

ROCK OF AGES MINISTRIES

"For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord." II Corinthians 4:5

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Dear followers of Christ,

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It is He Who has protected and provided for us. It is His purposes and plans we seek to fulfill. We are certainly grateful to you for your part in enabling us to fulfill our calling.

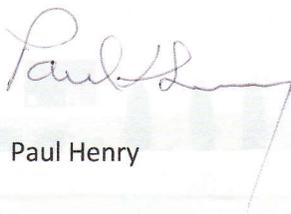
We are rejoicing over the 1000 Bibles we were able to purchase because of the gracious giving of God's people. What a great ministering to people it is to be able to give them the Word of God. Many times when someone asks me for a Bible I say, "What are you going to do with it?" Of course they look at me as though I am stupid and say, "I am going to read it." Certainly that is our prayer, that they will indeed read that precious Book. Of course, these Bibles were that "old, archaic" King James Version. I find it quite interesting when often the boys in the juvenile prison will frame their request for a Bible this way: "You got one of those Bibles that sounds like a real Bible?"

Another interesting thing I've observed through the years is how often inmates as soon as they receive a Bible read Job and Revelation. It was her question about Job that opened wide the door for my witnessing to her. Her stature was small but her sin and the burden of her sin were great. Her question was one I had never been asked before. She asked, "Why didn't Job get mad at God?" I'm certainly thankful for the Holy Spirit Who enabled me to answer her question and Who spoke to her heart. After answering her question I asked her, "Are you mad at God?" As is most often the answer, she said, "Yes." After much reasoning with her from the Bible and the moving of the Holy Spirit in her heart, we were at that moment I fear most: the moment of decision. It is a moment of fear because often it is a moment when the hearer rejects the grace of God. Often the rejection produces the response, "I'm not ready." Oh, this troubles my heart. But on this occasion my heart was not troubled, but overjoyed. With the officer standing close by and her fellow inmates watching and listening, she bowed her head and in brokenness she called on the Lord. She had only 29 days left before she discharged her sentence. I am comforted over her surrender to the Saviour and the knowledge that He has the grace and power to carry her through all the issues of her life. Please pray that our witnessing and preaching would be empowered by the Holy Spirit and that all to whom we minister would surrender themselves to the grace of God. Thank you for enabling us to go.

Pray as we finalize the crusade schedule for 2017. With over 100 institutions here in Texas and with limited manpower, we need to be led by the Spirit as to which institutions we should schedule.

We labor with His return in sight and our appearing before Him unashamed.

For His glory,



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