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Subject: Happy Mother's Day - With a twist

My Lady, ErikaLeigh, Julia, Madge, and family,

On my hike yesterday I thought of ways to offer what I hoped would be an encouraging video in celebration of Mother's Day. Thoughts continued to come together as this day started, but I needed to review some things. In my review, I did read some things from 2012 and became a bit discouraged.

I just watched the video "Mother's Day - Deception versus Reality - A Christian Perspective" that I did last year. It has over 200 views and a number were from today. So if you want encouragement, find that on Bitchute or Brighteon.

One of the lines from that video sinks in, "All is well", that I read from the Scripture. My plan for today is to hike to Publix, which is 7 miles, so I will have again exceeded a marathon for the week. All is well.

In my reading today a paragraph stood out from Thursday, July 19, 2012, one week past that unfortunate day:

"The last couple of days I have been looking though photos to purchase of trucks for Metro Expedite's website. In the mix there have been many photos of car crashes or even cars on fire. My thoughts continue to go to a desire to be in one."

Six weeks later, to the day, I was in a car on fire. I still remember the thoughts I had that all I had to do was wait in the car and life would be over. The engine compartment was well engulfed in flames, but only smoke was seeping into where I was. I had too much time to get out, so obviously I did.

Then I read one of the few things I have from my wife from that time. It seems like she was fabricating ideas to rationalize or have for legal defense. She was putting up walls, and yes it hurt then as it does now. But I think she knew then and hope she knows now that this clumsy man is still wholeheartedly in love with her and has never sought her harm, but only blessing.

However, considering the cowardly model set before her and my kids by Jim Cross, Chris Bitterman, Render Caines, the leadership of Meadowview and Covenant Presbyterian, I don't see much hope for obedience to the Lord and acting in love to pursue reconciliation. All I see is Meadowview sending the police, my wife and Jim Cross turning to their lord the state, and the unwillingness to engage in dialog. "Hail Victory".

I used a verse in an email yesterday that should be repeated:

1st Corinthians 16 "13Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. 14Let all that you do be done in love."

What you will see at Meadowview and Covenant Presbyterian is the "prim and proper", but not the loving. This was echoed by an extended family member also in 2012. What I see in Gary and Lynn is love, not institutional membership. Consider Mark 2:

¹⁶And the scribes of the Pharisees, when they saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹⁷And when Jesus heard it, he said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

In Acts 22 Paul described what his attitude was like before his trip to Damascus, and what it became. If you only embrace those in the institution, you are like the early Paul. I have seen that in myself. I suggest if you can enjoy the fellowship of people like Gary and Lynn, you have matured like Paul did, and I believe I have. It is not something done on your own, but a gift from He who came to call the sinner.

I see the model of Jesus in Luke 7, noting especially the last verse. I do not have the power to forgive sins like Jesus, but I know the difference between driving by, as Chris Bitterman stated, and going in.

Do you?

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Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

Ecclesiastes 12:13