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“Exciting News from Spring of Hope”

“Most Precious Gift”

What is the most precious gift anyone has given you? Can you describe the moment you opened the present? The feeling? The emotion? Receiving something so desired that the uncontrollable, ecstatic scream of surprise could not be contained with a glimpse of the incredibly, special gift. As the wrapping paper came off joy filled the air and that special moment remembered forever.

There is a gift beyond precious for each of us to receive. A gift that is above comparison to any other gift. The gift of Jesus Christ. A gift not only freely available for you to receive, but a gift you carry within when you invite Him into your heart. **“But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.” 2 Corinthians 4:7** The night before the cross, Jesus in His last discourse to the disciples, tells them about this gift. He tells

them there is only a little time left for Him to be with them, but He says, **“I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever -- the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.” John 14:16-17**

The precious gift of the Holy Spirit is so very generous and extraordinary. Because He lives in you, He is in every situation in which you find yourself. He will comfort you when you need to be comforted, teach you as you learn new things about Him, and He will empower you when you think you do not have the strength to continue. In this season, He is currently moving among us in powerful ways amidst the uncertainty and the craziness of COVID-19. For such a time as this, He is

pursuing and awakening our personal spirits for connection, first with Him and then with others. He is moving among us to stir us and to draw us to Him. **“The Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And let the one who hears say, “Come!” Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.”** —Melissa Varner, Administrator



Blessings from the Spring of Hope Staff!

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The question has been asked, “What upcoming classes do you have scheduled at Spring of Hope? For that reason, I am so excited to announce the good news. In the planning stages are a number of classes and

seminars for the near future. On the planning table are topics such as: Trauma, Shame, Keys to Transformation, ACES & From Curses to Blessings. What topics would you like to see offered. Watch for more details!

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“Plant a Seed!”

“Corporateness
in the Body of
Christ”



Merry Christmas &
A Happy New Year!



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can
become
big

“Endings are also always Beginnings.” Many welcome the ending to Year 2020. This year came with day-to-day norms altered forever marked with words like Masks, COVID, Stimulus Checks & Presidential Election. Impact the world through year-end giving to help supplement counseling for someone seeking help through this difficult time.

Prior to the fall of Adam and Eve in the Garden, man experienced a close and intimate relationship with God on a daily basis. They experienced God—individually and corporately. But since the fall, we’ve lost the corporate sense that we are truly “our brother’s keeper.” We’ve turned away from corporateness – building mental structures to rationalize and legitimize our individualism, and have come to believe that what we do in private doesn’t affect anyone else. As a result, throughout the generations, we have become more and more self-absorbed and self-seeking, fulfilling **II Timothy 3: 1b-2a ... in the last days...people will be lovers of themselves.** We can have little awareness of the corporate nature in which God created us.

In the body of Christ, many believe that being corporate will steal their individuality. However, to be truly human, as Jesus was, is being both individual and corporate – someone

who knows himself yet identifies with another. In this, corporateness is both a state of being and a process of becoming. We’ve lost the state of being through disobedience, yet the Lord is restoring the sense of corporateness and unity for the sake of building up the body of Christ ... **to let the world know that You have sent Me and have loved them as you have loved Me (John 17:23).** Therefore, the major concern of the Body of Christ is not Individuality, or “what God can do for me.” Rather, it is ... **Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends (John 15:13).**

Even though at times we can be selfish and self-centered, when we choose to look beyond ourself and set aside our own interests for the interest of God and others, nothing is impossible. For the Lord said Himself, **“If as one people speaking the same**

language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them” (Genesis 11:6). Corporateness calls us to go beyond self to the vision and purposes of God.

God is calling the church to break free from the barriers that have been drawn by our different belief systems. He is requiring us to go beyond our mindsets and become one as He and the Son are one. When this happens we will no longer see ourselves as an island, but will commune and fellowship with others. We will begin to adopt a group mentality. We will gain sight of the things that God’s heart desires and longs for. This will bring proper perspective into the church. When we function from a spirit of corporateness it builds unity in the body of Christ so that His plans and purposes come to fruition.

~Wayne Kuhns - Director