



Dear Friend of *Abiding Above*,

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When I walk into my study the globe lights automatically and the picture seems to glow. The picture above the globe was given to me by Victoria Kuhl, who God used to help me discern His call for me to ministry. The globe is a gift from my wife and daughter this past Christmas. We see Jesus walking along the Emmaus Road with two disciples. This corner is a constant reminder of what Jesus left His children here on earth to do in this brief moment called time ...



“Go and make disciples to the nations ...”

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Luke 24:13–15 – *“Two of Jesus’ followers were walking to the village of Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem. As they walked along they were talking about everything that had happened. As they talked and discussed these things, Jesus himself suddenly came and began walking with them”*

Luke 24:27 – *“Then Jesus took them through the writings of Moses and all the prophets, explaining from all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.”*

Luke 24:32 – *They said to each other, “Didn’t our hearts burn within us as he talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?”*

My friend, no matter a person’s vocation or season in life, we must all share our story with others on how we entered into an eternal relationship and daily walk with Jesus Christ. We must be willing and patient to grow others up in Christ.



Years ago, I disciplined a man named Larry, who became a disciple maker. He gave me this little boat with a scripture reference:

Galatians 4:19 – *“Oh, my dear children! I feel as if I’m going through labor pains for you again, and they will continue until Christ is fully developed in your lives.”*

I often use rigging a ship’s sails as an example of discipling another. The wind is the Holy Spirit who blows each person according to God’s will and not our own. God’s Word written by the Holy Spirit is the rudder that guides us in every season and area of our lives.

We continue as a nation and as individuals to navigate the coronavirus pandemic.

Pandemic - A pandemic is an epidemic occurring on a scale that crosses international boundaries, usually affecting people on a worldwide scale.

Let’s continue to pray for those with preexisting health problems who are most susceptible to this virus. Let’s pray for the families who have lost loved ones as a result of this pandemic. Let’s also remember, prior to this pandemic, as God’s children, we have been continually seeing the increasing signs of our Lord’s soon return. This is a most opportune time for us to be sharing the gospel with those who are deceived. We can do this, only, by the Holy Spirit “in us” who has already shed His agape love abroad in our hearts.

My friend, we know who’s behind this present world system. The Bible clearly teaches that God is sovereign overall, and Satan is the ruler of this age. Our true and eternal home is in heaven.



2 Timothy 3:1-5 – “You should know this, Timothy, that in the last days there will be very difficult times. For people will love only themselves and their money. They will be boastful and proud, scoffing at God, disobedient to their parents, and ungrateful. They will consider nothing sacred. They will be unloving and unforgiving; they will slander others and have no self-control. They will be cruel and hate what is good. They will betray their friends, be reckless, be puffed up with pride, and love pleasure rather than God. They will act religious, but they will reject the power that could make them godly.”

When Jesus comes and gets us, let's be doing what Jesus did. Let's be making disciples who make disciples. We have tracts and Bible lessons already in place. We need hands to give them out wherever you go.

This Old Picture Says It All...

Through your prayers and giving, we purchase these by the thousands. Those who complete a lesson and mail it in will have their lesson graded and returned back to them with their next consecutive lesson included. When these individuals complete a series, we send them a certificate of completion and automatically begin them in the next series of discipleship lessons.

John 5:19-20 - *So Jesus explained, “I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself. He does only what he sees the Father doing. Whatever the Father does, the Son also does. For the Father loves the Son and shows him everything he is doing.”*

My friend, let's do what Jesus did, and do only what the Father tells us to do in His love letter to us.

Please pray for things to open back up so we can complete our 2020 itinerary that is presently paused. We love you and thank God for each and every prayer and gift!

Abiding above,

President
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Colossians 3:1-3