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"Behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb." Revelation 7:9

The great news about the gospel is that it is for the rich, the poor, every tribe, and every nation. We all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. No one is excluded, every person on the earth needs Jesus! In the prison I hand out approximately ten or more Bibles a week. The good news is that the gospel never loses it power to save souls, and it will not return without results!

Last week I took note of the three men in the front leading the singing at the worship service on Thursday evening. All three were different nationalities singing praises to our God! It was a joyful reminder that God's church is made up of various ethnic groups.

James who is well liked, and is excited about Jesus, was asked, "Why are you taking some of our guys from our religious group and converting them?" James told them, "I am converting no one, they are coming to me and wanting to know about Jesus." These unbelievers have seen his joy and peace. They want to know how he could walk away from those who want to start a fight. James told me, "My old nature would like to flare up, but Jesus has changed my life. It is hard to turn the other cheek when I have been known not to back down to anyone in the past. James is going to start reading the Daily Bread devotional with another Christian friend on the rec yard, so others will start

asking, "What are you reading?" James went on to say, "That will peak others interest and we will talk about Jesus." PTL!

God has brought Sam a long way from how he used to live. It has been over a year ago when he first surrendered his life to the Lord. He is now the new Chapel Orderly. The prison gives each person a grade level and Sam was a three which disqualified him from being a Chapel Orderly. Because of the responsibilities that go with this job, it is difficult to find a qualified man. Many of the qualified men go to a medium or minimum security prison. Pastor Greg put Sam's name up for the job and he got it. The only reason he got the job is because he has been living a godly life. I asked Sam if he would give his testimony before the church. Sam said, "I felt the Lord laying on my heart that I should give my testimony, but I was not going ask you or Pastor Greg if I could do this. When you asked me, it was confirmation from the Lord that I should do it." Sam talked a half an hour in the church service about his past and how God delivered him from violence. He encouraged the men to look to Jesus to change their lives. Sam went on to say, "It is only God that has changed me. Don't play games with God. God saved me and drew me out of that life of addiction so I could bring glory to Him!"

One Sunday afternoon I went into the prison to visit with an inmate who had a relative die. I had the opportunity to visit with an officer who felt stressed about work and his home life. I was able to pray with him, for which he was very thankful.

All your prayers and financial support are vital for this ministry! Thank you for your support!

In Christ, Harlan

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