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THIS MONTH'S MEDITATION SCRIPTURE: I waited patiently (intently) for the Lord; and He inclined to me and heard my cry. Psalm 40:1

"Lord, Please Give Me Patience-NOW?"

I would bet that just about every one of you reading this newsletter, at some time or another in your life, has prayed this or a similar prayer. I honestly don't know of anyone who does not have patience issues. If you're saying, "Not me!" you're in denial, and I have a group for you. Even in our high-tech world, we still feel cheated, or inconvenienced at the least, when we have to stand in front of the microwave and wait 6 minutes at half-temp for our food to be cooked. And then "let stand 1-2 minutes"? What's up with that? I don't think so!

We have conditioned ourselves to want what we want when we want it. (My high school junior year English teacher would be so proud of that use of alliteration.) Our society has endorsed these feelings of speedy entitlement with express check-out lanes, drive-through windows, ATM's, high-speed internet, speed dialing. And who of us has not decided a time or two that the red light we're sitting at when no one else is around has taken WAY TOO LONG to turn green, and decided to run it, going on our merry way? Well, maybe that was just me.

I know I am not a patient man. I have done my share, and probably some other peoples' shares too, of complaining when things take longer than suits me. Somewhere along the way, I decided it must be my right to get to set the time tables for what happens at what time in my life, and Father is supposed to go along with me and agree to my will. Oops! Did I say that? Well, that's not what I meant....or is it? I think we can all agree that in this context we could all stand to become more patient. But there is another aspect of patience that I believe I must take on.

I am getting to practice again learning that when the Lord speaks direction to me, He doesn't always bring it to pass right when I hear what He's spoken. I must look intently to Him to seek His release and possible further preparations so that I am ready to move into His flow at His appointed time. This is different than sitting back and just waiting for God to do His thing with me. I must be actively seeking Him, readying obstacles in me that may be preventing me from entering that flow of His purposes, so that when He does bring the release, I'll be an unencumbered vessel. But in other times, my finite mind is going, "I'm ready, Lord. Anytime now, Father! Isn't it time yet?" I

don't know how or when all this will play out, but I do know I want to be in Father's will, I want to do what He's called me to do, and I want to minister to those He's appointed for me to reach. I'm ready, willing, and able. And the release is on the way.

Report On Our September Events

Our screenings of the Reconciliation Movie went extremely well. We had about 70 or so in attendance at the New Life Church event. Writer/Director Chad Ahendt was there to answer questions from the congregation, and the discussion was quite lively. The following night we screened the movie at Heritage Hall on the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary campus as part of the two day conference, Homosexuality & the Church. About the same number attended that night, and in addition to the normal questions Chad receives concerning the making of the film, there was discussion about our responsibility as followers of Jesus to carry His love to the homosexual community and to teach/educate the church how to reach out to those in conflict with their sexuality. I was very pleased and blessed at the outcome of the events, as was Chad. I would love to bring him back again for other future screenings. If your church would like to host a screening of the movie to the public, please contact me to begin planning. If you would like to see the movie in order to consider hosting a screening, you can purchase one through the movie's official website www.reconciliationmovie.com, on Amazon, or at WalMart or LifeWay Christian Bookstores.

Full-Time Ministry Plans

We are still seeking monthly donations to support Abba's Delight going full-time, so that I can leave my day job, draw a salary from the ministry, and have my days free to meet with pastors, church staffs, ministerial associations, prayer groups, ministry participants, etc. We are still in need of about \$2700/month in commitments to meet our goal. Please pray about supporting me and this ministry financially, so that the hope of freedom from homosexuality can be brought to everyone the Lord brings us. Perhaps your church would like to add Abba's Delight to its monthly Missions Giving. Or maybe you own a business and would like to contribute monthly to our not-for-profit ministry. I can provide information on the ministry at request for review and consideration.

Upcoming Ministry Meetings

Overcomers Support Group: Thursday, November 3, 2011; Thursday, November 17, 2011

Family & Friends Support Group: Tuesday, November 8, 2011 CANCELED (Election Day); Tuesday, November 22, 2011

Responses From You

Please let us hear from you. We appreciate your comments, encouragements, and questions. Just email me back to the above address.

Conference MP3's

For those of you who signed up for MP3's of the Homosexuality & The Church conference sessions, the following is from Nate Collins:

The MP3 podcasts from the Homosexuality and the Church conference are finally available to be downloaded from the conference website (www.thewayoutlouisville.com, on the "Schedule" page). The conference speakers and I had originally agreed to make the podcasts available for free with a \$5 donation to Abba's Delight, but since there has been such a long delay in making the files available, we decided to make the donation optional. If you would like to give a small donation to Abba's Delight anyway, contact Daniel at danielmingo.abbasdelight@insightbb.com, or go to www.abbasdelight.org and follow the "Donate" link at the bottom of the page (donations processed securely via Paypal). The website is still under construction, but it can still process donations.

If you do not wish to receive the Abba's Delight Ministry Newsletter any longer, please let me know. If you do wish too continue to receive it, please be certain to put our email address in your address book, so that this mailing does not go to your spam, and report to your carrier. Thank you.

Now unto Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 24, 25