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# Christian Seeking Identity *Newsletter*

## “The Chains are Broken”

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### LAS CADENAS ESTAN ROTAS! (THE CHAINS ARE BROKEN)

This was the theme that the CBC Colorado mission team came to Bogota Colombia with!

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People all over the world are being held captive by condemning emotions and circumstances that define their lives. Some of them are innocent victims of circumstances not of their own choosing, while others are victims of circumstances caused by their own bad choices. People that have become captives have listened to the lies of the enemy that says that they are either just not important enough for God to be bothered with, or that God couldn't possibly love them anymore because of their own rebellious actions. They are without hope and believe that they are beyond forgiveness.

One of the students addressed a group with this statement, “God loves you unconditionally, but he loves you too much to leave you where you are!” This got their attention right away. People are not looking for a religious answer! Religion presents people with disqualifying factors that only increases the strength of their prison walls. They are looking for a way out!

Paul said in 1 Corinthians 9:19-22 that he became all things to all men that he might save some.

I am so persuaded about every person's inclusion in Christ that I desire to be everything I need to be in order to win everyone's understanding of their union with Christ. I do not present myself as super strong to the weak, but would expose myself to their weakness in order to win them. I do not distance myself from anyone. My mission is to be exactly what is required of me in every possible situation to bring salvation to every kind of person, whoever they are.

*(1 Corinthians 9:22 Mirror Word)*



*Mickey and Suzan Cartagena with Clemencia,  
Pastora Marleny Ortiz, and her assistant Alba.*



## The students were a living example of this scripture.

They stood in front of audiences and unashamedly gave testimony of their own weaknesses and failures. They boldly declared how the power of God's love and forgiveness had set them free. "We are not better than you; we are just like you but we have discovered the truth that set us free and it will set you free too!" It is amazing to see how just being real gets people's attention. If God did it for you despite who you are and the mistakes you have made, He can do it for me!

What a privilege it has been for Mickey and I take part in the CBC mission trips. Here is the link to a short video of the Bogota group:

<http://youtu.be/7CDdQry9V64>

After the team left Bogota, Mickey and I went on to do Identity in Christ seminars in Granada and Cucuta Colombia. The title of the seminars was Which Mirror are you Looking in? Romans 8:6 says that there is a difference between being carnally minded and spiritually minded. Being spiritually minded will connect you to the things of God and what he has for you, while being carnally minded will separate you from the things that God has for you. Are you looking at yourself through the mirror of the Spirit or through the mirror of the flesh?

The trouble is, most Christians are leading frustrating lives because they have mixed carnal things with spiritual things. They are looking in both mirrors! One minute they are up, the next minute they are down. They don't know what the problem is because they don't see the mixture. The things of the flesh and the things of the spirit cannot be mixed.

In *John 3:5-7* Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'

In order to enter into the things of the kingdom, you have to learn to tell the difference between being spiritually minded and being carnally minded, and you have to exercise it! You have to become an expert at looking at yourself spiritually through the mirror of the Spirit. You can find the complete teaching on our website [www.christianseekingidentity.com](http://www.christianseekingidentity.com) under the teaching section titled The Power of Grace.

We thank you for all your love and support. God Bless you!

Your friends,  
Mickey & Suzan



*Mickey and Suzan presenting the teaching "Which Mirror Are You Looking In?"*



*Pastora Doris of Granada*



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