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THE PARABLE OF THE CHICKEN DINNER

Back in the twenties of the twentieth century, a new candy bar was invented. It was called the CHICKEN DIN-NER. Now please don't say that this was before your time because, if you do, you are dating yourself as not being old enough to be dry behind the ears. Now this aforesaid Chicken Dinner candy bar was about the size of your ordinary everyday Milky Way, but it tasted something like a Baby Ruth. To promote this new delight, the advertisers used a huge setting hen on a truck bed, somewhat like the floats you see in the bowl game parades. This thing was pulled up and down the main streets of my home town and I presume all over America.

Now it came to pass that one day seeing as how I was hooked on Chicken Dinner candy bars, I had a great uncle, that I called Uncle Rosser. The reason I called him Uncle Rosser was because that was his real name, and he saw me eating a Chicken Dinner. Uncle Rosser asked me what I was eating. I told him it was a Chicken Dinner and held it up to him and asked him if he wanted a bite. Uncle Rosser asked me if there was any chicken in it. Uncle Rosser raised chickens and at that moment there were several pullets running around the yard. By the way, a pullet is a young chicken that is just about frying size. I say this for the benefit of you folk who buy your chickens all cut up in the supermarket and are completely ignorant of what a real chicken tastes like. The pullets taste real good when cut up floured and fried in lard. My mother was an ignorant woman. She did not know that if you eat pullets fried in greasy lard you might die young with a heart attack. She paid for her mistake. She died at the tender age of ninetythree.

Now as I was saying, Uncle Rosser asked me if there was any chicken in that Chicken Dinner I was eating? I

told him there was no chicken in it. Uncle Rosser turned away in disgust. I did not understand it at the time, but looking back on it, I realize he must have thought: how can you have a chicken dinner if there isn't no chicken in it. The Chicken Dinner candy bar soon went off the market. It may be that the reason was because it did not live up to its name. A chicken dinner with no chicken!

Recently I attended a Church service of a large congregation. I had been told that the young preacher was doing a marvelous work so I was anxious to hear him. He was an excellent speaker. I went into the services under the conviction that I was a great sinner. When I left I felt a great sense of relief. My sins were gone. You see, the message that the preacher presented that day enlightened me on the fact that I need not feel guilty if I should ever wear alligator shoes.

Now I don't wear alligator shoes, but I do wear shoes made of cow hide and I had often felt guilty about it, but the preacher assured me that man is superior to animals and God has given us the right to wear alligator shoes. I thought to myself as I left—never have I heard absolutely nothing said so well. I had gone into the services that day expecting a gospel dinner. I found out that there was no gospel in it. The tragedy of it all was, that seems to be what the people wanted to hear. I went away in disgust. Uncle Rosser would have understood.

A DO NOTHING RELIGION

Reprint from November 1997

J. Paul Tisdell, a preacher in San Antonio told me I ought to preach a sermon on, "A Do Nothing Religion." I said, "What kind of a religion is that?" He said that it is obvious that to go to Heaven, according to some, you don't have to do anything to get there. Just do nothing. So as we

talked about it we thought about several of these DO NOTHING RELIGIONS. One of the do nothing religions is what used to be called *Extreme Unction* of last rites. I heard of a gangster who hired a priest to follow him around everywhere he went. The only duty the priest had was to stay close to the gangster and give him last rites in case he got shot. In that case that was a real DO NOTHING RELIGION.

Another do nothing religion we thought about was, "Once in grace always in grace." Once you are saved you never can be lost. One elder of the Church said that he had a man tell him that he had been saved, and if he never attended another Church service he would go to Heaven. The same elder told me of a woman who said if she wanted to, she could become a prostitute and she would go to Heaven, because she was once saved and could never be lost. How is that for a first class DO NOTHING RELIGION?

Another do nothing religion that came to our collective reminds was *Baptism for the dead*. All you need to do is be sure you have some relatives promise they will be baptized for you after you kick off and you can do as you please. You can see by now that we have a wide choice of DO NOTHING RELIGIONS.

Another obvious do nothing religion is *predestination*. That is the belief that God had foreordained that certain people are going to Heaven and certain people are going to Hell. So since it is already decided who goes to Heaven and who doesn't, all you have to do is wait around and see if you are one of the lucky ones. I heard of a preacher who believed in predestination who visited another preacher who had a big dog in the yard. The dog growled at the preacher. The preacher called to the dog's owner and said, "Call off your dog." The master of the dog said, "That dog has been predestined and foreordained before the foundation of the world to either bite you or not bite you. I am not going to call him off and interfere with the Lord's business." Now how is that for a DO NOTHING RELIGION?

Another popular do nothing religion we thought of is *Universalism*. The belief that everyone will ultimately be saved. Many people believe this who may not belong to that particular denomination. One man told me he was talking to a woman who said that God would save everybody. He is too good to send anyone to Hell. I said, "Why didn't you ask her if she thought Hitler would go to Heaven?" He said he did ask her and she said, "Yes, even Hitler will be saved." This is one of the most popular of all. Most members of the Church of Christ and or Christian Church believe this brand of DO NOTHING RELIGION. We might throw in one more—how about death bed repentance? Live your life as you will. Burn the candle at both ends and when you breathe your last breath repent and blow the smoke in God's face. This is one of the best. You save a lot of money as well as time in this DO NOTHING RELIGION.



The PORTRAIT OF SALVATION is reproduced in the life of the redeemed. When Jesus died; He died on the

cross. In like manner we also must die on the cross. Paul tells us in Galatians 2:20, "I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me." And then again in Romans 6:6, "Our old man was crucified with Him." Also in Galatians 5:24, "And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the passions and the lusts thereof." Jesus died on the cross, and we must be crucified on the cross. The portrait of the crucifixion of Jesus is reproduced in the life of the redeemed. But notice further when Jesus died it was necessary that He be buried. It is also necessary that we be buried. Earth is earth, and water is water. When a person is buried in physical death a hole is dug, and he is buried and covered up. When we die on our cross we must be buried and covered up. Paul tells us about that burial in Romans 6:4 when he says, "We were buried with Him in baptism." We were lowered into the water, and buried out of sight. Jesus was buried after He was crucified, and we must be buried after we are crucified. The portrait of the burial of Christ in the tomb is reproduced in the burial in baptism of the redeemed. There is a third element in the portrait of the death of our Lord. After the Lord's dead body was buried, He was raised up on the third day. The angels at the tomb said, "He is not here, for He is risen even as He said." We must also be raised up from our watery grave. Paul tells us in Colossians 2:12, "Buried with Him in baptism wherein ye were also raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead. Again in Romans 6:4, "As Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so also we might walk in newness of life." Jesus was raised from the dead, and we having died to sin need to be raised up also. The portrait of the resurrection of Jesus on the third day is reproduced in the life of the redeemed. Now let us look at the whole portrait of salvation. Jesus the Redeemer died on the cross, was buried, and raised from the dead, and the redeemed in like manner duplicate the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus; and that completes the PORTRAIT OF THE REDEEMER'S SALVATION AS REPRODUCED IN THE LIFE OF THE REDEEMED.

MARANATHA

Communion Meditation

The account of the Lord's Supper is written in Matthew, Mark, Luke and 1st Corinthians. The Apostle Paul who was not present at the time Jesus instituted this memorial feast had more to say about it than those who were. Yet what Paul said is just as true as the report of the others who were there, because he introduces his account with the explanation: "I received of the Lord which also I delivered unto you."

Here is one of the statements that Paul records the other accounts do not mention: "As often as you eat this bread, and drink the cup, ye proclaim the Lord's death till he come." ASV

Since the account in Luke, and 1st Corinthians includes the statement of Jesus, "This do in remembrance of me," it is important to remember as we eat of the bread and drink of the cup, the Lord himself said: "If I go I come again." Paul adds a poignant thought to the return of Jesus at the end of his epistle in 1st Corinthians when he says: "Maranatha—our Lord is coming."

Oh there is much to make us sad, in this dark world of ours The serpents trail is often seen amongst the fairest flowers. But we should never yield to grief, or falling hopeless lie. We will fling our banner to the breeze and Maranatha cry. What though the hosts of hell be strong, and bold in what they say

The Lord of hosts is on our side; we are sure to win the day.

The victor of the cross and tomb is seated now on high

We will fling our banner to the breeze and Maranatha cry.

(Author unknown)

LETTERS

Naomi,

I was so excited to get your card. It means so much to have you take the time out of your day to write me. I am always grateful for the time people take to write and encourage me. I wish I could visit soon. Honestly, one of my greatest struggles has to do with my release. According to my time, I will not be eligible for parole until August of 2021. In County Jail and here I have asked God to tell me how long I will be in Prison. I have consistently gotten the same answer 2 1/2 years. However, I am quickly approaching this landmark and there is no sign of any early release? I don't doubt that God can provide a miraculous release but I do question whether or not He will. My main concern is that my love and devotion to Him do not waiver. I cannot wait to meet you. I think of my reunions with my edifiers each day. Thank you for all you do and for the encouragement not only to me but to all the prisoners you minister to. Sincerely, JH Mangum, OK

Dear Ed Bousman Ministry,

I am in Greece for the month of June with my wife who was born here. We are on the Island of Ikaria. We live in Lyndhurst, Ohio an eastern suburb of Cleveland. I was listening to my shortwave radio in bed last night searching for English. Usually all I can find is the BBC or the China broadcast in English. It was joy to stumble on your sermon in plain <u>loud</u> and <u>clear</u> English. (He was listening to Bible Voice Russia). Not just any sermon but Bible based truth, God-fearing truth. I am a born again believer and your words were a blessing to me. The Greek Church I am surrounded by is about works and icons and incense, plus I literally can't understand the language so going to church here is of no value to me, but your message certainly was. Anyway, I thought you would like to know how well the broadcast came in. I heard it at 10:30 pm Greek time which is seven hours ahead of Ohio time. I am 65 years old. When I was a kid I was a short wave listener. It was like magic to tune in to voice from the other side of the planet. Now with the world wide web it doesn't seem as magical—but it was never magic, it was mans use of science as made possible by the orderly world God created. I would love to receive your free book of gospel lessons. Please mail to my home address in Ohio (not in Greece). Thank you for what you are doing. I was 55 before becoming a Christian. I spent 35 adult years 20-55, searching everything but our Lord. Praise God He gave me time to have my eyes opened. By the way, Ikaria is very close to Patmos—John wrote Revelation while he was exiled to the Greek Island of Patmos—I was there once, maybe I'll return this trip. I am currently reading the book of Revelation. Thank you again. *Sincerely, Ken*

Hi from Syracuse!

Recently I found your Sunday night broadcast from 1170 AM, Wheeling, WV, WRVA radio. Enclosed is a donation for the CD of your theme song, "God Is Just A Prayer Away." Everything about it is lovely, the piano and organ, the men's voices and the words. I would like very much to have a copy of it to play whenever I would like.

Thank you kindly, Mrs. Iris

Hello,

My name is Victoria, I live far away from you in Belarus, but in spite of that I know about you and regular listen with your family, your radio station on the internet for several years. One I really love. Hopefully and more you will delight us with more interesting programs and if possible please send some sort of souvenir from your radio program.

Good luck! Dobrush, Belarus

To Ed and Naomi:

My name is Billy I am currently serving three years in TDC (Texas Department of Correction). I was previously in TDC in 1999 for six months after being discharged I turned my life over to Christ until this year. I tried staying right with the Lord but my depression and loneliness got the better of me. God brought a woman into my life who was a drug addict in my loneliness I fell in love with her but it was a love of the flesh not a spiritual love. We were together for four months with me trying to get her to stop selling and doing drugs. My being an addict in the past I ended up doing drugs with her. I know this is because I had quit praying quit going to Church quit working on my ministry for God and lost the power of the Lord. After seven months of tormented life I called her daughter in Ohio; I told her that her mother was going to end up back in prison if they didn't help her so they sent a plane ticket; it took two months for me to get her to go. I was heart broken losing her but I knew God's plan was never for me to possess her but to help save her. Needless to say I had reverted back to addiction and chose to stay on my path to destruction. I am trying to get my life back on track once again from prison. Please send me a Bible and Bible studies and put me on your mailing list to receive your monthly newsletter.

Thanks and God bless. Beeville, TX

Hi Madame Naomi!

I came home Saturday Night last week from Tarlac province after some work there & after our mission trip at Pampanga just to be with our local churches in La Union in their services Sunday, and by this week we still have to accomplish another schedule at Pangasinan province in the towns of Anda & Bolinao, the mid-western section of our travel, about 70-mile trip from my place. For now I am so

glad to share with you these attached initial pictures, from our remaining trip. In these photos we have prepared GIJAPA mission materials, done Bible studies, contacted prospects at town proper & suburb areas, shared Bibles & tracts, & boxes of clothes. As far as visiting a Mexican born contact with her Filipina wife in their home, plus baptizing two (2) individuals in a "pump-irrigation canal outlay" which we have done some soil dredging & pumped water first enough to immerse them down in their Salvation in CHRIST as we are told their rivers around were dry. Please keep on remembering us in your prayers at GIJAPA. Thank You So Much for your assistance of Bibles, clothes, tracks and newsletters for our missions.

May God Bless You All, Ed Domingo, Sunset Beach Church of Christ, Philippines

Pictures are from the Ed Domingo's work in the Philippines. Note: The US Priority Mail boxes; these are used to ship the clothes and Bibles that you see stacked against the wall. The cost of Postage continues to hamper the amount of Bibles and clothes that we send out of the US. Each Priority box (that's all we are allowed to use) cost \$80.50. The postage for permit mailing also has risen; everything for GIJAPA except the .49 cent stamp which is still the same. They still need our help desperately, and we have a little red barn of clothes ready to box and ship if we just had the postage. The hard back Bibles we send cost \$5.00 each; we are able to pack 14 in a Priority box for shipping. I do not want us "to rob Peter to pay Paul," in other words; don't take away your giving to the radio broadcast to send postage money. The radio broadcasts must always come first in all decisions made concerning GIJAPA; these other Para church ministries that GIJAPA is doing are just that, however, if you have any extra funds, we would be greatly blessed and God glorified, for you to send and designate for postage! Thank you and God bless each one of you for keeping GIJAPA alive and well in the broadcasting business of saving lost souls for Christ.











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