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# *In Thy Presence*



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# ♥ Heart to Heart ♥

## *About the Editress:*

My name is Rachel-Marie McPherson, and I am 24 years old. I love to spend time with my Saviour and to grow closer to Him each day. My desire is that you will be encouraged to do the same.

Dear Sisters,  
Greetings in the name of Jesus! Already we are in 2012. . . What have we to show for the year 2011? Another year has passed with all its joys, sorrows, victories, defeats, gone are all our New Year resolutions for 2011. . . all past, and now we are in the new year, and we have new resolutions, new goals, and new ideas swimming around in our heads, or maybe we have a list of things to do, or goals to achieve this year.

I've been thinking about several things coming into the new year, and one of the things that the Lord spoke to me about was when I was reading Genesis 3:9. The title in my dairy was called Where art thou?—Genesis 3:9 “Where are thou” is an interesting question to ask yourself, and you may think your answer would be, “in the bedroom, lounge room,

Inside, outside, or other such places. But this is not the question that the Lord was asking me. In Genesis 3:9, the Lord called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou? Most of us know the story of Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden, we know how they fell into temptation and ate the fruit God had told them specifically not to eat, and we know they hid themselves from the presence of Almighty God because they knew they had sinned. This is when the Lord called unto Adam “Where art thou”? We know the rest of the story how God sent them out of the garden. . . Their lives suddenly changed. . . One sin led them out of the garden. . . One sin led them out of the presence of God. . . One sin! The Lord God called unto . . . And said unto . . . Where art thou? . . . Where art thou spiritually? Where is thy walk with God? Where is thy prayer life? Where is thy heart? Where art thou? Perhaps, you say I just don't know exactly what happened, I really can't tell why or how I got just where I am. Proverbs 4:26 says Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established. Perhaps it may

be exactly the same thing that drew Adam and Eve out from the garden, out and away from the presence of God. . One Sin? One sin if unconfessed to God can lead you deeper and deeper into more sin, deeper and deeper into the blackness of this world, and away from the presence and the light of the Lord. “Where art thou”. . . If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9 Oh, what blessedness this is that we, though full of sin, if we can confess our sins to Christ will be forgiven and cleansed. . . back into the light of the Lord, back into fellowship with him.

I want to encourage you to search your heart, and if you have not blessed fellowship with Christ, seek his face, search your heart, and he will show you what is in the way. He is waiting there with open arms ready to forgive, and ready to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. May the Lord richly bless you abundantly this year as you seek him with all of your heart.

*Only by His Grace*

## Bible Challenge Answers:

There are 29 books of the Bible in this paragraph. Can you find them? This is a most remarkable puzzle. It was found by a gentleman in an airplane seat pocket, on a flight from Los Angeles to Honolulu, keeping him occupied for hours. He enjoyed it so much; he passed it on to some friends. Another friend studied it while playing his banjo. Elaine Taylor, a columnist friend, was so intrigued by it; she mentioned it in her weekly newspaper column. Another friend judges the job of solving this puzzle so involving, she brews a cup of tea to help her nerves. There will be some names that are really easy to spot. That's a fact. Some people, however, will soon find themselves in a jam, especially since the book manes are not necessarily capitalized. Truthfully, from answers we get, we are forced to admit it usually takes a minister or a scholar to see some of them at the worst. Research has shown that something in our genes is responsible for the difficulty we have in seeing the books in this paragraph. During a recent fund raising event, which featured this puzzle, the Alpha Delta Phil lemonade booth set a new record. The local paper, The Chronicle, surveyed over 200 patrons who reported that this puzzle was one of the most difficult they had ever seen. As Daniel Humana humbly puts it "The books are all right here in plain view hidden from sight." Those able to find all of them will hear great lamentations from those who have to be shown. One revelation that may help is that books like Timothy and Samuel may occur without their numbers. Also, keep in mind, that punctuation and spaces in the middle are normal. A chipper attitude will help you compete really well against those who claim to know the answers. Remember, there is no need for a mad exodus; there really are 29 books of the Bible lurking somewhere in this paragraph waiting to be found. God Bless.

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### *What Christ is the Christian*

#### *He is a Shield. . .*

A shield is used to protect the one behind it from harmful things that are coming towards them. Christ protects us from the harmful and poisonous things that Satan tries to throw into us, to wound us and bring us down and ruin our testimony, but Christ helps us to withstand them.

#### *He is a Balm. . .*

When we are wounded and hurting, Christ soothes us with ointment from His Word, or from other believers saying things of comfort to us. His balm is far more effective than any other thing that we might try and always works on every wound we get.

#### *He is a Door. . .*

Like a Shield, a door protects us from harm, and wolves that would seek to kill us. But unlike the Shield- which is a picture of Christians being warriors- a Door pictures us as

Christ's sheep in the fold, and Christ- as the Good Shepherd- at the opening in the fold, standing there and stopped any wolves or other predators coming in and killing the flock.

### *He is an Anchor. . .*

As an Anchor, Christ keeps us from drifting when contrary winds come blowing upon us. He keeps us secure and it doesn't matter what storms we may face in life, we can rest assured that with Christ as our Anchor, we won't sink, or get blown off course.

### *He is a Friend. . .*

Christ is my Friend. He is all the things that anybody ever wants in a friend, plus so much more; and the best part is that you can talk any time – day or night – and you don't have to worry that he'll get angry with you for wanting to talk to Him at 3:30 in the morning or at 3:30 in the afternoon – He is available for everybody and anybody 24/7, and you can share with Him your deepest sorrows or your highest joys and everything in between.

### *He is a Light. . .*

Although a light, Christ only often shows us only little steps at a time, and is like a small torch, not the Sun that lightens up everything, although He can do that, too, if He desires. But He wants His children – us – to learn the valuable lessons of faith and trust, and one way He does that is only using a small amount of light to show us where to go, so we have to trust Him that He knows where He's taking us, even though we can't see where we're going. .. it's like going outside on the darkest night and there's no lights shining, and you can't see what's in front of you and you only have this small torch to use. . . these torches aren't really good for shining long distances, but for shining right in front of you, they're perfect! The same with the Lord being a Light. He only shines enough in front of us so it seems that we can only see our feet, but when we walk, He lights up a bit more. . . and a bit more. . .until we get to our destination.

### *He is a Loving Giver. . .*

Christ loves us with inexpressible love, and this love cannot be measured. . . there is such depth and height and width to His love for us that we can never begin to imagine the fullness of it, but we are experiencing it. He gives us many daily gifts as proofs of His love for us – sweet – smelling flowers, warm sun, soaking rain, loving family, beautiful friends, warm homes, His Word the Bible, salvation, and above all, a life to live for Him. There are many more things that He has lovingly given to us that the list would be – and is - endless. Even just the simple things are gifts from Him.

As you go through your Christian life, may you daily grow closer to the One Who has saved you from a life of misery, sin, and ultimate death, and to continually get to know our Saviour more fully, and experience to the fullest all these attributes of Christ, plus all the other attributes that belong to Him.

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*From the Life of Frances Ridley Havergal (the English Hymn writer)*

*Below is a portion of a letter that Frances R. Havergal wrote, in 1877, to a 'popular', wealthy, young lady who had, a few months before, become a Christian. She wrote many letters like these to young people to encourage them in the Lord - I believe that they can still be an encouragement to us today.*

"I see you, a young, fresh life, redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, believing and owning what He has done for you,

with grand possibilities of power in His cause, and I think endowed with special gifts of influence and attraction, one who might be, and do so much, for Jesus; and, yet, Jesus does not come first! And you know it might be otherwise and ought to be otherwise. You are "entangled" when you might be "free" in His "glorious liberty"; you are unsatisfied, yes, and dissatisfied, and you might be "abundantly satisfied." He has dealt bountifully with you, and now what shall you render to

Him? Has not the practical answer been: "Just as much as I can conveniently spare, after I have rendered all that with risk of the least awkwardness, or remark, or self-denial? Of course, one must give up the bulk of one's time, and talents, and influence, and thoughts, and desires, and efforts, to other things; but He shall have just the chips and shavings, the odds and ends, of whatever I don't particularly want for myself or for anybody else!" Does it not, practically, amount

to this? And shall it continue to do so? Oh, be “true-hearted, whole-hearted.” Be really his faithful soldier and servant. Throw overboard forever the divided allegiance, which is valueless. Be “only

for Jesus,” and you shall start out on a new life of blessedness, beyond anything you can imagine; and you will never, never, NEVER have a regret that you listened to, and obeyed, His own

“Follow Me,” even if it involves (as it will) taking up a cross, for there is no true following exempt from it, only the very cross will be *gilded with glory.*”

*(She also shared some of the reasons for the way she dressed)*

*“The outer should be the expression of the inner, not an ugly mask or disguise. If the Kings Daughter is to be “all glorious within,” she must not be outwardly a fright! I must dress both as a lady and a Christian.*

*The question of cost. I see very strongly, and do not consider myself at liberty to spend on dress that which might be spared for God’s word: but it cost no more to get a thing well and prettily made, and I should only feel justified in getting a costly dress if it would last proportionally longer. . .*

*I shall always ask for guidance in all things!”*

‘And the Lord shall guide thee continually’ Isaiah 58:11

‘The Lord shall guide thee.’ Not an angel, but Jehovah shall guide thee. He said He would not go through the wilderness before His people, an angel should go before

them to lead them in the way; but Moses said, ‘If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence.’ Christian, God has not left you in your earthly pilgrimage to an

angel's guidance: He Himself leads the van. You may not see the cloudy, fiery pillar, but Jehovah will never forsake you. Notice the word shall – 'The Lord shall guide thee.' How certain this makes it! How sure it is that God will not forsake us! His precious 'shall's' and 'will's' are better than men's oaths. 'I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.' Then observe the adverb continually. We are not merely to be guided sometimes, but we are to have a perpetual monitor; not occasionally to be left to our own understanding, and so to wander, but we are continually to hear the guiding voice of the Great Shepherd; and if we follow close at His heels, we shall not err, but be led by a right way to a city to dwell in. If you have to change your

position in life; if you have to emigrate to distant shores; if it should happen that you are cast into poverty, or uplifted suddenly into a more responsible position than the one you now occupy; if you are thrown among strangers, or cast among foes, yet tremble not, for 'the Lord shall guide thee continually'. There are no dilemmas out of which you shall not be delivered if you live near to God, and your heart be kept warm with holy love. He goes not amiss who goes in the company of God. Like Enoch, walk with God, and you cannot mistake your road. You have infallible wisdom to direct you, immutable love to comfort you, and eternal power to defend you. 'Jehovah' – mark the word – 'Jehovah shall guide thee continually'.

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### **God's Love:**

**We call it mercy – it is God's forgiving love.**

**We call it providence – it is God's caring love.**

**We call it Kindness – it is God's understanding love.**

**We call it Christ's passion and death – it is God's proven love.**

**We call it happiness – it is God's encouraging love.**

**We call it the will of God – it is God's unerring love.**

**We call it heaven – it is God's rewarding love.**

**We call it eternity – it is God's unending love.**

## *I know who I am*

*I am* God's child (John 1:12)

*I am* Christ's friend (John 15:15)

*I am* united with the Lord (1 Corinthians 6:7)

*I am* bought with a price (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

*I am* a saint (set apart for God) (Ephesians 1:1)

*I am* a personal witness of Christ (Acts 1:8)

*I am* the salt and light of the earth (Matthew 5:13-14)

*I am* a member of the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:27)

*I am* free forever from condemnation (Romans 8:1-2)

*I am* a citizen of Heaven. I am significant (Philippians 3:20)

*I am* free from any charge against me (Romans 8: 31-34)

*I am* a minister of reconciliation for God (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)

*I have* access to God through the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 2:18)

*I am* seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (Ephesians 2:6)

*I cannot* be separated from the love of God (Romans 8: 35-39)

*I am* established, anointed, sealed by God (2 Corinthians 1: 21-22)

*I am* assured all things work together for good (Romans 8:28)

*I have been* chosen and appointed to bear fruit (John 15:16)

*I may* approach God with freedom and confidence (Ephesians 3:12)

*I can* do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Philippians 4:13)

*I am* the branch of the true vine, a channel of His life (John 15:1-5)

*I am* God's temple (1 Corinthians 3:16)

*I am* complete in Christ (Colossians 2:10)

*I am* hidden with Christ in God (Colossians 3:3)

*I have been* justified (Romans 5:1)

*I am* God's co-worker (1 Corinthians 3:9, 2 Corinthians 6:1)

*I am* God's workmanship (Ephesians 2:10)

*I am* confident that the good works God has begun in me will be perfected (Philippians 1:5)

*I have been* redeemed and forgiven (Colossians 1:14)

*I have been* adopted as God's child (Ephesians 1:5)

*I belong* to God.

*Do you know who you are?*

# Evening Questionnaire:

John Fletcher was a man of God and was known until the day of his death as the 'Sainted Fletcher'. We all could profit by his evening questionnaire:

- Did I awake spiritually and was I watchful in keeping my mind from wandering this morning?
- Have I this day got nearer to God in prayer or have I given way to a lazy idle spirit?
- Has my faith been weakened by unwatchfulness or quickened by diligence?
- Have I walked by faith and seen God in all things?
- Have I made the most of my time as far as I had light, strength and opportunity?
- Have I denied myself in all unkind words and thoughts?
- Have I been delighted at seeing others preferred?
- What have I done this day for the souls and bodies of God's dear saints?
- Have I laid out anything to please myself, when I might have saved the money for the cause of God?
- Do my life and conversation adorn the gospel of Jesus Christ?
- Have I governed my tongue well this day, remembering that 'in the multitude of words there wanteth not sin'?

## Quotes:

- *Gossip is the most deadly microbe. It has neither legs nor wings. It is composed entirely of tales, and most of them have stings.*
- *Sin is not hurtful because it is forbidden - but is forbidden because it is hurtful.*

## *How to Read and Understand your Bible- Part One*

*“For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart” (Hebrews 4:12)*

The Bible is the Word of God. Its sixty-six books contain God’s entire revelation to man. The Old Testament begins with God’s stepping out of eternity to create the universe, including earth and all its inhabitants. It paints the awful picture of sin coming into the world and its consequences. It records how God’s people were blessed of Him and yet rejected Him over and over again. It ends with Him promising, *“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. And he shall turn the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse” (Malachi 4:6)*

The Old Testament is then followed by 400 long

years during which God did not communicate with His people.

The New Testament begins with the promised coming of Elijah being fulfilled in the person of John the Baptist. (Jesus Himself tells us this in Matthew 17: 10-13 where, following His disciples asking Him if Elijah would come, He said *“Elijah is come already, and they knew him not . . . Then the disciples understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist.”*) The *“heart of the children”* was not turned. The Jewish people not only rejected John, but they rejected the promised Messiah he announced. Jesus *“came unto His own and His own received Him not” (John 1:11)*. We read then that He was crucified, buried and rose again. The Jewish nation was set aside, the church instituted and given the Great Commission of evangelizing all nations. The last book of the New Testament begins with God taking His church home and then records

the fulfilling of Malachi’s prophecy of God’s promise to *“smite the earth with a curse.”* The New Testament then ends with the record of the trinity of evil (Satan, the false prophet and the beast) being cast into the lake of fire. Those who rejected God’s salvation are *“cast into the lake of fire”* with them (Revelation 20:15). The period we know as *“time,”* which began with the first verse of the Bible, then ends and we are given a glimpse of a new heaven and a new earth where the redeemed will forever be with the Lord.

As the Old Testament ended with an awful curse, the New Testament ends with a blessed promise. Jesus Himself promises, *“Surely I come quickly”*, and John prays *“Even so, come, Lord Jesus”* (Revelation 22:20).

### ***The Bible should be read***

What a wonderful book the Bible is! In it we find

the way back to God. We learn of His holiness, mercy and grace. We are told how we can have peace with God and experience the peace of God can actually make us into a “new creation” (2 Corinthians 5:17). The Bible then becomes the “owner’s manual” for us, as God’s children. The Bible promises “we shall all stand before the judgement seat of Christ” and “every one of us shall give account of himself to God” (Romans 14:10:11). This is a judgement for Christians (not to determine whether or not we go to Heaven or Hell, that was settled when we received Jesus as Saviour), but to give account for how we have lived since we became Christians. The basis of judgement will be the Bible. Did we live by it and obey it, or did we neglect its instruction?

Surely, then, we should read the Bible. Our purpose now is to determine how to read the Bible and understand its message.

### ***Accept it as God’s Word***

The Bible is not just another book. It is not just a book about God. It is not just a book written by men who give record of the experiences with God. The Bible is God’s Word. “All scripture is given by inspiration of God” (2 Timothy 3:16). The word translated “inspiration” literally means “God-breathed.” The Word of God “came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost” (2 Peter 1:21).

The Bible tells us that God “has magnified thy word above all thy name” (Psalm 138:2). We cannot understand that statement, but it certainly should impress upon our hearts the importance of God’s Word. Remember also that the Word was made flesh in the person of Jesus Christ (John 1:1-3,14).

The first step in understanding the Bible then is to recognise and accept it as the very Word of God.

### ***The Bible is without error***

There are no errors in the Bible. God has never made a mistake. Since the Bible is His Word we are assured it contains no mistakes.

Approach the Bible with the attitude that there are no contradictions in it. You will find what appears to be contradictions, but as your familiarity with the Bible increases, most of them will be reconciled. Maintain the attitude that the problem is not with the Bible, but with your understanding of the Bible.

### ***Pray for understanding***

The Bible was written as men were moved by the Holy Spirit to record God’s Word. The body of the child of God is the “temple of the living God” (2 Corinthians 6:16) because the Holy Spirit lives within us. Jesus promised the Holy Spirit “will guide you into all truth” (John 16:13) No one will ever understand the Word of God unless

the Holy Spirit reveals it to him. Part of Paul's prayer for the Ephesians was that "the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of

His calling, and what the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the

working of His mighty power" (Ephesians 1:18-19)

Before you read your Bible you should pray for the Holy Spirit to enable you to understand it.

*...To be continued in next Issue:*

## The Present Tense of Salvation:

### **Believers in Jesus are being saved!**

*"Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation (in your spiritual growth) with fear and trembling; for it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Philippians 2:12-13*

#### a. Being saved from sin's power

*"But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end, everlasting life.*

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord". Romans 6:22-23*

#### b. The Believers soul (mind, will, emotions) are being saved from the old patterns as we abide in Christ

*"Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls." James 1:21*

#### c. Salvation from the grip of dominating sin is through the Cross: we died with Christ (positionally and spiritually)

*"Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin." Romans 6:6*

#### d. Deliverance from wilful sin is by the resurrection power of the indwelling Christ

*"But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you." Romans 8:11 (the context is sanctification.)*

*"Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, (sin's authority) but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:11*

#### e. This aspect of salvation presently is also by God's grace Deliverance

*"Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 5:20-21*

#### f. Salvation in spiritual warfare through faith

*"And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me."*

*in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me."*

g. Faith in God's Word brings daily victory

*(To Timothy) "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save (from a defeated testimony) thyself, and them that hear thee." 1 Timothy 4:16*

His Life became our life

Jesus came to Earth  
So many years ago--  
Leaving His heavenly abode,  
He entered this vale of woe.  
The sin that came between us  
Destined us for Hell;  
Only He could bridge the gulf  
And that He knew right well.

He came to earth as a baby  
To identify with our sin;  
As our sin was taken on Him  
His righteousness came within.  
When He went to Calvary,  
It was our death He died;  
Only as He paid our debt  
Are we freed from sin and pride.

Our partaking of His nature  
Through the miracle of rebirth,  
Allowed us to identify with Him  
And give us untold worth.  
Losing our sin-stained lives  
With Him at Calvary's Cross,  
Allows us to live in Him--  
What a loss, glorious loss!

And, then, to be risen with Him  
And in the heavenlies seated,  
His sacrifice once for all  
Never to be repeated.  
Bringing forth much fruit  
As in Him we remain--  
Resurrection life our heritage--  
What a gain, glorious gain!

*Thy Way, not mine, O Lord*

Wherever the path, wherever thy way,  
Thou art my God, by Thee I'll stay;  
I'll trust your grace, in Thee I find  
More power to leave each sin behind

I give myself, my all to Thee,  
I lean on you for you can see. .  
Each little step, my every tear;  
Thou seest e'en my smallest fear

I cast on thee my forward tongue  
The victory can through Thee by won.  
For Thou art all the help I need  
To root up every sinful deed.

For sinful passion, self and pride  
Within my heart, still now abide.  
Lord, cast them out and set me free;  
And help me Lord to walk with Thee:

The way that you on earth did show  
This is the path I want to go  
Twill lead me to Heaven's blissful shore  
The place for me you have instore

For if I trust in all I do  
And always seek to follow you  
You will my way make clear each day  
When I open up thy word and pray

Now speak Lord to thy servant here  
Show me thy truth and make it clear  
For I am ready Lord to know  
All things that'll help my life to grow. . .

Much nearer to thy precious side  
And safe within thy haven hide  
Thou art my strength to run this race  
Thou art my rock, my hiding place

My victory and my all in all  
My help when I upon Thee call  
Thankyou Father for all thy love  
Sent down to me from Heaven above

All thy mercy and grace bestow  
To me, thy servant here below  
Keep me humble and close to Thee  
Until in Heaven thy face I see

Blessed Lord and Saviour divine  
Please come into this heart of mine  
Try me, mould me, make me I pray  
Show me thy truth, the narrow way

Thy way that is the truth, the life  
Thy way that keeps me out of strife  
Thy way that makes my soul more blest  
Thy way that leads me into rest

*Thy Way, not mine, O Lord*





