



Cuero, TX

Thanks to God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost for another day. I am 47 years old. My parole was denied for the second time, but I continue to live in God's will. He shows me that He is not done with me in this prison, and I want to explain why. A week after I was told my parole was denied, I went to church as usual and guess what happened. One of the guys that was in the old gang I used to run with showed up. I didn't recognize him, but he remembered me. He kept looking at me during the entire church service. I felt him "hawking" me, but I didn't know why. At the end of the service, I went up to him, and introduced myself as "Chuy" and he told me, "That is not your name, is it?" I responded, "Do you know me?" He said, "Yes, I know who you are. I know everything about you. Remember the people who twice attacked you and tried to kill you? I was with them. I am done with that lifestyle, and I pray that you can forgive me." I smiled and hugged him. Two of my Christian brothers were stunned, as they were watching us. I told my former "gang banger" friend, "Forgiveness is part of what it means to follow Christ. I now live by His standards. This is the reason I don't press charges against you and the other gang members because I knew that one day this would come to pass." Now God's power can manifest in my life and in my new brother's life. This new

believer lives in another side of the prison, but I see him at church on Sundays. I told him I want to love him and minister to him so he can also experience God's true love. So far, I have seen him three times. Therefore, God's will for my life included my denied parole to save a soul. Ain't no telling what else God has for me to do, to see, and work for His kingdom. I thought I would share this praise report with you. Keep us in your prayers – our unit here is on fire for Jesus!

J.J.

Pendleton, IN

I am a Christian. I am not worthy to be a Christian because of my ignorance of sin, but in 2020 I asked Christ to forgive me and to take control of my disastrous life. I tell people that I reference the power of the Holy Spirit. If we look at a little flame from a lighter, that little light is enough to be seen, but it doesn't give off much light. But if we add gasoline everyone sees it in amazement. And that massive fire shows everyone and shines bright and huge. That's the power of the Holy Spirit coming in our hearts. We get excited and others stand in amazement at the extreme love, high energy fire in our hearts. But as Christians, we must understand, we can grieve the Holy Spirit and lose that massive flame of love faster than what we received. I had a time in my life that I could not use the name of Jesus or God in prayer reference. And there was no way I

could have told anyone about it's saving grace. But it has all changed! I truly believe that spreading God's Word through many different ways is definitely my most favorite thing I have ever done. Once I pray and start talking, it's like a fast-moving train, Jesus gives me the power, strength and words to share his amazing words. I pray it never ever slows down. I used to have the love for many things, lust of the eyes, lust of the flesh, pride of life, hunger for money, and many worthless idols. Now God is my priority. Saving people from hell and bringing a person to the one true Jesus Christ is what I am living for. We must share His words accordingly and quickly as it says in the Bible. He is coming soon, even sooner than we first imagined. In 1 Thessalonians chapter 4, it tells us He is coming on a cloud and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then those who are alive and remain will be lifted and joined together in the clouds and forever live with the Lord. Which is exciting, and it is a wonderful promise, but in the very last verse, it says to share and comfort each other with these words. So, until that mighty day, we as Christians have work to do, bring people to our Lord and Savior. His precious blood can save everyone.

C.D.

Milton, FL

I have been in prison for 17 years. And truthfully, I have spent the last 17 years serving the devil. I received a 30-year sentence in 2006

for armed robbery, armed car-jacking, and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. And I gave up hope for ever seeing my family or the streets again. I was 29 years old, and I thought I would die in here, or get out so old life would not matter to me. So, I have done drugs and fought and carried knives while in here. Well, in February of 2023 I went to the confinement for possession of a weapon. And they took 364 days of gain time and sent me to C. M. 2. Which is where I am housed. Where I will stay for one year, 24/7. But do you know what? This was the best thing that happened to me in 17 long years! I have since gotten off of drugs, I have re-dedicated my life to Jesus Christ, I exercise every day 800 to 1000 push-ups in a day! I am reading my Bible every day. I have given up that spirit of fear, that spirit of guilt, and the spirit of doubt. God has made me a new creation! And I know all things are possible through Him who strengthens me! I am getting right spiritually, mentally, and physically. The Lord is blessing me in every aspect of my life. From having a Christian bunkie to not being messed with by nasty guards. God is a good God. **B.R.**

Plain Dealing, LA

I am 48 years old. I have been an addict 90% of my life. I have been a disappointment to everyone including myself. I was just waiting to die. Then I was arrested in 2021 after I lost everything I had to lose. I came to jail, and all I wanted to do was throw in the towel and lay down. So that's what I did, until April of this year when it was so much I couldn't take it. I lay face

down in my cell, crying. I cried out to God and told Him I am done fighting. Please save me. I confessed with my mouth and believed in my heart! I asked God for His will to be done in my life, and you may think I'm crazy, but I then heard God speak to me. It was the most overwhelming feeling of joy I have ever had. I felt the Holy Spirit! Since that day, everything in my life is different. I have not gotten anything I lost back yet, but I find joy and hope and thanksgiving in everything because I know it's God's will being done. **C.B.**

Henderson, TX

I came to know Christ at a young age as I was very involved in my church. The missing piece was the relationship. I had religion, but not the most important piece, relationship. As I got older, I became enticed by the world and things of the flesh. I strived for success, and by the world's definition, I accomplished it. The American dream of money, respect, position, yada yada yada. My wife and I even had a small home room for our church. I would get up and speak about being a good husband and father, while having a girlfriend on the side. But God! Circumstances landed me here, and in tears, on my knees, I really found God. I accepted Him as my father, which had been hard for me, because I kept my earthly father at arms-length. He has given me a heart transplant, renewed my mind, changed my priorities, and made me more free (in prison) than I ever was on the opposite side of these walls. I thank Him every day for saving me. The devil meant for this to destroy me,

but He has used it to save me. God is so so good! **R.U.**

“What if tomorrow never comes?”

We often take for granted God's grace and mercy because it's so freely given. What if it was only given out once a year? Would people then consider grace and mercy more valuable to them? Limited items are usually considered more valuable because they are not offered all the time! Do you have access to God's grace and mercy? Every day - this timeless offer is worth eternity! The value we place on it is very little, because we think it will always be there for us. However, no day is promised us, tomorrow is not guaranteed. Matthew 24:36 **R.S.**

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