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WORD LIVING

**WELCOME TO WORD LIVING OCTOBER 2020
We give praise for the opportunity to share the word of God with you.**

If I had known about the pandemic and all that would take place, I would have???????

History is a more excellent teacher than future projections because it records the truth even when the writers try to paint a different picture. Some historical events, may remain in a crevice, hidden from view, until God, at his divine time, reveals it for His glory and honor.

Our prior normal, our future plans, and day to day activities have changed by design, but not at our request. Shelves are empty, stores are closing, people are homeless, jobs are in question, the educational system faces the unique challenges to provide quality education and keep both teachers and students safe.

The problems may vary, but the common denominator begins and ends with Jesus. Will you trust and obey as he has directed?

LORD, WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?

The question was asked of those who trusted the Lord and wanted His directions for each day. Over the years, I look back and see where I stepped ahead of the Lord and I wish I could say I learned and never did it again.

Moving on, the learning experience and the Lord's loving reminders, help me to focus on pleasing him more than pleasing myself and others.

In this current storm, there are still opportunities to follow God's instructions and be blessed.

- 1. God is first. No matter what problems we face, when we listen and follow his directions, we have peace, joy, and all that we need.**
- 2. Family is second. When God is first the blessing flow through the oneness of family and provide unity and peace. The children learn about God, they see him in our actions, and their faith becomes stronger.**
- 3. Church is third. The Body of Christ comes to worship and give praise, then go forth and serve.**
- 4. Job is fourth. Ephesians 4:28, KJV: "Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labor, working with *his* hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth."**
- 5. Self is last. The reason is God provides all we need in the order that blesses us most. God pours love when we make him first. When the family puts God first, each receives blessings and the ability to share with others. As this continues, others see the love of God working, the blessings He provides, the joy and peace within the family and their faith to trust God in the storm. The blessings of love, biblical teaching, and living the word in the world, helps other see Jesus.**
- 6. The family structure represents the faithfulness of God's design. In 1967, as a young wife, I envisioned the "Leave it to Beaver Show" as the perfect family example. No fighting, everyone happy, dad working, and mom cooking and cleaning. I had cleaning in my blood, but cooking, that is a story for another day.**

What I did not realize was, the family structure was designed to bring glory and honor to God, and that each member had a part uniquely designed for them.

The father – The priest, provider, and protector of the family.

The mother – Proverbs 31:10-31 - key word virtuous (righteous, moral, chaste).

The children – learned by example to respect, the word of God and obey it by the example they saw, the words they heard and the love they saw and received.

And then I heard a sermon that focused on the depth of Christian Service.

Key points from Jesus word from a visiting minister over 30+ years ago. One could say it was an Agricultural Metaphor for Christian Living.

THE FARMER has chores. He gathers the eggs, milk the cows, feed the pigs etc.

THE FARMER eats a good meal, so he has strength to do his job.

THE FARMER must get along with the neighbors because, to survive, all must work together. He maintains his equipment, rises early, and cares for the animals. He preserves food for family, plans for problems, work long hours, has an emergency plan in case of a drought, storms, floods, fires, and other concerns, plows and prepares the soil, plants the seeds, protects the land within his limits, and does all he can to care for his family and help others.

NEVER CONFUSE THE CHORES WITH YOUR JOB!

CHORES: The chores are important and must be done daily. They are important because they meet the needs of the family so the family is ready to work. **NOTE:** Family worship is daily and corporate worship, for some is weekly.

GOOD MEAL: The word of God, read, believed, and practiced daily.

OUR JOB To hear the word and follow the instruction. Matthew 25:31-46 Feed the hungry, Provide water to the thirsty, Lodging for the homeless, Clothes for the naked, Visit the sick and those in prison. The verses 41- 46 note the importance of these actions, and the urgency especially during this most difficult time.

The church family will return, for corporate worship but until it does, the family is called to action and our God will provide what we need to help others during this time. We can call and say a prayer, sing, and/or read scriptures. We can send cards, letters, texts, email, drive by and/or be creative and make a sign and leave it on the door, and/or wave as you drive by.

NOTE: We have been given the opportunity to show the love of Jesus today.

Much love and prayers, Karen

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*helping people...
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For we have the power to make a difference in the lives of others. Just a smile, a kind word, or a small act of kindness, can make a difference in the action of another that changes a life for the better.

True worship is not confined to what we do in the church building, but it is the things that we do in love for others and in obedience to our Lord.

True worship is yielding all to the will of God, obeying him in everything we say or do, giving him the highest praise, all glory and honor in every action.

What can you do today to show the love of God to those who need to see his love and mercy in action?

You can start with family, friends, and your neighborhood.

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