

here i am again. just as our Lord has promised to return, so have i. definitely not as glorious or welcomed as His will be, but returned none the less. hopefully with more to say this time. and definitely hopeful that it will be inspired by Him!

yesterday reminded me that it's a good idea for all of us to keep a diary of sorts. i'm not talking like a young girl who records all her thoughts and desires. but it is wise to take the time and keep a record of things the Lord is showing you. (God keeps books in Heaven.) believe me, the enemy will come swift and ruthless to steal them from you remembrance. when you feel a dream during the nite was the Lord showing you something, record that as soon as you awake. (as an former pastor used to say "sometimes it is just the pizza talking".) the enemy or day will surely steal it.

yes, i believe the Lord still speaks to His people in dreams. i believe that all scripture is inspired by God and nothing has "passed away" no more than He has. "and it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions." joel 2:28

i have just discovered the voice recorder on my phone. (the kids today know it better than i do.) if you have a cell phone, it is a good way of making a short note that might bring it back to remembrance for more permanent recording. something spoken may even be for a later time. the prophets of old speak to us now from out of the past. it is the word of God. and it is

always relevant and always important. we are blessed with so many conveniences these days. and yes, they may be used for good or evil.

just a side note here. God bless the person who divided all the scriptures into chapter and verse. they were originally all written as one long letter (or scroll). can you imagine trying to reference something? (it's on the third page towards the end.) there would be no more quoting of john 3:16. no more twenty third psalm. just something that has crossed my mind recently. back to other things.

i was listening to a song last nite and the singer spoke a message during it. he said "can you imagine if Jesus was standing here at the altar, how quickly do you think it would take you to get down here?" we would come running indeed. if not to receive, just to get closer to Him.

we are so blessed these days. we sit in a comfortable building which supplies heating and cooling and keeps us out of the rain. do we take too much for granted and would not visit a place without them? being older, i can remember a time when it was not always so. there were old tent meetings where one had to sit in the heat and discomfort. but where the presence of God was - that's where they longed to be.

i remember a story about oral roberts and his days of tent revival and healing. the service was officially over and he was hot and tired and ready to get some rest. a woman came up for healing and pleaded for prayer. he finally reluctantly agreed. i don't

remember the illness, but she was miraculously healed.

mr roberts said he was taken aback that she had been healed when he didn't feel the anointing. but it was not like he was doing the healing. it was God and she was a hungry soul that would not be denied. i believe our God is pleased with the persistent. yes, even with the demanding. because He has said it, we believe it is ours to receive. "so shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it." isa 55:11 He has promised, deliverance is the children's bread. will you be that insistent one?

all the stories in the bible are to be learned from. "now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages have come." 1 cor 10:11 all the promises He made in scripture are ours to claim and believe for. they have not passed away anymore than He has. Yes, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." heb 13:8

well, you have received your meal for today. be sure you chew it good before swallowing. i know something about swallowing these days. i leave you with a quote from tiny tim in "a christmas carol". "God bless us every one!"

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