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He is STILL The Lord,

He is STILL ADEQUATE;

He is STILL SUFFICIENT,

He's STILL more than ENOUGH
through all 2009.

Dear Friend,

Here's something I read this week.

Approximately 50 Bibles are sold every minute, making it the world's best selling book. It is also reported that it is the world's most shop-lifted and stolen book.

A KEY TO GOD'S BLESSINGS

Years ago a very successful businessman made a profound statement that was the cornerstone of his successful life. He said that *if you diligently take care of your business it would take care of you the rest of your life.*

The Lord Jesus Christ wants you to seek Him with all your heart so He can take care of all your needs and the desires of your heart for the rest of your life and on through eternity.

Hebrews 12:2 *Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

When you build a relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ through prayer He becomes greater in your heart every day of your life.

Your daily walk with Him increases as you get to know Him better.

Just the same way with a couple when they get married. They really don't know and understand each other, but as the days

and week and months and years roll by they get to know each other very well. Elizabeth and I have now been married 45 years and I still get the occasional surprise when she shares something with me I never knew.

In the same way we were created to fellowship and walk with The Lord Jesus Christ. You can do all the fashionable modern church things from saying *Praise the Lord* every moment and have a fish symbol on the back of your car.

You can follow all the instructions on how to prosper and get rich and get healed from the many books at the Christian book store.

You might end up empty and disappointed. There is really only one way that God will give you the desires of your heart. That is to seek Him first.

Matthew 6:33 *But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.*

Psalms 37:4-5 *Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you your heart's desires.*

5 *Commit everything you do to the LORD. Trust him, and he will help you.*

So how do you delight in someone?

I delight in my wife Elizabeth and I make her a very important part of my life next to my relationship with The Lord. So to delight in The Lord is to make Him the most important part of your life and spend time with Him in praying and praise in the Spirit, and looking to Him as your source of love life and joy.

When you put the Lord first before you every day, you are open and yielded to hear, receive and please Him. He wants you to acknowledge He is your source so He lives big in you. When you live the life of trusting and loving God you are very pleasing to Him. He wants your fellowship and an intimate relationship with you daily.

Numbers 14:24 *But My servant Caleb, because he has a different spirit in him and has followed Me fully, I will bring into the land where he went, and his descendants shall inherit it.*

In your own life, you are honoured when people trust you without a doubt and believe you are a person of your word.

You have a free will, you can choose to receive your blessings from the Lord Jesus Christ or reject them. Either way you must open the door of your heart through a total trust in Him and His Word to let His power flow through you. Or you can keep the door closed to Him through unbelief or a lack of trust in Him.

Matthew 13:58 states, *"Now He did not do many mighty*

works there because of their unbelief."

When you believe Him and trust Him you give Him a legal right to intervene on your behalf in your life. That is why we pray. When you pray you are opening the door to your heart and asking Him to intervene in your situation or desires.

The Lord Jesus Christ's greatest desire for your life is to have a full time relationship in your heart with Him. When you abide and live in Him, His life, love and power will flow through you!

There are many who will still wait to receive from The Lord.

Then there are those that will come totally expecting to receive what Jesus has already paid in full for you.

Have a week full of blessings

Norman

It's OK to smile:

After a church service one Sunday a little boy told the pastor he would give him some money when he grew up and got a job. The pastor thanked him and asked why.

The lad said because his dad said the pastor was one of the poorest preachers they ever had.

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