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We Extend A
Warm & Cordial
Welcome
To All Our
Visitors!

I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR

by Ron Thomas

"Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you...but my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:9, 19)

Peace and tranquility in life is very important to each of us. Sometimes, however, it seems to be missing. In scripture, there is a peace from God that is never missing. Paul reminds us of that in the two verses from Philippians 4. We are also reminded of this in the song we sing, "I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR." Let us reflect on a few thoughts from the song.

1) NO TENDER VOICE LIKE THINE CAN PEACE AFFORD. There is nothing like the soothing voice of a mother to help when the pain of life is so great it makes one immobile. Jesus's voice is tender (Matthew 11:28-30), but let us not think it is so tender than He does not demand that we turn from our sins and live righteously (Ephesians 5:17, 17). It is unfortunate that many in this world look upon Jesus as only a tender voice that calls us from despair, and while He is that, I am glad He is certainly that and more.

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- 2) TENPTATIONS LOSE THEIR POWER WHEN THY ART NIGH. When you are tempted, and the temptation is overwhelmingly powerful, to whom do you turn in this time of crisis? Or, perhaps, a better question might be, do you turn away from the temptation? Temptation hits us all differently, but also with a good deal of sameness (if you will). In times of weakness, it is the time when the Lord's name is not only on our lips, but in our heart. Though we are vulnerable, He is our strength. Sometimes the temptation is so great the ability to withstand seems impossible. Consequently, we just say to ourselves, "I will pay the price later." The problem is, when later comes, the price is every bit as oppressive as the original temptation. The weight of guilt is oppressive, and those who give in are called to run from the continuing danger in soupy mud two feet thick.
- 3) IN JOY OR PAIN, COME QUICKLY AND ABIDE, OR LIFE IS VAIN. There is no person like a Christian who has life laid out in such a way the path is clear. Some who try to live without the Lord can turn to a loved one to help in time of need, but sometimes that loved-one has no answer, no solution to the deep and dark counsels of one's heart. To who, then, does a non-Christian turn? The Christian turns, and continues to turn to the Lord, for only He can give an answer and solution to most emptiness of life, taking the "vainness" away and giving hope. Sometimes, however, the taking and giving experience can be painful. What will you gain for your pain?
- 4) O MAKE ME THINE INDEED, THOU BLESSED SON. God's love is so great that His Son came to this earth to not only give us relief from sin, but hope to tread our way through this life. More than that, however, He came to give us life, life in Him, in the Father's Son. "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ" (Galatians 3:26-27).

Does peace flow like a river through your soul? It won't if the love of God is not center-seat in your heart. It may be a challenge for each of us to find that desired peace, but the peace we should desire is the peace that comes from God, surpassing all understanding.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ➤ Aug 27 Song Service
- Sept 3 Men's Business Meeting & Ladies' Class
- Sept 16 Cookout
- Tammy Winters was re-baptized last Sunday Evening we rejoice with her.
- ➤ Please give support money for Chinese orphans to Minnie Kennell

WHAT ABOUT THE HEN?

by Guy N. Woods

Sometime back some young fellow objected to the biblical account of creation, and informed an aged sister that he no longer accepted the Bible as true; he no longer believed in heaven; he had come to the conclusion that all matters are the result of evolutionary processes. This sister said to him that while she lacked his education opportunities, she would like to ask him a question or two: Would he please explain to her, which came first, the hen, or the egg?

He thought about it a moment, smiled at such an easy question, and said that anybody ought to know that the hen was first. Of course, the hen was first. She said to him, "Well, would you please tell me where that first hen came from, since, according to your own view, it didn't grow up from a chicken, and was not hatched from an egg? How do you account for the origin of that first hen?" His brow knitted in perplexity; and he said that he had decided his first answer was a bit hasty; he hadn't given proper attention to the question; had not thought it through. He felt sure now that, undoubtedly, the egg was first! Yes, certainly the egg was first. She said, "Do you mean to tell me that there was once a hen egg without a hen to lay it? Then in his confusion, she said this to him: "You can't even explain to me the mere existence of a hen without a God, and yet you expect me to believe in the universe without Him."

"And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him. And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation. And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground" (Matthew 26:39-44).