

WORD ON THE STREET

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WE CANNOT HONESTLY,
AUTHENTICALLY, REASONABLY
AND DELIBERATELY
SERVE OUR LORD WITHOUT
OUR WILLINGNESS
TO ACCEPT DIFFICULTY
AND INCONVENIENCES-
THE HARD ROAD

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Which Road Will You Travel On?

We seem to think that God wants us to give up things! God never tells us to give up things just for the sake of giving them up, but He tells us to give them up for the sake of the only thing worth having, namely, life with Himself. Oswald Chambers

The Choice is Left to Us

God asks us to do hard things that are contrary to the counsel of those who advise us to take the soft and easy way.

For example, Jesus said, "If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:26).

However you want to interpret these words, it simply means that there is a choice left before us. We have to make a decision between the hard road on which God asks us to go, or the easy road everyone else travels. For Noah, preaching 120 years without results meant choosing the hard road year after year.

Nehemiah, building the wall of Jerusalem, faced constant harassment by enemies from within and without. The easy road would have been to quit, go back to Persia and live at the king's palace in peace. But he chose the hard road because he was not seeking his own, but the things of God. And that's exactly what it will take for us to survive in the long run as followers of Christ.

But what if He would ask us?

What answer would we give Him?

Could we say, "Lord, every day of my life as a believer, I stood in the gap for the lost of my generation; and I held nothing back of my life, my time and my possessions to make it possible for them to know Your name.

nothing of sacrifice, suffering and self-denial for the sake of Jesus. We have become conditioned to always seek for a soft cushion, at least a thin one, if we are asked to sit on a hard bench. Even in the work of God, we avoid difficult tasks and we question anything that demands physical and emotional discomfort or spiritual battles.

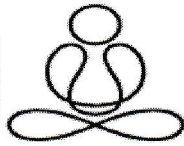
If there is anything holding you back from giving your all to Jesus, following Him, and choosing the hard road, you need to start calling out to the Lord...And then be prepared...to give up all to serve Him.

APA THY is SA TANS biggest weapon

Items appearing on this page written by KP Yohannan 5 min. w/ KP (Sendi Magazine)

And everyone that has given up houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or property for my sake, will receive a hundred times as much in return and will have eternal life. Matthew 19:29

**There's More
Than One Way!?!**



Hi there. I am a student at UWEC and I picked up a copy of your newsletter at Racy's coffee shop here in Eau Claire. I had no idea what it was when I picked it up, but I figured that it might be interesting to look at. Now, it was interesting, and I respect your views on Jesus and everything. The one problem that I had with

it was a cartoon that was on one of the last pages of the newsletter. The cartoon dealt with Elmer and Louise. Louise was trying to get Elmer to study Buddha with her tonight. (I am assuming that you know which one I am referring to?) I really think that it is inappropriate for you to convey Buddhism in the way that you did. You made a little devilish cartoon character congruent with Buddhism. I know that you are Christian, and so I know that you think the devil is bad. Therefore, you are using the cartoon depiction of the devil to hint that Buddhism is bad—or at least, that Christianity, or God, or Jesus, or the Bible, is somehow better than it.

No one religion is better than another. They are all just different. And just because Buddhists don't worship a god, it doesn't mean that their religion is any less valid than any other religion that may or may not worship a god or your God. I would appreciate it if you could convey your idea of people getting a free Bible in a much less negative way.

Thank you,
A.T.



All Roads Don't Lead to Minneapolis

Hey, A.T! Thanks for your feedback on the 'zine. We appreciate hearing from you. Your comments concerning religion may be correct, but true Christianity is not religion. It's a relationship. If I give you 10 different maps to Minneapolis, each going in different directions, they all can't be correct can they? This issue is the same thing except the final destination is eternity! You see, Jesus said "I am the way, the truth, and the life...no man can come to the Father but through me..." (John 14:6). If I were to take your position, that would make Jesus, a liar or a lunatic. For he is saying that he is the ONLY way. So you see, I have no choice as a believer in Christ, to receive him as THE truth, and THE only path. I realize, that today its just not politically correct to say someone or something is just flat wrong. So the result is we live in a society with no absolute truth. But He says he's that also! Its not that we are trying to get in anyone's face and call them evil and liars, but rather we do all that we do because we care about you, and we love Jesus Christ. We have found just one road map that has shown to "lead to Minneapolis", (so to speak). Only one that has proven in our lives to really be the direction it claims to be. And that is the Bible. Check it out...you might be surprised. You don't need us, or any person to a "guru". We'll be happy to send you a great funky Bible free...no strings attached...no one knockin' on your door. Just give us a yell, and its in the mail. And I'll send you some further info on Buddhism also...so you can really know what it is that they teach. Thanks for letting me lay this on ya.

Street Level Ministries

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Solid or Sandy?

The following is an actual correspondence between a pastor and a struggling believer experiencing the hard road of Christianity, only the names have been changed to prevent an investigation...



Sandy: Question of the day: So how does one get motivated to get back into the WORD?



Pastor Rupert: Try picking a new Bible that is easy to read and pick a book of the Bible that you haven't read in a long time. Find one in the New Testament or you can try to find a verse by verse commentary on the Bible by an author/pastor that is new to you. Lastly, pray and ask God to reveal new lessons to your heart and pray that He would allow your heart to be teachable. He loves you very much and He wants to share His goodness and grace with you because Jesus longs to be your best friend.



Sandy: Next question: Okay let's set up a "fictional" scenario here. Let's suppose that you had fallen and broke your leg.....weeks later your insurance refuses to pay your hospital bill.....days later you get a speeding ticket.....You and I are walking down the road, you're telling me all the horrible things that are happening to you, suddenly a bird craps right on your head.....moments later a car is coming down the road, I push you right in it's path. You don't die but you're pretty banged up. Would you still think I was your friend? How about your best friend?



Pastor Rupert: Questions about the Next Question:

You wrote: *Next question: Okay, let's set up a "fictional" scenario here. Let's suppose that you had fallen and broke your leg.*

Q: Is this because I was busy trying to attain a selfish desire or because you (my friend) deliberately set up something to trip me?
Weeks later the insurance refuses to pay your hospital bill.

Q: Do I believe that the insurance is the only way my hospital bill will be paid or do I believe that it would be the easiest way or do I believe that they deliberately want to rip me off because you (my friend) told them to do it?
Days later you get a speeding ticket.

Q: Is this because I have disregard for the laws of the land or because a cop was paid by you (my friend) to give me a buzz kill?
You and I are walking down the road, you're telling me all the horrible things that are happening to you, suddenly a bird craps right on your head.

Q: Am I expecting everything to be easy and cushy when my life is going hard while getting all the more angry because yet another sucky thing happened to me? Then do I believe you, my friend, paid a bird to crap on me at the right time or do I believe that my enemy who hates me (the devil) is looking for another opportunity to kick me when I'm down?
Moments later a car is coming down the road and I push you right in its path. You don't die but you're pretty banged up.

Q: Was this experience to wake me up to the fact I am focusing on earthly, selfish matters when NONE of it means anything in the realm of an eternal friendship with you? Or was it because I'm discovering some hidden secret that my UNTRUSTABLE FEELINGS toward you are true, that you, my "NEVER-TELLS-A-LIE" friend, have been lying to me all along? Am I feeling like you didn't mean any of the things that you ever told me in the personal letters I had been reading from you?
Would you still think I was your friend? How about me being your best friend?

I'm not sure. This scenario can be taken a couple of different ways. Either Mr. Bad Day (me) feels that the bad stuff is all the fault of his friend, who is really Jesus, and his friend's ability to let Mr. Bad Day (me) have or not have crappy things happen to them. **OR** Mr. Bad Day (me) thinks that my friend, Jesus, not only doesn't give a rat's butt about his problems but tries and likes to make it worse.

It doesn't sound like Mr. Bad Day knows his "friend (Jesus)" very well. Like, I know that my human friend, Ronny, is a close friend and I know that he would not only pray for me and cry with me and give me brotherly love in troubled times but would also tell me if I'm doing something foolish. But I don't expect him to fix everything crappy or side with me when I am wrong or to take all the blame for my crappy days but I know he will help me as he could, you know? That is the difference between a true friend and a sterile acquaintance. In my studies on Mondays I wish to portray this side of Jesus that we tend to brush off. Him loving us, Him being for us and not against us, Him to be our guide through life, for us to know that we can, as the Bible says, "Cast all our cares upon Him because He cares for us."

Let me know if I need more info on "The Next Question."

Peace, Rupert



Sandy: Good answer. Next question: Suppose you had this "NICE" friend (Jesus) and this "CRAPPY" acquaintance (Satan). You don't even like Mr. Crappy but he seems to be around A LOT. Now, Mr. Nice, you like him, you like him a lot. He is really cool. You in the meanwhile, you're a combination of Mr. Nice and Mr. Crappy. You wanna be more like Mr. Nice but all these crappy things keep happening to you. Then you remembered something that Mr. Nice had written to you years ago, saying that Mr. Crappy can't do anything to you with out getting the a-okay from Mr. Nice. It would make sense if the crappy happenings drew you closer to Mr. Nice but in fact they create a wedge. Why does Mr. Nice let Mr. Crappy wreak havoc on Mrs. Sandy?



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Pastor Rupert: The interesting thing is that Mr. Nice (Jesus) once told us that He would never put us through something we weren't able to bear. The real trick is bearing those things without blaming Mr. Nice. In fact, it is Mr. Crappy (Satan) who bugs Mr. Nice daily to wreak havoc on our lives. The real question is this: Does Mr. Nice let Mr. Crappy bug us just to make us feel like crap or to grow us up? Does Mr. Nice face us with the decision to choose Him over having things always easy or is He doing it to intentionally toy with us? According to Mr. Nice's friend and writer James, He let's Mr. Crappy affect our lives to produce Godliness and patience and to destroy our human natures which tend to side with Mr. Crappy and his kind of evil deeds (some friend we are to Mr. Nice). He knows that it hurts to cut away our nasty selfish human natures but, through that, we learn to be more like Mr. Nice. I am presuming that we, when affected by Mr. Crappy, are given the decision to hold on to Mr. Nice during the Mr. Crappy visits or to side with Mr. Crappy and hate Mr. Nice for the crappiness in our lives which is what Mr. Crappy wants. This is a bad situation when one hates Mr. Nice for the crappiness. But worse yet, sometimes we are the Mr. Crappy in our lives. Sometimes Mr. Crappy doesn't have to even come knocking. We have a free will to do the things that cause the crappiness in our lives. Sometimes we blame Mr. Crappy too much. Then we end up thinking Mr. Crappy was allowed to bug us when the crappiness was a fruit of our self-seeking free will. In the end most people in this situation blame God for their own crappiness. We must review our hearts and re-evaluate if we are right in blaming Mr. Nice. Especially when Mr. Nice told us that He would be with us and lovingly protect us. Mr. Nice's cause is much like a mother's cause when raising her children. There are times when she is there to protect her children and at other times she must trust her children to put into practice what she has taught them. Life's challenges are a good thing to experience when it produces a grown up. The bad side is that sometimes we never grow up as adults because we expect Mr. Nice to make sure everything goes easy. Mr. Nice once said that we will experience trials in our lives but we need to be of good cheer because He has overcome the world. Isn't it worldly things that cause the crappiness in our lives? Shame, embarrassment, pain, depression, etc. These things don't exist in Mr. Nice's real home which is not of this world. They are of earth. These things will pass away along with Mr. Crappy as the earth burns. Maybe we are bummed because something didn't turn out how we wanted it to here on earth. These things will be changed in heaven or they will stop existing. This shows that we are more concerned with earthly affairs and ourselves, rather than Mr. Nice's and His purpose for our lives. What's cool is that Mr. Nice uses these things to grow us to a point of coming to peace with His purpose for our lives. See, Mr. Nice is really in control of everything. Mr. Crappy is the one who gets used and I'm fine with that.

Good?-Rupert



Sandy: Hey Rupert, how goes it? Well I've been consistent 2 nights in a row reading John....hold the applause please. I'm really enjoying this "scenario" thing we're playing out. So glad I don't have any of those "issues" in my own life. HAHHAHA!!!!!!!!!!!!!! It's weird because there's a big part of me that knows and agrees with all that you wrote and yet there's that other part of me that still toys with the stupid Mr. Crappy ideas that maybe God wasn't who or what I thought or (hoped) he was. Sometimes I cry out to God to "rescue me!" and feel no comfort, but I like it to dealing with a crying baby. It's really, REALLY unnerving listening to a crying baby. But sometimes you just have to let them cry it out. Sometimes it takes 10 minutes, with Joey it used to take hours! Every now and then Autumn will wake up in the middle of the night, I'll hear her and a part of me is dying to go in there and comfort her in some small way. But I know if I do, I'll only set up a pattern that she'll pick up on, "Cry a little, mom comes, fixes all etc." But soon neither one of us will be getting any sleep. She'll never know how to get to sleep without some prop, (a bottle, rocking chair, me etc.) So I let her cry it out for her own good. I assume that's what God often does with us. Now the next question is gonna be tough, and I realize you may need a little time, and that's okay. Tell me Oh wise one: How much wood could a woodchuck, chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood?



Rupert: Awesome!

You are so correct in your drawing the similarities between you and your kids with God and his. That is cool. It is so true! What's even cooler is that you know that "part of you still toys with the stupid Mr. Crappy ideas..." This is the part of you that God is trying to destroy. If you know it's there, you can keep that in mind as you experience those feelings and kill them with Bible truths or what's known as foundational truths of God...the things you CAN build your faith on. Things like that He loves you with an everlasting love that will never die or go away. There is a Psalm that says that His anger will not cease but His hand is still outstretched. This means that there are sins we commit against Him that He doesn't like but He still wants us to be close to Him and He still wants to help us. There is nowhere that I know of in the Bible that says that He ever gives humans any good reason to be angry with Him. He is perfect and His intentions are ALWAYS good (or for the good) toward us who are His children and even to those who are not. The end of the world is for GOOD purposes. The Bible says that He wants all people to come to the knowledge of the truth and be saved, but it is just a wish because He wants people to choose Him in love. This is God's heart.



It is Satan who tricks us into believing that God has evil intentions to make your life miserable because He's got nothing better to do. This you cannot build faith on. It's shifty and unstable like a house without foundation. A person can stand until the winds pick up and the waves crash against the house. When it falls we can see the real foundation. God is teaching you about faith in Him and His word. He is really showing you this! He loves you enough to take you through these trials so you can grow stronger. This is where the rubber meets the road. This is real Jesus-to-Sandy relationship stuff here. Sometimes, for me, it's just cool to know God's doing something in my life and not leaving me rot on a shelf where I can get the idea that He doesn't really care about me. You are a disciple (student) of the living God. When you read the book of John, take notice of what Jesus says to the disciples. That's all for you as well.



As for your last question, that's an easy one. The answer is 7 chords.

Keep truckin'. Give my love to the family and call your daughter a "fuzzy-head" for me, will you?

Rupert

What does it mean to be unbreakable? It's a gift. It affects a rare percentage of the population. For some, it gives a resistance to sickness or the ability to survive a traumatic accident which should have killed them.

The movie Unbreakable bears a similarity to The Sixth Sense, but in order to enjoy this movie though you can't watch it with the idea that this is part 2. The story is more deep and complex than your typical Thriller/Drama/Science Fiction movie.

Bruce Willis plays the main character, David Dunne, a security guard who feels that life is devoid of purpose and without meaning. He finds what is missing in his life by miraculously surviving a traumatic accident. The purpose he finds is, simply put, to protect and serve. He chose earlier in his life to use his gift to serve others as a security guard, rather than taking a shot at becoming a professional athlete.

After the tragedy he meets Elijah Prince, (Samuel L. Jackson) a comic book collector who proposes that David has the traits of a comic book hero. He encourages David to pursue his supernatural talents and to discover his weakness.

In life we all have to choose how we will use our talents and abilities. We are given two different options on how to go about life. Traumatic events will happen in our lives. These tragedies can be used to lift us up. We can try to fix things with our own might and fail because the Bible says in John 15:5, "for without me [Jesus] you can do nothing," or we can turn to the One who is strong. A supernatural strength is found in a relationship with Jesus Christ. He has the power to forgive sins and save us from death. If you are lacking purpose and peace of mind he is willing to grant that--and He can make you unbreakable.

Say What?

Is P.O.D. really going to be on the Little Nicky soundtrack? Was that really Sixpence None the Richer on Jay Leno? Don't tell me Sister Pete wants to open for Marilyn Manson? Quite a few Christian bands are making their way into the secular music market, pushing the envelope of entertainment vs. evangelism. Can a Christian band play at a festival named after Ozzy Osbourne? Can a Christian be the opening band for a secular concert? Some say no way. Some say that they'd be compromising? Let's take a look at what Sister Pete, a hardcore band from Wichita, KS had to say when asked why they are petitioning to open for Marilyn Manson. "The reason we would like to do it is to get in front of his crowd and play music with a good message in front of them. You see we have to go out and get in the enemy's camp and take back what he has taken from us. Plus we need to go out there and show Manson that Jesus loves him, too. So many people have pushed him away and basically made God look stupid by their actions towards him and many others. You see, I, nor Sister Pete, nor God, agrees with the message that Marilyn Manson gives out, but we all still love his soul and that's what counts. We as Christians need to get off our high horses and go to those who need Jesus because we are overlooking them and taking a chance of them never getting to meet Jesus and go to heaven. This is not a rebuke towards you, but a simple reminder that we need to not be so self-serving, and that we need to go into the entire world as the Word of God says. We are the only ones who can present Christ's love to those around us if no one else will. You get my point?"

Before you judge a band and their ministry it is important to find out where they are coming from. During a recent phone interview with Sister Pete I found out that they take a very serious and Biblical approach to their ministry as a band and ministers of the gospel. Sister Pete believes that the Bible holds true and they seek God for direction in all things. They seek to follow the apostle Paul in becoming all things to all people that some might be won. "Not everybody is called to witness to Marilyn Manson fans. We want all to know Jesus. Let's face it someone in a 'suit' may not be able to share with a 'Goth', and a 'Goth' may not be able to share with a 'suit'. We are trying to be all things to all people. That means all people."

The world is full of wild and crazy things. The world and all it's pleasures are very flashy and we as Christians are up against a lot. We have no problem dressing a certain way putting our best foot forward to dazzle our girlfriend or get a new job. Why not to win someone to Christ? "It's not to go to their level, doing the things they do, but to their world. To be in the world but not of the world, like Jesus." How far would you go? How much would you do to show someone that Jesus is real and wants to be their personal God? How much time would you give? I know that I am really glad that someone took the time and effort with love and compassion to share Jesus with me. Some people we just need to go get.

"But when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will receive power and tell people about me everywhere--in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8) Some times the ends of the earth are uncomfortable places to be. We need to abandon the idea that sharing the gospel and having a trial free shiny happy life go together. We know that being a missionary in Africa is hard and uncomfortable. You have to get to know the people and relate to them. Earn their trust and respect. Going to a Marilyn Manson concert to witness is the same as missionaries going into remote villages to share the gospel with an unsaved village worshiping other gods. "We are made right in God's sight when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins. And we all can be saved in this same way, no matter who we are or what we have done. For all have sinned and fallen short of God's glorious standard." (Romans 3:22-23) Most of the bands that are making their way into the secular world are there for a reason, but they also need to earn trust and respect first. Sister Pete is not here to entertain but to share the love of Jesus. Jesus went to the prostitute, the thief, the dirty and unsanitized. Jesus went to the people that the "religious Pharisees" didn't want, and so does Sister Pete. The Bible bears out that Jesus was touchable. He went to the people.

"For God so loved the world (everybody: you, Marilyn Manson, and me) that He gave His only Son (Jesus) that whoever (anybody) believes in Him (that's all) will live forever (in Heaven with yes even really bad sinners)." (John 3:16) You see good people don't automatically go to heaven and bad people don't automatically go to hell. People who accept that Jesus loves them and paid for their sins go to heaven and people who reject Jesus and His work go to hell. Jesus came for sinners like you, Marilyn Manson, and me.

Whatcha think 'bout that?

(students tellin' it like it is)

So ya wanna know what this is all about, eh? Well, here it is! With each new issue of "Word on the Street," we here at Street Level want to give YOU a personal look into a college student's life. But wait! We aren't just grabbing any students. We're going to bring YOU students who are taking "The Hard Road." These students are answering today's academic challenges AND Christ's calling on their hearts-not an easy combination. Our initial spotlight falls on a second year UW-STOUT student whom we've noticed taking an active role in mid-week praise and worship opportunities. Let's see if we can gain some insight from her:

Q: Many students will take a little sojourn from their Christian walk in their first two years at college. Is this different for you?

A: *"It isn't exactly too different for me because I did take the sojourn my first year. But I wasn't real strong to begin with. It wasn't until a couple of months ago that I realized how important it is to be a good example."*

Q: Matthew 6:33 tells us, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things will be added unto you." Do you really think that God will take care of our academics and work life when we put Him first in our lives?

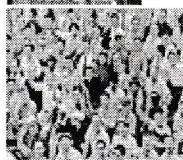
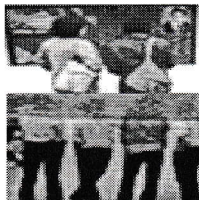
A: *"Definitely! God has worked so much in my life to begin with. With school work, I give it over to Him and then I do not have the worries... and the work gets done and done well."*

Q: Have you faced any trials, either directly or indirectly, at UW-STOUT because of your Christian values?

A: *"Not really...except overcoming temptations. It is sometimes hard when I am not around other Christians."*

Q: Are there any stories from scripture or specific verses that help keep you focused on Christ during the hard times?

A: *"One verse that I always recite to myself when I start to worry or become afraid is 2 Timothy 1:7-'For God has given us not the spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind.' This verse has stuck with me for a long time."*



HAVE YOU EVER ASKED GOD TO CHANGE YOU?

I WANTED TO HAVE MORE FAITH IN HIM.

IN THE PAST, I WAS A LOT MORE STRESSED OUT AT WORK.

GOD BLESSED ME WITH A NEW JOB AT THE HOSPITAL

I'VE BEEN TOLD I AM MORE MELLOW.

GOD HAS CERTAINLY CHANGED ME.

I LEARNED THAT IT 'S IMPORTANT TO PRAISE GOD.

IT SHOULDN'T MATTER IF YOU'RE HAVING A GOOD DAY OR NOT, OR IF THINGS AREN'T GOING YOUR WAY.

THIS IS THE PERFECT TIME TO ASK GOD FOR HELP AND TO GUIDE YOU.

I WAS LOOKING THROUGH THE SHOPPER THIS PAST SEPTEMBER, AND I CAME ACROSS A FLYER FOR THE VESHUAPOLOOZA (JESUS ROCK FEST).

ON SEPTEMBER 16TH I WENT TO THE CONCERT.

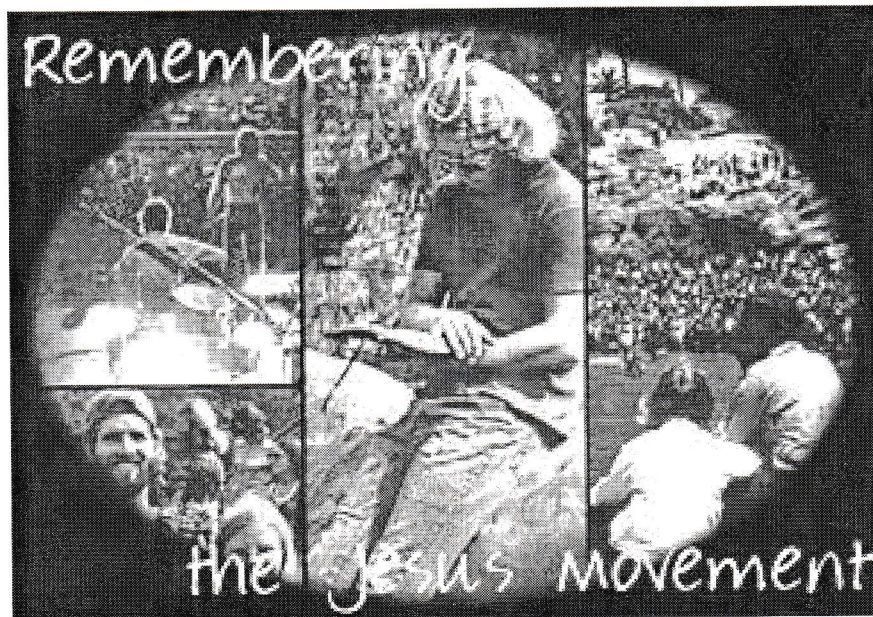
I WAS GLAD THAT I WENT.

I MET SOMEONE WHO HAS BECOME A GREAT FRIEND TO ME, AND SHE TOLD ME ABOUT THE GATHERING, AND STREET LEVEL.

I ENJOY GOING TO THE GATHERING AND THE UNDERGROUND BIBLE STUDY TO LEARN ABOUT GOD AND THE AWESOME PLANS HE HAS FOR ME.



An Anonymous Woman



BY MOST ACCOUNTS, the Jesus People

Movement began in 1967 with the opening of a small storefront evangelical mission called the Living Room in San Francisco's Haight Ashbury district.

Though other missionary type organizations had preceded them in the area, this was the first one run solely by street Christians.

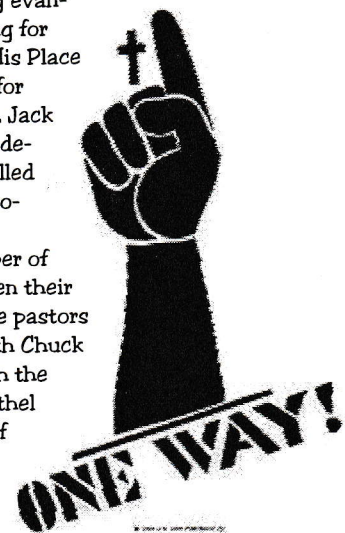
Within a short time of these first stirrings a number of independent Christian communities sprang up all across North America. In Seattle, the Jesus People Army was born in response to a vision experienced by evangelist Linda Meissner, who had seen an "army of teenagers marching for Jesus." On the Sunset Strip, evangelist Arthur Blessitt opened the His Place nightclub and coffeehouse as a 24 hour way station for youth.

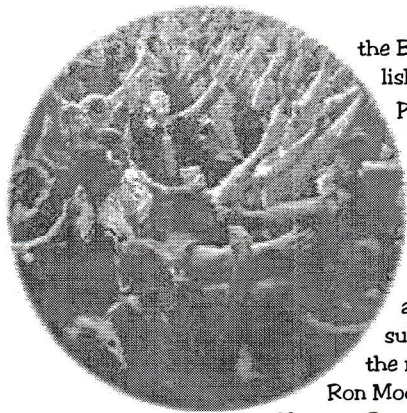
At the University of California at Berkeley, Dr. Jack Sparks and some other members of Campus Crusade decided to begin a countercultural outreach program called the Christian Liberation World Front CWLF directed towards reaching campus radicals.

The ensuing groundswell of activity spawned a number of other developments as well. Realizing the need to open their churches to the hippie generation, many conservative pastors recruited hippie liaisons to their ministerial staff. Both Chuck Smith of Calvary Chapel in Santa Ana, California with the recruitment of Lonnie Frisbee, and Lyle Steenis of Bethel Tabernacle in Redondo Beach with the recruitment of Breck Stevens found their churches radically transformed in the wake of their decisions.

In order to proclaim the message of the gospel, hippie Christians simply adopted existing forms of communication. Mirroring the development of underground newspapers such as

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the Berkeley Barb, in 1969 evangelist Duane Pederson began publishing the Hollywood Free Paper as an evangelistic tool. Jesus papers with names like Right On!, The Fish, Street Level, and Cornerstone became a fundamental component of each street Christian community.

Another development was Jesus Music, the controversial combination of rock music and the gospel as one of the most effective and subsequently lasting institutions of the revival. Artists and groups such as Ron Moore, Love Song, John Fischer, Larry Norman, Randy Matthews, Agape, and the All Saved Freak Band are just a few of the performers that felt the need to communicate spiritual truths through a popular medium. Christian coffeehouses and Jesus rock festivals emerged as the music gained momentum as a



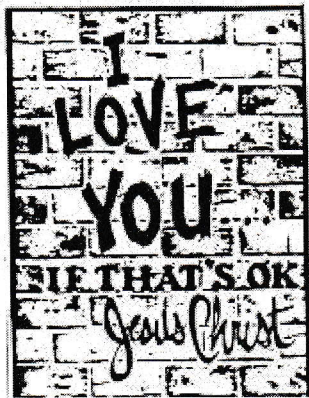
popular alternative to the mainstream industry. Contemporary Christian radio shows



sprang up as did magazines devoted solely to monitoring the fledgling Jesus Music scene. While many conservative churchgoers lamented that Jesus Music was a spiritual compromise, these pioneers maintained that they were combating the negative influence of mainstream rock music. In an attempt

to develop an apologetic for their evangelistic efforts they echoed the sentiments of reformer Martin Luther when he asked "why should the devil have all the best tunes."

Adding to the excitement of the era was the sense that the revival was a foreshadowing of the impending apocalypse. Hal Lindsey's runaway best seller The Late Great Planet Earth hit upon a deep seated nerve in the public with his combination of biblical prophecy and news events. Lindsey based much of his writing on the premise that the re-establishment of Israel as a nation was a prominent signal that the "countdown to Armageddon" had begun. Coupled with this end times theology was a pre-millennial doctrine concerning the "rapture of the saints" which taught that prior to the rise of the Antichrist and final war believers would be "raptured" or 'caught up') to escape a time of tribulation



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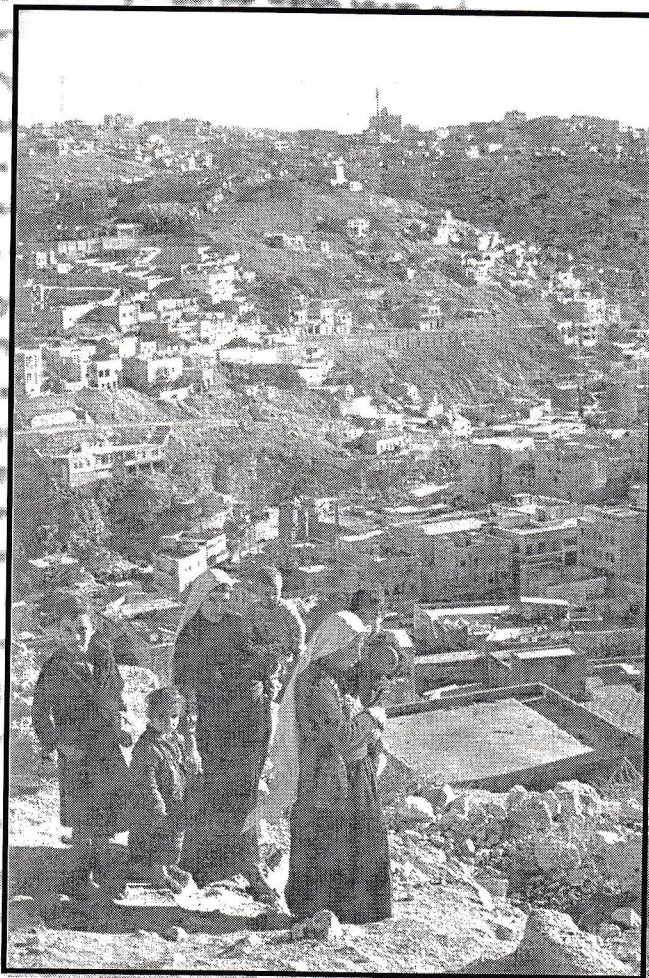
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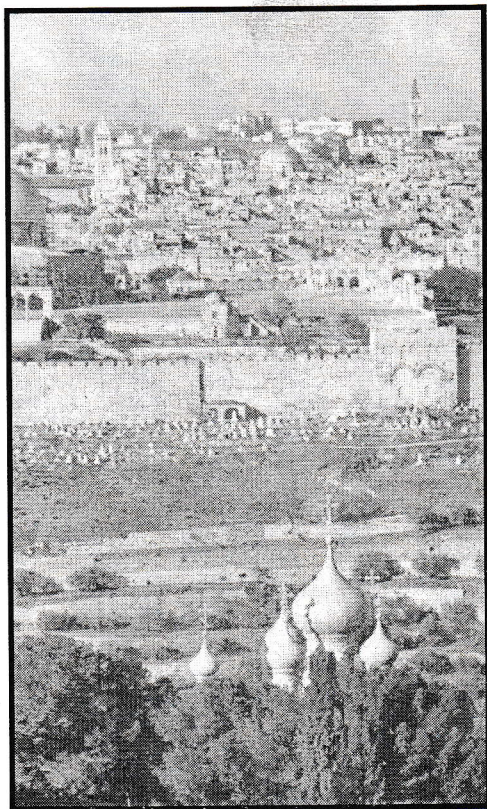
Just Another Good Book?

Often times in talking with people about Christianity I often enter a discussion about the legitimacy of the Bible. Often I will hear the words, "I think the Bible is a good book but not to be taken literally". I've heard these words off the lips of those who do not believe what the Bible teaches and from those who identify themselves as Christians.

I used to agree with them that the Bible was a good book but that one could not possibly take it literally, after all science has so much to show us about the real world we live in.

Today, it's easy to say that you agree with certain pieces of Scripture and discard those pieces that are not accurate in your mind. There is a problem with this thinking though, would we dare do this to other ancient writings such as Homer, Socrates and Plato? I think not. Usually, the rule is to read the literature from front to back giving the burden of proof to the author what material is to be left or omitted. We seem to treat scripture differently. Why is it that we do not judge the evidence of the authenticity of the scriptures as we would any other book?

How does one determine if a work of literature is authentic? Well, we test it against other evidence we have. Every piece of ancient literature goes through a certain test called a bibliographical test. What this test does is provide criteria on which to judge a piece of literature to be authentic or not. I won't get into the details here but basically one test would be to check it against other pieces of manuscript evidence. You would want to find out how many other copies or fragments are out there and how they compare to the piece of literature in ques-



tion.

The greatest evidence we have for the Old Testament was discovered in 1947 at Qumran. It was there we found the Dead Sea Scrolls. Within the 14 caves at Qumran, was found fragments of every book of the Old Testament except for Esther. There were many portions of Deuteronomy along with commentaries and other literature relating to the communal Qumran society. In fact, if you were to lay a copy of the Qumran scroll of Isaiah on top of a modern Hebrew Bible, as if it were tracing paper, you would find that the letters line up ex-

actly...so much so that you could push a pin through the pages lining up the end-points of a letter stroke. (Hocking)

We have a tremendous amount of manuscript evidence validating the New Testament; so much so that it dwarfs the evidence for other pieces of literature from antiquity.

"The history of Thucydides (460-400 B.C.) is available to us from just eight MSS [manuscripts] dated about A.D. 900, almost 1,300 years after he wrote. The MSS of the history of Herodotus are likewise late and scarce.

Aristotle wrote his poetics around 334 B.C. and yet the earliest copy we have is dated A.D. 1100, nearly a 1,400-year gap, and only five MSS are in existence.

Caesar composed his history of the Gallic Wars between 58 and 50 B.C. and its manuscript authority rests on nine or ten copies dating 1,000 years after his death." (McDowell - pp.26)

The manuscript evidence for the New Testament alone consists of 5,500 Greek MSS, 10,000 Latin, 4000 in other languages and 86,000 separate references quoted in the writings of early Church Fathers. (Hocking) All of these copies were done by hand...letter by meticulous

tiquty.

Not only do we have an abundance of evidence pointing to the authenticity of the Bible from a bibliographical perspective, we also have a record that accurately reports history as verified by archeology.

Practically every time a spade hits the soil in the Middle East we find more evidence to back up what the Bible has said for thousands of years. Also, scientifically, the Bible has much to say about the world we live in and our universe (more on that in following issues).

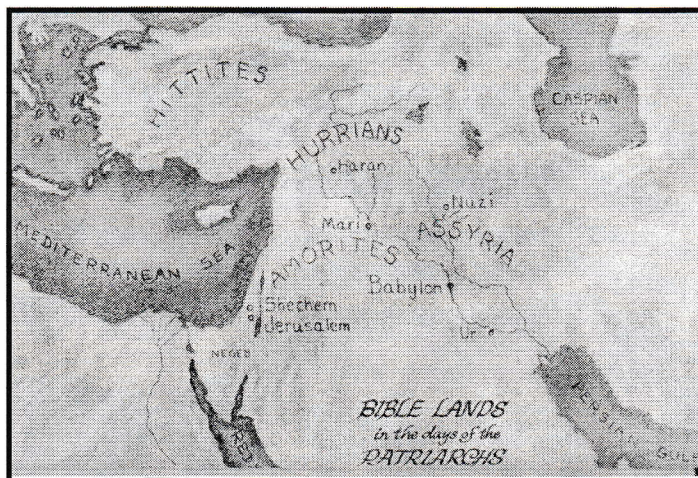
Would it not follow that maybe, just maybe, the Bible is not a book of old stories? More importantly, if it is accurate in historical and scientific statements, would it not be reasonable trust it's words regarding spiritual issues?

The Bible's main message is that you need to be saved. Without the promised Messiah (Jesus) you cannot find eternal life with God...only eternity away from Him. That is the Bi-

letter!

Homer's *Iliad* has 643 MSS and is next in line to the authenticity of the New Testament. (McDowell, pp.27)

So, what's the point you may ask? Well, we have every reason to trust that what was originally given as Scripture was what we have now...according to the evidence, the Bible is more authentic than any other piece of writing from an-



ble front to back. Biblical evidence may help you trust in the Scriptures more but you must believe by faith that Jesus Christ is the Messiah as prophecied in the Hebrew Scriptures and that His death on the cross and His resurrection from the death will save your soul.

For more info: read Romans 3:23; 5:6 and John 3:16-17.

Challenge to Evolution: *Mexican axoloti*



What's in Your Genes? Scientists have recently had a look at some new genes. No, not blue-jeans but the genes of the *Mexican axoloti*, a salamander that develops underwater and lives on land as an adult. Scientists have

held to the concept that it takes a complex series of genetic changes and LOTS of time for a creature to evolve such as this creature. According to scientists from the University of California, Davis, a single gene triggers the transformation from water to land adaptation. Scientists are now reevaluating their past theories of the speed of evolution...perhaps it is much quicker.

This creature presents a threat to evolutionary thinking. If evolution is true, then we should have found remains or fossil evidence of *Mexican axoloti* that did not survive this evolutionary change...one of these pre-land salamanders must have wobbled out of the water at some point in it's evolution and died the dirt much like a fish. How would have this creature survived this process to carry on to further generations?

Well, the problem still remains. Either evolution has to come up with some true evidence of transitional creatures (such as a cog...a cat/dog combo) or it is false. For evolution to be true, we have to find legitimate examples of true transitional life forms (whether humans, animals or plants).

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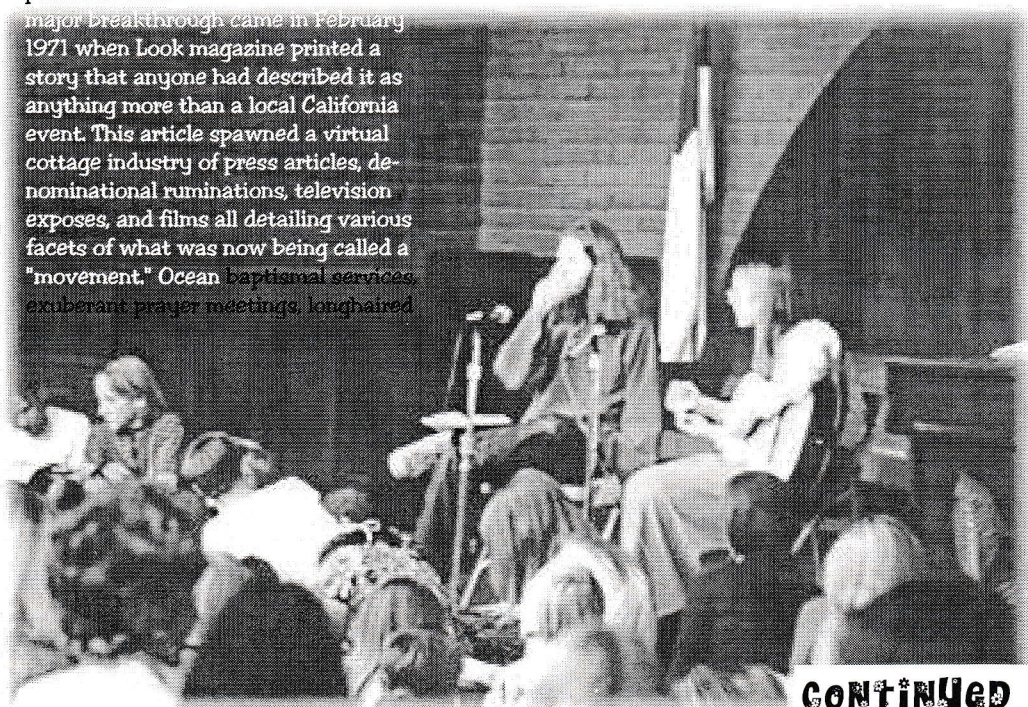
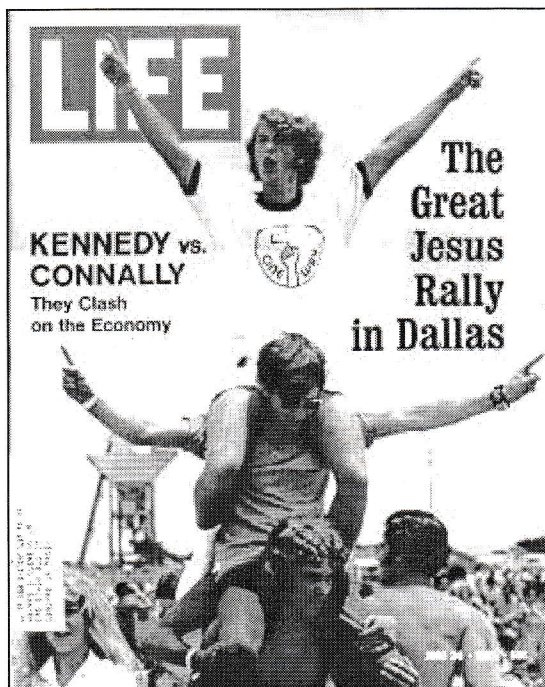
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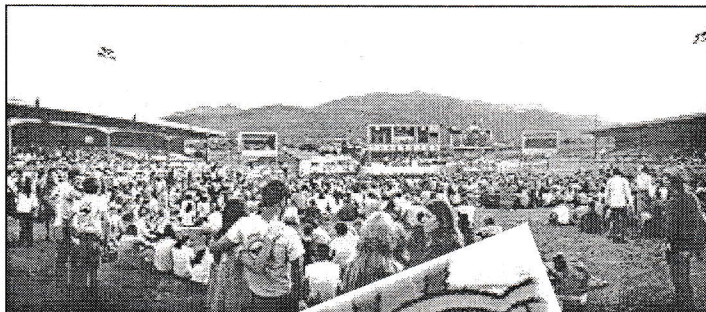
perceived as being foretold in the Book of Revelation. Jesus musician Larry Norman's haunting song "I Wish We'd All Been Ready" touched on this theme
*Two men walking up a hill
 One disappears
 and one's left standing still
 I wish we'd all been ready*

The revival also spawned a number of extremist groups such as the Children of God, The Alamo Foundation, and the Way International. Although at first accepted and welcomed as more militant and committed street Christian groups, as apologetic ministries such as the CWLF's Spiritual Counterfeits Project rose to expose doctrinal deviations, these groups were branded as heretical. Though the revival had progressed for four years, the mainstream media did not really focus on the story until 1971. Though Christianity Today and Christian Life had followed the story from its beginnings in the Haight Ashbury, it wasn't until 1970 when articles about 'street Christians' and 'Jesus freaks' appeared in Time

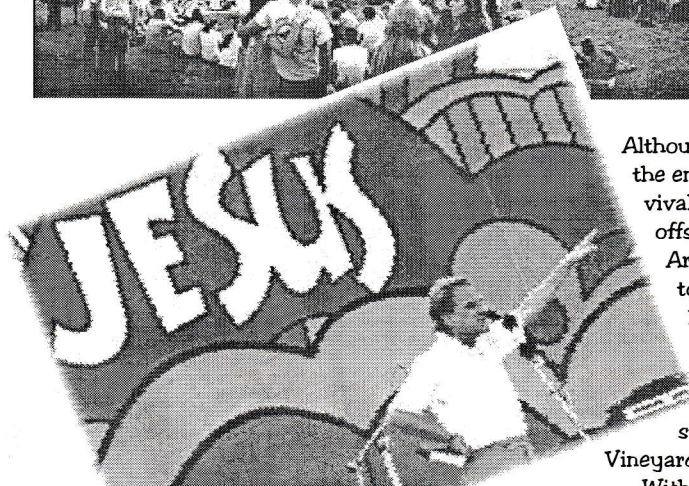
major breakthrough came in February 1971 when Look magazine printed a story that anyone had described it as anything more than a local California event. This article spawned a virtual cottage industry of press articles, denominational ruminations, television exposes, and films all detailing various facets of what was now being called a "movement." Ocean baptismal services, exuberant prayer meetings, longhaired



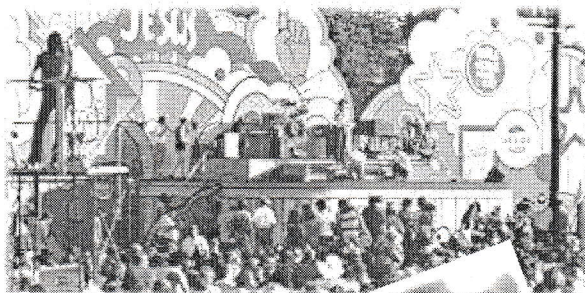
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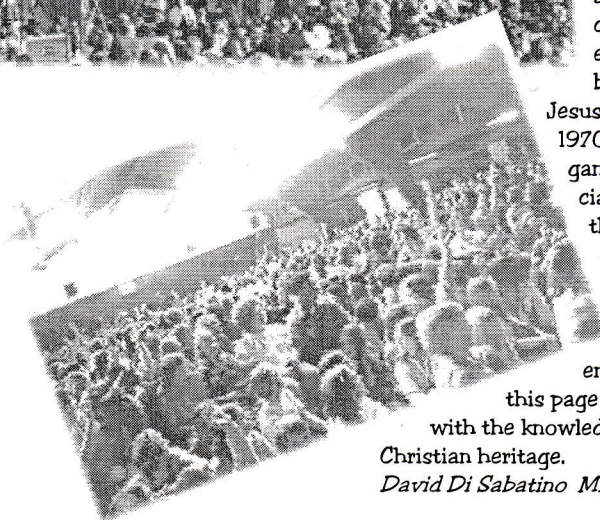
evangelists, and Jesus rock musicians were portrayed throughout national magazines like Time, Newsweek, Life, Rolling Stone, and U.S. News World Report. In 1971 the Jesus People were the religious event of the year while ranking third in Time's story of the year poll. Alongside the emergence of Black Panthers, hippies, Yuppies, Diggers, student activists, Weathermen, and women's liberationists, the 'Jesus freak' was certainly the most curious social phenomena of the late 1960's and early 1970's.



Although the media's interest in the movement waned by the end of 1971, there was much evidence that the revival was still going strong. The Jesus People USA, an offshoot ministry of the original Seattle Jesus People Army, would soon find a home in Chicago ministering to street youth. In 1972 Campus Crusade organized Expo '72 in the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, Texas where many of the movement's top performers were invited to sing. In 1973 former Calvary Chapel pastor Kenn Gulliksen was just starting a string of Bible studies that would culminate in the Vineyard churches.



With Watergate and President Nixon's promises to end the war in Vietnam dominating the front pages, the counterculture receded thus removing the mission field that the revival had targeted. Where previous efforts of evangelism had been as simple as playing a guitar on a street corner for a group of spiritually interested hippies, the cynicism born of societal fears towards "cults" and their "brainwashing" techniques made evangelism a less fruitful endeavor than it once had been. As the counterculture came to an end, Jesus People groups either disbanded, institutionalized as churches, or stubbornly clung to their countercultural roots. Though the Jesus People Movement had effectively ended by the mid-1970s, there were still a host of churches, parachurch organizations, apologetics ministries, converts, Jesus musicians, independent evangelists, and missionary workers that had been funneled into Protestant and Catholic denominations of all theological skews.



Though the Jesus People Movement remains relatively neglected by mainstream and religious historians, its influence throughout the church was influential. It is our hope that through your participation on

this page that we can offer insightful analysis of this period with the knowledge that historical reflection is an important part of our Christian heritage.

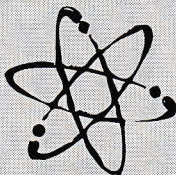
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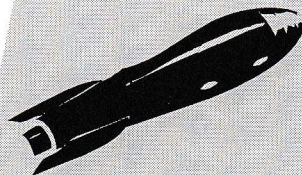
Pssst...Margret,
have you heard that new radio station here in town?
They play some real def jams. East coast and west.
It's all dat, sista! It's got-it-goin-on!



Oh Stanley,
Now the Kids finally have a station that plays
their favorite modern rock, death metal, and rapcore.
FAMILY SWELLNESS IS ACHEIVED AGAIN!



YAY!
MUSIC WITH NONE OF THE WORDS *BEEPED* OUT!
I sure was sick of those other Hi-Fi stations and junk.
Increase the voume, Ernie, let's do the mashed potato!



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One of His disciples said unto Him, "Lord, teach us to pray..."

I thought I had this "pray without ceasing" thing all figured out. After all, I've met lots of busy Christians who practice an unceasing attitude of prayer, talking to God in the shower, on the treadmill, while driving car-pool. And they showed me how I, too, could pray without ceasing-until the day my prayers ceased.

The Bible tells us to pray without ceasing. But what about those times when our hearts feel too wounded or rebellious to pray? Do we stop praying because we think God won't like what we have to say? Do we find ourselves mouthing religious platitudes we don't mean? Or is there a better way?

My mother discovered that, when it comes to prayer, simplicity can do wonders. Years ago, a broken engagement left her paralyzed in spirit. For months she couldn't pray. Then one day she knelt by her bed, looked up at the ceiling and uttered a single word: "Help!" Nothing happened. The next day she tried again, this time crying out, "Help me." Suddenly her frozen heart melted into salty tears as waves of healing flooded her soul.

My friend Darrell believes honesty is the best policy. When he feels rebellious and can't sincerely say, "Lord, I want your will in my life," he prays, "Lord, help me to be willing to want your will in my life." Sometimes he takes it a step further: "Lord, help me to be willing to be willing to want your will in my life."

I've had my own seasons when pain and sin have hindered my prayers. But I've learned there's at least one prayer left inside even the most broken of hearts, and this has been mine: "Jesus, I feel so wounded and rebellious, I don't know how to hang on to you right now. So please hang on to me. See me through this, Lord. Hang on to me and don't let me go!"

Don't let sin or wounds silence your prayers. We serve a loving God who knows our very thoughts. Nothing we can say surprises him. We can pray without ceasing. Busy or sad, in good times or bad, we're never without a prayer.

-Karen Scalf Linamen (Crossings Corner)

Jesus looked at them intently and said, "With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible. Matthew 19:26"

Learn to pray in the desert with the devil on your heels
Learn to pray in the closet no matter how it feels
Learn to pray in the alleys & the cities & the streets
nobody around
Learn to pray when you're thinking their ain't
Learn to pray in your weakness,
-Chris Taylor

It seems that most believers have no problem when it comes to thinking of prayer requests for themselves, their families, friends and church. Many also know how to pray for their hometown and country. But the vast majority of God's people feel at a total loss when they are called to intercede for faraway places like Bangladesh, Britain or India. They struggle not only with finding specific prayer needs for those nations, but they also lack a real burden and ability to relate to these people, whose lives look so different from theirs. Here are a few practical suggestions to help you pray for unreached countries as well, if you follow Christ. Learn about other nations and people. You will be surprised to find that their feeling and need for love, forgiveness and acceptance are not much different from your own. Turn every international news report you hear, read or watch into prayer requests. Be compassionate. Pray specifically for those leaders and people mentioned in the news reports. God pointed their names and faces out to you for a reason. And most importantly, live with the awareness that your prayer of faith will make a difference.

-K.P. Yohannan

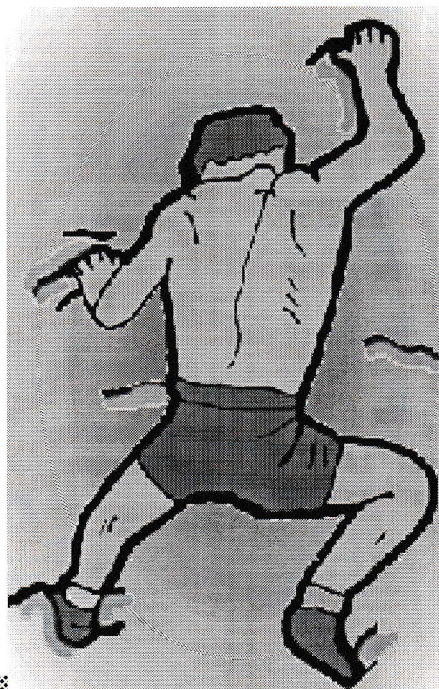
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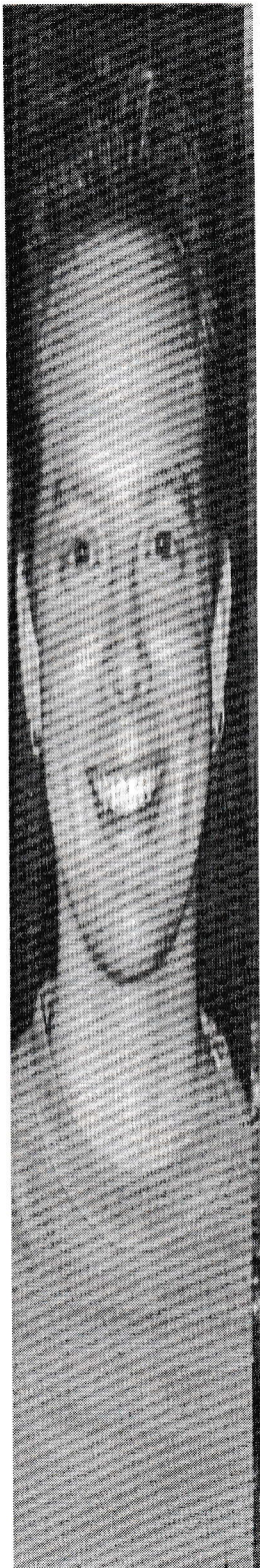
A man was sleeping at night in his cabin when suddenly his room filled with light and the Savior appeared. The Lord told the man he had work for him to do, and showed him a large rock in front of his cabin. The Lord explained that the man was to push against the rock with all his might. This the man did, day after day. For many years he toiled from sun up to sun down, his shoulders set squarely against the cold, massive surface of the un-moving rock, pushing with all his might. Each night the man returned to his cabin sore, and worn out, feeling that his whole day had been spent in vain. Seeing that the man was showing signs of discouragement, the adversary decided to enter the picture by placing thoughts into the man's weary mind: "You have been pushing against that rock for a long time, and it hasn't budged. Why kill yourself over this? You are never going to move it." Thus giving the man the impression that the task was impossible and that he was a failure. These thoughts discouraged and disheartened the man. "Why kill myself over this?" he thought. "I'll just put in my time, giving just the minimum effort and that will be good enough." And that is what he planned to do until one day he decided to make it a matter of prayer and take his troubled thoughts to the Lord. "Lord," he said, "I have labored long and hard in your service, putting all my strength to do that which you have asked. Yet, after all this time, I have not even budged that rock by half a millimeter. What is wrong? Why am I failing?" The Lord responded compassionately, "My friend, when I asked you to serve me and you accepted, I told you that your task was to push against the rock with all your strength, which you have done. Never once did I mention to you that I expected you to move it. Your task was to push, and now you come to me, with your strength spent, thinking that you have failed. But, is that really so? Look at yourself. Your arms are strong and muscled, your back sinewy and brown, your hands are callused from constant pressure, and your legs have become massive and hard. Through opposition you have grown much and your abilities now surpass that which you used to have. Yet you haven't moved the rock. But your calling was to be obedient and to push and to exercise your faith and trust in My wisdom. This you have done. I, my friend, will now move the rock." At times, when we hear a word from God, we tend to use our own intellect to decipher what He wants, when actually what God wants is just simple obedience and faith in Him....By all means, exercise the faith that moves mountains, but know that it is still God who moves the mountains.

P.U.S.H.

When everything seems to go wrong,...just P.U.S.H.!
 When the job gets you down,...just P.U.S.H.!
 When people don't react the way you think they should,...just P.U.S.H.!
 When your money looks funny and the bills are due,...just P.U.S.H.!
 When you want to tell them off for whatever the reason,...just P.U.S.H.!

P.U.S.H—Pray Until Something Happens!!!!





As a small child growing up I lacked security. For many reasons my cup was empty and I longed for it to be filled. Even though my parents did the best they could I felt unloved, especially by my father. My father and I were very different and I don't think that he knew how to relate to me. I interpreted this as abandonment.

My way of medicating the pain I felt was to isolate myself and turn inward. I created a fantasy world that I could go to where everything was good. I was safe, secure and happy. In third grade my parents decided to get a divorce. This would be the start of a long and ugly custody battle. I was the oldest of three children and felt that I needed to grow up really fast. I would not give myself the luxury of feeling my feelings because I had to be strong for my siblings. Thus, I isolated more. On the outside I looked fine, but on the inside I was crying out for someone to shield me and protect me from the world. But no one heard my silent cries for help. How could they? I was wearing a mask that said, "I'm okay".

I became desperate. I knew that God loved me. I had given my life to Him. But I often wondered if He even cared. Finally, I thought that if I tried to kill myself that someone would hear me. I didn't want to die, I wanted to be heard.

My suicide attempt was not successful in waking up the people around me. So I resolved that if I was ever going to make it in life, I would do it on my own. I could trust no one to meet my needs. My fantasy world was all I had.

Then puberty came along and my fantasy world became eroticized. I had been exposed to a lot of pornography as a child growing up so it was very easy for me to make the conclusion that sex must equal love. I desperately wanted love. So I thought if I let someone have sex with me it would mean they love me. If I'd let a man have sex with me then he might love me. Thus began my mental struggle with homosexuality. How did I make this conclusion? Good question. All I can say is that I was in intense pain and would do anything to make it go away. My fantasies of what I perceived love to be were like a Band-Aid—only covering the pain. But underneath was a gaping wound that needed more than a quick fix.

I didn't know where to go with these feelings of homosexuality, depression, and loneliness. No one talked about homosexuality in Small Town, North Dakota. Especially not at church; except to say that gays were all going to hell. So once again I resolved to struggle silently.

I found some solace in the church, but my view of God as Father was askew. I thought that I had to be perfect for Him to love me. I would hear a wonderful, inspiring sermon on Sunday morning and leave church thinking I was finally going to get it right this week, but by Wednesday I would fall flat on my face.

Now, it was time to leave for college. This was a huge fear for me. I was leaving Small Town, America for the big city. No one would know me and I would have complete independence. What was to become of me?

The previous paragraphs are just a part of the personal testimony of Nate Oylo. Nate is a staff member of Outpost Ministries, the Minneapolis, MN branch of Exodus International. Outpost is an organization whose focus is to share the love and healing of Jesus with those who struggle with homosexuality. During his time in college, Nate says, "I was on the edge and God interacted by putting someone in my life that I could share my struggle with." This is the person who told him about Outpost. He called and his recovery began. He became involved in a program called the *Joshua Fellowship*. This is a program that teaches about struggles with homosexuality and other sin issues. He participated in the *Joshua Fellowship* for a year and then became involved with a more intense program called *Living Waters*. Nate says, "This was where I did much of the heart level work. The program focused on the cross as the way of healing." He also says that true healing and recovery are only possible because of what Jesus did on the cross.

"Although my recovery began only four years ago, I don't have enough paper to write all of the healing that God has done in my life. It has been the hardest thing I have ever had to do, but worth every bit of it. I know life more abundantly now. I haven't arrived, but I know that I never will here on earth. I draw strength from the Psalm 85:5-7 which says—Blessed are those whose strength is in You, who have their hearts set on pilgrimage. As they pass through the Valley of Loneliness, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. They go from strength to strength till each appears before God in Zion. (The Message)

Another verse Nate says is very important to him is 1 Peter 4:1—Therefore, since Christ suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, for he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin. "We really don't want to feel pain, so we choose sin. This numbs the pain, but it also numbs the joy and the passion for God that we desperately need. It's kind of a Catch 22. I want to give back what God has given to me. There are many hurting kids out there. Just turn on the news and you will be bombarded with the pain of the younger generation."

Nate has recently undergone training for his involvement with a program called *The River*. This is a broad program that ministers to all kinds of brokenness: loneliness, depression, sexual brokenness, suicide and much more. *The River* is based on Jesus and the work done on the Cross. Nate says, "The Cross is the only place where we can take it and lay it all at Jesus' feet. It's the only place to find forgiveness and grace. *The River* is a strong discipleship group. We go underneath all our 'issues' and all the surface struggles to the core of them. There's a lie that Satan has told us at the core of who we are. We need to open up and let Jesus get to that lie and be the Truth that sets us free." This is true for *anyone* who is struggling with *anything*. Nate adds, "When people come, they seem to realize that they're really no different than anyone else. Just because our struggles seem different on the outside, they are really very similar. This is what brings together the body of Christ. God is doing amazing things. I want to let people know that the Cross is the place they will find healing. God's embrace is available to all. I hope that you chose to rest in His arms today."

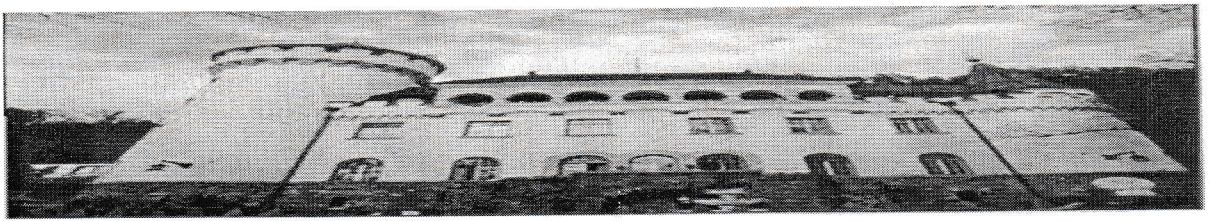
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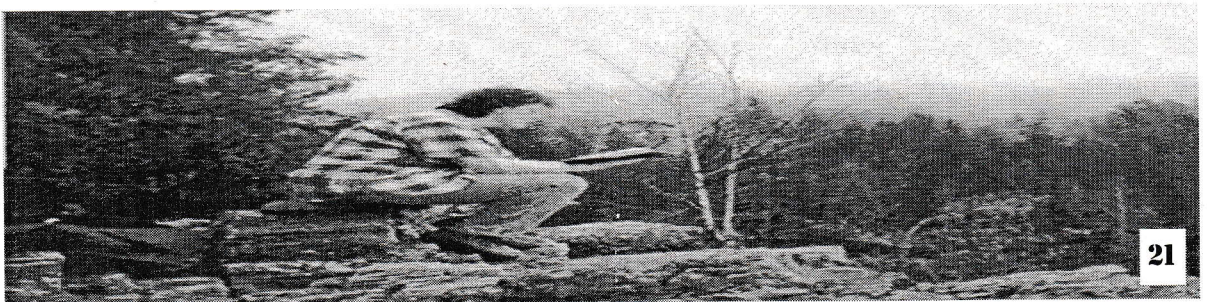
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THIS BEAUTIFUL COLLEGE IS A EUROPEAN OUTREACH OF CALVARY CHAPEL BIBLE COLLEGE IN MURRIETA, CALIFORNIA. THE SCHOOL IS LOCATED IN AUSTRIA'S SOUTHERN CORNER OF THE ALPS, OVERLOOKING BEAUTIFUL LAKE MILLSTATT. THE CASTLE WAS BUILT IN 1912 AND WAS PURCHASED BY CALVARY CHAPEL COSTA MESA IN 1988. SINCE COMMUNISM STILL REIGNED IN EASTERN EUROPE AT THIS TIME, THE CASTLE'S FIRST PURPOSE WAS TO BE A SAFE HAVEN FOR PASTORS AND MISSIONARIES WHERE THEY COULD BE ENCOURAGED AND SEEK THE LORD'S DIRECTION FOR THEIR MINISTRIES. WHILE IT STILL REMAINS A PLACE OF REST FOR PASTORS AND MISSIONARIES, IT ALSO DOUBLES AS A BIBLE COLLEGE FOR 70 STUDENTS. THE BIBLE COLLEGE WAS CREATED AS A LINK TO EUROPE AND A TRAINING GROUND FOR BOTH AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN MISSIONARIES. CASTLE DIRECTOR ROD THOMPSON SAYS, "OUR HEART'S DESIRE IS TO REACH EUROPE FOR CHRIST. EVERYTHING WE DO HERE IS HEADED TOWARD THAT GOAL. WE SEE THE MINISTRY AT THE CASTLE AS OUR BRIDGE INTO EUROPE."

ANOTHER MAIN THEME THAT IS STRESSED AT THE COLLEGE IS DEVELOPING A SERVANT'S HEART. THE STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO TAKE CARE OF THE CASTLE. THIS INCLUDES MAINTENANCE, CLEANING, COOKING, AND BABYSITTING THE CHILDREN OF THE CASTLE'S STAFF. STUDENTS ALSO SPEND 10 DAYS OF EACH SEMESTER AT DIFFERENT MISSION STATIONS THROUGHOUT EUROPE. THEY HAVE RECENTLY DONE OUTREACHES IN POLAND, SPAIN, ENGLAND, GERMANY, ISRAEL, HUNGARY, AND ROMANIA.

SO, IT'S OBVIOUS THAT THIS IS NO ORDINARY COLLEGE. THE COLLEGE ENABLES STUDENTS TO CONCENTRATE ON THE TRUTH OF GOD'S WORD AND SHARE IT WITH OTHERS. ARPOD HORVATH KAVAY, A HUNGARIAN STUDENT, SAYS, "HERE THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE AROUND YOU; TO HELP PRAY WITH YOU, BEAR YOUR BURDENS, AND ENCOURAGE YOU WHEN YOU ARE TROUBLED." KAVAY ALSO DESCRIBES HOW GOING TO BIBLE COLLEGE HAS CHANGED HIM: "BEFORE I CAME TO THE BIBLE COLLEGE I SINCERELY WANTED TO BE SOMEONE IMPORTANT. NOW I'VE LEARNED HOW IMPORTANT IT IS JUST TO SERVE AND BE NOBODY FOR CHRIST."

FOR MORE INFO OR QUESTIONS, CALL: MURRIETA BIBLE COLLEGE 909-696-5944 OR VISIT THE WEB SITE: WWW.CALVARYCHAPEL.ORG



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The Blind Munchies is Street Level's chill zone located on the corner of 7th street and Wilson avenue one block east of Burger King. Look for an old Church building. We're in the basement.



The Blind Munchies Coffeehouse

621 Wilson ave., Menomonie, WI

The "Munchies" is a place where you can study, chill, play some pool, eat fresh bakery, drink of the town's finest gourmet coffee and espresso, scarf down some pizza or burgers (at special times), and catch some awesome FREE concerts twice a month for the entire school year.

Don't worry, no one will be signing you up for Church or cramming Bibles down your throat.

If you have a question, someone will be around to answer it, but otherwise no one will ambush you. We're donation based and have suggested prices to cover our costs. All donations at concerts go to the band. Questions?

235-9300

HERE IS THE 2001 SPRING SCHEDULE:

Sat. January 27th~ **All Access w/Mike Walsh**

modern rock/electric

Sat. February 24th~ **Mitch McVicker & Band**

folk rock

Fri. March 2nd~ **Alathea w/St. Andrews Descent**

indigo acoustic folk

Fri. March 30th~ **John Cox**

acoustic-electric rock

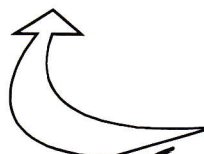
Sat. April 7th~ **The Blues Apostles**

blues

Sat. April 21st~ **Sister Pete**

aggressive hardrock

Sat. May 5th~ **To be announced.....**

 ***FREE CONCERTS**



NOW, WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED TODAY?

"The Blind Munchies IS the best invention since the waffle iron. I know. I've used a waffle iron before."

The Concert Schedule is also on the web at:
www.streetlevel.uwstout.edu

*all concerts free

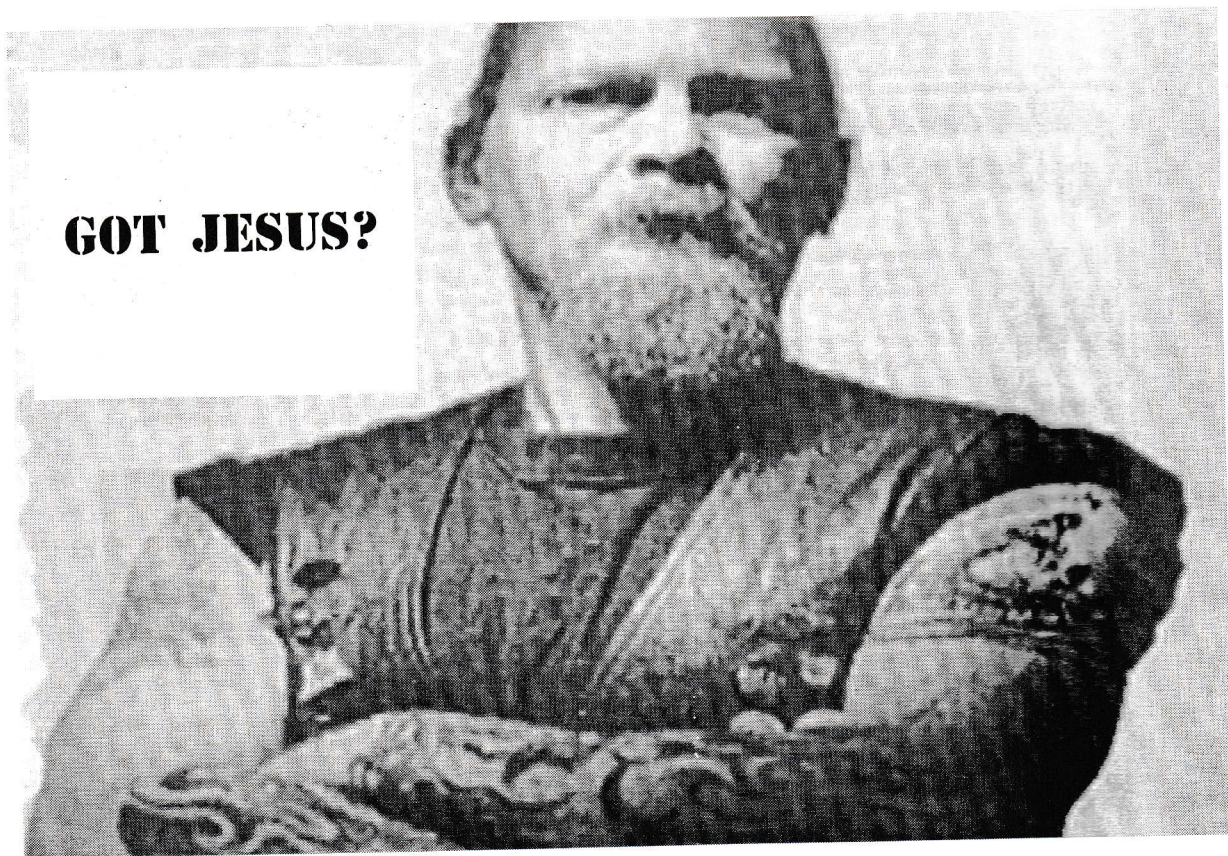
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