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## Crimson & White? What's this?

... This letter is part of a ministry primarily to students and singles. It started with college students. Now about 50% of the mailing list is students, middle and high school and college, and 25% are age 22 to 30, and we'll just leave ages unsaid for the last 25% since, well, they're old. Articles are on character, values, spiritual life, relationships and more ... and some fun.

The theology position is "conservative," i.e. Jesus is God's Son, eternal, part of the single triune God, born of a virgin, sinless, crucified and risen, and is the *only* way to eternal life. We are free to choose Him. He has told us to be holy and that includes behaviors such as: sex outside of marriage is wrong.

Our goal is mail in your mail box about 15 times a year. We're trying to say that you are important enough for us to put this in your mailbox. We care about you and want to encourage your character growth and your spiritual walk. We also distribute a daily email devotional.

Another part of the ministry is prayer. We pray for those on our mailing list as the mail is prepared. When you get mail from us, you know someone prayed for you.

A college student reader chose the name **Crimson and White Connection** based on Isaiah 1:18 in the Bible "Come now, let us reason together," says the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." The cleansing of our nature and our sins is a universal need. If you base your trust for entrance into Heaven in Jesus, God's Son, and His death and resurrection on your behalf, then your crimson stains are made white as wool. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. There is no other way. If you admit that you can not reach God's standard, are repentant and sorry for your short fall (sin) and have asked Him to forgive you, then He has forgiven you. If you are truly repentant, then there will be evidence of that in your actions, your life. -- If the "religion police" were to arrest you, would you be turned loose for "lack of evidence"? Or would the evidence of your actions convict you of being a Christian?

**If you have chosen to accept Jesus as Lord of your life, either the first time or again, we would like to know so that we can pray for you and encourage you. Write or call us.**

**You WILL BE and ARE a slave! But you can CHOOSE your master! CHOOSE God today. John 3:16 is true. Accept no substitute!**

May 10, 2009

## Weight Off, Battle On.

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This is not about the "battle of getting the weight off" as in diet. I gleaned this from my in-box a few weeks ago... Maybe to use for the daily email, maybe for the C&WC, maybe not at all. As I'm assembling this issue, I glanced through this piece from Greg Laurie again. Read it....

//Today's devotion with Greg Laurie

Thursday, January 8, 2009

**Weight off Our Shoulders**

That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

— Romans 10:9

"It was like having a burden lifted off of my shoulders," is a common description from people after they come to Christ.

Years ago I received a letter from a girl, who explained that she became sexually involved as a young girl. Soon after that, she got pregnant and had an abortion. She explained how she got married, but now finds herself in a marriage that is falling apart. Her life was empty and she was facing guilt over her abortion.

But then she heard the gospel. She said, "It was as if a big, huge stone had been lifted from off my back."

That's such an accurate description of what Christ accomplishes when we confess Him as Savior. No matter what you have done. No matter what sins you have committed. Jesus Christ is ready to forgive you and let you into heaven.

None of us deserve it, but He has saved us anyway. His offer of eternal salvation is there for you, if only you will come to Him.


Greg Laurie

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That phrase, "It was like having a burden lifted off of my shoulders," I've heard students say it when they accepted Jesus. But the scary, or maybe I should say disappointing thing is that they, we, me included, will look around, see the "burden" on the ground, and pick it back up. The Christian life, it's a battle. We give ourselves to Jesus... and then we want to take control again. We give our burden up, but then we pick it up or return to our old life and habits.

What a conundrum! Paul had the same trouble. He wrote about in it Romans 7:15-22. It starts off with (NKJV) "I do not understand. For what I will to do, that I do not practice; but what I hate, that I do." In Peterson's *The Message*, he words it like this: "What I don't understand about myself is that I decide one way, but then I act another, doing things I absolutely despise." To live the Christian life, well, it's simple, live like and trust Jesus in everything. That's simple, right. But it's not easy. We battle every day. It's easier to do battle without the extra weight.

*In Christ, Rich*

 **From my mail box...** *mostly my e-mail in box!*  
... mail will be edited to protect your privacy. [I will ALWAYS delete things that would identify you from e-mails you send me unless you specifically tell me I can use your name.]

Subject: Re: Crimson & White Connection  
Date: 2/26/2009 From: kristen\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_.com

Hi Rich,  
Thank you for continuing to send me the C&WC. I noticed that I receive the C&WC both in the mail and electronically. I actually prefer to receive it electronically, and it would save you a little postage. Thanks for this encouraging ministry.

My address is: \_\_\_\_\_  
Blessings,  
Kristen  
Greek InterVarsity Staff, \_\_\_\_\_ University

*A side note... Kristen was in one of my math classes and active in InterVarsity on campus. She eventually got on the C&WC mailing list. Interested in ministry to students, Kristen is now married and is InterVarsity staff on a university campus.*

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*I met Lynn Garner when she came to speak at our church. She is the administrator of Baptist Children's Home in Thomasville. I showed her the C&WC; she liked it; we supply 40 copies for their staff and the teenagers there.*

Date: 4/14/2009 From: lgarner@\_\_\_\_\_

I just want to tell you how much the Crimson and White Connection newsletter has meant to our campus at Mills Home. I know you work hard to make this happen. I understand the cost involved and would understand if you can't send it monthly. It has been a blessing to our staff and residents. Thanks.

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*Lynn recently shared the C&WC with the director of another campus of BCH and ...*

Sent: Thursday, April 23, 2009 Subject: RE: Thank YOU

Would 30 be too many?  
Linda Morgan  
Western Area Family Services; Director of Residential Services;  
Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

4/26/2009

*I got the e-mail you sent to Lynn Garner asking "Would 30 be too many?" No. ... I've been away from my computer for a couple days and away from home. In the next couple days I will assemble a packet of 30 each of the last couple issues of the C&WC and get them out to you... I think I have close to that in my "extras" box. Watch for the package.*

Rich

4/27/09 -- Thank you so much for including us in your mailout. I am sure the children will enjoy it as well as the staff.

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**And speaking of sharing the C&WC**, we did a "sample mailing" of the C&WC to some prison inmates. About a 1/3 positive response! And then I think it's 5 that shared it with another inmate, 3 requests, or showed it to their girlfriend, 2 requests... and from that we have added 40 to the C&WC mailing

list. PLUS, 10 of those have requested, gotten, and confirmed that they want to be on the second mailing list and get the daily devotions. Since they don't have email access, we print and snail-mail printed copy on Saturday. Sometimes it doesn't get mailed till the next Saturday and 2 weeks' worth gets mailed. - Hey, Some week-ends we're gone to the coast to see the grandchildren.

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**A Resource Online For YOU...**

Date: 3/14/2009 From: rvglenns@escapees.com

Hi Dr. Dymmel,  
This is Elton Glenn, the man who served as the interim Good News Jail & Prison Ministry Chaplain at the Guilford Correctional Center and attended South Elm Street Baptist Church last year. While I was serving as the Good News Jail & Prison Ministry Chaplain, I did not want to mix professional ministry with personal ministry, so I probably did not tell you about an online ministry that I have developed. It is [www.ambassadorsinministry.org](http://www.ambassadorsinministry.org). I would like for you to take a look at it, and if you deem it acceptable, would you let others in your circle of influence know about the website? This would help me advertise the website. Thanks.

We are working our way north on US Rt 1 from Key West, FL to Bar Harbor, ME. We are not in a hurry as the temperature here has been in the 80s and we are waiting for it to warm up farther north.

Celebrating life in Christ,  
Dr. H. Elton Glenn

Check it out... might be of interest to you. ...  
[www.ambassadorsinministry.org](http://www.ambassadorsinministry.org).



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I Don't know what to call this  
by Rich Dymmel, EdD, (c) 2009

At this very moment... I can't remember why I had looked these up. But I do remember that at the time I was think about time, past, influence of the past on our present and future. I knew I had save these thoughts and *did* manage to find them, copy them into my log of "thoughts," maybe to use in the daily thoughts or in the C&WC.

I could go into how *everything* IS recorded in that magnificent computer, your brain. Sometimes we may think it's blotted out, faded away, like the data on an old VHS video tape has lost the data and if you try to play it... well... There's nothing there. And there are those with failing and dysfunctional memory from age, or disease, or from injury. -- But baring one of those reasons, I could bring up and call roll for every class I've ever taught... they tell me... Hard to believe, I know.

But yet I HAVE experienced "flash backs" to events 20, 40, years ago. Even events from high school... and we're not going to discuss how many decades ago that was. Even childhood memories. - - I have NO idea why a childhood memory just flashed in my head. The mulch pile, about 3' high, in the back corner of the yard, near the fence, with the utility pole right behind it, and using a bungee-tiedown cord tied to the pole, I was leaning back and "bouncing" with the aid of the bungee cord... until... it snapped, sending me backward off the "hill" landing on my back. - That was on Bedford. We moved from Bedford the Fall of 1956, I was 11 when we moved. I'd guess I was around 6 or 7 when I took that fall. In a few days I'll be 63, so that was about maybe 57 years ago. ... I haven't thought of that in at least 30 years or more... but it was still there.

I wanted to pass on these quotes about life...

#### QUOTE THIS

This is the beginning of a new day. God has given me this day to use as I will. I can waste it, or use it for good. What I do today is very important because I am exchanging a day of my life for it. When tomorrow comes this day will be gone forever leaving something in its place I have traded for it. I want it to be gain not loss; good not evil; success not failure: in order that I shall not forget the price I paid for it.

Today is a treasure given to me in the same quantity of seconds, minutes, and hours that are given to other

men. I am determined not to waste time in morning about what might happen, but to invest my time in making things happen. I will not think of what could be done if I were different. I'm not different. I will do with what I have. I will not say, "If I could find the time...."because I will not find the time for anything. If I want time, I will have to make it. I will begin by doing and not wasting the precious time I have. I will seek to improve myself because I will be needed and must not be found wanting.

Skip Ross

Our achievement of today is but the sum total of our thoughts of yesterday.

Pascal

You are today where the thoughts of yesterday have brought you and you will be tomorrow where the thoughts of today take you.

Skip Ross

*(Hmmm. We watched "The Family Man" movie on TV. Nicholas Cage. He left his sweetheart and choose to pursue a high-power executive life in New York City. Then in shades of Scrooge of Christmas Carol, he awakes from sleep having married the sweetheart he left 13 years ago... 2 little kids, house in suburbia, the works. But he doesn't belong there. The 3 yr old thinks he's an alien that took over her daddy, but he promises to be nice. He wants OUT, back to his life. Awaking back in his old bed, old executive job, and all that. He realizes how much he really wants the "dream life" of the family, suburbs, wife, kids. But his thoughts, dreams, desires, and choices of yesterday took him to where he is today. - At the end of the movie, ... nah, I won't tel you the ending in case you want to go rent it or something.)*

#### YOU ARE WHAT YOU THINK.

Though the mountains are cast into the middle of the sea I will not be afraid. Because God has not given us a spirit of fear; but of power and of love, and of a sound mind.

Psalms 46:2, 2 Tim. 1:7 (paraphrased)

Dynamic Living is that kind of life that is full of joy and happiness all the time; free of fear, free of worry, continually in the process of accomplishing worthwhile goals, and is totally well adjusted in life's six major areas which include business, home, social, physical, mental, and spiritual. Find that balance and you find dynamic life.

Skip Ross

## Relationships, Love, and ... Who are YOU?

Part of a series.

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In *How to Know If Someone Is Worth Pursuing in Two Dates or Less* (Neil Clark Warren, 1999, ISBN: 0-7852-6904-5; 2nd printing titles *Date or Soul Mate*, ISBN: 0-7852-8303-X) Warren puts forth an interesting concept: "Making the deal." If you get "too much" it may be a bad deal. – "Getting too much ... How can you get too much? And how is that bad? I want someone who is drop dead gorgeous, wealthy family, fun, great person, affectionate, hot, ..., ..." you say. Well. What do they get in return? Sloppy, lazy, dull, no integrity, unkept, unambitious, looking for that "free ride," irresponsible, ..., ... ? Maybe you're "good in bed." How long do you think it will be before they start to think, "I could have done a lot better"? So ... what do you have to bring to the deal? In *If Men Are Like Busses, Then How Do I Catch One?* (Michelle McKinney Hammond, 2000, 185 pp, ISBN: 0-7394-1324-4, \$9.95) Hammond has the answer. It's not really "bait." There are several really deep concepts that permeate the book. It has a marvelous style. AND IT IS FOR GUYS, TOO. Guy's need to be a "good catch." And guys, thoughts on what to be looking for.

(1) You will attract the kind of people based on what you think of yourself. Okay. Here goes a real tough complex sentence. You may need to read it several times, real slow. – I am not what I think I am. I am not what you think I am. I am what I think you think I am. – How's your image of yourself? What do you think other people think of you? "I'm a worthwhile person" will attract people who are valuable people because you think you deserve good people. "I'm worthless, a failure" will attract "losers." "We attract people who feed off of what we think of ourselves. Did you know that? When I felt I wasn't a great prize, I attracted people who reinforced that idea in my mind. ... I didn't feel as if I had any personal purpose, so I would lose myself in theirs and neglect the call God had placed on my life." (p.40) What is God's call to you?

"I gave my heart away to the undeserving because I didn't know how much it was worth. I pawned it for temporary affection and blew my wad on a chance. Now I had no heart and no cash to get it back. I was empty, spent by my efforts to fulfill myself with external sources that would never satisfy." (p.41)

(2) This is really a "fun read." I like this principle – Want to catch a bus? Get to intimately know the person who runs the whole bus line. Ask Him to schedule the perfect bus to come by and take you to a wonderful destination.

(3) In order to recognize the right bus passing by, you need to work on becoming to best person you can possibly be. Perceptive. Wise. Discerning. Not falling for ... "If you don't know what you stand for then you'll fall for anything." Then you will recognize right away if you have gotten on a bus that is headed for a destination that is wrong for you.

"How do you become a whole person? By choosing to live

each day in purpose, on purpose." (p.68) "Are you in love with the Lord, or just giving him lip service?" (p.66)

Elsewhere you'll find some humorous "personal ads" from "seniors." What might be appropriate in YOUR "personal ad." What do you have to offer to bring to "the deal"? Maybe you need to improve yourself in a few ways to have more to offer, more to bargain with? Then you can hope to get more. Start with a pure heart filled with God's Spirit and the fruits of the spirit (and I don't mean being a "religious nut"). Add some goals and self-motivation and direction.

Rich

## *If Men Are Like Busses, Then How Do I Catch One?*

(Michelle McKinney Hammond, 2000, ISBN: 0-7394-1324-4)

Book review by Ellen Briggs, Soph. at Elon University, Dec. 2001

*If Men Are Like Busses, Then How Do I Catch One?* may be one of the best books I have ever read. Michelle McKinney Hammond is a beautiful writer with a unique approach. She gets her reader involved, relates on all levels and is not ashamed to slam the truth in her reader's face. Her book starts off about being single, how every woman looks for a man to make her feel, what we like to say as "complete." She starts with journal entries she had written as a desperate, lonely woman. "I need a man, want a man, drink a man..." Michelle takes being single and puts it into a healthy perspective She talks about why so many women attract losers, and why there are many women out there obsessed with their own feelings, so much that they lose what is truly important Michelle takes broken hearts and gives advice for a new start; , God.

As a college student I felt like I really connected with this author. She is real with everything she has to say in this book. God gave her a "love ministry." Michelle takes the bible and makes it seem more real to me than it has ever been before. The first chapter takes a look at Adam and Eve like I had never before. It was as if Adam had lived today, and Eve was constructed in the twenty first century. When Adam was created, he never felt like there was a piece missing, like a mate would make him whole. God made the decision to create Eve. He knew that as a pair they could take their worship to new levels, go beyond themselves and appreciate the beauty of deep relationships.

Many women go through situations with men where they feel they have to be something or someone they are not. Tall, blond, beautiful, and skinny, an image created by the media as what the definition of beauty is. The lesson here is, Eve was made for Adam; she did not have to flirt to get his attention or change to be with him. She was just as God had made her, and Adam was in-love with the real her. "She was soft; she was warm. Her voice was like music. Everything was inviting to Adam. I am sure she expanded his way of thinking, his way of looking at things, because of her own unique insights into the things she saw around her. She was completely herself." Once we are strong in Christ, and love who we are, our mate will not need anything else. As

Michelle said, "We attract people who feed off what we think of ourselves." I know so many women who base themselves upon what they wear, or what house they live in, and yet they wonder why their husbands are self centered and un-loving. It is time to appreciate who and what we are. We are all not made to be models. "When I felt I wasn't a great prize, I attracted people who reinforced that idea in my mind. I didn't feel beautiful inside or out, so I allowed them to make me feel unattractive. I didn't feel as if I had any personal purpose, so I wouldn't lose myself in theirs and neglect the call God had placed on my life." There is a specific purpose for all of us, a "gift is the thing that you do that others praise-the thing you take for granted because it comes so easily to you." Use this gift and to reach others. It can be as simple as being able to smile and offer a friendly hug. This is sharing the love of God.

The next section in particular hit my senses. I was a youth leader my junior and half of my senior year. I then looked to the world for my happiness. There were times I felt so alone, and now after reading this [book], I understand. When we make the decision that the world is more important than God's plans and that he does not give us what we desire quick enough, we immediately feel separated from God. Michelle talks of giving up all control to God, resting in his peace. The words sound so relaxing, but for some reason, many of us find the action so difficult. We can be so impatient with our wants and desires, when our true desire should consist of being completely in-love with God. "I had always told God what I had wanted. I had never asked him what he wanted from me - or what he wanted to give me." God has plans for us, we just have to learn how to trust and surrender ourselves to this truth. "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart." (Jeremiah 1:5) Once this is in place, and our hearts are doing these things for the right purposes, we will realize being single isn't such a chore. We have more time to devote to worship, more time to read the word and pray. When the time is right, the right man will come along and we will find ourselves confident in Jesus, confident in ourselves ready to make the commitment in our hearts to our husband.

I would recommend this book to any woman. Michelle McKinney Hammond is truly blessed with a "love ministry." She is an amazing writer for our generation. God uses her talent and gives her the ability to make the bible a real experience for many of us that have been looking for something or someone to touch us in this way. In a generation where everyone and everything is trying to find scientific answers, it is a nice break to hear something spiritual. With a message of love and letting go of all our logical answers. It is time to find our way back to our beginning, in the Garden of Eden. It is about time for a new generation, dedicated to the truth.

**A woman's heart should be so hidden in God that a man has to seek Him just to find her.**

- Max Lucado

**Settling on what's available is in no way making a noble choice.**

Dr. L. S. Now go Take On The Day 1999 Calendar, Jan 16

**Love is...**

"When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn't bend over and paint her toenails anymore. So grampa does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis too. That's love." Rebecca, age 8

"Love is when a girl puts on perfume and a boy puts on shaving cologne and they go out and smell each other" Karl, age 5

"Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your French fries without making them give you any of theirs." Chrissy, age 6

"Love is when someone hurts you. And you get so mad but you don't yell at them because you know it would hurt their feelings." Samantha, age 7

*[And one of my favorites is...]*

"When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different. You know that your name is safe in their mouth." Billy, age 4

**Those who deserve love the least ... need it the most.**

**"Hurting people hurt other people."**

"Love is an act of the will, both an intention and an action." "Let us love not with words or tongue but with actions and in truth." (1 John 3:18).

**Jesus turned water into wine ... but He can't turn your whining into anything**

"Do all things without murmurings and disputings." Philippians 2:14

*I know Easter was a couple weeks ago. But actually, as Christians we do "corporate worship" on the "first day of the week" because Jesus ROSE on the first day of the week. So in that respect, Easter is every Sunday.*

*As I read this story when I first got it, I thought about how clothing styles and attitudes change. Oh, I think "casual" is okay lots of times. But like today in church, there were a couple girls in nice dresses, and there were girls in blue jeans and guys in baggy basketball shorts and a t-shirt. I know, "Man looks on the outside and God looks on the heart." But if the heart is there to worship Almighty God, Creator of the universe, shouldn't you dress a little better than if you're going to play basketball? - In the story she's careful not to scuff her shoes going to church. Some kids wear flip-flops to worship... don't have to worry about scuffing them.*

*I liked the question she thought about the women going to the tomb. They brought stuff with them. What happened to it?! The Bible often has such detail, but here it doesn't say "They dropped the stuff." It doesn't say, "They took their stuff and ran." It's not mentioned. I had never noticed that before.*

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## SUNRISE SERVICE

by Pamela Perry Blaine

It was dark outside as we woke up and began getting ready for church.

It was exciting to get up on Easter because we were going to sunrise service.

After I was ready to go, I peeked into the kitchen and there were the four coffee cups on the kitchen table awaiting our return. Each cup had a different color of liquid in it. There was red, green, yellow and blue. In a pan next to the coffee cups were the eggs that Mama had boiled the night before. It was Easter morning and part of the fun for the day was to color eggs.

Mama made up her own colors with water, vinegar, and food coloring. We used a waxy crayon to write names or designs on the eggs because the dye wouldn't stick where the wax was marked on the eggs.

We attended church regularly from the time that I could remember but Easter Sunday was different. There was something special about getting up before the sunrise. The air was crisp and as the sky slowly became a little lighter, the birds began to chirp as if to announce the forthcoming sunrise.

We made our way down the gravel road to the church that was only a block from our house. As we walked, I could hear the gravel crunching beneath my feet and I tried to walk ever so carefully so I wouldn't get dust or marks on my new white shoes that I thought were almost too pretty to wear.

I was excited to get to church because my cousin, Suzanne, and I had a part in the Easter program. We had a duet to sing together. We had rehearsed the program many times and we wanted to do our best.

There were more people than usual on Easter Sunday. There was an atmosphere of expectancy as people were seated and the music began to play. Suzanne and I took our places on the piano

side of the church on the front pew. The pastor spoke a few words of welcome and then the program began.

The choir sang In the Garden, The Old Rugged Cross and There Is a Fountain as narration was interspersed between songs.

Everything was going just as we had practiced and then the moment came -- it was the scripture that was our cue, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit. When he had said this, he breathed his last."

As soon as the scripture was finished Suzanne and I began to sing the old spiritual, Were You There When They Crucified My Lord? And I knew in my heart, even as a child, that in some mysterious way, I was there and that the Lord paid a debt He did not owe because I owed a debt I couldn't pay.

When our duet ended, the narrator began reading the words, "And the angel answered and said unto the women, 'Fear not ye, for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here, for He is risen, as He said.'"

At the very moment that the narration ended, the choir broke into the joyful song, Christ the Lord is Risen today, Al-le-lu-ia!

Afterward, everyone began filing out of the church to leave and as I looked up I saw that the sun had risen as it streamed through the front door.

I remember running down the gravel road toward home after that sunrise service.

In my excitement, I had forgotten all about being careful not to mess up my new white shoes. I wondered if the women that found the empty tomb thought about their shoes. Then I wondered what became of the no longer needed spices that they had carried to the tomb. I guessed the women probably forgot all about them because how can you think about your shoes or spices when you have just seen an earthquake, an empty tomb, and a powerful angel saying, "He is risen!"

The program was over but Easter continued on that day. I went home to color Easter eggs with my brother and take turns hiding them and finding them. That was the year that Mama drew a picture of the cross and the empty tomb in the icing on a cake. She rarely had time for things like that but it was a special day -- it was Easter and the message that filled our thoughts was, "He is risen!"

This Easter I will again attend sunrise service. It is an awesome thought to know that the same God who created the sunrise loves us and wants to live in our hearts.

May the SON rise in your heart this Easter.

-- Pamela Perry Blaine <pamyblaine at blaines.us>

Pamela lives in Missouri and writes "Pam's Corner" for her local newspaper. She is church pianist and has a CD of songs she has written. Her goal is to write to encourage and to preserve family history for her children. You can visit her website here: [www.blaines.us/PamyPlace.htm](http://www.blaines.us/PamyPlace.htm)



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**You can't be good enough to deserve heaven. And you can't be bad enough to be beyond God's forgiveness.**

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Live truth instead of professing it.

James 1:22

Impossibilities  
vanish when  
a man and his  
God confront a  
mountain.

With God all things are possible.

Matthew 19:26