



TRUMPET SOUNDS

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FAITH OF OUR FORE-FATHERS

Many people in the world today are too busy to spend time in their relationship with the LORD.

Being Under Satan's Yoke

Can you see it?

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Much can be said of the faith of our forefathers *"who brought forth on this continent a new nation conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal."*

Yes, that was from The Gettysburg Address given by Abraham Lincoln. One thing most forgotten are the final words of that address which he gives to the future: *"It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."*

Our forefathers may not have gotten to taste the freedom for which they gave their lives. They were sacrificing for the future generations to enjoy.

There is another much earlier speech written before Lincoln's address from Paul to the Hebrews. **Heb 11:13** *These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.*

It takes a faithful generation to see the far off promise ahead and fight

for it. They could not only envision it by the spirit but were persuaded, embraced and confessed what they had not yet received.

Jesus brought the Kingdom of God with Him and gave it to those who would receive it: **Luke 17:21** *Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.*

The Kingdom of God is neither impotent nor deaf and dumb to our hearts if we are not asking amiss or wavering. (James 1:6; 4:3)

The key, however, in Heb 11:13 of how we receive the promises come after the **but** in that Scripture:

- ***That we should see it***
- ***Be persuaded of it***
- ***Embraced it***
- ***Confessed it***

Seeing faith is not done with the eyes of the flesh but the eyes of the spirit. See in the Word, be persuaded in the Word, embrace the Word and confess the Word.

By confessing the Word, I do not mean merely saying or repeating sentences from the Bible. I mean making the Word the conversation in which you walk. Your heart, tongue and feet believe it, speak it and walk it as a body in unity without the divisions of doubt. Impossible? Absolutely not. Hard work? Absolutely. So roll up the sleeves of your faith and set your heart to work.

Where the spirit of the LORD is there is liberty. If you think about that Scripture you can see also that when the spirit of the LORD is no longer

the covering for the land there is also no liberty. Liberty can only come from the Spirit of God. Our forefathers could see it, were persuaded of it, embraced it and confessed it. Today people choices come down to "free stuff" rather than freedom so they have elected people who can neither **see it** nor are they **persuaded of it** let alone **embrace or confess it**. Why? It is not on their agenda. Their agenda is to make you feel entitled to it if you follow their guidelines, which is not liberty. Rather than the home of the free and brave, we are the home of the owned and compliant. We are more like the "kept woman" of the system. A kept woman stays for what she can get but has control of nothing but the extras thrown her way.

It is time for a new revolution called repentance with a return to the zeal of our forefathers. It starts with a choice accompanied by actions. Let our prayer be:

Open the eyes of my heart, LORD, that I might see you...that I am fully persuaded of you enough to embrace and confess the Word. That just as your Spirit became flesh, that my flesh will become spirit in unison with you. I want to see you. I want to see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your Glory. Lord, pour out your power and love, as we cry Holy, Holy, Holy!



"GIVE US BARABBAS"

Barabbas was a thief and murderer, which is an unlikely candidate to get the popular vote. Yet there came a day when the Jews faced the Son of the Living God in an election with Barabbas and in a landslide decision gave Barabbas their vote. Do you know why? It was not because they liked everything for which he stood, as a matter of fact they did not like him much at all. They cast their vote for what they believed was the lesser of two evils.

Jesus was the opposite of the thief standing before them by giving to all in need. Jesus was not a murderer as his opponent but raised the dead and suffered the little children to come unto Him for such was the Kingdom of God. So what was His crime? Jesus was not recognized by their religion. He must have been thought a pollutant to their religion or what we today might call a cult...cult leader. After all, His disciples ate with unclean hands. He welcomed sinners and even ate with them. He healed on the Sabbath etc. etc. Jesus was off the mark of their religion. He was a cult leader, which they thought to be more of a threat than the thief and murderer who was Barabbas. Barabbas they could understand. Jesus was an alien who threatened their tradition with a faith they could not recognize or embrace.

At the election of release customary during the Passover feast the vote went to Barabbas. Here is the account: *Matt 27:24-25 When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands*

before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.

Not only did they elect the thief and murderer of innocent life but they demanded the responsibility of their actions to be upon their heads and head of the generations to come...to their own credit. As it has become clear throughout history, the Jews have gone from one captivity to another as well as the tortures and death of concentration camps etc. until the last of days prophesied in the Word when once again they regained their nation. They still, however, remain a focal point of envy and hatred among the nations of the world. The Jews have paid dearly for the confession made by their forefathers.

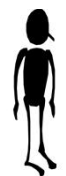
There are consequences to pay for the choices we make and those we elect. In this past election the Christian community by and large said "Give us Barabbas!" "Even though he has robbed us with excessive taxation and pressured the Christian based organizations to compromise their faith or pay penalties as well as greater abortion privileges; give us Barabbas". Barabbas was elected not because Christians agreed with his platform, but the other choice was...a Mormon...a cult. Yet we heard the testimonies of this Mormon's compassion as a minister of Christ, who was, by the way, his Savior, but it seemed not to sway the tide against him. The consequences are upon the heads of those who did not recognize Jesus as he

stood before us. "Give us Barabbas!" Well, we now have Barabbas and many are the scandals we acquired with this choice. More than that, however, is that our nation is in the hands of the spirit of Barabbas by an act of the people's will. We find ourselves in the last of days not having gone through the captivity for which the Jews spent many years, yet we face consequences we might not have had to experience had we not loosed Barabbas with carte blanche to change our nation.

Most of you readers are like-minded with me or you would surely not continue to read what I write. Even though we are counted in with the saints who did not bow with the others, it still rains on the just as well as the unjust. So pray for those who will be reaping the harder consequences, but prepare your ark for the flood ahead. Remember too, that Noah was in that rain when it fell just like those standing by. It was where he was positioned, in the ark, that made the difference. Those who had not climbed aboard with him were swept away. Noah faced the flood from inside the ark...bone dry. This is our hope and I want you to feel the encouragement that no matter what we face as a nation, we are on the surface of the flood not under its current of death.

We have every right to take courage being assured of our provision. Do not take this provision for granted. Listen to that still small voice and let Him steer you in the right direction to be aboard the ark at just the right time.

REFRIED BEANS/REFRIED BEINGS



Refried beans are beans that, after chosen, start out as pure simple beans, having been washed and cleaned, that go through the process of pulverization along with other such beans. They are then mixed with a few spices as well as vinegar turning it into a dip to be eaten.



Christians are like the refried beings. We are chosen and washed in water and cleansed in blood to become pure simple human-beans. Starting out as a bean is simple until the elements in life happen, and we get pulverized and smashed. As we recover we also enjoy periods of the spices of living but every now and again vinegar gets into the mix and our lives take a dip to be eaten by the enemy.



The refried part simply shows that we are still able to function in the Kingdom no matter what we have been through and still come out deliciously joyful! When the added ingredients of the body all work together, we make a caserole that exemplifies the "taste and see that God is GOOD!"

So take heart Little Human-Bean. No matter what comes your way, from the frying pan to the fire, get with all the ingredients, and even if you have lost your shape you will fit right in as the body of Christ. Just do not lose your saltiness and become bland no longer fit for the table at the wedding feast ahead. The only way to reach the heights is to help one another get there. AMEN?





WHAT'S THE POINT?

Nursery rhymes were written about events in history. Since there were many illiterate commoners, these rhymes were the scandalous news put to rhyme when people wanted to voice an opinion that could otherwise lead to their death. The meaning of the rhyme has gotten lost in the passing of history. For example this one: ***Mary, Mary, quite contrary, how does your garden grow? With silver bells and cockle shells and pretty maids in a row.***

The nursery rhyme so sweetly recited is actually in reference to Mary Tudor the daughter of King Henry VIII also known in history as "Bloody Mary". During her reign she sent to death many protestants who refused to convert to Catholicism. The silver bells and cockle shells were torture devices of which I will not give details except to say gruesome. After the torture did not work, the dissidents were sent to the guillotine called the "maiden" later shortened to the "maid"; the garden is the graveyard that grew from all she sent to their graves.

This is another credited to Bloody Mary: ***Three blind mice, three blind mice, See how they run, see how they run, They all ran after the farmer's wife, Who cut off their tails with a carving knife, Did you ever see such a thing in your life, As three blind mice?*** Queen Mary owned most all of the farm

land She also had three prominent noblemen who were in opposition with her. She cut off their efforts by torturing and burning them at the stake ending the conflict.

There are also other news events that birthed rhymes. The Great Fire of London in 1666 that ravaged the city was started in a bakery. The cakes made for children back then were initialed with the letter of the child's name. Many children died and the initial also marked their graves which was from the fire of the ovens, hence the poem: ***Pat a cake, Pat a cake, baker's man. Bake me a cake as fast as you can; Pat it and prick it and mark it with a 'B', And put it in the oven for Baby and me.***

George Villiers, 1st duke of Duke of Buckingham (1592–1628) was the lover of King James I. Villier's good looks also appealed to the ladies with which he had notorious affairs, however, that was overlooked due to his love affair with the English King, James I (1586-1625). He was disliked by all. Parliament, who finally lost patience, stopped the King intervening on behalf of "Georgie Porgie", which lead to his assassination.

Georgie Porgie pudding and pie, Kissed the girls and made them cry. When the boys came out to play, Georgie Porgie ran away.

Humpty Dumpty was in fact a large cannon used during the English Civil War in the Siege of Colchester (13 Jun 1648 - 27 Aug 1648). Colchester was strongly fortified by the Royalists and was laid to siege by the Parliamentarians (Roundheads). A huge cannon, colloquially called Humpty Dumpty, was strategically placed on the wall next to St Mary's Church. A shot from a Parliamentary cannon succeeded in damaging the wall beneath Humpty Dumpty which caused the cannon to tumble to the ground. The Royalists, or Cavaliers, "all the King's men" attempted to raise Humpty Dumpty on to another part of the wall. However, because the cannon, or Humpty Dumpty, was so heavy "All the King's horses and all the King's men couldn't put Humpty together again!"

Little Miss Muffet was a small girl whose name was Patience Muffet. Her stepfather, Dr. Muffet (1553-1604) was a famous entomologist who wrote the first scientific catalogue of British Insects. While eating her breakfast of curds and whey, Little Miss Muffet was frightened by one of his spiders and ran away!

The song "Jack and Jill Went Up the Hill" refers to King Louis XVI - Jack -who was beheaded (lost his crown) followed by his Queen Marie Antoinette - Jill - (who came tumbling after). Both had reached the "hill" of royalty before the fall.

Jack and Jill went up the hill to fetch a pail of water Jack fell down and broke his crown And Jill came tumbling after.

There are so many more like Ring Around the Rosie, which you probably already know was the Bubonic Plague, but what is my point?

I did not merely recite these nursery rhymes, but studied the history of them. I went beyond the surface and uneducated mindset to uncover the message for which they stood. This is what we are to do in the Word to uncover and see God and who we are in the Kingdom. I go beyond the surface as if an architect finding treasure yet careful not to damage the find. This is how we find the "mysteries" of God and the deep things hidden in plain sight.

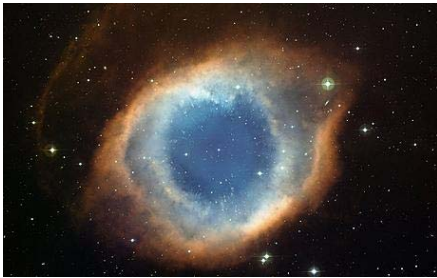
While the truth beneath the nursery rhymes is interesting, the Truth lying just beneath the Word of God is the life of the believer. Truth can be found if one is a seeker. The Holy Spirit is waiting to lead us into all Truth if we will take the time and show the desire to know.

With the passing of time many have lost their identity in Christ for Scriptures being nimbly recited as a rote memorization mixed with many sayings not written in the Word of God but accredited there in ignorance no different than...a nursery rhyme.

Get the point?

Jeremiah 23:23-24 Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off? Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD. [Can you find Him?]

From Space?



An artist concept?



An ancient shroud?



An aerial from the sky?



On the airport floor?

From burnt bacon on a frying pan?

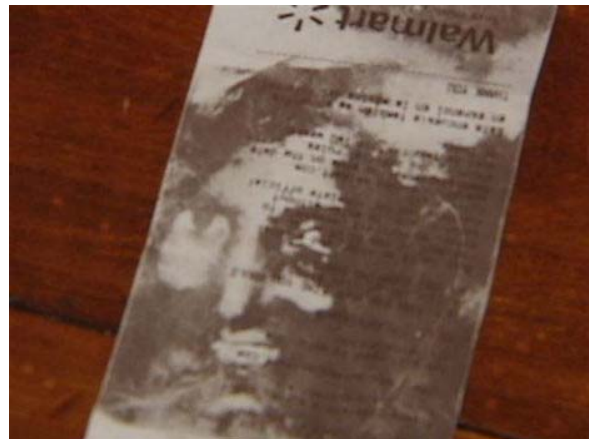
Uncovered on a barn wall ?



On a rock?

In the branches of a tree or clouds?

In the sky above?



In everything we eat and do?

On a Wal-Mart receipt?

DO YOU RECOGNIZE HIM?

Ps 139:7-10 Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

There is no place to go where God is not already. Just as the pictures I gathered on page 4, we see the LORD in everything. If you do not, then you are not looking or you need to get a closer walk.

The Wal-Mart receipt pictured at the bottom of p.4 was a story on the news about a couple who had been shopping right before leaving for church. They put the receipt down on the counter...a dry counter top and left. The message at church that night asked if Jesus presented Himself to them would He be recognized. When they got home they saw not only the receipt but recognized a face...Jesus. Upon examination of the receipt the only thing that could have caused it was great heat enough to cause the coloration yet not burn the

paper. They believe to this day that Jesus was illustrating the sermon by appearing in a most unusual way.

The picture of the splotch on the Arizona airport floor was recognized by enough people that a news crew went and interviewed people on the spot. One woman thought it was either gum or poop and another said it could have been mold.

The majority, however, said it looked like a man's face and in the next breath said Jesus. It is true what they say about beauty being in the eye of the beholder or Jesus in the eye of the believer!

Jesus appears to us in many ways, and if we will notice we will see Him even without the visual. We will sense His presence.

I remember hearing the testimony of a nun who went to visit the Holy Lands with a tour group. She had heard of others seeing Jesus in miraculous appearances and decided it was her turn. She told God she craved a personal appearance and went on her journey excited at the prospect of "seeing" Him. There was a young man in the tour group who seemed to gravitate to her. They sat together on the bus and ate together all throughout the tour. She described Him as a "hippy"

wearing a Jesus T-shirt no less, but he was pleasant company and she found that during the trip she enjoyed being with him, but concentrated more on trying to recognize Jesus. At each historical marker she would focus on Jesus presence but nothing out of the ordinary manifested. When she got to the tomb of Christ she waited until everyone had gone, then waited for a sign or appearance...anything at all from Jesus. Again nothing out of the ordinary materialized. The main highlight of the trip was her new "hippie" friend and the historical scenery. Upon returning home she was put out with the LORD and asked Him why He did not appear for her. His answer was short and simple, "It was I who sat next to you on the bus." Her mind went back over all she had talked about with the "hippie" and of his gracious assistance and attention she was given...JESUS! He even had His name on His shirt for her to identify Him.

Isa 53:2 ...he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

To know Him is to love Him! Would you recognize Him?

"REDEEMED"

LORD, once again I've fallen from the depths which you saved me
Even though redeemed, I've let evilness enslave me

In my lusts, my pride, my filthy condition
I've re-crucified Christ in my selfish ambition

Am I a child of light not shaded by variance
Or a prodigal son wasting His inheritance?

You don't want my excuses, my fits and its "buts"
You want a pure spotless bride not a justified slut

Every sin I commit, I feel lower and lost
Like, I hammer the nails in your wrists on the cross

I'm the worst of all sinners; it's the darkest of days
No matter what happens the guilt still remains

In the midst of despair, I can barely hear it
"Don't live by the flesh, but live by My Spirit"



Sin once reigned in a dark, twisted, union
Now is replaced by My Holy communion

So lift up your head, son, it's time to start living
My flesh was ripped off and you've been forgiven

Take your eyes off the blemish; it's not what it seems
I paid the ransom and your soul is redeemed

Don't Look at the sin; just look to Me
So I can give life, freedom and peace

My blood that was spilled, cleaned every last stain
Death was served notice so life can remain

Would you come to My presence; would you sit at My feet
Forget all the past and just listen to Me?

Yes, you still have purpose; you still have a plan
I hold every answer in the palm of My hand

-Joseph C. Kosma