



Partner Newsletter

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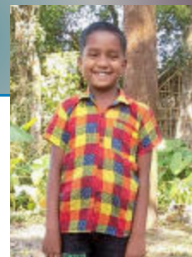
FROM THE HEART

The Gospels are where you get to know Jesus, and see His heart as He walked the earth. As you read, the impetus that repeatedly emerges is how Jesus loved and was moved by compassion.

In Mark 6, the disciples were physically spent from ministry. Jesus took them to an isolated place for them to rest, only to find the crowds had seen and followed them. They desperately needed rest, but Jesus was deeply moved with compassion because they were like sheep without a shepherd. He did not condemn, and He could not send them away. Because we do not know the depth of the sin of the people Jesus encountered, we can only conclude that it didn't matter. Regardless of your sin, stage of life, socioeconomic status, or past, you simply cannot exhaust the love of Jesus!

This passage also shows us how we are to love. We are not to qualify who receives love and who does not. We know the Lord is our defense, but He is also theirs! The ground is level at the cross. When Jesus "saw" them, He taught and fed them. We pray to see with eyes of love- God's eyes. Jesus punctuated this in the greatest commandment: LOVE!

MOVED WITH COMPASSION



This handsome young man is Ridoy and just turned 10, last month! Ridoy, enjoys dancing, arts and crafts, and ball games. He lives in Bangladesh where winters are very cold. In his last letter he expressed his excitement that he had received a blanket for Christmas. What a joy to make a difference in the life of a child! Would you like to meet your own sponsored child? Write letters and receive information about them? Contact us about becoming a sponsor and being Jesus to a sweet child like Ridoy!

TAQ NEWS

God says to test Him in the tithe, and see if He won't be faithful to us. Each member of TAQ ministers on weekends, but has a day job. While they long to come together for concerts, God uses their jobs as a means of provision for their families. Tithing has been a way of life for TAQ, and God has been faithful in many ways!

"We haven't missed a meal. We haven't missed paying a bill. We haven't missed a church service [online]." -Walter

"I refer back to what my grandpa always said, 'there should never be a worry, being a child of God.' Although we haven't been singing, I see it as a time to grow stronger in the Lord, and let Him build a fire under us to get back out and continue to witness in song, stronger for the kingdom of God." -Chris (cont'd)

ON THE ROAD WITH TAQ

We are ready to proclaim the Word in song! Due to the state of the nation, our calendar is being updated every few days, as we accommodate schedule changes.

Please check our website for up-to-date information on available dates.

www.theascensionqt.com/concerts

THE WORD IN SONG

We recently celebrated Easter, or "Resurrection Sunday," unlike any other in history. Most of us attended a service online, or created a remembrance in our homes. This year was prophesied as a year of great change and surely we have already seen a change beyond what we could've imagined.

In our new song, "A Shakin' and A Rattlin'," we tell the story of Ezekiel prophesying to dry bones. Israel had lost hope, having caused their own nation to fall, and could only see themselves in the past-tense. The future was surely bleak. But God wasn't ready to give up on them. He wanted a witness in the land to His goodness and faithfulness. So, He came to Ezekiel about His plan to restore Israel.

God started by giving the prophet a visual-aid. He had Ezekiel prophesy to dead, dry bones to come together! As the man of God spoke to them, the skeletons began making noise! He continued, in phases, until they, ultimately, resurrected and raised up into an army!

Israel had defiled their land and been scattered, devoid of power. They were dried up skeletons of a nation. But God was ready to restore them. The shaking and rattling that Ezekiel heard was a victory sound! It meant the bones of restoration had begun! In the years to come, the events that built up to the coming of Messiah was a rattling sound proclaiming restoration was coming to the hearts of men! Glory to God!

In Hebrews 12, God promised a shaking that would leave only unshakable things remaining. Recently in our country, God's people have been calling out for healing and restoration. He promised in 2 Chronicles 7:14 that His people, calling out to Him in humility and turning away from sin, would gain the attention of God, and He would heal their land!

This is how it begins: a great change occurs to open our eyes. It's a shaking and rattling- a sign to us that restoration is occurring! God hears! The finished work is yet on the way!

In your own life, when you look around and see your hopes and dreams have died, call out to Almighty God. He will bring great change to resurrect His dreams and His purpose in you! It's in the valley "where miracles take place," as the song declares. "Dry bones are coming back to life... and new hope will arise!"

Then, listen for a rattling...!

TAQ NEWS, CONTINUED

"My family is very thankful for God's provision during this very busy time" -Wayne

"Not only through pandemics, but God proves to be bigger than any fear! When we married, we were told Kelly would never be able to have children. By God's grace, she is carrying our 4th child (5 all together), and we couldn't be more thankful! God continues to show His presence and faithfulness!" -Derrick

Praise God, the devourer is rebuked (in every way)!



We have begun selling our Faith Steps Out of the Boat CD's and t-shirts. The shirt reads:

**Jesus pleasin', Boat releasin',
Water-walkin', Storm-stoppin',
Wave denyin', Thunder defyin'
FAITH Steps Out of the Boat!**

Both are \$15/each.

Get yours two ways: purchase from us when you bring us to your church for a concert, or become a partner and automatically receive every new product that we sell as they become available. We know you'll be proud to wear this shirt! Get yours today!

PARTNERING IN PRAYER & PRAISE

The Bible says that if one can put a thousand to flight, two can put ten-thousand to flight, because in the Spirit realm, partnering produces great results. Your financial and prayer support benefit us, both. Ministry just doesn't happen without prayer, finances, and the anointing. So, in joining with us in the part you provide, you share in the part we provide as we partner with God in ministry, and the results are credited to you, as if you were the ones doing the ministering. Consider partnering with The Ascension Quartet ministry!

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Visit www.theascensionqt.com for more information.

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