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Help for the “Least of These My Brethren”

Brethren, Watching this week as my home state and places very familiar to me are devastated by floods, I am reminded of Katrina and the hurricanes of 2004-2006. In the aftermath of those hurricanes, 4 of which passed over us, volunteers flooded our state to help with the aftermath and clean up. Local churches hosted the rescue teams, housing them in church basements etc. Traveling volunteers like the RV Campers, the Ross’s and the Clarks, came to our area to help later that spring. Helping us, they rebuilt the porch on the rear of the ministry.

Once, when working for Operation Rescue in 1991, I witnessed the Body of Christ come from all over the world, literally, in defense of the Unborn babies being killed in third trimester abortion clinics. That corporate move of the Body of Christ amazed me. The power of God to send so many men and women, young and old from across the world, for His purposes still impresses me. I was arrested four times with them in Wichita, Ks., as we protested the abortuaries. I volunteered 6 months with the legal side of helping those arrested. Now I am seeing the same thing as I watched the videos on Samaritanspurse.org. Christians from all over sent by God, bringing themselves to Baton Rouge, La., to help clean up some of the 40,000 homes destroyed in the flooding. They prayed with the victims, they laughed as they worked and they asked nothing in return. These videos broke my heart but made my spirit soar. I graduated Nursing School at the infamously Katrina flooded Charity Hospital in New Orleans. I worked and lived in Baton Rouge in the 1990’s. I have relatives there. It means so much to see our donations being used to give not only practical help, but spiritual help as well.

There is so much going on the national stage that the media has pretty much chosen to ignore this disaster. It is said to be hard raising funds without media exposure. **Samaritans Purse has been on the ground from day one, making the impossible possible with the Lord.** I strongly recommend that you go to samatarinspurse.org and watch for yourself. They need more volunteers and more donations. I don’t need to tell you that Franklin Graham heads up Samaritans Purse and their charity rating as one of the best, so we are assured that God is in control of it all.

While I am talking about this, I might add that there are many people asking for your money in ‘ministry’. I firmly believe right now that the pressing need is for our persecuted brethren in the Middle East. Christians are dying for their faith right now, beheaded, if you will, simply because they name the name of Christ. Search your heart and your conscience to help these precious saints. Give them a cup of water in His name. Even now the dead are under the altar in heaven, pleading “How long O Lord, holy and true, do you not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?” Rev 6:10

All these are the beginning of sorrows. Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. Matt 24:8-14 NKJV

Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. NKJV Rev 20:4



Unusual Feedback!

Dear Salas, thank you for the information you sent me concerning card playing. I introduced the subject to the individuals and they were speechless. I tell the men all the time, Jesus didn't play cards, chess, checkers, Dominos. He was about His Father's business. But yet men think that I'm too religious or

narrow minded, "Oh, God wants you to have fun all the time," they say.

My fun is gaining wisdom, knowledge, and understanding which is something I lacked, and that's why I'm here, well, in prison. But since exercising the Wisdom, Knowledge and Understanding the Holy Spirit gave me, I'm using it to better transform my life towards the positive because I desire to be a leader, yes, in the church and my household. So playing cards and anything else that takes me away from my calling, I need to let go. I was mentoring a guy or brother, and he wanted to play cards with me all day. I found myself playing cards, yet lacking in my studies. Immediately I put a stop to it and he got mad. Then when cheating got involved, I know that's from the devil. And I wanted or tried to keep my mind on those things which are spiritual and not neglect my calling. So, that's why I asked for the information and you blessed me with it. They didn't believe me but now they do! So thanks and may the grace of God continue to bless you. Keep me in your prayers. Because He lives, David L. FL *Eileen researched the origin of cards and sent it to him.*



Another unusual Post Essay on "your local body" in our bible study.

It's very shallow, mostly because we are at a Work Camp. 99% of pastors and clergy think that we don't need ministering to because we are going home soon. But that is so wrong. Most of the men here are between 3, 4, 5, and even 9 years of going home. So most churches and pastors don't come here. This is the biggest problem why inmates come back to prison. They start out serving the Lord, but clergy and pastors neglect Christian men at the Work Camp. Then spiritually they fall because of a lack of fellowship and church. This is one of the reasons I'm doing Bible Studies, a lot of reading and studying. I started out with some bible study, but work outside and other things split this up. Plus, we have brothers who are always arguing Once Saved Always Saved or some kind of divisions.

Graduate expresses thanks

Dear A John & Eileen Sala Ministry, I want to thank you for all the help you gave me and for the beautiful bible. I was surprised when I got the Bible in the mail before my letter. I showed everyone my Bible. I am sure proud of it. I have learned so much studying with y'all. It's been nice.

I thought I better get y'all a letter. I'm in the Faith-based dorm and I feel they need this in every prison, men and women. The volunteers are awesome like anyone who takes away from their family to help strangers. It takes a very special person. I want to do this if I ever get out. I helped people in the world before I came in here and never helped anyone in jail or prison. I feel God wants this to be my mission in life.

Essay, Marriage, Family, Parenting Class

I've learned that in life not everything will go your way. And that you have to have an understanding. This class has helped me open my eyes to things I used to be **blind to**. Anywhere from your brain to respecting your spouse to respecting peoples boundaries. I've also learned about family violence and how to prevent it. I've learned that as you were young you don't understand a lot of these things. Now I wish as I was growing up I would have learned what this class has taught me. I might not have put my family or friends what I've been through today. I've also learned about drugs and what they cause to the human brain. I learned more about God and now it does help to pray and have FAITH. This class opened my eyes to things that will better our lifestyles. I also learned a lot of statistics of suicides. I believe that people should take this class on a weekly basis in life. It will help them overcome their addiction. It will also just help a conflict in a marriage or relationship. I know a lot more now than before I took this class. And I'm happy. Thank You!



Essay : Describe your local church in prison, Lesson 3-1 At 10:00 p.m. each night a group of us women do a prayer circle. We pray, lift each other up, give praise reports and every 2 weeks we do charity bags to 2 women who don't have any outside help. Once a week on Sundays starting at 12:00a.m. we do a 24 hour prayer watch. Someone every hour on the hour is praying for 24 hours. We also sing songs to the Lord same as in our prayer circle. If an emergency occurs or someone is downhearted we have emergency prayer call. Amen.

Essay on Discipline, Lesson 4-2

I was abused in my childhood to the point of fear and dread and then finally early teens given up on. Resulting in a terrible effect on my life; resulting in abuse to others and finally ended up in the taking of another human life, of which I'm so so sorry for and only wish a million times over the chance to redo that moment in time that effected so many people over the tragic loss of a person and the taking of his life regardless what triggered the action in a moment's heated argument. Only God made it possible for me to forgive myself, but I'm reminded for the past 39 years by the state of Florida, that mercy and forgiveness is not in their laws, which make's receiving and believing God's true mercy and forgiveness even harder, but I can say, His love broke through and is greater than what I'm seeing and feeling so far...forgiving them at this point also was a great break th4rough. Only wish I could be paroled and share the power of God's loving mercy to forgive and save such a true sinner as my past life and be offered and given an eternal heritage in His great kingdom. Thank you, Jesus.

Graduate Thanks....

To everyone at Little Lambs. God's grace and peace be with you always. It is hard to believe that it has been two years since I began my journey with you. This study has been a true blessing to me. I have been enrolled in several studies and this one has been the most in-depth and rewarding of them all.

The way that the subject material is presented and the scriptures to support it has greatly enhanced my knowledge and understanding of God's truth and wisdom. These studies are simple and easy to understand yet they are extremely thought provoking. They make you pause and reflect on what God is saying and how it is to be applied in our lives. It is with some degree of sadness that I have come to the completion of this course as I have looked forward to receiving each new study. I would dearly love to meet every one of you in person to thank you personally for your love and compassion which God has blessed you with. Perhaps it will be God's will for this to become a reality in the future. Should it not be in His plan then I look forward to seeing everyone when our Lord, Savior, and Friend Jesus comes to take us home. May God bless and keep you and continue to grow and prosper this truly wonderful work that you are doing for Him. To God be the glory! Your brother in Christ, Leslie

From: Your Little Lamb, Marlon V. a true born-again believer in Christ and chosen instrument for God's dear son, Christ Jesus. **To:** my dearly and beloved brothers and sisters at Little Lambs Ministry and those who make this ministry possible. May Almighty God smile on you and give you favor. I'm writing these short lines only with the purpose to extend a word of appreciation toward you dear people. And at the same time I want to say Thank You! Thank you for being there. Thank you for your time, patience and commitment in serving people like me- an immigrant -an indigent- and an unfortunate man behind bars. Your lessons are helping me a lot! Through them I can kill 3 'beards' with only one stone. I can learn the spiritual truths, memorize some of the scriptures and learn to write a little more better. As an Hispanic man I cannot handle the English language very well. Thanks be to God who through the help of the Holy Spirit I have learned to read and write a little. There are no opportunities for an immigrant to attend school. But thanks be to our Lord, when there a door is shut, He then opens another. As an uneducated man, I can say that by the grace of God I have learned a lot of things here. The most important thing I have learned is about God's word. Now through His word I'm learning how to be a humble servant of the Most High. I'm learning how I can be empowered by the Holy Spirit so that I can serve God first then His dear and chosen people.

Several days ago when I read the testimony of the Founder of this ministry, one of the prison of Miami was mentioned there. Then my mind went back to this place cause I know it, and I was there serving time. My Beloved please pray for my family. I have no contact with them. And pray for my sign language learning. I'm learning the American Sign language and let me tell you that I like this stuff! My goal is to become a minister and I will get everything helpful to my ministry. So don't give you on us, your work is not in vain. Marlon TX

Dear Partners,

The end of summer is here and if you are like me, a breath of fall would be great. This Florida sauna is getting old! Thanks to Jan and the volunteers I was able to spend a lovely 7 days with grandchildren. My book "How to



Babysit a Grandmother" really came in handy. I got in a lot of physical exercise like playing on the floor, walking to the park in 98 degree heat, and picnics. I had a great time. And to end the week, my daughter, Natalie, come with her son and the two babies got to know each other. It was great. Here is Emmett on the left and Henry on the right. Trying to keep them still for this photo was hilarious. We are working on getting the third little guy, little Alex, to know the family.

Now it's time to settle in begin all the classes. Willie and I are excited as we have great classes this fall. Willie has 20 men in his Overcomers Class. I think I have close to 35 men in the Marriage and Family Class. They are a very attentive lot and we are eager to share the Lord with them. I can see that my group has many men who are not religious or rather, have no experience with the bible or with the Lord. This is a great thing!!! Please pray for them and for our Chaplain and new warden who will be sent to us. One great thing, we have a witness every week. The guard who is usually in the chapel during our classes, is a former student of mine!! Mr. Parker attended class out side with me in the spring for personal enrichment and it's a blessing to see him every week. We get great treatment! He says he wants to bring his wife to class in September. Amen.

This month has been time to take apart the garden at Grace Place and renew the beds and hopefully re-mulch the whole garden. Our mango and avocado trees are finally bearing fruit as well as the guavas. We first tilled the beds as the roots from the giant trees invade the watered beds. Then we brought in 3 yards of garden soil and in a few hours the guys had beds filled and Javier tilled them and made them ready for planting. The fence is being reinforced as the years have been hard on it. All the irrigation was checked and heads replaced. Please pray for these men as they continue their program. From the left: Frank Kimrey, Renaldo Ortega, Javier Diaz, Hector Almondovar, Jose Medinilla, Jose Jamamillo, Carlos Cortes, and Vincent Desilvis. We also want to thank everyone who brought them fruit, melons, mangos and bought their pies.

Schedule September 2016

Mon...Avon Park Prison Bible Study

Mon...Overcomers with Hogar Resa

Tue...Overcomers Avon Park Prison

**Tue...Marriage & Family/Biblical
Boundaries Avon Park Prison**

**Wed...Anger Management/Biblical
Boundaries First Presbyterian
Church @ 7 pm**

**Wed... Overcomers Bible Fellowship
Church @ 6 pm**

**Thurs..Released to Love, Women Co-
dependent recovery @ 6:30 pm**

**@ Little Lambs Inc
Counseling by Appointment
863-273-7388**

Remember, the outside Marriage, Family & Parenting Class will begin on September 7 at the First Presbyterian Church. Call Eileen to attend.
Much love and gratitude, Eileen Sala

