could no longer speak, he just nodded or shook his head for most things. Harry tenderly shared his concern and love for his dear friend, from there he proceeded to explain how much God still loved him regardless of how he had led his life. Herb listened intently as Harry shared how Jesus Christ paid the penalty of his sin on the cross, so he could be a child of God. Finally, when Harry asked Herb if he would like to receive Jesus into his life, Herb nodded positively. After a short prayer Harry turned to ask Herb if Jesus had entered his heart – the answer was already rolling down the cheeks of the hard man, as he wept tears of joy! After that day Herb would often sit on his porch gazing at the church at the end of the road; a man at peace with his God. Three weeks later Herb passed from this life, and went to be with His Lord and saviour in Heaven. At last Herb had found true Happiness!

The last word goes to Allen, Herb’s son-in-law: “If you read this and you are not sure that you are saved, let me tell you…you can be! Just let go of the world and take the hand of Jesus. Ask Jesus to come into your life and set you free from the bondage of this world. Ask Him to forgive your sins and wash you as white as snow, and my friend…He will.”

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to Kentucky and found employment as a coal miner. Herb saw an opportunity and decided to get into the haulage side of the coal industry, so he bought the first of many trucks. By the 1970s with his style of hard work and determination Herb was the owner of a fleet of thirty-seven trucks, and a major shareholder in a big mining company covering four states. In ten short years Herb had gone from having very little to being a millionaire.

Initially retirement was good to Herb – he was a happy man! But things started to go wrong in 1985 with a visit from the IRS. They seized hundreds of thousands of dollars in unpaid taxes. Herb was now working with thousands of dollars but was never known to brag about his newfound wealth. The once powerful man was now an option for retirement. The once powerful man was now a shadow of his former self. He was now a shadow of his former self. He was now a shadow of his former self.

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By his side were his so-called, friends, and his family. He had always been a man of his word, and he kept his promises. Herb was always known for his integrity and his honesty.