

FRESH NOTES

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Christian Fellowship

Is Essential To Spiritual Growth!

We Invite You To Come Fellowship With Us & Be Blessed By The Word!

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IRREVERENCE

THE PEOPLE KEPT SHOUTING, "THE VOICE OF A GOD AND NOT OF A MAN!" THEN IMMEDIATELY AN ANGEL OF THE LORD STRUCK HIM. Acts 12:22-23

King Herod, dressed in his royal apparel, delivered an oration to an audience eager to win his favor. He reveled in their flattering response. "[This is] the voice of a god and not of a man!" shouted the crowd (v.12:22). Fear and awe of the one true God should have led him to protest, but he didn't. For his failure to "give glory to God," he was immediately struck by an angel of the Lord. (v.12:23) He suffered an excruciating death because of his lack of reverence for God.

Paul and Barnabas, on the other hand, had such a great reverence for God that they nearly panicked at the thought of being worshiped (vv. 14:14-15). Upon seeing the apostle Paul miraculously heal a man who had been crippled from birth, the onlookers shouted, "The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!" Then they prepared to offer sacrifices to Paul and Barnabas (vv.11-13). When the apostles heard this,

they "tore their clothes and ran in among the multitude, crying out, . . . "Why are you doing these things?" (vv.14-15).

In these contrasting biblical accounts, we see a solemn call to give God reverence in our irreverent world. He is the only one who is worthy of glory,

praise, and honor. He is the only one who merits our worship. To fear the Lord means giving Him our reverence, trust, and awe, acknowledging His sovereignty, submitting to His law.

**NOT UNTO US, O LORD, NOT UNTO US,
BUT TO YOUR NAME GIVE GLORY.**

Psalms 115:1

Old Testament

1. Genesis
2. Exodus
3. Leviticus
4. Numbers
5. Deuteronomy
6. Joshua
7. Judges
8. Ruth
9. 1 Samuel
10. 2 Samuel
11. 1 Kings
12. 2 Kings
13. 1 Chronicles
14. 2 Chronicles
15. Ezra
16. Nehemiah
17. Esther
18. Job
19. Psalms
20. Proverbs
21. Ecclesiastes
22. Song of Solomon
23. Isaiah
24. Jeremiah
25. Lamentations
26. Ezekiel
27. Daniel
28. Hosea
29. Joel
30. Amos
31. Obadiah
32. Jonah
33. Micah
34. Nahum
35. Habakkuk
36. Zephaniah
37. Haggai
38. Zechariah
39. Malachi

New Testament

1. Matthew
2. Mark
3. Luke
4. John
5. Acts
6. Romans
7. 1 Corinthians
8. 2 Corinthians
9. Galatians
10. Ephesians
11. Philippians
12. Colossians
13. 1 Thessalonians
14. 2 Thessalonians
15. 1 Timothy
16. 2 Timothy
17. Titus
18. Philemon
19. Hebrews
20. James
21. 1 Peter
22. 2 Peter
23. 1 John
24. 2 John
25. 3 John
26. Jude
27. Revelation

I am an imperfect being,
living in an
imperfect world,
Loved by a perfect God,
Who sees me
as complete in Him!
How can I go wrong!

I am just a Body,
Trying to tell Everybody
About Somebody
Who can Save Anybody!



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
PASTOR TRICE
AMERICA
&
JULY Saints!



ARE YOU JESUS?

As you read this, think about what you would do! This is really powerful and makes one think!!!!

A few years ago, a group of salesmen went to a regional sales convention in Chicago. They had assured their wives that they would be home in plenty of time for Friday night's dinner. In their rush, with tickets and briefcases, one of these salesmen inadvertently kicked over a table which held a display of apples. Apples flew everywhere. Without stopping or looking back, they all managed to reach the plane in time for their nearly missed boarding. **ALL BUT ONE!!!** He paused, took a deep breath, got in touch with his feelings, and experienced a twinge of compassion for the girl whose apple stand had been overturned. He told his buddies to go on without him, waved good-bye, told one of them to call his wife when they arrived at their home destination and explain his taking a later flight. Then he returned to the terminal where the apples were all over the terminal floor. He was glad he did. The 16-year-old girl was totally blind! She was softly crying, tears running down her cheeks in frustration, and at the same time helplessly groping for her spilled produce as the crowd swirled about her, no one stopping and no one to care for her plight.

The salesman knelt on the floor with her, gathered up the apples, put them back on the table and helped organize her display. As he did this, he noticed that many of them had become battered and bruised; these he set aside in another basket. When he had finished, he pulled out his wallet and said to the girl, "Here, please take this \$40 for the damage we did. Are you okay?" She nodded through her tears. He continued on with, "I hope we didn't spoil your day too badly." As the salesman started to walk away, the bewildered blind girl called out to him, "Mister...." He paused and turned to look back into those blind eyes. She continued, "Are you Jesus?" He stopped in mid-stride, and he wondered. Then slowly he made his way to catch the later flight with that question burning and bouncing about in his soul: "Are you Jesus?" Do people mistake you for Jesus? That's our Destiny, is it not? To be so much like Jesus that people cannot tell the difference as we live and interact with a world that is blind to His love, life and grace. If we claim to know Him, we should live, walk and act as He would. Knowing Him is more than simply quoting Scripture and going to church. It's actually living the Word as life unfolds day to day. You are the apple of His eye even though we, too, have been bruised by a fall. He stopped what He was doing and

picked you and me up on a hill called Calvary and paid in full for our damaged fruit. Please share this... Sometimes we just take things for granted, when we really need to be sharing what we know...Thanks

GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

Too many Christians are no longer fishers of men
But keepers of the aquarium.



Remember this, every time you pass that little penny in the parking lot. I always thought that it was for good luck, but I love this version better.

I found a penny today lying on the ground. But it's not just a penny, this little coin I've found. Found pennies come from heaven, that's what my Grandpa told me. He said Angels toss them down. Oh, how I loved that story. He said when an Angel misses you, they toss a penny down, sometimes just to cheer you up, to make a smile out of your frown. So, don't pass by that penny when you're feeling blue. It may be a penny from heaven that an Angel has tossed to you.

Angels are now watching over you.

