

ASKING POINT

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*He is the Rock, His works are perfect, and all His ways are just.
A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is He. Deut. 32:4*

Hope of the Nations

In His name the nations will put their hope. Matthew 12:21

HAITI



*"The earth is the LORD'S, and all it contains,
The world, and those who dwell in it."
Psalm 24:1*

Within twenty-five years of Spain's discovery of the island of Hispaniola, the native Amerindians were exterminated. Spain ceded the western third of the island to France and this became what is now Haiti. As a French colony, Haiti was prosperous, exporting timber and sugar. African slaves were imported as laborers. In 1791, the slaves revolted against the French and dedicated their country to Satan as a way to oppose the religion of their oppressors. ~ Seventy-five percent of Roman Catholics in Haiti also practice voodoo, witchcraft and West African spiritism. Evangelical Christians stand openly against the voodoo culture in Haiti.

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The World from God's Perspective

I have longed to gather. Matthew 23:37

Being a believer!

Are you being a believer? While on a recent prayer journey in Washington, DC, (we were praying resurrection & life over the city after meditating on John 11:17-45), I heard someone say, "Jesus was the only one who had not given up on Lazarus." **Everyone was convinced it was too late!** Friends, neighbors and even his sisters, Mary & Martha, seemed to think Lazarus was too far-gone now. "Lord, **if only** You had been here . . ." Martha even protested when Jesus asked for the gravestone to be removed, "Lord, it's been four days. By this time there will be an odor!" **Regret had turned into despair.** The "it's too late now" hopelessness had turned into grief. Lazarus could not possibly change himself, save himself or even resurrect his own life. Only Jesus is the resurrection and the life.

*"This is what my Father wants:
that anyone who sees the Son and **BELIEVES** –
trusts who He is and what He does
and then aligns with Him
will enter real life, eternal life."*

John 6:40

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God in Community

I come in the Name of the Lord Almighty. 1 Samuel 17:45

Being the Bride

*"He who has the bride is the bridegroom . . ."
John 3:29*

Our Bridegroom, who is also the Light, is not threatened by the darkness. "The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it." (John 1:5) No matter how dark things get, light always prevails. Continuing the series out of Revelation 2-3, let us pray for the global bride through the letter to Pergamum:

"The One who has the sharp two-edged sword says this: 'I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne is; and you hold fast My name, and did not deny My faith even in the days of Antipas, My witness, My faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells.'

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**...receive from Him
anything we ask, because we obey
His commands and do what pleases Him...**

1 John 3:22

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Haiti continued . . .

ASKing for Haiti:

Let us stand with our Haitian brothers and sisters, ASKing that Christ be formed in them. May the spiritual leaders lead the nation to the One who holds the keys of hell and death. May they recognize, repent, renounce, and return so that He will recover, renew and restore.

"O LORD our God, other masters besides You have ruled us; but through You alone we confess Your name. The dead will not live, the departed spirits will not rise; therefore You have punished and destroyed them, and You have wiped out all remembrance of them." Isaiah 26:13-14

"When I . . . saw you squirming in your blood, I said to you while you were in your blood, 'Live!' Yes, I said to you while you were in your blood, 'Live!'" Ezekiel 16:6

"Can a woman forget her nursing child and have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, but I will not forget you." Isaiah 49:15

"Let all who take refuge in You be glad; let them ever sing for joy. Spread Your protection over them, that those who love Your name may rejoice in You." Psalm 5:11

"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength." Mark 12:30

"It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery." Galatians 5:1

"Who will separate us from the love of Christ? . . . Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:35-39

"Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified . . . and that we will be rescued from perverse and evil men . . . But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect . . . May the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the steadfastness of Christ." 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5

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"Teach me Your way, O LORD, and I will walk in Your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear Your name."

Psalm 86:11

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Being a believer! continued . . .

Our world is in desperate need for people who believe in Jesus to **believe** Him—the Living Word! (Hebrews 1:1-3)

Let us ASK Him:

- **for forgiveness of our unbelief, hopelessness, and despair** ~ *"For thus the LORD spoke to me with mighty power and instructed me not to walk in the way of this people, saying, 'You are not to say, 'It is a conspiracy!' in regard to all that this people call a conspiracy, and you are not to fear what they fear or be in dread of it. It is the LORD of hosts whom you should regard as holy. And He shall be your fear, and He shall be your dread." Isaiah 8:11-13*
- **for renewed belief** ~ *"This is what my Father wants: that anyone who sees the Son and **BELIEVES** – trusts who He is and what He does and then aligns with Him will enter real life, eternal life." John 6:40*
- **for restored hope** ~ *"This I recall to my mind, therefore I have hope. The LORD'S lovingkindnesses indeed never cease, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. 'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul, 'Therefore I have hope in Him.'" Lamentations 3:21-24*
- **for irrepressible joy** ~ *"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13 ~ "Though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory . . ." 1 Peter 1:8*

ask for Israel

"For there is no sorcery against Jacob, nor any divination against Israel. It must be said of Jacob and of Israel, 'Oh, what God has done!'"

Numbers 23:23

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Being the Bride continued . . .

But I have a few things against you, because you have there some who hold the teaching of Balaam, who kept teaching Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols and to commit acts of immorality. So you also have some who in the same way hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans.

Therefore repent; or else I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war against them with the sword of My mouth.

*He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. **To him who overcomes, to him I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it.**" Revelation 2:12-17*

Additionally, taking heed to yourself first, ASK for the Church to perceive the wrong, and preserve the right—a realignment with the Word of God.

"For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart." Hebrews 4:12

ask for His Bride

"For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God . . ."

Ephesians 2:8