

JUNE 2016

Cry of His Coming

"And at Midnight a cry was made, behold the Bridegroom cometh, Go ye out to Meet Him." Matt. 25:1-10



Pastor Max with Stan & Doreen August 16, 2015

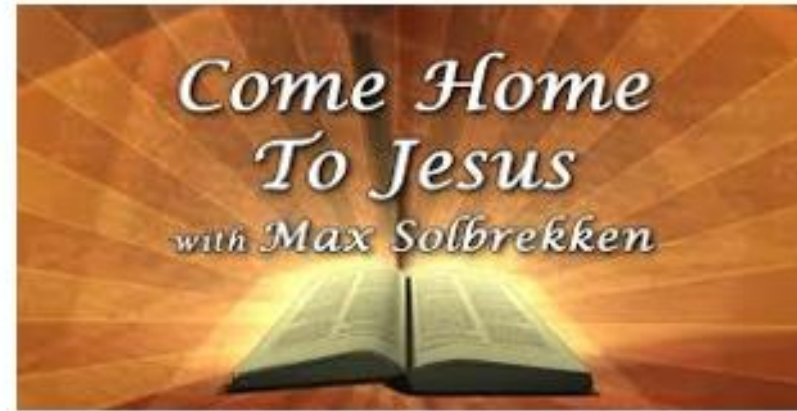
Healed of Brain Concussion

On December 10, 2014 while taking our dog out, I fell on ice in our driveway. I do not remember falling, getting back into the house, or phoning our daughter. She found me sitting in the living room, phone in one hand and dog leash in the other. She put me in her car and drove me to emergency. The only thing I remember is when we were nearing the Hospital.

**CAT SCAN REVEALED CONCUSSION
WITH BLOOD POOLED ON BRAIN!**

I was kept in the hospital over night and released the next evening. I could not see to read and could not drive for a month. It was terrible not able to pull things out of my brain. It HURT all over, but the worst was not having control of my brain!

My husband Stan took me to the House of Prayer south of New Sarepta, AB on Jan. 18, 2015. Pastor Max Solbrekken prayed for me to be Healed and be made Whole. Immediately, my head cleared and so did my vision. I believe my HEART was healed at the same time. Praise God. My doctor, Dr. Itwa, who is a Christian, says that it was a MIRACLE. I know it was and I give God all the glory! Amen—Doreen Muzylouski, Camrose AB



Join Pastor Max and Donna Solbrekken at 10.30 am on Sundays at the House of Prayer Gospel Church on Hiway 623 a little south of New Sarepta, AB.

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Dear Friends in Christ,

June, 2016

I greet you in the precious name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour! How privileged we are to be able to call upon Him in times trouble, knowing that He hears and answers our prayers! **Any moment of day or night, we are able to Praise Him and CALL upon His Name for His goodness and mercy toward us.**

We NEED Him every day of our lives to guide, strengthen, bless and protect us with His steady hand. To forgive our sin of spiritual blindness, heal our sicknesses and diseases and to prosper us. He has promised, never to leave or forsake us. His PROMISE is good and He will surely keep His Word!

Recently, I did a careful study on the *Precious Blood of Jesus and Its Eternal Consequences!* There is no subject as gripping and fascinating as the Life Giving BLOOD of Christ, which was shed for us on Golgotha nearly 2,000 years ago!

Life giving, because the precious blood of Jesus Christ has bought us pardon, forgiveness, justification, peace, healing, deliverance and total redemption. (1 John 1: 7; Rom.5:5-10; John 3:16, 36; 8: 1-2; 1 Peter 1: 18, 19)

Beside purchasing our Eternal Salvation, the Blood of Jesus Christ destroyed Satan and stripped him of his power over mankind. (Heb.2: 14,15). Jesus' BLOOD has given believers in Christ authority to cast out demons and to heal the sick in Christ's name! (Mark 16: 15-20; Luke 10: 17-19).

The precious blood of Jesus, gave our Saviour the power to overcome death and rise from the grave. "Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the BLOOD of the Everlasting Covenant." (Heb.13:20).

His BLOOD opened Heaven's Gates for Christ to ascend and sit on His Father's Throne. "Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by His own Blood He entered in once into the Holy Place, having obtained eternal redemption for us." (Heb. 9: 12; Ps. 24: 7-10)

The Blood of Jesus Christ cleansed Heaven from the stain of rebellion and pride caused by Lucifer and the fallen angels. "Behold He put no trust in His servants; and His angels He charged with folly." (Job 4: 18); "It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these, but *the heavenly things themselves* with better sacrifices than these.

"For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into HEAVEN itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us." Heb. 9: 23-24).

And His pure and holy Blood which He brought into the Holy of Holies, pleads for us, as Jesus our Advocate and High Priest appears before the Throne of God!

"But this Man, because He continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him seeing, He *ever liveth to make intercession for them... when He offered up Himself... maketh the Son, Who is consecrated for evermore.*" (Heb.7:24 -28)

Christ Lives to Intercede for us! That guarantees our safety forever because He continues forever and can never change or die! Hallelujah to His holy Name!

*By the power of Jesus' Blood,
Max Solbrekken, 2 Cor. 4: 5*

RUN TO THE ROCK CHRIST JESUS

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

"Jesus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the Scriptures, the STONE which the builders rejected, the same is become the Head of the Corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?"

"Therefore I say unto you, the Kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof. And whosoever shall fall on this STONE shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder." (Matt.21: 42-44)

Our Saviour was quoting a prophecy by David, concerning the Messiah. (Psalms 118: 22, 23). His warning, however, went unheeded. Instead of receiving their Messiah, they delivered Him to the pagan Romans to be crucified on Golgotha as a common criminal.

Just as Jesus warned, the nation of Israel was crushed, decimated and destroyed. In 70 A.D. a scant 37 years later, Jerusalem lay in ruins and Israel remained non-existent as a nation for nearly 2,000 years until God in His mercy returned them to their land in 1948 A.D.

His Word still holds true today. If you throw yourself upon His mercy, you will end up being broken and His mercy and grace will heal you. If, however, He falls on you in judgment you will be destroyed!

My advice for everyone is to believe His Word and cast yourself upon Him to receive His grace and mercy! He has promised to hear our prayers, forgive our sins, heal our sicknesses and grant full pardon and eternal Life!

The BIBLE says: **"To Whom coming, as unto a LIVING STONE, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, Ye also as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. Wherefore also it is contained in the Scriptures, Behold I lay in Sion a Chief Corner Stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded.**

"Unto you therefore which believe, He is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the STONE which the builders disallowed has become the Head of the CORNER, and a STONE of stumbling, and a ROCK of offence, even to them that stumble at the Word. being disobedient: where unto also they were appointed." (1 Peter 2: 4-8)

RUN TO THE ROCK CHRIST JESUS!

*I go to the Rock of my Salvation;
I go to the Stone that the builders rejected
I run to the Mountain,
And the Mountain stands by me
When the earth around me is sinking sand,
On the Solid Rock I stand
When I need a Shelter from the storm,
I go to the Rock!*

Dotty Rambo wrote the great song, '**I go to the Rock**'. Others have written hymns which have given comfort and strength to multitudes across the ages! They have mostly been the Holy Scriptures put to music. In 1880, *Vernon J. Charlesworth* wrote, '*A Shelter in the Time of Storm*'.

**The Lord's our Rock, in Him we hide
A Shelter in the time of storm
Secure whatever ill betide
A Shelter in the time of storm**

ROCK OF AGES CLEFT FOR ME!

In 1776, Augustus M. Toplady wrote the words to the glorious hymn, '*Rock of Ages*'. Here are some of those inspiring, anointed and riveting words:

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me
Let me hide myself in thee
Let the water and the blood
From Thy wounded side which flowed
Be of sin the double cure
Save from wrath and make me pure**

ON CHRIST THE SOLID ROCK I STAND!

Edward Mote (1797 - 1874) wrote, '*The Solid Rock*'. The powerful evangelical words God gave him have inspired multitudes. It is one of my favourites!

**My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name
On Christ the solid Rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand**

JESUS THE CHIEF CORNERSTONE

Much confusion has been generated by of the age-old, man-made doctrine held by the Roman Catholic Church about Simon the son of Jonas, whom Jesus called Peter.

To call him the **ROCK** upon which the Church of Jesus Christ is built is not only scandalous but outrageous identity theft! They are guilty of grand larceny in the first degree. The inferior gospel of the Roman Catholic Church is in fact the dethroning of Christ and the elevation of Simon the son of Jonas!

To **STEAL** from Jesus Christ His very name; the **Chief Corner Stone**, the **Rock of Offence** and the **Foundation of the Church**, is not only unforgiving, but blasphemous. And upon this phony name grab they have built their church!

The doctrine of substitution, the fallible for the infallible, the human deified, the carnal for the holy and God replaced by a mere human, the perfect Saviour cast aside in order to perpetuate the colossal lie of Simon Peter being the first pope!

The crumbling hulk of the papacy cannot and will not stand. In the end, Christ Himself will be glorified. Jesus said, "*I will build My Church and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it.*" (Matt.16: 18). Christ is the sure foundation. Our Lord said, "*And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will DRAW*

all men unto Me." (John 12: 32)

Jesus Christ had a habit of giving nick names to people. He called James and John the '**sons of thunder**' and Simon the son of Jonas '**petros the fragment of a rock**', while He called Himself '**Petra, the huge unquarried boulder**'. He called Herod, that **fox** and the scribes '**vipers**'!

St. Peter's name was **Simon** which means a **reed**, and very often a person's name reflected his personality. We see this truth emerge in the life of Jacob whose name means **swindler, trickster**. Almighty God made a name change and called him Israel, a **prince of God**.

Jesus knew Simon's personality was changeable and weak like a **reed** and that had to change if he was to become a solid, trustworthy leader. He would make his character **rock-like** instead of **reed-like**.

Immediately after the Holy Spirit had revealed to Simon that Jesus was the Christ the Son of God, **he tried to dissuade Him from going to the cross**: "From that time forth began Jesus to show unto His disciples, how that He must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed and be raised again the third day.

"Then Peter took Him, and began to REBUKE Him, saying, Be it far from Thee, Lord: this shall not be unto Thee. But He turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind Me, Satan: thou art an offence unto Me; for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men." (Matt.16: 21-23)

Two things happened, Simon became **PROUD** of his new name, and the old changeable **reed** nature kicked in and he began telling Christ how to run His business. He went ballistic, physically taking hold of Jesus and rebuking Him. That was the **REED** nature which Jesus was going to change in the '**Big Fisherman**'! How did Jesus handle the situation?

GET THEE BEHIND ME SATAN!

Jesus called him '**Satan**' (*Enemy, Opposer*). The Lord was speaking to the Devil who was directing Simon's actions and speech. He was still a **Reed!** And just before going to the cross, Jesus warned Peter:

"Simon, Simon (reed, reed), behold, Satan has desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." (Luke 22: 31, 32)

Simon Peter answered: "**Lord, I am ready to go with Thee, both into prison, and to death. And He said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest Me.**" (Luke 22: 33, 34)

The **boast** made by Simon Peter turned out to be just talk and the prophetic statement made by Jesus of Nazareth was fulfilled to the letter. Each time I read this it brings great sadness to my heart. Here is the *TRAGIC* account!

"Now Peter sat without in the Palace: and a damsel came unto him, saying, Thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee. **But he denied before them all, saying, I know not what thou sayest.** And when he was gone out into the porch, another maid saw him, and said unto them that were there; This fellow was also with

Jesus of Nazareth.

And again he denied with an OATH, **I do not KNOW the man.** And after a while came unto him they that stood by, and said to Peter, Surely thou also art one of them; for thy speech betrayeth thee. **Then began he to CURSE and to SWEAR, saying, I know NOT the man.**

"And immediately the cock crew. And Peter remembered the Word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt DENY Me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly." (Matt. 26: 69-75)

Here is St. Luke's commentary of Peter's denial: **"As the Lord turned and, and LOOKED upon Peter and Peter remembered the Word of the Lord, how He had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny Me thrice. And Peter went out and wept bitterly."** (Luke 22:61,62)

I believe that the COMPASSION together with sadness and forgiveness that Simon Peter saw in Jesus' eyes, saved the backslidden Apostle from doing what Judas had done; finding a tree from which to take his own life!

Even in that dark moment, hearing one of His Inner Circle apostles curse and swear that he did not know *that Man*, must have torn at Christ's heart strings! Not only had Simon the son of Jonas denied that he knew Jesus, but stated that if he were not telling the truth let a curse fall upon him!

St. Paul who agreed with St. Peter and the Prophets on Jesus' status as the Foundation of the Church, writes: **"For through Him (Christ) we both (Jews and Greeks) have access by one Spirit (Holy Spirit) to the Father.** Now therefore, ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God:

"And are built upon the FOUNDATION of the apostles, and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone." (Eph.2:18-20)

Again St. Paul writes: "For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building. According to the grace of God which is given unto me as a wise *master builder*, **I have laid the FOUNDATION, and another buildeth there upon.**

"For other Foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." (1 Cor.3: 9 -11). The Bible says: "And they continued steadfastly in the **Apostle's Doctrine and Fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers.**" (Acts 2: 42)

For three years after his encounter with Jesus Christ on the Damascus Road and his healing of blindness and receiving the Holy Spirit under the hands of Ananias, St. Paul stayed in Arabia being tutored by our Lord.

He then went up to Jerusalem and spent fifteen days with Peter and met James the Lord's brother, who was the Pastor of the Church.

The Apostle's Doctrine had no mention of Simon Peter's supremacy. St. Paul writes: "And when **James, Cephas, and John** who seemed to be *PILLARS*, **perceived the grace that was given to me they gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.**" (Gal.2:9)

St. Paul places James ahead of Peter in his letter to the Galatians. He

also blames Peter for vacillating and displaying his old Simon (*reed nature*): "But when Peter was come to Antioch, **I withstood him to the face, because he was to be BLAMED.** For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles; but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, **fearing them** which were of the circumcision." (Gal. 2: 11, 12)

If St. Peter had SUPREMACY over the church he would NOT have been publicly rebuked and corrected by St. Paul. The Apostle Peter received the Correction that the great theologian and Church Builder in the Gentile world gave him!

St. Peter's man-fearing attitude in appeasing a certain faction of the church - **in opposition to the teachings of Christ** - led some of the brethren into error and influenced Barnabas, until St. Paul upset their pride-filled partiality by rebuking and correcting Simon the son of Jonas!

JESUS: DON'T LORD IT OVER OTHERS!

"But Jesus called them unto Him, and said, Ye know that the Princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them; and they that are great among you, let him be your minister: and whosoever will be *CHIEF* among you, let him be your *SERVANT*: Even as the Son of Man came not to be ministered unto but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for you." (Matt. 20: 25-28).

St. Peter wrote: "The **Elders** which are among you I exhort, who am also an **Elder** and a **Witness** of the sufferings of Christ and a **Partaker** of the glory that shall be revealed:

"Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; **neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being examples to the flock.** And when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away." (1 Peter 5: 1-5)

The teaching of '*one man lording it over others*' is not found in the Gospels or in the Epistles of the New Testament! **Jesus alone is the Head of the Church and the Holy Spirit has been given to the Church to lead and direct us into all Truth.**

St. Peter is being *VICTIMIZED* by the **Roman Catholic Church.** He would be the first to renounce and rebuke their false teachers who continue espousing and proclaiming such an erroneous characterization of him for their politico/religious purposes. He clearly taught that he was only an Elder among elders!

According to the BIBLE, the Holy Spirit is in charge of the Church which Jesus Christ shed His blood to Purchase! (Acts 20: 28)

Jesus said: "Nevertheless I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the COMFORTER will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you.

"And when He is come, He will reprove the world of **Sin**, and of **Righteousness** and of **Judgment**: Of sin because they believe not on Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father, and ye see Me no more; of judgment, because the prince of this world is Judged." (John 16: 7-11)

The Holy Bible states: "As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the **Holy**

Ghost said, Separate Me Barnabas and Saul for the work where unto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.” (Acts 13: 2,3)

In **October 1986**, I had the privilege of being one of six preachers to address the large crowd of 35,000 gathered for the *First Pentecostal Conference of Latin America* in Sao Paulo, Brazil, on the topic of the Holy Spirit.

Shortly before that Conference, Newsweek Magazine's Cover carried the Headline: *‘Latin America Cardinal Red Turning Protestant Black’*. This referred to Protestants carrying their Bibles to church. *The statistics spoke for themselves: 400 Roman Catholics were converting every hour to Evangelical Christianity, through our Lord Jesus Christ!*

THE HOLY SPIRIT: NO EARLY RETIREMENT!

In my weekly column in the **Edmonton Sun**, I wrote about the Conference in Sao Paulo and I ended my column with these words: *“The Roman Catholic Church teaches that the Pope is the Vicar of Jesus Christ and as such, he is guiding the Church. The Bible, however, teaches that upon His ascension to Heaven, Jesus Christ poured out upon the Church the Blessed Holy Spirit to empower, lead and guide His Church. I'm sorry John Paul II, I didn't know that the Holy Spirit has taken Early Retirement.”*

JESUS said to His disciples: “Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? And Simon Peter answered and said, *Thou art the Christ the Son of the Living God*. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona (*Reed, son of Jonas*): for flesh and blood hath not revealed this unto thee but My Father which is in Heaven.

And I say also unto thee, Thou art Peter (*petros, a detached fragment*) and upon this Rock (*Petra, an unquarried boulder*) I will build My Church and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee **the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven**: and whatsoever thou shalt bind upon earth shall be bound in Heaven and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” (Matt. 16: 13-19)

Two similar but distinct Greek words are used in this passage: *petros*, a masculine noun translated Peter and *petra*, a feminine noun translated Rock. According to Thayer's Greek Lexicon *Petra* means: *‘A Massive Living unquarried Rock’*, while *Petros* signifies *‘a detached but large fragment’!*

Jesus said that He would build His Church, not on the smaller detached stone Peter (**Petros**) but upon the huge Rock (**Petra**) which is Christ Himself.

The Roman Catholic Church teach that Peter was given primacy over the other apostles and that he is the foundation of Christ's Church. How ridiculous!

A little later, Jesus is speaking to all the disciples with the same words: *“Verily I say unto you, whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in Heaven: and whatsoever ye shall lose on earth shall be loosed in Heaven.”* (Matt. 18: 19). Again that spurious teaching states that only an ordained Roman Catholic clergy can forgive someone's sins after he has confessed his sin

The words of Jesus Christ, however, tell a much different story: **“Then opened He their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures, and said unto them, Thus it is written and thus it behooved Christ to Suffer, and to Rise from the Dead the third day: And that REPENTANCE and REMISSION of sins should be preached in His Name among all the nations beginning at Jerusalem.”** (Luke 24:45-47).

The Lord Jesus gave **all the Apostles** the power to declare the forgiveness of sins over those who in repentance and faith believe and confess that Jesus Christ is the Son of the Living God and the Saviour of the world. **That is the Key to Salvation through Christ!** One must believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of the Living God. That He was crucified for our sins, arose and ascended to the right hand of the Father as our Heavenly High Priest!

The Norwegian Study Bible states: *“Commentary of Great Commission & Sins forgiveness: The Apostolic Mission's premier gifting was to administer the forgiveness of sins. To do this work the Apostles were given full authority from the Risen JESUS to forgive sins by the help of the Gospel Message. The full authority the Apostles received includes all of the Lord's Witnesses today. Where they find faith and repentance, they have full authority to declare that person's sins forgiven in Jesus' name! Where the Gospel meets unbelief and unrighteousness, the Lord's Witnesses have full authority to hold back sins from being forgiven and refuse to administer the Grace Gifts.”*

There is no mention in the Holy Scriptures and the commands of Jesus that a priest has to hear a confession by a penitent, before having his sins forgiven! We confess our sins to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ His Son and they are forgiven! It is only upon the authority of the shed blood of God's paschal Lamb Jesus Christ that sins are forgiven! (1 John 1:7-10)

St. Paul wrote: “And are built upon the FOUNDATION of the Apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Chief Corner Stone: In Whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto a holy temple in the Lord ye also are builded together for a habitation of God through the Spirit.” (Eph.2: 20-22)

The Bible says: **“...He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; he that believeth not shall be damned.”** (Mark 16: 15, 16); **“But if we walk in the Light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the BLOOD of Jesus Christ His Son, cleanseth us from all sin.”** (1 John 1: 7)

Disproving the FALLACY that St. Peter is the foundation of the Church, we have the word of the Angel sent by our Lord Jesus Himself to St. John regarding the New Jerusalem: “And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the **TWELVE APOSTLES** of the Lord.” (Rev. 21: 14)

And notice that St. Paul, the Apostle to the Gentile World wrote: “According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise Master builder, I have laid the **FOUNDATION**, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon. For other foundation can **NO MAN** lay then that is laid, which is **JESUS CHRIST**. Now if any man build upon this **Foundation** (CHRIST) gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the FIRE shall try every man's work of what sort it is." (1 Cor. 3: 10-13)

There are a number of questions that demand an answer: Why would Jesus immediately after declaring Simon (*Reed*) the Petros (*Rock*), call him Satan (*Enemy, Opposer, Wicked One*) when Simon rebuked Jesus for saying that He had come to die and be raised on the third day? Answer, **He was turning him from a reed character to a rock character!**

THE KEY TO THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

What is the Key to the Kingdom of God? It is believing that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God! It is believing that He came to earth as the **propitiation** for our sins! And that He met the **Demands of Divine Justice** in payment for Adam's high treason against Almighty God, through the shedding of His pure and perfect BLOOD on Calvary's Cross.

It is believing that death could not hold God's Paschal Lamb, and that on the third Day He arose from the dead and is today seated on His Father's right hand as our Heavenly High Priest. It is believing the record that God gave of His Son! (1 John 5: 10-12)

Who else made the statement that Simon made? Although the Holy Spirit revealed to Simon who Jesus really was, the Samaritan woman also at the Well of Sychar moved by the Spirit confessed Jesus Christ as the Messiah:

"The woman saith unto Him, I know that Messias cometh, which is called Christ: when He is come, He will tell us all things. Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am He. The woman then left her water pot, and went her way into the city, and said to the men, Come see a man who told me all things that ever I did. **IS NOT THIS THE CHRIST?"** (John 4: 25, 26, 28, 29)

In concluding this important paper on Christ the Rock and Foundation of the Church, here is a powerful truth: "Jesus saith unto them, **Come and dine.** And none of the disciples durst ask Him, **Who art Thou? Knowing that it was the Lord.** Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them and fish likewise. This is now **the third time** that Jesus showed Himself to His disciples, after that He was Risen from the dead.

JESUS SAID SIMON, MEANING REED!

"So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, **Simon (Reed)** son of Jonas, lovest thou Me more than these (fish)? He saith unto Him, Yea, Lord; Thou knowest that I love Thee. He saith unto him, Feed My lambs.

"He saith unto him the second time, **Simon (Reed)**, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me? He saith unto Him, Yea, Lord; Thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him Feed My sheep.

"He saith unto him the third time, **Simon (Reed)**, son of Jonas, lovest thou Me? And he said unto Him, Lord, Thou knowest all things; Thou knowest that I love Thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed My sheep." (John 21: 12-17)

It is obvious that Jesus Christ had forgiven Simon the son of Jonas. It is also clear that He had a work for him to do and that was to minister to His sheep. It is also clear that our Lord did not at that time call him Peter (*petra, rock*). He

was still working on the son of Jonas to change his character from *reed-like to rock-like!* A legend says that every time throughout his life, whenever St. Peter heard a rooster crow, he fell to his knees in thankfulness for God's great mercy to a former liar, coward and Christ denier!

Was Simon the son of Jonas ever a Pope? **Never, don't sully his name with that baggage!** Was he a great man of God and one of the leading apostles? Definitely! Did he err and was he corrected by St. Paul? Yes, he did and he had a great respect for the Apostle to the Gentiles:

"Wherefore, beloved...**even as our beloved brother PAUL also according to the wisdom given him, hath written unto you;** As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other Scriptures, to their own destruction." (1 Peter 3: 13-17).

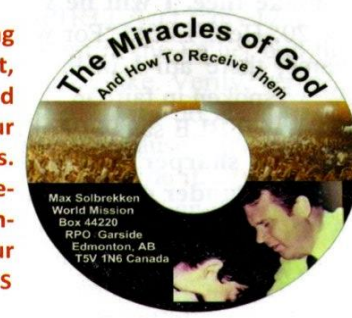
ONE FINAL WORD OF WARNING!

Remember: If you cast yourself into the loving arms of Jesus Christ, you will be safe for time and eternity. You will be broken, so that He can restore you and heal you. Do not reject His love and mercy! If you do, one day in the future He will be your judge and His holy Righteousness will destroy you! He waits for you now. Call upon Him in sincerity and truth and His Mercy will overwhelm you and SAVE you! (John 3: 16-18). **Amen.**

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FOUR ESSENTIAL TRUTHS THAT MUST NOT BE DIMINISHED, DOWNGRADED OR DISMISSED!

By Pastor Max Solbrekken, D.D.

1. THE WORD OF GOD has power to free you from bondage, sin, fear and sickness. The Bible says, "He hath sent His Word and HEALED them, and DELIVERED them from all their destructions." (Ps. 107:20)

There is **Divine Healing** in God's Word. There is **Deliverance** from Satan's destructive attacks, in God's Word! There is Liberty and **Freedom** in God's Word for sin-sick souls, weary and tired believers in Christ who are yearning for peace of mind, healing for their minds and bodies!

And God's Word guarantees a **New Life** for Satan's slaves, who are trapped in the occult, cults and pagan religions!

The Bible says: "**In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us...**" (John 1: 1, 14)

The Holy Bible is the written Word and JESUS is the Living Word of God. The written Word and the Living Word agree, and therefore when we speak His Holy Word in faith and authority, it is the same as if He were present.

And in reality He is present, for He stated: "**I will never leave thee nor forsake thee. I will be with thee until the end of the world.**" (Matt. 28:20; Heb. 13:5); "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them." (Matt.18:20). Therefore, His Word spoken in faith in His NAME has great saving and healing power!

The BIBLE says: "**For the Word of God is quick (living) and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.**" (Heb.4: 12).

The Word of God, therefore, ministers to our entire being, spirit, soul (mind) and body. *What does the Word do?* It convicts and heals the spirit, brings peace to the mind and heals the body! One preacher said: "Where can you see healing in that Scripture? It simply means that God knows our thoughts and He convicts us and forgives our sins."

I asked? "*What is the Word of God doing in our bones, joints and marrow? There is NO sin in our bones, but there might be some arthritis, cancer or rheumatism there. The Word of God penetrates the joints and marrow and heals the sickness and the diseases!*"

2. THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST is so powerful that it cleanses us from all our sins: "**If we walk in the Light as He is in the Light, we have fellowship one with another and the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son cleanseth us from all sins.**" (1 John 1:7)

"Giving thanks unto the Father, Which hath made us meet (qualified) to be PARTAKERS of the inheritance of the saints in Light: Who hath delivered us from the power of Darkness, and hath translated us into the Kingdom of His dear Son: **In Whom we have redemption through His BLOOD, even the forgiveness of sins.**" (Col.1: 12-14)

St. Peter declared: "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things as silver and gold, from you vain conversation (lifestyle) received by tradition from your fathers; **But with the Precious BLOOD of Christ as of a lamb without blemish and spot:**

"Who His Own self bare our sins in His Own Body on the tree that we being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by Whose STRIPES ye were HEALED." (1 Peter 1: 18, 19; 2:24)

The only solvent that can purge the *CONSCIENCE* from all guilt and tormenting fear, is the precious BLOOD of Jesus Christ our Lord: "**How much more shall the blood of Christ, Who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, PURGE your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?**" (Heb.9: 14)

3. THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD baptizes us into the Body of Christ at conversion and as we totally surrender to God, He fills us with His presence: "**For by one Spirit are we all baptized into ONE Body (Church), whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have all been made to drink into ONE SPIRIT.**" (1 Cor. 12:13).

Our Saviour promised: "Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me: or else believe me for the very works sake. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me, the Works that I do, shall he do also; and GREATER works than these shall he do; because I go unto My Father. **And whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, I will do it.**

"And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another COMFORTER that He may abide with you forever; even the **Spirit of Truth**; Whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but ye know Him; for He dwelleth in you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you." (John 14: 10-18)

"Howbeit when He, the Spirit of Truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of Himself: but whatever He shall hear, that shall He it speak; and He will show you things to come. He shall glorify Me: for He shall receive of Mine, and shall show unto you." (John 16:13, 14)

Jesus said: "**But ye shall receive POWER after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.**" (Acts 1: 8)

The Bible says: **"And be not drunk with wine, wherein in excess; but be filled with the Spirit;** (Eph.5:18, 19). If the Holy Spirit is not active and working in the Church, it is no longer a living Church!

The Holy Spirit has been given to direct, teach and empower the Church until Jesus Returns. The Holy Spirit is restraining the Antichrist. He cannot take over the earth until the Holy Spirit's work is complete!

"For the Mystery of Iniquity doth already work: only He who now letteth will let, until He (Holy Spirit) be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked (Antichrist) be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and destroy with the brightness of His Coming." (2 Thess. 2:7-8)

4. THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST is a great weapon to drive Satan from us. Jesus said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel unto every creature, He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. He that believeth not shall be damned. And these SIGNS shall follow them that believe.

"In My Name, shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; Thy shall take up serpents (St. Paul in Malta); and if the drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them (Pentecostal pastors in some Soviet Union Prisons); they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

"And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the Word with SIGNS following. Amen." (Mark 16:15-20)

Jesus said to His Disciples: "And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you: And HEAL the sick that are therein, and say unto them. The Kingdom of God.

"And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through Thy name. And He said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from Heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and powers (enemies of the Gospel), and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall by any means hurt you." (Luke 10:17-20)

The Bible says: **"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under Heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."** (Acts 4: 12); "God will have all men to be Saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. For there is ONE GOD, and ONE Mediator between God and men, the **Man Christ Jesus**: Who gave Himself a RANSOM for all...(1 Tim.2: 3-6).

May God bless and keep you and give you peace, my dear friend. May He heal you of all sickness, disease and all pains! **In Jesus Name, Amen.**



Jussi Sievanen as a teenager in 1970s

Leena and Jussi, Max Solbrekken, Mar. 2, 2016

GOD'S MIRACLE ALLOWED ME TO LIVE A NORMAL WORKING MAN'S LIFE ALL THESE YEARS!

Says Jussie Sievanen, Vancouver, B.C

As a teenager I was living in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario Canada in the 1970's. One day I was doing heavy yard work when I severely injured the lower left side of my back. At times it would totally give out. It would be like someone would kick the legs out from underneath me and I would collapse on the ground. This disability went on for many months. I remember that it was winter time and I heard that Max Solbrekken was holding meetings in a school auditorium nearby. I attended the meeting one night and he asked people to come up for prayer and healing. I went up and he sat me down on a chair and put my feet up in his hands

I vividly still remember the winter boots that I had on. He quickly discovered that my left leg was about one inch shorter. I remember the intense look on his face as he said something. Almost instantly my left leg grew out and I could feel my lower back shifting into place. The whole process took less than 30 seconds.

That which happened well over 40 years ago, is still to this day a living reality of the miracle healing that took place in that service. My back has been one of the strongest parts of my body to the point that I have been able to lift heavy objects that have been in excess of 500 pounds without any issues.

I am thankful to the Lord Jesus Christ for what happened in Brother Max Solbrekken's meeting that night. It has allowed me to live a normal working man's life all these years. I recently saw Brother Max again, and shared the testimony of what happened to me in the healing service so many years ago. Amen.



"And at Midnight a cry was made, behold the Bridegroom cometh, Go out to Meet Him." Matt. 25:1-10

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