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Dear Friends & Family,

"JUVENILES & JUDGMENT DAY"



[8/20] . I returned home this past Friday night late from my last of 4 camps which I serve at each summer. This was the Hopewell Network's kids camp. We had about 105 3rd-6th graders. I would guess 70% of them had never been to camp with us before. Yes, you read right-**Juveniles- & Judgment Day**. Could the two ever go together? They do with me. I have been teaching children {as well as youth, young adults, & adults} this golden brick of doctrine for many years. How I wish someone would have taught it to me when I was a little boy. It would have saved me from so much sin & heartache. **[8/28]** For the two older camps this summer, Pontius Pilate came out of the Time Machine chained in between two holy angels with the Grim Reaper behind him [showing that he was dead], He was awaiting "his turn" before the Great White Throne Judgment of Jesus Christ-the Same One Whom Pilate had unjustly tried & condemned while he was upon earth. Pilate in his monologue goes from shock, terror, denial, tears, to anger & rage. He is interrupted by the voice of Jesus summoning him to His throne. He proceeds toward The Throne on his knees.



My-how differently things will be there compared to here on that Great Day. [Needless to say why I don't use this drama with children!]. For the children, I bring out Wilhelm Conrad Reontgen out of the Time Machine, who accidentally discovered X-rays in his laboratory in Germany in 1895. I then use the drama's emphasis on X-rays to springboard into the principle of Judgment Day which teaches that there is nothing covered that will not be exposed, that the Word of God, like X-rays, penetrates & reveals the thoughts & attitudes of the heart-that nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight [Heb.4:12,13].



These dramas lead into a very detailed message re: Judgment Day: What is it? [The Day of "just deserts", where "the wrong shall fail & the right prevail"; a day of gathering human souls, sheep & goats, & then separating them for all of eternity.] Why is there one? [God must reveal Himself & His perfect justice & dealings throughout all of human history with men & demons; He must reveal the true nature of men; He must give recompense to unrepentant sinners, & rewards to His people]. When is it [relatively speaking] in the timetable of history? [after the 2nd Coming; around the time when the new Heavens & Earth will appear] Who will do the judging? [This high calling has been bequeathed by God the Father upon none else than **His Dearly Beloved Son, The Lord Jesus Christ**. Why? [of the 3 Persons of the Trinity or Godhead, it was the Son Who condescended to become human, Who communicated God to men, & Who was crucified for His people, thus earning Him the right to judge the world & this at the Father's great pleasure.] Who will be judged? [Satan & the angels who followed his rebellion; also the fallen

angels who left their first estate & have been kept in **Tartarus**, reserved in the blackness of darkness in chains for Judgment Day; possibly holy angels as well, solely for reward-purposes; the entire human race, great & small]. What will be judged? [The 4 “W’s”: works/words/wits/ways {motives}]. How will these things be judged? [The Word of God; the Law of God; the evidence of nature; conscience; any & every means of light/revelation to the truth that men have received while upon the earth]. What are the differences between the judgment of the lost & of believers? [Recompense versus rewards].

“CONVICTED & CUDDLED”



This year, being my 33rd of full-time ministry & the majority of that being with the young, was no different than the other 32 previous ones. How so? Since I began in the ministry in 1986 I have purposed to teach children & youth the whole counsel of God via the Scriptures & systematic theology. I have striven to hold nothing back, knowing that a person’s connection to God is only as strong as the truth they know & believe about Him. Many refrain from teaching

the severity of God to both old & young, fearing it will drive them away. On the contrary, I have found study & meditation on the holiness, justice, & wrath of God have been some of the Lord's most powerful means to cause me to cling to Him-cling to Him in desperate hunger, love, & gratitude. Someone once wisely said, "The love of God is in front of us-the fear of God is behind us", re: keeping us following Him. I believe that. Having said thus, it is one of the marvels & wonders of life to behold children responding to these sacred truths in holy, loving fear, deep conviction of sin, & heart-broken gratitude towards the Lord Who gave & endured so much for them. They come up front at camp to "adore on the floor" as I have put it for years. As they respond to the Lord's Word & Spirit, He & we staff cuddle them in our arms, lay our hands on them & pray for them, & give them lots of hugs. In camp evening chapels year after year, decade after decade, we experience the "kindness & severity" of the Lord. We become awestruck at His glory & power, then "rush to Him" to be cuddled by Him in His Spirit's sweet presence. Beloved-this is why I keep doing camps & sincerely pray our Father will grace me to serve at them for many years to come.

"COOTIES & BARBIES"



We have been doing for many years now what has come to be known by the camp staff as "Weird Wednesday". Why do they call it "weird"? Wednesday a.m. chapel of every camp is always our sexual purity talk chapel. [We have men & women teach the boys & girls respectively in separate locations.] When I initially started them, we only did so for the Sr. Hi. Camp-then eventually the Jr. Hi. Camp when it started about 7 years ago. Prior to this I was in my garage several years ago listening to Christian radio. The talk show guest that day ran a counseling ministry. He said a boy called his ministry recently & said, "Can you help me? I'm hooked on porn. I got hooked on it through YouTube. I'm 12 years old." Whew, as soon as I heard that I spoke to the Father, "Father? We need to go younger!" [re: our sexual purity talk]. From that time on I began doing them at the children's camp as well. However, I restricted it to the older

half of the camp. The younger half received a regular Bible lesson that day. Even so, I kept my talk very generic, chatting with the boys re: girls having “cooties” when we boys are younger. But, when hormones arrive, all of the sudden those “cootie-bearers” look like Barbie dolls! I explain to them the beauty of hormones-that Jesus created them-to prepare young men & women to have children [among other things]. I then tell them the devil knows this too. Hence, he’s right there at that tender, tumultuous, impressionable, pivotal age in a child’s life to seek to pervert this God-ordained change in them.

“CULTURE’S VULTURES”



Given how predatory the devil is, even on young souls, & how deeply & rapidly wicked our culture has become, with the children being bombarded from every angle on a daily basis with sexual perversion, I felt the need this summer to go even younger with the purity talk. And I did. Yes-I was a bit nervous re: doing so. I was somewhat relieved when a man told me not long afterwards [I’d guess he was in his early 50’s] that he got hooked on porn when he was 10! I felt somewhat naïve. I didn’t think that was possible until hormones kicked in! How wrong I was. How glad I was we went younger.

“MY ANNUAL P.M. PATH OF PETITION”



Speaking of hopefully doing camps for many years to come, I get teased at camp from time to time re: my many camp “traditions” I have striven to keep through the many years. One of them most of those at camp are not aware of is a yearly tradition I observe every camp, every year. After another countless super sweet encounter with the Lord & His young in one of our evening chapels, I walk down the dark tree-lined road with a panoply of stars overhead which connects

our chapel, vis, Hemlock Hall with Beechwood Lodge, where I stay for the week. I always look up & say, "Father, can I come back next year?". I never take my presence there for granted-& never want to. One of the saddest things I have seen in the ministry over the many years is when a man tries to hold onto "his" ministry when the Lord is taking it away-often through other people, right or wrong. God *often* use other people [some with good motives-others with not] in His Word to lead His servants where He wants them next. Years ago I was released from a church & was so very hurt & disillusioned with the ministry. Little did I know our Father was using this painful time [which by the way revealed a lot of my own personal sin!] to lead me to Tel Hai, where I've been for the past 28 years! Joseph was "led" by God via his brothers' evil jealousy toward him to Egypt-to eventually become the 2nd most powerful man in the whole world-& to save said world from starvation! Joseph's route to Egypt was a long, painful one, but a GOD-one, as God used the process to prepare His man for greatness. May we all learn to keep an open hand toward every gift-including ministry & position-that our Heavenly Father graces us with. Amen.

***Caboose! Commentary Corner:** [Our daughter Laura once said she'd love to have my old Bibles when I passed for all of the notes I have written in them over the decades. This was quite humbling to say the least, especially coming from one of your own children. Hence, I've decided to post each month random notes/comments from various Bibles I have studied from]: "Could the intensity & power of your trial & temptation be proportionate to the extent that God wants to use you?" [11/8/'95] "Nothing's worse than revelation w/o application." [11/24/'96]; "Any 'movement' is only as strong as its origin & source." [3/5/'96]



***Caboose! On the Loose:
*Lookin' out for the little guys...***

Ministry/Events for **SEPTEMBER** & those not listed in last month's newsletter:

August 19: IC, Wilmington, DE: post-kids' camp kids' church testimony service

Aug. 29: IC, Wilmington, DE: Tabernacle of David: worship leader

Sept. 4: Petra Church, New Holland, PA: hsc board mtg.//pastors' mtg.

Sept. 7-9: Crozet, VA: relative's wedding

Sept. 19: New Covenant Community Church, Audubon, NJ: Elim Fellowship area
pastors' mtg.

Sept. 22: Tel Hai Camp, Honey Brook, PA: Petra 5th & 6th grade retreat: 2 services

Sept. 23: IC, Wilmington, DE: "Father's House" children's church

Sept. 30: Hopewell Christian Fellowship, Telford, PA: Sun. a.m. family service

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