

Simply Christ

Gospel Newsletter

Sharing the simplicity that is in Christ

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The Year 2017

Normally if you receive an email from Calvary Outreach Ministries it contains a SIMPLY CHRIST gospel message or a BEHOLD THE LAMB Ebook, but I would like to use this occasion to share with you what we have seen the Lord accomplish during this past year.

Twenty-five years ago, the Lord spoke to Leroy Surface in a dream. He said, *"If you will say what I say, one day you will throw a rock into a pond, and the ripples will wash up on the shores of every nation."* Brother Surface understood that his part was not to attempt to expand this ministry into every nation, but to simply *"say what God says."*

During these past twenty-five years, Brother Surface and I have sought God continuously for the grace to understand and declare exactly what God says in his word concerning the gospel of Christ. We acknowledge that what we write and preach does not fit the dogma of any particular denomination or religious movement. In fact the most common response we receive is *"I have never heard the gospel preached this way by anyone!"* This seems strange to us because we only write and speak what is clearly recorded in the scriptures.

A few years ago God began to open our eyes to the message of **The Christ** as revealed in his word. This simple revelation changes everything. It is the same revelation Jesus referred to when he

told Peter *"...upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."*

Matthew 16:18. This is not a new message, but it has been a forgotten message. It is the record of who Christ is from the beginning, what was prophesied He would accomplish when He came, and how every promise of redemption was fulfilled when He died on the cross for everyone who believes "Jesus is the Christ." This simple message is "The Truth" that Jesus said would make you free from Sin.

Two years ago, based upon the words of Jesus, *"What I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the housetops"* Matthew 10:27, we began to proclaim this message of *"the Christ"* through every means at our disposal. We contracted with Charisma Magazine for a monthly full page gospel message and also began to offer free BEHOLD THE LAMB books through multiple international online Christian media outlets. We made a commitment to send the gospel in BEHOLD THE LAMB books without charge to anyone who desired to receive them regardless of where they live in this world.

The number of free BEHOLD THE LAMB Books we send monthly has increased by 500%. In the past year, BEHOLD THE LAMB Books and Ebooks, our SIMPLY CHRIST gospel newsletter, and our GOSPEL FOUNDATIONS audio messages have increased to being sent weekly and monthly to believers on six continents, in all fifty states of the USA, and in over eighty nations. In the past year we have also sent tens of thousands of BEHOLD THE LAMB printed books to hungry believers all over this world without charge to anyone. Jesus said, *"freely you have received, freely give."* Matthew

10:8. In 2018 we will continue the full page BEHOLD THE LAMB message in Charisma Magazine, but we are also adding a second full page for SIMPLY CHRIST. If God will show us where, we will “*cast the net!*”

By any natural measurement we are a small ministry. This past week someone heard of what God was doing and said to me, “*Your ministry must be much larger than it appears to be.*” I replied, “*No! We are no more than what you see us to be.*” We are just a few, but we have seen the glory of Christ and are seeking to “*shout it from the rooftops.*” God does not need us or anyone else to become a “*super ministry.*” He does, however, need YOU to stand and declare this truth of Christ to a world that is sinking in darkness. When “*truth is fallen in the streets*” Isaiah 59:14, it stays there until someone picks it up and begins to declare it. The greatest thing you can do for the cause of the gospel is to share it with someone else.

Finally, I want to thank those who have sent offerings and love gifts to help in this gospel outreach. Although we have made no request, many of you have become financial supporters of this work. Words cannot express our gratitude and thanks to God for you. Keep us in your prayers, but more than this, let us all pray that this light of the glorious gospel of Christ will shine until its life giving rays fill every nation.