

Wall of Prayer



April 25, 2017

Dear Faithful Prayer Warrior,

The story is told in Matthew 8 and Luke 7 of a centurion whose valued slave was close to death. Hearing of Jesus and feeling unworthy to approach the Great Physician, he sent Jewish elders to summon Him. Though this Gentile official was a respected leader, he continued to feel so unbecoming of Jesus coming into his home, that he sent yet another group of friends to meet Jesus who was now en route. "...Just say the word and my servant will be healed." This military leader, a man of authority himself, recognized Jesus' position of divine authority and power. He knew Jesus could *speak* life into certain death. Jesus, who marveled at this faith, said that He had "seen none like it in all of Israel."

Jesus wants us to live in this kind of faith. He marvels at the faith that sees beyond the limits of time and space and looks to Him to change dying, hopeless situations into living, vibrant ones. This is an unnatural faith and the enemy trembles in its presence. Emotions, logic and pressing crises of the moment distract from this type of faith. We are pleading with Jesus to usurp the prince of this world and become the Prince of Peace for our students, many of whom are miles away from any spiritual life and peace.

Titus 3:3-6 paints the picture of this life to death experience, calling us to remember our own conversion, "At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior."

We remember that we were once very far away, dead in our own sin, yet Jesus spoke words of life and we have never been the same. We know that faith is the assurance of things hoped for and the conviction of things not seen. (Hebrews 11) The Father is calling us to look beyond our physical prayer closets to His glorious throne room where Jesus sits at His right hand, interceding for us as we intercede for these teens we will probably never lay eyes on. Without faith, it is impossible to please Him, and He will increase our faith! Never give up, for He is ever faithful and will do exceeding, abundantly beyond what we ask or ever expect! He has ALL authority and power in heaven and on earth.

In Him,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan".

Susan Admire

"Lord, there is no one besides Thee to help in the battle between the powerful and those who have no strength; so help us, O Lord our God, for we trust in Thee, and in Thy name have come against this multitude. O Lord, Thou art our God; let not man prevail against Thee." 2 Chr. 14:11