# Love Letter

" Jesus Wrote In The Sand"

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### From The Pen Of A Free Man

#### "I Am Thankful"

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- 1) For the teenager who is washing the dishes and watching TV, because that means that he or she is at home and not on the streets.
- 2) For the taxes that I pay, because it means that I am employed.
- 3) For the mess to clean up after a church luncheon, because it means that I have been surrounded by Christian friends.
- 4) For the clothes that fit a little too snug, because it means I have enough to eat.
- 5) For my shadow that watches me work, because it means I am out in the sunshine.
- 6) For a lawn that needs mowing, windows that need cleaning, and gutters that need fixing, because it means I have a home.
- 7) For all the complaining I hear about the government, because it means that we have freedom of speech.
- 8) For the parking spot I find at the far end of the parking lot, because it means I am capable of walking and that I have been blessed with transportation
- 9) For my huge heating bill, because it means I am warm.
- 10) For the lady behind me in church that sings off key, because it means that I can hear.
- 11) For the pile of laundry and ironing, because it means I have clothes to wear.
- 12) For weariness and aching muscles at the end of the day, because it means I have been capable of working hard.
- 13) For the alarm that goes off in the early morning hours because it means that I am alive.
- 14) For too much e-mail, because it means I have friends who are thinking of me.
- 15) And finally ..... for the God of Heaven who cares not only for me but for all mankind (Acts 17:24-28; Philippians 4:19; 2 Peter 3:9).

Till The Last Amen



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Important Dates	

- \* Weekly Zoom Thursday Stay With The Book Research Hour 7:00 pm
- \* Weekly Broadcast
  The Place Where It Is
  Written
  Every Monday on FaceBook and YouTube
- \* New Years Eve Extravaganza Dec. 31

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#### Plan Of Salvation

In order to obey the Gospel and become a Christian, a member of the Church of Christ, which is the Kingdom of Christ (Col. 1:13) which is the body (Col. 1:18).

God has provided a scheme of redemption. A Plan of Salvation.

All who obey God, through Christ, must:

- 1. Hear the Gospel. Rom. 10:12-17; I Cor. 15:1-4
- Believe in Jesus, as the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Jn. 8:24
- Repent of your Sins.
   Acts 2:38; 17:30,
   Lk. 13:3, 5.
- 4. Confess Faith In Christ. Rom. 10:9.
- Be Baptized for the remission of sins.
   Mk. 16:16, Acts 2:38; 22:16
- 6. The Lord will add you to His Body, which is the church. Acts 2:47

This is the simple plan of salvation. There are biblical examples of this: Acts 8:26-39.

Dear student of the Bible, follow after the Lord in the same fashion, and you too can be saved.



### AGAPE

Corners (Evangelism Ministry)

#### **Because The Lord Needs It**

As Jesus approached Jerusalem for the last time, He sent two disciples into the city to bring Him a donkey and told them, "If anyone asks you, 'Why are you loosing it?' thus you shall say to him, 'Because the Lord has need of it'" Lk. 19:28-31.

As we approach our waning years on earth, we may ask ourselves, "Can I still be useful to God? Is there some service I can render that will fill my days with significance? Am I needed in the Lord's service?"

The answer, of course, is a resounding "Yes!" As Christians, the Lord needs each one of us just as He needed the donkey to carry Him through the streets of Jerusalem. He has always needed something or someone to get His work done. He still has useful work for us to do.

Like the donkey, our work may be one brief task, or it may be some activity that will fully occupy our years until our Master calls us home. It may be an opportunity to share the gospel with someone cf. Acts 8:26-35; 18:24-26, to teach a Bible class Acts 17:16-17; 18:1-4, or to extend some words of encouragement Deut. 3:28 — there will always be work for us to do for the Lord.

Through the faithful life of Caleb, the Bible illustrates the fact that there's no retirement in the Lord's army cf. Josh. 14:6-15. Like Caleb, let's get the Lord's work done and then look forward to spending an eternity with Him 1 Cor. 15:58; Jn. 14:1-3.

# AGAPE Spotlight (Highlighting Our Members)



In April of 2018 our dearly beloved Lauren Ford along with her husband Marcus began worshipping and serving at the Agape church of Christ of Fresno, TX.

She found it to be filled with an environment of love and

a place where she could grow spiritually. Embodying her most inspiring scriptures, such as Phil. 4:4-7, Eph. 3:20, 21 and I Thess. 5:16 - Lauren is surely a 'worker bee" for the Lord.

Arriving early — setting equipment up, staying

late — breaking things down and putting them away; participating in a number of our evangelistic efforts at Agape, from teaching Sunday School classes to the youth and serving as a cohost on our weekly broadcast of The Place Where It Is Written.

Our self-professed "introvert' Lauren loves reading, working out, traveling, listening to gospel music and investing time with family.

She aspires to open a Church of Christ sponsored hospital along with her husband as well as travel to other countries (to enjoy their food).

God bless you sister Lauren in all your efforts as we shine the spotlight of Agape Love upon you.

Till the last amen.

"Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house: they will be still praising Thee."
Psa. 84:4

# AGAPE Considerations (Activity Ministry)



#### Don't Just Belong

"Are you an active member,

the kind that would be missed?

Or are you just contented that your name is on the list?

Do you attend the meetings, and mingle with the crowd?

Or do you stay at home and crab both long and loud?

Do you take an active part to help the group along?

Or are you satisfied to be the kind to "just belong"?

There is quite a schedule that means success if done.

And it can be achieved with the help of everyone.

So attend the meetings regularly and help with a hand and heart.

Don't be just a member, but take an active part.

Think this over members, are we right or wrong?

Are you an active member or do you just belong?"

## AGAPE Salutations

We, the Church of Christ, who meet at the Adorn Hall in Fresno, TX, are delighted that you have received this particular edition of the "Love Letter," a weekly publication which highlights important events and featured articles by our Minister and staff.

When you have the opportunity we would be elated to welcome you to any and all of our services at the congregation.

It is our great joy to proclaim the glad tidings of Christ, His Kingdom and His glorious gospel.

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