

Monday, 5 May 2014

2 Timothy 1:8-12

*Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me.*

It is a great blessing, Lord, that Betty and I allowed to spend these latter years of our lives ministering in the prisons of Vermont. Looking back, we see how You have trained and equipped us for this ministry; all the while that we thought we were leading our lives as we chose, You had a plan for us, moving us towards this work. Praise You, our Lord Jesus, for Your mercy to us.

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Tuesday, 6 May 2014

Psalm 92:1-4

*A Psalm. A Song for the Sabbath. It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.*

We give You thanks for the many blessings, not least of all is the strength and wherewithal to pursue the prison ministry. We thank You for Scott and Mona, their

music ministry and their love for us; we thank you for the men who have opened their hearts to us and encouraged us with their testimonies; we thank You for opening the gates of the Springfield and Windsor prisons.

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Wednesday, 7 May 2014

Psalm 92:5-7

*How great are your works, O LORD! Your thoughts are very deep! The stupid man cannot know; the fool cannot understand this: that though the wicked sprout like grass and all evildoers flourish, they are doomed to destruction forever;*

Night after night we watch Your handiwork in transformed lives. Men released from addictions, from anger, from guilt, from rejection and abuse. Lives transformed from the stench of sin to the aroma of glory. Marvelous! Beyond comprehension by the world!

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Thursday, 8 May 2014

Psalm 92:8-9

*but you, O LORD, are on high forever. For behold, your enemies, O LORD, for behold, your enemies shall perish; all evildoers shall be scattered.*

“Is the arm of the Lord too short?” The world labels certain crimes as both unforgivable and unredeemable, but all are open to the transforming power of Your sacrifice. While all have sinned and fallen short of Your glory, no one, none, all will be forgiven if they accept Your gift of grace and mercy.

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Friday, 9 May 2014

Psalm 92:10-11

*But you have exalted my horn like that of the wild ox; you have poured over me fresh oil. My eyes have seen the*

*downfall of my enemies; my ears have heard the doom of my evil assailants.*

It is amazing how problems and challenges melt before our eyes when the power of prayer is brought to bear.

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Saturday, 10 May 2014

Psalm 92:12-15

*The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God. They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green, to declare that the LORD is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.*

Continue to use us, Lord, as vine dressers in Your vineyards. Let every moment of our lives be spent in glorifying You. May our labors continue to advance Your Kingdom. Direct our every footstep

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Lord's Day, 11 May 2014

Psalm 119:173

*Let your hand be ready to help me, for I have chosen your precepts.*

*I have chosen Your precepts as my Rule for Life; as my guide to life in the Kingdom. Give me understanding according to Your word; fill my mouth with Your praises as effective as a two-edged sword in my hand.*

## VOICES TOGETHER

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