



*“Now to Him Who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us, to Him be the glory.”  
Ephesians 3:20*

God is awesome in all His ways! When a person remains steadfast in their decision to follow Jesus, others will see it. When others see it they will want that same peace and joy a follower of Christ has in them.

One of the men in the Bible study had some good questions. I asked Henry if he knew the Lord and he told me, “I do not, but I would like to know Him.” He did not have any Bible knowledge. He went on to tell me, “When I was using drugs, I saw some pictures where I saw a dark shadow over me, like a spirit. That scared me, so I quit using drugs. I am a believer that there is a spirit world.” He was very open to hearing the good news of the gospel and trusted Christ as his Savior!

I have visited Peter a few times. He lives on D-floor where the men have been on tight supervision for the last year. When he was brought to my office, he had to be handcuffed. I knew something was different about Peter this time. He was more positive and smiling. As we visited, he told me, “A few weeks ago I got down on my knees and told the Lord, ‘You can have all of me. I am done with the gang life, and I want to follow You Lord Jesus with all my heart.’ My life has changed and I have peace in my heart and soul! I told the others that I quit the gang life. They tell me I will get beat up for leaving it. I don’t care what they think or do to me, I am done with that life. I

would rather get beat up for doing right than for doing wrong, which I did most of my life. If I am going to suffer it might as well be for Jesus! The other day one of the gang members walked past my door and spit on me. I remembered that they spit on Jesus as well, I let it go. I am sharing my devotions with my roommate, and he is getting interested in knowing Jesus and His Word.” I visited with Peter 10 days later and he told me. “My cellie is not a Christian but he is very interested in learning more about Jesus. I would like you to visit with him and explain the gospel to him more clearly.” I told him I would be glad to visit with him. A few days later I received a request from Peter to talk with me as soon as possible. It was about his cellie who wanted to visit with me. We went over the good news of Jesus Christ and the cost of following Jesus. He was very serious about changing his life of sin by inviting Jesus to be his Lord and Savior! After we prayed, he told me it was like a burden lifted. Peter has truly been a light and a witness to his cellie. Peter informed me, “I have been praying with some of the inmates when we are out of our cells for rec. One of the men asked if me, ‘If before we lock up can we get in a circle and you would pray for us!’ That is what has been happening for the last few days. Another thing God is doing is that the man who spit on me, now wants me to pray for him!” Praise God for His work in their lives! I am thankful to God that I can be part of what He is doing!

Thank you for your prayers, God is truly at work in the prison! Thank you for your financial support as well! Have a great February!

In Christ, *Harlan*

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