name! Amen!

HELPING ME LOVE MY FELLOWMAN / WOMAN continued:

I'm glad He won't, because I truly need my "Daddy, my Father" to nurture me. When you think you're going down in a rut that keeps going round and round, God is the solution to change the patterns in your life, to change the direction of your path, and to walk with you through the people problem. God has not given up on us so rest assured, He won't give up on **them**. So about the people problem, you can't fix anything without God being your melting solution, whether dealing with finances, job, home, or social personalities. My goal is to be mature enough to Love, God is the solution to change the patterns in your life, to change the direction of your path, and to walk with you through the people problem.

HELPING ME LOVE MY FELLOWMAN / WOMAN continued:

and God is my melting solution through the power of the Holy Spirit. I care about people but He has to melt my hard heart and mature the Love in me to Love all of them not some of them in spite of how **they** act. You see the Love is already there because God's love was shed abroad in you by the Holy Ghost but God is the one to bring it out. And that's why the difficult situations we're placed in, is to show the world that "Christian Love" is without regret and much pardon. When you get off track, get back on by going to the Father by way of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.

> AMEN ! AMEN !



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