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"WHY HASN'T IT HAPPENED?"

"Every Christian knows about Jesus' great command, but the great question is, 'Why hasn't it happened?' asked Ghandi. 'This is my commandment: that you should love one another.' Words from Jesus. 'If Christianity has failed, it is not because it has been tried and found wanting, but because it has never truly been tried.' G. K. Chesterton

Christianity is often presented as a never-ending search for answers and truth- and that somehow everyone's opinion is good as anyone else's opinion as long as it is "My Truth". Or that it is only about love and manning the barricades, social justice, the poor and needy. Christianity and humanism are NOT the same thing. Clearly, they are not. Not that we must not care for and respect ALL PEOPLE AND THEIR RELIGION. The Christian life is not just an ethical life; it is a personal encounter with Jesus Christ, made possible by the power of the Holy Spirit that flows over to help those in need.

The church's first calling is to evangelize. 'Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations... teach them to carry out EVERYTHING I HAVE COMMANDED YOU...' To share the basic message that God the Father sent His only son to proclaim. ONE MESSAGE. Jesus came to free us from sin, Satan and death and that His followers had to personally commit their lives to Jesus accepting Him as Lord and savior and to have the effective POWER of the Holy spirit released in their lives so they can have the power to live this NEW LIFE.

The renewal proposed by Vatican II presupposed that the Christian message had been appropriated by most Catholic/Christian people. It was not. We have a misshapen Christianity - misshapen churches. **"Most Catholics (and Christians) have been "sacramentalized" and not evangelized."** - Bishop Flores, San Antonio. It is an alarming FACT that 80% of young people who have been raised Catholic leave the church by age 23.



A Christian man wrote an op-ed piece to his local newspaper complaining that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. "I've gone for 30 years now," he wrote "and in that time I have heard something like 3000 sermons. But for the life of me I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time, and the pastors are wasting their time.

His article started a big controversy in the "Letters of the Editor" column much to the delight of the editor. It went on for weeks until someone wrote the clincher: "I've been married for 30 years. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But for the life of me, I can't recall what the menu was for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me those meals, I would be dead today." Touche! Does this mean that there are a lot of dead people walking around always complaining about their Sunday meal? This story is sure a challenge to the people who say "I don't go to church. I'M NOT



RELIGIOUS BUT I AM SPIRITUAL". *If you feel separated from God, guess who moved. The only thing that separates you from God is the **THOUGHT** that you are separated from Him.*

When was the last time you asked yourself, "WHY AM I HERE?" "WHAT IS MY PURPOSE ON THIS EARTH?"

In 1943, I was in first grade with Sister Josita as my teacher, we loved her, and she loved us, actually, **FIRST AND SECOND** grade in one room. YES, 60 PLUS STUDENTS IN ONE CLASS (teachers today would have a nervous breakdown- can you hear the TEACHERS Union screaming in the background?) - and we learned because we were disciplined at home and school reinforced that personal discipline (some fear, a little fear is good). We listened quietly and obeyed the way children are supposed to. Sister Josita had us memorize two simple questions and answers.

First question in the Baltimore Catechism -
"Who made me?"

Q & A

Answer -
"GOD MADE ME."

Second Question -
"Why did God make me?"

Q & A

Answer- God made me to KNOW Him, to LOVE Him, and to SERVE Him in this world and to be happy with Him forever in Heaven.

MY purpose on earth was resolved. From then on, the task was to grow into it, to make this OBJECTIVELY REAL for me personally.

If this is TRUE, AND IT IS, from my own experience, can you gather what is wrong with the world? TRULY!!! Too many Ph.D.'s, humanists, doing the thinking. TRUTH for socialists and the far left (college profs -90%) in our country is PURELY SUBJECTIVE BUT, on the other hand, THEIR GOSPEL IS "You have to believe what I SAY." -OR YOU ARE IN ERROR! There is only one virtue for socialists, and it is OBEDIENCE.

"Do not fear when a man grows rich, When the glory of his house increases. He takes nothing with him when he dies, His glory does not follow him below. Though he flattered himself while he lived: Men will praise me for my success, Yet he will go to join his fathers, Who will never see the light anymore." Psalm 49

Restore, defend and protect marriage between a man and a woman. Restore, support and care for families that raise their OWN children, and in one generation, you will CHANGE THE WORLD. The best recipe, the optimal psychological and societal formula for the human family and success in ANY CULTURE is having solid marriages, husbands and wives loving each other, and raising their own children. EVERY other arrangement is LESS. YES, even the day care center!! EGO, MONEY, CAREER, CONTROL, SUCCESS, ETC. ? Cars, vacations, houses, clothes, lawns? All in their proper place!!!! Why not "go green" here??



WHAT IF GOD HAD VOICEMAIL?

Imagine praying and hearing: "Thank you for calling my Father's house."

Please select one of the following four options:

Press 1, for requests, **Press 2**, for regrets **Press 3**, for complaints; For Michael or Gabriel, **Press 4**, All other inquiries, **press 5**. You will never hear the excuse: **All the angels are helping other customers right now. Please stay on the line.** Your call will be answered in the order that it was received.

For nagging questions about dinosaurs, the age of the earth, and where Noah's ark is, wait until you get here. For reservations here at my Father's House, simply press JOHN followed by the numbers 3:16. To find out if a relative is here, enter the date of death, and listen to the list that follows."

God is always open for business. YOU ONLY NEED TO RING ONCE AND He hears you. You never get a busy signal. God takes each call and knows each caller personally. He always answers, "**Here I am**".

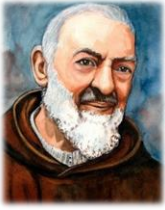
Creativity is GONE because quiet time and boredom are gone. Mothers saying, "**Go do something!**" is gone. Instead, we have busyness, kids in day care, fighting for toys, keep them busy so they don't have time to BE or BECOME, day care centers no matter what they are called. e.g. Learning, Discovery Centers. **"All of life's problems come from man's inability to spend time alone in his room."** Pascal. It is so easy to become a part of the general system of delusion. **America, the country that pretends to care for its children.** Cindy, my sons and I are babysitting our 5-month-old grandson, so he won't have to even touch a Day Care Center. I know not everybody can do this, but it is the correct thing.



There are two ways to save the fish from a polluted pond. One is to pull the fish out one at a time; the other way is to change the water. The second way saves the fish FOR KEEPS. What pond are you trying to change?



IF YOU ARE TOO BUSY TO CALL, YOU ARE TOO BUSY!! *"I woke up this morning and paused before entering the day; I had so much to accomplish that I had to take time to pray." Retirement provides more prayer time!! Divine love is waiting for us to give its immense energy an occasion to flow.*



Padre Pio is the only priest in Catholic history to bear the Stigmata, the five wounds of Jesus Crucified. He was also blessed with the gifts of discernment of spirits, prophecy, healing, bilocation and more. On September 7, 1910, while at prayer in Piana Romana, where his family's farmhouse is located, he received the invisible Stigmata. On September 20, 1918, while praying in the chapel in San Giovanni Rotondo, Padre Pio received the visible Stigmata, the five wounds of Christ, a wound on his left side, and bleeding wounds in his hands and feet, which he bore for 50 years. One of his most important works is the hospital, La Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza, the Home for the Relief of Suffering, in San Giovanni dedicated in 1956.

Some of Padre Pio's counsels:

- *"Pray, hope and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer."*
- *"Prayer is the best weapon we have; it is the key to God's heart. You must speak to Jesus not only with your lips but with your heart. In fact, on certain occasions you should speak to Him ONLY WITH YOUR HEART." (Here he is counselling contemplative prayer. All of us are called to contemplation.)*
- *"If you are unable to speak due to your clumsiness, don't worry. In the ways of the Lord, stop in your room and pay Him homage. God will see this and will be pleased with your patience, will favor your silence, and you will be consoled."*

No PRIDE is as great or obnoxious as RELIGIOUS, SPIRITUAL, or INTELLECTUAL pride!!! Look at me!!

DETACHMENT FROM EVERYTHING IS ANOTHER WORD FOR RETIREMENT. Retirement is for PRAYER.



Give me the names of all the people you don't like, and I will counsel them, and YOU will get better. **"Love one another as I have loved you."** - Jesus



A recent Yale University study has found that the spike protein contained in the Covid vaccine does not disappear as the scientists claimed but can stay in the body for years causing damage to the immune system, triggering autoimmunity and viral reactivations. Millions of people who took the shot were hurt and this is the tip of the iceberg.

Johns Hopkins medical experts are now reporting what they call *"turbo cancers"* among adults who took the covid vaccine and heart attacks in children who, at that age, are almost NEVER in danger of heart attacks. NON-TRUTH KILLS! So sorry to the poor *silenced dissenting voices* who tried to warn us about Covid. !!! *"Do good, Lord, to those who are good, to the upright of heart; but the crooked and those who do evil, drive them away."* Psalm 125



Be it known that University of Pittsburgh scientists took the scalps of aborted five-month-old babies and stitched them onto the backs of lab rats. The scientists were growing the aborted babies' hair on the rodents. The scientists described these aborted babies' scalps as "full thickness human fetal skin" cut from the heads and backs of babies, then "processed via removal of excess fat" underneath the baby's skin before stitching it on to the rats. Paid for by a nearly half-a -million- dollar "research" grant from Dr. Anthony Fauci's NIAID office at the National Institute of Health. The Pitt scientist who invented this brutal experiment received nearly \$3 million from the Nation Institute of Health.



The Bill Gates Foundation and Planned parenthood have begun harvesting baby body parts in the Dominican Republic, one of the last abortion-free countries in the world. 93% of Planned Parenthood revenue comes from abortions. Now they are profiting from the poor people of the Dominican Republic. Thank you, Bill!





MOTHER TERESA ON DEATH ROW: Once when Mother Teresa visited the United States to open another house to serve the poor, she visited the condemned men on San Quentin's Death Row. One of the inmates, Michael

Wayne Hunter, wrote with a fierce eloquence about his encounter with her; *"I heard the guard call: 'Don't go into your cells and lock up. Mother Teresa stayed to see you guys, too!' So, I jogged up to the front in gym shorts and a tattered basketball shirt with the arms ripped out, and on the other side of the security screen was this tiny woman who looked one hundred years old. Yes, it was Mother Teresa.*

You have to understand that, basically I'm a dead man. I don't have to observe any sort of social convention; and as a result, I can break all the rules, say what I want. But one look at this Nobel Prize winner, this woman so many people view as a living saint, and I was speechless. Incredible vitality and warmth came from her wizened piercing eyes. She smiled at me, blessed a religious medal, and handed it to me. I wouldn't have walked voluntarily to the front of the tier to see the Warden, the Governor, the President, or the Pope. I could not care less about them. But standing before this woman, all I could say was, 'Thank you, Mother Teresa.'

Then I stepped back to let another dead man come forward to receive his medal. Some years later, when another of the men she visited that day was scheduled for execution, Mother Teresa personally called California's governor Pete Wilson to ask for clemency for him." **Michael Wayne Hunter's death sentence was commuted to life in prison without the possibility of parole in 2002.**

We have a dear friend, Sister Claire, a Sister of Mercy, who taught all six of our children when they were in first grade, when Sister Claire joined the Sisters of Mercy they had 800 nuns in the community. Today they are 72 and many are retired or ill. We need Catholic families and schools that truly transform spiritual lives.



DIVINE LOVE waits for US to give its IMMENSE ENERGY an occasion to FLOW, IN PRAYER. So, pray that you can give God's immense energy an opportunity to FLOW. *"We have such control over God's immense energy!!! The safest thing in the universe is to fall into the hands of the living God. God, who provided the universe, provides what we need in every moment of time. You are already something wonderful, made in the image and likeness of God, a light that never goes out, placed in a body in an evolving universe, a consciousness that is able to respond to the advances of God."* Thomas Keating WOW! Lucky YOU!!

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