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Are we Giving God the Glory Due His Name?

Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name:
bring an offering, and come into his courts. Psalms 96.8

Upcoming Speaking Itinerary

- ◆ October 8 - October 13, 2013
Hyderabad, India
- ◆ October 13 - October 20, 2013
CBC Chennai, India
- ◆ October 20 - November 20, 2013
CBC St. Petersburg, Russia
- ◆ November 20 - December 1, 2013
CBC Switzerland

We bless God. We honor God. We give him offerings of praise for His greatness, His goodness and His power. All of that is good! Because of the sacrifice of Jesus we proclaim that our sins have been forgiven and we have been given the right to become sons of God, but have we ever really come into his courts?

The Pharisees said all of the right things, but it was only lip service. They honored God with their mouths, but their hearts were far from Him. The knowledge of their sins always kept God at a distance. **Isaiah 29:13**

Isaiah saw God sitting on the throne and heard the angels saying, "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord, the whole earth is full of His glory." Isaiah saw glory in God, but he could not see it in himself. He said, "Mine eyes have seen the king and I am "undone." He was basically saying, "Who am I in the presence of God?" **Isaiah 6:1-7**

We say the same thing even after we become Christians. Sin has alienated us from God in our minds. Jesus presents us holy and unblameable before God, but we have not fully embraced that. **Colossians 1:21-22** We give God glory, but we never embrace the glory that He has given us.

Jesus exchanged His life for ours and called us joint heirs. **Galatians 4:4-7.**

What does it really mean to be an heir? Until we have fully understood what that involves, we have missed the whole point of our salvation and God is not getting the glory due his name.

Jesus was the "firstborn among many brethren." **Colossians 1:15**

He was appointed heir of all things. He was the express image of His father. **Hebrews 1:2-3** He inherited a "better name" than the angels.

*Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance
obtained a more excellent name than they. Hebrews 1:4*



Greetings Friends and Family!

We certainly pray that your summer has been a good one. At the end of August we began our ministry trip in Costa Rica. Our journey took us to Puerto Limon which is on the Gulf Coast. Here we were able to minister in churches, home groups and the prison where there were many whom received Jesus as their savior. We also were blessed to do a seminar with the pastors from the local Pastors Association whose president is Pastor Dennis Barrios.

On this part of our trip we had with us Helen Alston a fellow classmate who graduated with us from CBC in 2006. This was Helen's first mission trip since graduation and she was blessed as she ministered to the people of Limon in Pastora Magdalena's church, Harvest Tabernacle Church, Pastora Irma's church and in the Limon prison. Helen will tell you herself that "we cannot out-give God". As she gave of herself and ministered, Helen received much more from God. She returned home after eleven days a different woman, a renewed daughter of God ready to go forth in what God has for her.

From Limon we traveled west toward San Jose to the town of Guapiles where we stayed at Garden of Hope, a retreat center. Here we conducted a seminar for pastors and church leaders from Nicaragua. It was a joy to share into their hearts and lives and to see the hunger with which they received the word. It was not just a time of teaching for us, but rather a time to develop new friendships and relationships.

We had beautiful times of praise and worship, testimonies and personal reflection time with the Lord. "Thank you" for all of your prayers and support. You are God's blessing to us.

*Your Friends,
Mickey
and Suzan*



Pastors and Leaders who attended Seminar at Garden of Hope

The angels were created to worship God, and to minister to His saints, but they were not created to inherit the throne. Jesus inherited his Father's name, his glory, his honor, and his position!

Hebrews 1:5-9, 13-14.

Jesus transferred that same position of honor to us.

Hebrews 2:5-10 We have received a better inheritance than the angels because we have inherited a more excellent name.

Hebrews 2:11 For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,

Jesus is not ashamed to call us brothers, but we don't feel worthy to share his position as a son.

We have taken on the role of angels. We give God glory and honor. We serve God and minister to his saints, but we always see ourselves on the outside looking in. Our hearts are far from God. We have never boldly entered into his courts.

We have inherited a better name and all of the rights and privileges that go with that name. Until we can see ourselves seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus **Ephesians 2:5-6**, until we can see ourselves occupying the throne with him, until we can see ourselves walking in the same position of glory and honor as the Father and the Son, we have never really received the inheritance that our Father has provided for us. When we boldly assume that position of honor as a son of God, our Father will receive the glory due his name.

And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing. And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever. Revelations 5:11-13

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