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A Debt He Did Not Owe

What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter,
Yahshua the Messiah

“Then took they Him, and led Him, and brought Him into the high priest’s house. And Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. ... But a certain maid ... And after a little while another ... And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying, ‘Of a truth this fellow also was with Him: for he is a Galilean.’ And Peter said, ‘Man, I know not what thou sayest.’ And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Master turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Master, how He had said unto him, ‘Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny Me thrice’. And Peter went out and wept bitterly” (Matt. 26:57-58, 69, 71, 73-75).

Fast forward now, several days later and to John’s narrative in chapter 21 – perhaps then, when the sting of the Master’s death and afterward, the eleven sequestering together behind locked doors for fear, and Peter’s memory of that memorable moment having now been assuaged by time, he with six others felt it safe to venture out and to take up their previous trade.

Little might they, having once trusted that it had been He Which should have redeemed Israel, have thought He should appear before them this third time to initiate the purpose of settling a score with Peter.

Now, at dawn, having toiled all night fishing and drawing into their nets nothing of a catch, they heard the voice of One on the shore bidding them to cast their nets on the right side of the ship and, lo, the seine nearly rent for the catch.

A miracle? Oh, yes, the like of which could only be assigned to That One on the shore Who just now, was preparing bread and fish with which to satisfy their appetite.

Elated? Oh, yes, but one among them, having proved the sea, whether it should conceal his shame, cowered. For Peter had never been reconciled to This One Whose acquaintance he had denied before witnesses, a thrice-denial that had controverted his pledge to This One,

A Time of Reckoning

And just now, his desire to break the nocturnal fast was overcome with facing This One against Whom he had breached his boast that though all men should be offended because of Him, yet would he never be offended; that though the others of his company should deny Him their acquaintance, yet would he die with Him but never would he, deny Him.

And forgive us
our debts, as
we forgive our
debtors.

Matthew 6:12, *KJV*

I AM FILLED
WITH
Hope
AND
Joy.
Romans 15:13

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A Debt He Did Not Owe ..., continued

Nevertheless, the point of reckoning, for the moment deferred – or, perhaps even, it might be forgotten – shame would give place to His invitation, “Come *and* dine” (John 21:12). And maybe, He Who had, in the more than three years of their friendship, never blushed to disturb the comfortable, might make an exception now ... among His friends whom He had just served. No, Peter, musing with himself it should be better to remain close to his six companions, for surely This One would not take this occasion to opportune “squaring things.”

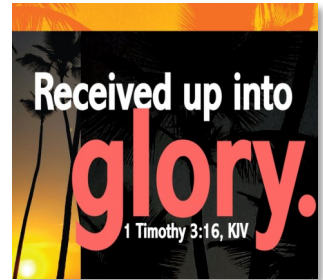
But, alas! Chit-chat had run its course and, now, in a time accepted, Peter was about to behold the day of his redemption; the day of his salvation; the day of his deliverance.

From among this fishing party, the Master had just singled him out with whom He might commiserate over some unfinished business.

Perhaps before them all, with only the intent to show “what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height” (Eph. 3:18) of the fulness of Grace, He asked Peter, “Lovest thou Me more than these?” (John 21:15-17). Not once; not twice; but thrice, He queried.

“Yea, Master, Thou knowest that I love Thee” (John 21:15-16), were the other’s replies to the first two queries. But not until the third interrogative, did the gravity of the moment register with this disciple who had always presented among the others, first among equals!

For this one, He had prayed ... reserving him to a few more days, when he should again be sequestered together with about 119 others in an upper room for ten days, waiting for That Promise Which said He, should come when *he and the others would be endued with Power from On High and then would Peter know what He had done, at dawn, one morning at the Sea of Tiberias* – how that He had looked upon one who had once wept bitterly when faced with his breach of promise, and therewith provided three opportunities to square (cancel) three denials with three affirmations.



Conclusion

And what is it that we might appreciate from this narrative of reconciliation? Just this: **His Grace Is His Payment Of A Debt He Did Not Owe For A People Who Owe A Debt They Cannot Pay!**

Elder John W. Reece

Care of All The Assemblies

Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the Assemblies,

The Apostle Paul

The context of what preceded the Apostle’s commiseration – the suffering of stripes, rods, stoning, shipwreck and sundry perils – places this conclusion more in the rank of affliction and torment, than among that no greater joy that comes from perfecting those things lacking in others’ faith and afterward seeing them continuing steadfastly in, and earnestly contending for, that faith.

Indeed, words like, “If I come again, I will not spare ... For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and that I shall be found unto you such as ye would not” (2 Cor. 13:2, 12:20), fall much more under the category of “I will shew him how great things he must suffer for My Name’s sake” (Acts 9:16), than among that no greater joy that comes from perfecting those things lacking in others’ faith and afterward seeing them continuing steadfastly in, and earnestly contending for, that faith.

So, why then, would one assume that which cometh upon him daily, when the outcome is more likely to position him appointed to death ... made a spectacle ... despised ... buffeted ... reviled ... persecuted ... defamed ... made as the filth of the world ... the offscouring of all things?

Might it just be, because His Word is in his heart as a burning fire shut up in his bones? For though he may become weary in well doing and would think to forbear, he knows that patient continuance with that which comes upon him daily, will hereafter commend to him a great reward that will abound to his eternal account.

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More Paper for More Literature



Total costs of paper and printing for January was a whopping \$6000, postage to send literature out is not included. It broke the printer. And while they replaced everything from the hard drive, memory and main electronics' board, it still was giving an error and wouldn't run properly.

Because of this, and because we are under contract for its maintenance, we were able to swap out for the exact same unit, but with half the mileage so to speak. Thankfully, no extra charge to us.

We had hit over 1.5 million copies, but these particular commercial grade printing machines are meant to go up to 5 million copies.

To save costs, we used to do the maintenance ourselves, but it would not have worked to our benefit this time. Thank Yahweh for the blessings!

2023 Highlights

Recalling 2023 Highlights Through The Rearview Mirror

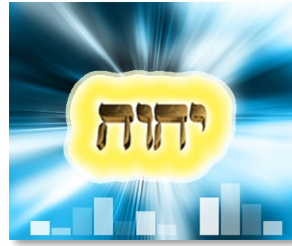
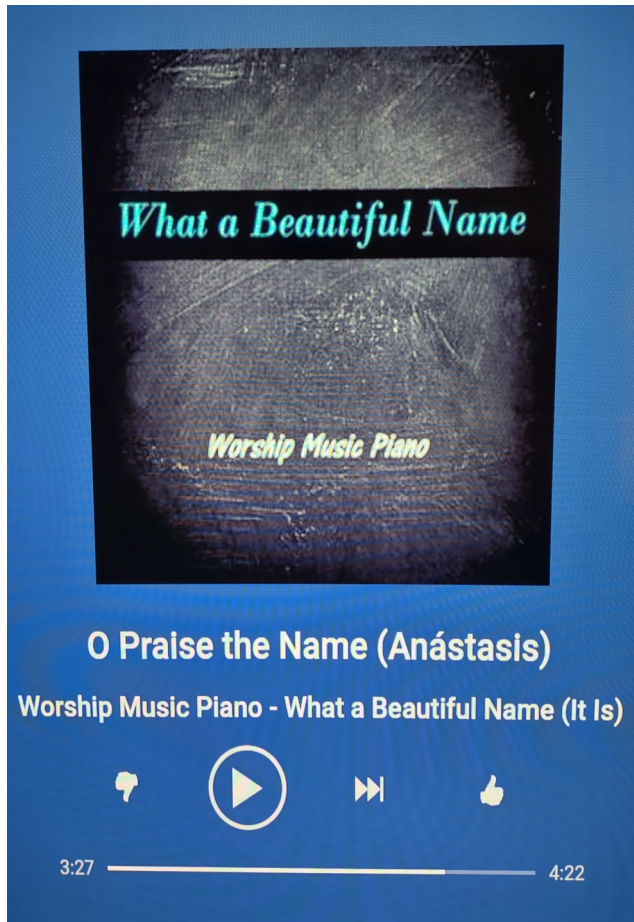
- ◆ With the release of Chat-GPT, AI is widely debated as the hope of great scientific breakthroughs vs. the potential danger to human society.
- ◆ India surpasses China as the most populous country in the world with an estimated, 1.43 billion people.
- ◆ Catastrophic earthquake reaches 7.8 magnitude, killing 60,000 people in Turkey and Syria.
- ◆ Record global temperatures surpassed the 2° Celsius limit established at the 2015 Paris Agreement.
- ◆ Civil war continues in Sudan, leaving 15% of the nation's population displaced and more than 10,000 dead.
- ◆ Ukraine, now in its 2nd year of war, is decimated by Russia's unrelenting military offensive.
- ◆ Hamas terrorists attack Israel and take hundreds of hostages and indiscriminately kill civilians, and Israel is summarily chastised for its disproportionate military response.

Amidst all the bad news, however, isn't there anything good to report? ... like, statistics of how many contritely repented themselves, confessed their sins, and sought forgiveness?

Seeing that global temperatures will continue to surpass the 2° Celsius limit and the earth and its works, and the elements, shall melt with fervent heat, be dissolved and burned up, and that earthquakes in Turkey and Syria, wars in Sudan and Ukraine and Israel are but fulfilling prophecies of two millennia ago, should not men becoming renewed in the spirit of their minds and yielded to the workmanship of the Sovereign One to conform them into His Image, be more newsworthy?

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Praise The Name!



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Yes, “What a beautiful Name.” Praising Yahweh’s Name is going to be a theme in the coming Kingdom, as well as learning and keeping His Laws.

So much has happened to distort these things that people think they are singing praises to His Name and honoring Him by living morally good lives. Most songs that proclaim His Name, use titles that are at best substitutes and at worse have pagan origins. The Name is not given in them.

Is it morally good to keep the 1st day of the week holy? Our society is blinded by traditions – doctrines of men, that are contrary to Scripture and that forsake the usage of Yahweh’s great Name and changed the Sabbath to Sunday. The 3rd and 4th Commandments are neglected by most today, but that is changing for the few peculiar, who are called out and been separated from tradition.

Prayer List

David & Barbara Creel, Robert Dorchester, Stella Rogers, Sean Rogers and Family, Loretta Reyes and Family, Michael Hutchinson, Chauncey Hargrove, David & Nancy Wilson Family/Friends, Jerry Castle, Mary Giles Family, Kenneth Faulkner, Quinnten Allen, Kat Durban, Isaiah Davis, Dulcena Tessner, Marylyn Patterson Family, David Andrews, Kenya Washington, Elder Lionel Gets Family, Joseph Miller, Adam Galvan Family, Neville & Maryke Stanton, Antionette Swart, Bertha Tidwell, Annette Heyward, Tammy Boucher, Magdalena M. Torres, Angela Bradley, Luann Campbell Family, Dwayne Mariam, Randell Serfess, Sonja Morgan, Dianne E. Wright Family, Victor Kiiru Family, Maria Nelson Family, Hilda Driedger, David Nathaniel Malm, Susana Malm, Mike and Sheila Kemper, Susan Freeman, Paul Ingram, Ruth Bamba, Charlie Pelton, Eric Perkins Family, Marcy Mallinson, Monica Kleb, James Penn Family, Elder Jerry Healan Family, Sheila Sendeyo, NyHuff/Thompson family, Ronald Tidwell, Eugene and Rockie Family, Robert Creech, Emma Moss, Diane Crocker, Lucas Bentley, Nyakim Gatkuoth, Dustin Mariam, Jacqueline Maribicuro, Ryan Irving, Melissa Taylor, Zion Gotay (11-year old with heart problems), Henry Sunderman, Eileen Pelton, Annie Pelton, Elder Victor Kiira, Sheree Irving, Brown and Diane Morgan, David Townsend, Thomas Hunt, Valerie Freeman, Robbie Lenard, Cecil Wideman, Steven Wonderly Family, Elijah Uchenna Family, Pat Beasley, Elder Cornelius Kigen, Elder Thomas Musekenya, IsaYah Perkins, Ugur Yuksel, Linda Root Family, Karl Russell, Denice Mariam, Caleb, Virgenmina Roche Figueroa, Maria Nelson, David Salley, Robin, Branson, Richard Nesselrodt, Danny O’Connor Family, and all of the Assemblies of Yahweh in Yahshua. Also include in your prayers individuals seeking Yahweh from within prison facilities and for their families, plus overseas brethren and especially for the peace of Jerusalem (Psa. 122:6). The world’s leaders could also use our prayers (Jer. 29:7; 1 Tim. 2:2).

