

Words of Life

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And Jesus said to them, “If you have faith as a mustard seed, you shall say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there’ and it shall move and nothing shall be impossible to you.” (Matthew 17:20)

Now God has planted in every seed a miracle, and that miracle is this! Under the right conditions, that seed can change into a fruit-bearing tree. This is indeed a miracle! This ability to change is called faith.

So it is with God’s children. There is nothing good in man except his ability to change. First, of course, we need to have that hard seed hidden in our hearts to be impregnated by the Holy Spirit. Remember, there is one God, one spirit, and one faith. God’s spirit will always bear witness of His son, Jesus Christ, (not Buddha, or the Pope, or Mary, or St. Paul, or Catholicism or Protestantism). His Spirit is the action of God that leads and guides us back to the Father. Faith is the substance we need to believe and follow Him.

If you have had any other conversion than the Spirit baptizing you into Jesus Christ, you have had a false conversion. Were you baptized into a church, a religion or some cult, or were you baptized into Christ? If your baptism is true, then the seed, (our old man), begins to change just like that mustard seed. Jesus admonished us to pick up our cross, deny that old seed, and follow Him. That means whatever religion you were, whatever your family ties were in that seed, they all must give way to the metamorphosis (the change from a seed to a fruit-bearing tree). Romans 12 states, “Be ye not conformed to that world you once lived in, (Christendom) but be ye metamorphosed (transformed) by the renewing of your mind”. Many are called but few have the faith and courage to leave the comfort of the status quo and follow Him. That little mustard seed would forever remain just a seed without the heat of the sun, the water of the word and the faith to allow the pain and suffering of change to bear fruit for God.

The judgements of God are in the land and He is

going to show up any phony seeds. Are you calling yourself a Christian? Have you come out from the unclean thing called religion to follow the living God? If you are pretending, your sin will find you out. What a mockery the so-called phony church has made of Christianity!

God’s patience has come to an end. He will be calling you to come forth before Him to give an accounting of your faith. Your good works that make you feel good and get honor from men will become dung before His holy face. Only that faith which transforms one into a new creation will stand the severe testing of fire about to enter your life. Humble yourself under His mighty hand as He begins to rip off the religious masks from our faces, and we stand naked before Him. Call on Him while He yet may be found.

America, as we know it, is history, as He is about to make His appearance. All phony Christians will be laid low as He says, “Get ye hence, I never knew you.” Shame on all of us who have used His name in vain (i.e. called ourselves Christians without dying to this world). Repent today, for His holy fire is about to consume the human race.

2 Corinthians 13:5 states for us to examine or test ourselves to see if we are in the faith, (that is), the faith that takes you out of a corrupted world where you are the center of your life and transforms you into a new creation in a new world where God is the power of your life. “Let us then be on our guard so that, while the promise of entering into His rest still holds, none of you may be found to be delinquent, for we have had the good news preached to us, just as they did. But the message they heard did not benefit them, because it was not united by faith to those who heard it.” (Hebrews 4:1-2).

Remember, you are saved by faith (Ephesians 2:8). Also remember if you are a friend of the world (i.e. the organized church), you are an enemy of God.

Are you still “having fun carousing in the world”? Are you still a dead Sunday Christian going to a dead church? Or have you girded your loins with truth and come out of the unclean thing so as to make yourself

ready for His visitation? Let us continue to pray for one another that we are the wise virgins, whose wicks are trimmed, that our faith has grown us up into the full stature of His son, and that we’re prepared to go out to meet Him as He comes as a consuming fire. “[When the Son of Man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?](#)” (Luke 18:8)



Marie Kolasinski

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Hello faithful friends,

Wow, what a winter!!! Remember, dear friends, if life is throwing you a curve, there is a greater life after the dark tunnel experience. God works everything for good if we can keep from returning evil for evil, keep our eyes upon our dear Savior and just remember that daytime follows night. Please, dear Jesus, give us that faith that turns the bitter waters into sweet — that turns mourning into dancing and sorrow into joy.

We all have our well planned lives, and then God enters the scene, and suddenly all our plans go awry. His ways are better than our ways. We can either conform to His ways or sink in the mire or self pity and bitterness. After the valley of the shadow of death, He becomes our shepherd. The still waters and green pastures become our resting place, and His goodness and mercy follow us for all eternity. We love you all very dearly, and because you are flesh of our flesh and bone of our bone, we all uphold one another in times of trouble.

Do your kids get bored in summer with “nothing to do”? Get them involved with making things with their hands. Summer is a sure sign of lots of activity at Piecemakers for the children. We have many wonderful classes, and at the end of summer, a “show and tell” along with a barbecue. Look at our schedule of events and the class schedule, and see where your children can fit in to some classes.

Hopefully, before the summer is over, we will have classes in country dancing (line) for the young and old. Did the Lord not say, “The children will be playing and dancing in the streets?” God bless and keep the children of the world.

Be sure not to miss our 4th of July Celebration, a fun day for young and old alike. What a nice way to spend the holiday! Once again we will have booth after booth of food, homemade items of all kinds, music, dancing and things for the kiddies. We will have our spontaneous talent show once again. Here’s your opportunity to “ham it up”.

Saturday, August 21st is the day you can share your talent with other crafters. Join the fun of Show and Tell. Each one who enters the Show and Tell will get a Piecemakers 1994 “Times and Seasons Quilt Calendar”. Come and show one or more of your handmade items. Luncheon and show will be \$5.50. We’ll have country music and a time of friendly exchange of ideas and creativity. The show begins at 11am on August 21.

On August 27, 28 and 29, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, we are blessed to have with us three of the best doll-makers in America: Elinor Peace Bailey, Sally Lampi and Barbara Willis. This seminar is filling fast, so sign up

now. The fee of \$150.00 includes three days of classes by these seasoned teachers, a luncheon every day, dinner on Friday night, and a trunk show by each teacher. For any further information, call and talk to Kathy or Joanna.

Our last Sunrise Sale was a roaring success. Women are just plain fun!! Some came at 3am. We had scones and coffee ready at 5am, and the big sale started at 6am. On Labor Day, September 6, we will have another sale. To start off, we will have breakfast of sorts, music and door prizes at 5am. All store merchandise will be 40% off from 6am to 7am, 30% off from 7am to 8am, 20% off from 8am to 9am, and 10% off from 9am to 5:30pm. Come early — that's Sept. 6, Labor Day.

All the holiday fun stuff will be in the last part of September and the first part of October. On October 2, we will have a Holiday Preview with a great sale.

I know I've rambled on too long. Duncan will have to make room for this long letter. Come in the store and say "hi". I'm awful at remembering names and faces, but I sure know you by the spirit.

God's blessing always,

Marie

P.S. I forgot to remind you once again of the International Quilt Contest. Please get your "Picking Up the Pieces" book, and sign up for the contest. Call the store for further instructions, or read your last schedule.