

God Can Use You!

In my close to 30 years of prison I've met an awful lot of people that attend Bible studies, or that attend church services, yet it is the only time they spend serving God. I, too, had a time in my life that I was doing the things other guys were doing, but, I was not really letting God use me.

Don't get me wrong, I am in no way judging anyone, I'm just trying to get some of you to let God into your life and let Him have His way. Each of us has gifts that God has given us. Some of us know what our gifts are, some of us don't think we have gifts, some of us are Hmmm..... what word can I use?.....well, some of us are just plain content with doing nothing, but, that really is not what God wants from us, not at all.

The artist that drew the front cover, Kirk, is a good friend of mine, he's an excellent artist, and he uses his talents for God in a variety of ways.

While I was at a different prison, with the Chaplains permission, I started up a video class called "CHRISTIAN CONCEPTS CLASS." I never ran a class before in my life, but God put it on my heart to show Christian videos, then discuss them, and then to just fellowship. I had the class for over 8 years, it was both interesting and fun, I'd put in some Christian comedians too!

In 2010 God put it on my heart to create tracts, I had no idea what to do or how to do it, yet, today over 50,000 tracts

have been printed and distributed around the world, which I have created!

Am I bragging? Your darn tooting I am bragging. I'm bragging that God is using me!

God can use YOU too. Don't ever feel that you cannot do something.....if God puts something on your heart.....if it is REALLY of God, then it will HAPPEN!

At one of our bible studies we read "TEN POWERFUL PHRASES FOR POSITIVE PEOPLE" written by Christian businessman, Richard DeVos. One of his phrases was "I CAN DO IT". This phrase came to me many times AFTER I started creating the tracts. It was FAITH, not in what I could do, but in what GOD COULD DO through me. Always remember it is NOT faith in yourself, but faith in what GOD CAN DO, if you will just cooperate!

And don't forget that we Christians can have fun too. We don't need the vulgar jokes or TV shows to laugh; there are plenty of laughs all around us! The book of Ecclesiastes tells us there is a time for everything. We can have fun while we serve God. I urge you to talk to God, let Him know you DESIRE to let Him use you for His glory.....YOU CAN DO IT!!!!!!!

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God's Plan of Salvation

The Bible says there is only one way to Heaven

Jesus said: "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me." (**John 14:6**)

Good works cannot save you.

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." (**Ephesians 2:8-9**)

Trust Jesus Christ today! Here's what you must do:

Admit you are a sinner.

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" (**Romans 3:23**)

"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned;" (**Romans 5:12**)

"If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us." (**1 John 1:10**)

Be willing to turn from sin (repent).

Jesus said: "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." (**Luke 13:5**)

"And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:" (**Acts 17:30**)

Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried, and rose from the dead.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (**John 3:16**)

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners. Christ died for us." (**Romans 5:8**)

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath

raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."
(Romans 10:9)

Through prayer, invite Jesus into your life to become your personal Saviour.

"For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." **(Romans 10:10)**

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." **(Romans 10:13)**

What to pray:

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His **precious blood** and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart and life as my personal Saviour.

"But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:" **(John 1:12)**

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." **(2 Corinthians 5:17)**

If you have received Jesus Christ as your Saviour, as a Christian you should:

Read your Bible every day to get to know Christ better.

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." **(2 Timothy 2:15)**

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." **(Psalms 119:105)**

Talk to God in prayer every day.

"And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." **(Matthew 21:22)**

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." **(Philippians 4:6)**

Be baptized, worship, fellowship, and serve with other Christians in a church where Christ is preached and the Bible is the final authority.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:" **(Matthew 28:19)**

"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." **(Hebrews 10:25)**

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:" **(2 Timothy 3:16)**

Tell others about Christ.

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." **(Mark 16:15)**

"For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!" **(1 Corinthians 9:16)**

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." **(Romans 1:16)**

I hope this testimony has been a blessing to you. If you would like to read how others have experienced the life transforming power of God please write to me at the address below. We now have over 100 testimonies of those whose lives have been transformed by God's amazing Grace. Please send us your testimony as well. We also would like artwork and poetry to share with others.

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A CLOWN ...

WILL IT TASTE *FUNNY?*

