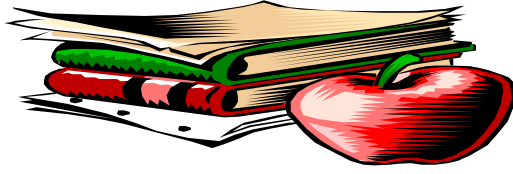


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Proverbs 7:2 • Matthew 5:6 • John 8:32 • II Timothy 3:16-17 • Hebrews 4:12

Greetings

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Welcome to the April 2010 issue of Hunger for Truth. This month's issue is packed with great information which includes two great articles, two devotionals and much more. Praise God that Spring is on its way and the temperatures have warmed up greatly. The grass is already turning green as I write this.

The goal of this ministry and newsletter is to edify and encourage believers using the truth of God's precious Holy Word. As the Lord leads, the ministry will expand and grow.

Thank you all for taking the time to read this and for your prayers for me. I praise God for each and every one of you.

Sign Me Up...

The HFT editor encourages you to forward this newsletter to all your family, fellow church members and friends and encourage them to sign up for the newsletter. It is absolutely free. All they need to do to sign up is e-mail me and let

PRAISE:

I want to praise the Lord for the wonderful week He blessed us with in NC and NJ from 3/20 to 3/28.

Missionary David Talaver and his son Dale were with me along with 2 fellow brothers in Christ.

The Lord blessed w/ safety, powerful preaching and great fellowship. He also blessed with dozens of witnessing opportunities. Please pray for fruit from this wonderful trip. To God be the glory.

me know they want to receive the newsletter.

Thank you kindly for your help with this. I greatly appreciate it. May God richly bless.

Meditate on the Word

(Psalm 1:2; Psalm 119:148)

“Seven Keys of Spiritual Discipline”

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In no particular order, I want to give to you what I believe the Bible teaches regarding these seven keys of spiritual discipline.

1st, let's take our Bibles and turn to 1 Cor. 10:31. This verse says, “*Whether Therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.*” Stop and think about that for a moment. This verse makes me realize how often I am guilty of not doing all to the honor and glory of God. We can not obey this verse without a proper fear of the Lord which gives us the right response of obedience and faith to who God is and what He can and will do. It is not easy to put the

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Lord first in all that we as believers say and do. This verse clearly teaches that at all times and in all things we should desire to honor and glorify the Lord.

Next, please turn in your Bibles to Col. 3:23. This verse says, "*And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;*" To me, this teaches exactly what 1 Cor. 10:31 teaches. Whatever we do, it should be with a tender heart, a giving heart, and a loving heart. It also should always be for the honor and glory of the Lord and not men.

A believer can not practice the above verses without practicing proper spiritual discipline in their daily life and walk with the Lord. I want to give you now seven keys of spiritual discipline:

1. Deny Self - Matt. 16:24

This is the biggest and most important key. If we don't deny self we can never practice true spiritual discipline. We must realize that as believers all we are and have spirit, soul, mind, body, time, talent and treasure is the Lord's and NOT ours.

2. Prayer - 1 Thes. 5:17, James 5:16

The practice of daily, effectual, fervent and sometimes constant prayer is a key spiritual discipline.

3. Praise - Psalm 34:1

Praise is so important. It is easy to take our eyes off the Lord and onto ourselves and our problems when we lose focus of praising the Lord. Again, consider our key verses (1 Cor. 10:31 and Col. 3:23). We should be desiring to praise the Lord daily and often...not just in church or at home. I find it great to sing a song at work or in the car or during a walk in the woods...pretty much anywhere. What a privilege it is to praise the Lord in song and in our prayers.

4. Study - Psalm 1:1-2, Prov. 15:28, John 16:13, Acts 17:10-11, II Tim. 2:15, 3:16-17

These verses clearly teach that a key spiritual discipline is to study to show ourselves approved unto God. This does not mean read a chapter of the Bible a day and your done. Not that that is wrong, but I believe it means we should be hungering and thirsting to read the Bible daily, study and meditate on it, asking the Lord to speak to us through His word to help us grow in our walk with Him. We should also diligently study God honoring books that can help us learn and grow in the knowledge of Him.

5. Witness - Mark 16:15, Prov. 11:30

If we are not a faithful witness and do not practice this key spiritual discipline we will not be doing all to His glory for witnessing is not a gift but a command. Do you have a passion for lost souls destined for eternity in

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hell. Are we daily asking the Lord to reach out to this lost and sinful world with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

6. **Fellowship** - Acts 2:42, II Cor. 8:4, Phil. 2:1-2, 1 John 1:3-4

Fellowship is also a key spiritual discipline. When you miss out on a service at church and you were not providentially hindered, you missed out on a great blessing. It is so important to be edified and encouraged by fellow believers in Christ. Praise God! It means so much to me to have the blessed privilege to talk, have a meal, sing songs together, or have a Bible study with one or more fellow believers. Fellowship is “fellows in the same ship”. Help someone in need.

7. **Church Attendance** - Heb. 10:25, 1 Tim. 3:15

This is also a key spiritual discipline that must be willfully obeyed. Unless providentially hindered, we should not miss a service at our local NT church. We should go willingly with a desire to please and honor the Lord and be a blessing to one another.

In closing, we need to see that we can and should be doing at least one or more of these practices all the time! It starts with self-denial. Excuses are not an option:

- A secular job is no excuse to NOT practice spiritual discipline
- Worldly pleasures are no excuse to NOT practice spiritual discipline (i.e. a sporting event, vacation)
- Family issues are no excuse to NOT practice spiritual discipline
- Personal issues are no excuse to NOT practice spiritual discipline.

All the above should increase our desire to seek the Lord and honor and glorify Him in all that we say and do. Let us commit to practicing spiritual discipline in our lives.

“The Treasure of Psalms” Psalm 1 and 2

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Occasionally in this newsletter I am going to do excerpts from a book I started but have not yet finished regarding how the book of Psalms is a treasure from God. I plan to cover each and every chapter and show you the great blessings, comforts, truths and encouragement that you and I can get from this blessed treasure from God.

PSALM 1: (Psalm of the Two Ways)

1. Walk not in the counsel of the ungodly - vs. 1
2. Be separate from sin and evil - vs. 1
3. Our delight should be in God alone and we should meditate upon His word day and night - vs. 2

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(Psalm 1 continued)

4. We shall be blessed by God when we live for Him. - vs. 3
5. The ungodly will perish like chaff in the wind - vs. 4
6. God knoweth those who serve Him. The ungodly shall perish in hell. - vs. 5-6

PSALM 2: (Psalm of the King—rejected, established, reigning over nations)

1. Why do the lost live the way they do - vs. 1-3
2. Why do they seek to destroy God's people, deny and blaspheme God's holy name? - vs. 1-3
3. God will laugh and have them in derision for they want those ways. He will let them have them for their day will come - vs. 4-5
4. Jesus is King and He will come again some day - vs. 6
5. All the people of the earth will be under the rule of King Jesus - vs. 7-9
6. The lost will be punished - vs. 9
7. The present appeal to the world powers - vs. 10-12 (The Holy Spirit)
8. The righteous will be blessed - vs. 12
9. Put your faith and trust in God alone - vs. 12

(To be continued in future issues of HFT.)

Devotionals

ALL ALONE

By: Craig Glickman

Lord, I am all alone
It is not easy to serve you on my own.
I need your power and your strength
to keep me day by day,
And your Holy Spirit
to help me know what to say.
Lord, when no family or friend is around
I know you can be found.
One must simply lift up eyes of faith and He sees
us.
O' What a friend we Have Jesus!
Lord, you are with me always.
You love and you care for me
even when I cannot see.
Lord, help me to look in your word and look up to
your throne,
for you know and you care when I am all alone.

SELF-DENIAL

Eph. 4

By: Craig Glickman

I find it hard at times to give myself to the Lord daily and deny myself and live each day for Him alone. One day I got to writing this prayer which I have on my wall that I think is very edifying and convicting in helping me see my need to take up my cross and die daily:

Lord, through your Spirit's power alone, please help me to have a triumphant faith, a sound mind, victory in Jesus, and a passion for thee. Help me to rejoice in the Lord always and have a godly testimony.

Lord, let there be nothing between my soul and the Savior. Do whatever you please to me. Help me to do what you want me to do, say what you want me to say and go where you want me to go, so that I may be molded into what you've called me to be. Let your will alone be done. You lead Lord and I will follow.

Song of the Month

“Jesus Never Fails”

This song is a favorite of the HFT editor. My father was not saved and prior to my father passing away in 2005, many people prayed for him daily, sent him cards and letters; many with enclosed gospel tracts. Many people visited him and witnessed to him personally. It meant alot to me for he was always cold to the gospel having grown up in a Jewish family.

Too make a long story short, he died 2:00am Sunday morning. By God’s grace I was able to make it to church that evening and prior to a hymn sing that night, I was talking with dear friends of mine and told them about what happened and I said something like this, “Jesus never fails! After all the cards and the prayers and the witnessing to my father and the peace the Lord has given me before and after his passing. I truly believe Jesus never fails!”

The service started and we had the hymn sing and only my pastor and these dear friends of mine knew of my dad’s passing. After about two songs, someone picked “Jesus Never Fails”! Amen! This meant so much to me! I turned to the ones I was sitting next to who were with me when I told them I believe Jesus never fails and even they knew it was the Lord’s power and presence working! It was peace only He could give!

Also, my father served in the army and was very proud of his country and patriotic. Later on in the hymn sing a fine young man about 11 picked “The Star Spangled Banner” which is a song not often sung in church. This was also a great blessing and comfort! We come to Christ by faith of a little child. Several other songs really spoke to me about the fact that my dad may have trusted Christ on his deathbed even though he could not speak and was heavily sedated. Praise God that He made hearing the last sense to go so that one can hear the gospel till their last breath!

In conclusion, following the hymn sing my pastor made the announcement of my father’s passing and later began to preach the message and it just happened to be on the Beatitudes and Matthew 5:4 jumped out at me, “Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.” I truly believe Jesus never, ever fails! Sadly, space does not permit me to put the words to this great song. I encourage you to look them up and sing it with your family. My friends, JESUS NEVER FAILS!

“Let us praise our precious Savior in song all the day long.”

Children for Christ

Memory Verse — 1 Cor. 10:31. — “Whether Therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.”

**** BIBLE ABC ****

Using the alphabet. Write down the name of a person, location, or event in the Bible for each letter of the alphabet. It must begin with that letter. Show this to the person who gave this to you when you are done. ☺

A:	B:
C:	D:
E:	F:
G:	H:
I:	J:
K:	L:
M:	N:
O:	P:
Q:	R:
S:	T:
U:	V:
W:	X:
Y:	Z:

Please use another sheet of paper if you run out of space.

Church Planting

This is a *NEW* monthly column which lists a city and state (w/ population) in the United States of America that has NO solid, Bible believing, Bible preaching local NT Baptist Church within 30 minutes of town! Many American towns and cities do not have a local church in their area to reach the lost for Christ. It is the HFT editor's desire to make these needs known to readers so they might be prayed for that the Lord would send a servant with the ability to meet the need who He has clearly called to plant a local church there.

I am Sorry, after this issue I have decided to temporarily suspend this column since I need to do more research. I would like to ask each and every reader to let me know via e-mail of any towns in the USA with no local church within 30 minutes. It will be a great help to the editor for future issues of HFT. Thank you for your help.

Praises

- A powerful missions conference at Community Baptist Church from March 7 to March 10 with Missionary David Talaver and his father Samuel Talaver who are pastors in the Philippines, along with Jon Rettig and his family from the Czech Republic. The Lord richly blessed in many ways.
- I praise God For the privilege and blessing of preparing and sending out this newsletter to people all across the land.
- I praise God and want to say thank you to each and every one of you who take the time to read this every month and to those who have sent e-mails about how the Lord has blessed you. Please keep them coming. They are a blessing!

Prayer Requests

- Salvation of my sister Wendy & friend Ben
- Salvation of my nephew Jacob and Aunts' Sybil & Bernice
- Ben from PA (age 11) who has Neuroblastoma and mom Patty. Both need salvation
- Souls who were devastated in the Haiti and Chile earthquakes
- Wisdom regarding Hunger for Truth Ministries and the e-newsletter that more would request it

- Tract distribution and outreach to lost souls all over the world who were witnessed to last month for salvation
- Health and needs of Pastors, Missionaries, Evangelists and their families all across the land
- Pastor David Talaver for a building need in the Philippines
- Unspoken requests for the HFT editor
- Unspoken requests for several friends of the HFT editor
- Wisdom regarding FT Christian service for the Lord someday as the Lord leads
- God's blessing upon and growth of Bible believing, Bible preaching, Biblicist Baptist local churches all across the world and for more to be planted.

In Next Months Issue

You'll find a continuation of Psalms 3 and 4 in "Psalms: A Treasure from God", a sermon called "Mothers Love", two devotionals as well as another fun activity in the "Children for Christ" column.

Thank you so much for reading this. I praise God for all my dear brothers and sisters in Christ and I greatly appreciate your prayers. May each and every one of you be richly blessed as we serve our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

His Servant,
Craig G.
Prov. 3:5-6

P.S. If you have any ideas on any improvements to the newsletter, I'd like to hear from you. Please e-mail me and let me know. If you know somebody who would like to be added to the newsletter, please have them e-mail me and I will get it out to them as soon as possible. Also, just in case you do NOT wish to continue receiving this monthly newsletter, please e-mail me with "please remove" in the subject line.



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