A BIBLICAL GUIDE ON

HOW TO WIN YOUR LOST LOVED ONES TO CHRIST

Proof That God Answers Prayers Concerning Household Salvation

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DEDICATION

This book is gratefully dedicated to my friends and Church Family (August 2016 to the time of this writing) of Abner Baptist Church Spartanburg, SC. I wish to extend a most heart-felt thanks for your faithfulness to The Lord as well as to My wife Kathryn and myself during the fiery trials we were privileged to endure for Him. My prayer is simply that The Lord will continue to bless every one of you as you remain faithful in His Service.

To Absent Friends and Prayer Warriors Now With The Lord:

Sister Ann Roland

Sister Shirley Hurd

Sister Brenda Sisk

Deacon Perry Smith

And to my loyal friend and mentor in the faith

Associate Pastor Jack Sisk



FORWARD

“Familiarity breeds contempt” is an old cliché used often to describe that feeling one gets when not taken seriously about something they are trying to convince family, close friends or even those with whom they work very close with on a daily basis. Sharing Christ with our family is one of those things for Christians that most always falls into this category.

While teaching in the synagogues of Nazareth, His hometown, Jesus met this type of resistance and felt similar frustrations. Just like the people we come in contact with on a daily basis, the people in the synagogues where Jesus taught, viewed Him as “just one of them”, “a hometown boy” and “just a carpenter’s son”. How could He possibly know more than them or have something to offer that they had not already heard? (Matthew 13:54-58)

After many years of spending time with Dr. Jim Thomas in personal conversations, long phone calls and untold numbers of emails, I have come to know his heart for his family’s salvation and those whom he calls his “extended” family, the members of the church he is presently serving and the many other churches where God has allowed him to minister the Word. Throughout this long relationship of 30 or more years, “Pastor Jim” has shared many concerns with me about the conditions of the church and how we as Christians so often lose sight of Jesus’ commission to “.....Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.” (Mark 16:15) Often we exclude that part of the world closest to us, our family.

As you read Dr. Thomas’ book, A Biblical Guide On How To Win Your Lost Loved-Ones To Christ Or Proof That God Answers Prayers Concerning Household Salvation, you will be given a step-by-step approach to winning your family to Christ based upon God’s Word. I trust and pray you, like myself, will choose to take the challenge before us as we prayerfully work to lead our loved ones to Christ. (Philippians 4:13)

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AUTHOR'S PREFACE

From many earnest hearts of true believers there is a rising cry as to why family, friends and other loved ones do not accept Christ as their Saviour. The answer can be found in the fact that first, the Devil does not want anyone to come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Jesus, in John 10:10 tells us what kind of individual Satan is: "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy…" and second, it is this writers opinion that believers have failed their families, friends and other loved ones through a lack of prayer and faith in claiming and believing God's promises to save those dearest to them as Acts 16:31; 34 tells us. "31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house. 34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house."

I was saved at the age of 19 the first Tuesday night of January 1975 at 8:45pm while attending an old-fashioned round-table cottage prayer meeting. While each person took their turn praying, it was made very clear to me by the Holy Spirit that I was lost and on my way to a Devil's hell, and it was at that moment that, without waiting for my turn to pray that I cried out to God for salvation. Upon doing so, a very precious saint and a man of God, who is long since gone to be with the Lord jumped up and hugged my neck with tears streaming down his cheeks and told me; "Praise God Jimmy! I have been praying for you for some time and God has now answered my prayer for you."

I knew even before I was saved that God was calling me to the ministry, and so, the following Wednesday night, I answered that call without hesitation! It has been 40+ years since that wonderful night, and God has allowed me to preach to thousands across His wonderful world. This was made possible as I joined the United States Marine Corps at the ripe old age of 17 "right out of High School," where I spent well over 20+ years as an Enlisted man, serving and watching God open doors for this country preacher to bring the glorious gospel to lost and dying men and women of the military.





Throughout my ministry, I have heard numerous sermons on Acts 16:31 as well as preached that text many, many times. Yet, the realization of its true meaning was never as clear to me as it has been over the last few month of 2019.
God desires and longs for us that are saved to pray with faith believing that He will save our lost loved ones just as the scriptures imply.

It is my great desire that as believers, you will come to the knowledge and understanding that God has promised not only to save you and I, but He has also promised to save our household!

It continues to be my great desire that if you, who are reading this, find yourself lost and without Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour, that you will right now take this opportunity to pray and ask Jesus to come into your heart and save you and your house!

May The Lord add His blessings to this work as well as those who Read, Hear and Obey Him.

Yours In Him For Others
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