# **Crimson & White Connection**

A ministry of prayer and encouragement to "High School, College, & Singles" (& others, too) Values & Character + Spiritual Life + Relationships + Fun stuff

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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 60% of the mailing list are college students, 20% middle and high school, and 10% are age 22 to 30, and we'll just leave ages unsaid for the last 10% 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.

This letter and post cards are sent about twice a month. We're trying to say that <u>you</u> are <u>important enough</u> for us to put this in your mailbox. We care about you and want to encourage your character growth and your spiritual walk.

A second part of the ministry is prayer. We pray for each person on our mailing list as the mail is prepared. When you get mail from us, you know someone prayed for <u>you</u>.

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!

# Aug 18, 2004 Ready?

By Dr. Richard R. Dymmel, Ed.D.

I see "No Fear" on t-shirts. What is it that they don't fear? They don't fear physical injury from risky physical sport activity? Is it the consequences of sex and drugs? (Recent published survey for NC's HS students says 50% have had sex and 17% have had 3 or more partners. No fear of pregnancy or STDs. Planned Parenthood's data says 18% PREGNANCY rate for 18 year olds using condoms!) No fear of God?

For the Christian, there is no fear (as in "afraid," there is "fear" as in respect and honoring) of God. Like infant to toddler to child to elementary school to middle school to high school to college to a job to spouse to parent ... come to think of it, a number of those stage changes can be at least a little scary.

Maybe it's a fear of "being different." What if "they" find out you're a Christian. Not just one that goes to church once a month kind, but one of those "seriously religious nuts" kind of Christian? Would you be afraid of that? Or would you wear a "No Fear" shirt? - No fear, because you are friends with the God of the Universe, the God that holds your every breath, each heartbeat, every friend, every day, your future, knows all about you, the number of hairs on your head, your secret inner thoughts - and He loves you anyway.

So if God is on your side, what should you fear? Be confident. Rest on His promise that He cares for you. Two sparrows are sold for a farthing (not much, Matthew 9), yet God knows when one falls from the sky. How much more valuable than a sparrow are you? Rest knowing that 30,000 years from now in Eternity, choosing God will have been the best choice.

### In Christ, Rich

Do you have a relationship with God where you know He has accepted you just as you are? A relationship like with a loving father? If not, call me at 336-674-7564 or call 1-888-NEED-HIM. – With God, you have never gone too far to return. –



### Four Years, Seven Months, Seventeen Days

Had someone predicted 20 years ago, that I would graduate from college before I turned 50, I would have laughed and told them I wasn't smart enough to go to college. Don't get me wrong, graduating from college has been a dream of mine for a very long time, but that's just it, it was only a dream, until now. I am living proof you can teach an old dog new tricks.

Attending college is a life changing, attitude adjusting, precious opportunity that takes commitment, dedication, initiative, and in some cases courage to complete. For these reason I want to share with you the following excerpts of how the last four years, seven months, and seventeen days have changed my life.

I began Marian as an Adult Accelerated Program student when I was 45 and I will forever remember my first class, Philosophy and Values. I thought I would start out with something not too difficult, after all, I had been away from school for a very long time. I will tell you now, I got a rude awakening. The values part was easy; I already had most of those instilled in me by my parents, but the philosophy part with Socrates and Plato, that was another story. I learned that my logical mind was not going to buy the philosophy part, and lets just say I didn't get my first "A".

My life since that first night so long ago has changed in many ways. Each class brought out different emotions; everything from being scared, frustrated, and anxious, to being excited, elated, and proud.

During this journey I have learned what it means to persevere, to embrace optimism instead of pessimism, and to gain a level of confidence in my abilities that I never thought was possible. My life experiences have taken on a new meaning and the missing pieces to the puzzle are now coming together because of Marian's commitment to me as an individual and the quality of education I have received.

Attending Marian hasn't just been about going to classes, getting grades, and graduating. It has been about learning things I never thought I'd ever learn. It has been about making friends I hope to have for life. It has been about working as a team, and networking. It has been about working harder than I have ever worked in my life, and in feeling untold pride in what I have been able to accomplish. It is all about personal growth.

Going to school as a mature adult and working full-time has had its share of challenges. It often entails juggling work schedules, adjusting plans around study time, writing papers and working on projects. It has meant personal sacrifice by all of us and the rewards of that sacrifice will be seen here today.

Currently I work for one of the most respected companies in the world, GE Medical Systems. I know I wouldn't be with GE if it hadn't been for my classmate, Nadine, who thought me capable enough to recommend me for a position. With GE my opportunities are endless, and the experience alone is amazing.

My future cannot be predicted but I know that the light at the end of the tunnel is shining brightly. Should I open my own business, obtain a new job in the marketing field, or write a book, I will always know that my pursuit of a higher education through Marian has helped to guide my way. I think I speak for all the graduates when I say, thank you. First to Marian's faculty and staff, your dedication, hard work, and encouragement has made our journey easier and so fulfilling. Second, we need to also say thank you to our family members and friends, those important people in our lives who have encouraged us, shown pride in our accomplishments, and waited for us to finally walk across this stage.

I want to share with you a powerful story about one of Marian's instructors that has changed my life forever. Pam Schlenvogt made such an impact on me that I wrote a short story that I would like to share with you. I was sitting in her Consumer Behavior class in February of 2001. As class was getting underway Pam told us about "Get To". She told us that we walk through life making choices. Some of them are good, and some of them not so good, but hopefully we learn something from all of them. She told us that night about our attitude and how it affects us. She gave us a hand out called "LIFE IS AN ATTITUDE" and walked us though Accountability, Tenacity, Truth, Integrity, Trust, Understanding, Dedication, and Excellence. She also told us that we cannot choose what happens to us, but we can choose our attitude toward each situation.

If we walk through life on the path we have chosen feeling as though we HAVE TO do this or we HAVE TO do that, eventually we are going to feel overwhelmed. She then told us about changing our attitude and looking at the opportunities presented to us each day. If we look at those opportunities or challenges with a "GET TO" attitude instead of a "HAVE TO" attitude we might enjoy the journey just a little bit more. Today, I "GET TO" walk across this stage and graduate from college.

We are graduating today because of the dedication of so many people, particularly Marian's instructors, like Pam. By sharing their life and work experiences through their teaching, they have allowed us to stretch our imaginations, to think outside the box, to question the norm, and share OUR life experiences. What an awesome way to learn.

This day is not marking the end of a long journey, but the beginning of new possibilities, greater achievements, and personal growth for all the graduates. Today is the day that dreams are made of. Today my dreams are real.

#### Lesleigh Ann Schaefer

Just imagine: I get to go to school to fulfill my dream. I get to go to work when so many people can't. I get to do the laundry, thankful for a washer and dryer. I get to play with my cat who is so thankful for the attention. I get to say a prayer, I have freedom of speech. I get to remember the things that make me happy. I get to spend time with a friend, who needs my help. I get to read a book, I still have my sight.

I give you a challenge. With every thought and conversation for the next day or two, change the words "I HAVE TO" with the words "I GET TO" and see if it makes a difference in your day.

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### Cool Ways to Share Your Faith On Your Campus, at Work, ...

Francis of Assisi said, "Witness always. Use words when necessary!"

- 1. Wear a religious symbol on a chain, bracelet, or bookcover. Christian fish, WWJD?, cross, how about a Star of David and a cross?
- 2. Wear a T-shirt from a Christian organization your church, Young Life, BSU, FCA, InterVarsity, Campus Crusade, Promise Keepers, ... camp, ... - or one with just a neat Christian message. People like 21. When you get angry, show people that 'bad words' aren't necessary. to read T-shirts.
- 3. Invite people on your hall or in your classes to social activities at (see list of places in #2).
- 4. Have spiritual quotes and cool Bible verses on posters or little signs on your walls and door where people can read them. (They are for you and others. You can use the back page of the C&WC each month to put up new ones. Use the little quotes and 'church signs' that are quoted in the C&WC to make up more on your computer.
- 5. Be generous with your 'stuff.' Let people borrow your laundry detergent, dictionary, pens, markers, paper. The friendlier you are, the more often they'll talk with you, the more often they are in your room, the better your chances that they may see your posters and ask and start a conversation where you can be a friend and maybe witness.
- 6. Play good music and let people borrow your CDs. Music may be where they first hear any spiritual ideas. And it is good for your mind and spirit, too. Groups like Jars of Clay, dc talk, Adrenaline, Newsboys, Point of Grace, and lots more are popular. And there is Christian music of ALL types including 'alternative' and, ... and just every kind.
- 7. Start a Bible study in your dorm. Meet in the lobby or common room.
- 8. Have a sign by your door that advertises the meeting of a campus group that you attend (Young Life, BSU, InterVarsity, Campus Crusade, FCA, Victory Campus Ministries, Spartan Victory Fellowship, ...) or the nearby church you're attending. (You are attending Sunday School and Worship aren't you? Some schools even have Sunday School and Worship right there on campus.)
- 9. Ask other people to tell you about their religious beliefs and spiritual background. Listen. Then you can share (not preach) about your beliefs. Narrow-mindedness is a turn-off. Maintain an openness in those conversations.
- 10. Be active in classroom discussions. Jesus was not ashamed of us on the cross, so we shouldn't be ashamed of Him in biology. Christians often say nothing because we don't want to offend or stand out as different. Know what you believe and stand firm for what you believe. But don't be obnoxious or offensive either.
- 11. At meals, pause, bow your head and quietly pray over your food in public places. It can be very brief.
- 12. Have lunch with your non-Christian friends.
- 13. When you start to take a test, pause and pray.
- 14. Occasionally send 'forwards' with a Christian idea to non-Christian friends. (Would you like us to make a point of sending you some? Request it from us.)
- 15. Tell people, even non-Christians, that you are praying for them when they are having a tough time, ... and mean it.
- 16. Be positive. Wish people well as they approach a test, going out on a date, a weekend trip, ...
- 17. Be GENUINE when you ask "What's up?" or "How's it going?" Listen to people.
- 18. Be an example. Practice what you preach. "You may be the only Bible some people ever read."

- 19. When someone is having a crisis, it is often more helpful to just be a good listener than to give advice.
- 20. Have a small Bible in your book bag. Do a short reading during that long break between classes. Have the "Roman Road" marked or listed, maybe on a post-it in the front. Be prepared to use it.
- 22. Attitude. NOT a self-righteous, judgmental, holier than thou, correcting everyone else's bad habits attitude. God doesn't need you on patrol. He needs servants.

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### An Announcement!!

I don't do this very often... partly because only a couple people have ever sent me stuff to announce. But I have first hand information on this one (and permission). In fact, Marie and I knew before she did.

Tim Dymmel asked Kristen Staiger of San Jose, California to marry him July 14th. She accepted and an outdoor wedding is planned for Sunday, September 19 in Mill Valley, CA.

Prior to asking her, Tim asked most of his family to do a 40 day fast of one thing. I gave up cola drinks. Whenever we thought of the thing we had given up, we would pray for them and ask for God's guidance and wisdom in their lives.

Congratulations, Tim & Kristen.

"At college age, you can tell who is best at taking tests and going to school, but you can't tell who the best people are. That worries... me." Barnaby C. Keeney

"I've seen some of the "smartest" students in school make some of the dumbest choices and decisions in life. I worry about their future. A high GPA doesn't guarantee good decisions. It takes values, character and integrity to make good decisions in life." Richard R. Dymmel

The world needs more *good* people. We have enough smart people.

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When I made up my mind and my heart along with that To live not for myself, but yet for God Somebody said, do you know what you are getting yourself into? When I finally ironed out all of my priorities And asked God to remove the doubt that makes me unsure of these things I ask myself I ask myself, do you know what you are getting yourself into?

I'm getting into You because You got to me in a way words can't describe I'm getting into You because I've got to be, You're essential to survive I'm going to love You with my life 'Getting Into You' by Relient K

7 August 2004

### My Dear Friends,

God is amazing, incredible, absolutely beyond words indescribable! When I look back over this summer I cannot help but stand in awe of what God has done. I can remember sitting at this same computer just over three months ago, typing a letter to you to tell you that I was headed to Durban, South Africa for my internship. I did not have a clue what I would be doing, who I would be working with, what to expect, what to think of it all...all I knew was that God had arranged this internship and that He would be with me all the way. Now as I sit here writing to you once again, I can not imagine what my life would be without all the experiences that I have had this summer, without all the people that I have had the pleasure of getting to know. My life will never be the same – and I praise God for that. ©



I have spent the past few months working with Fellowship Baptist Church in Durban, South Africa. Now, most people hear the word 'Africa' and get the mental picture of mud huts, dirt roads, no electricity, poisonous snakes, and lions attacking in the night. Granted, some of this picture does apply to some parts of Africa, but not the part that I was in. Durban

is a very first-world city in a third-world country – in fact, you can see the differences in driving down the road from the expensive sports cars driving by to the maids and gardeners walking to catch the public transportation to get home in the evening. My work was with the first-world side of this picture. To complete the picture for you, the church is primarily white, every family has their own rather spacious home, and every family has at least one if not two cars. Economically, it is very close to what we are used to.

I have found that it is very dangerous to walk into a situation and tell that them you are willing to do whatever is needed...but then again, it is so much fun, too. <sup>(i)</sup> This summer, I was involved in observing and teaching Sunday School; singing with the worship teams for Sunday mornings; taking a few 'mini-missions trips' to Matatiele and working with the children at Crossroads Orphanage; organizing and computerizing the church's music library; being a leader in youth

group; leading a teen discipleship group; meeting with one of the teens for one-on-one discipleship; planning teen events such as Mystery Mania; helping to plan youth events for youth group on Friday evenings and the Area Wide Youth Lock-In; and most importantly, building relationships – in particular with the teen girls.

Being involved in the ministry with Fellowship was a completely lifechanging experience. It is extremely evident that God is at work in this country and in the hearts of these people. It only took moments for me to see the love for people and the desire to see others come to know Christ that is prevalent in this church.

One of the areas of ministry that I was involved in was taking two short trips to Matatiele and working with the children at Crossroads



Orphanage there. On one of these trips, a few of the teen girls came along which gave us the opportunity to work together and be able to build a deeper relationship with each other while caring for the little ones. To give you a bit of

background, the majority of the little ones at Crossroads are from the Xhosa (pronounced Glosa) tribe. Some of them have been abandoned, some have been brought there by their mothers who did not want them anymore, some have been brought there because their mothers are still teenagers and cannot care for them properly, some have been taken out of abusive and harmful situations, the list goes on. There are about forty children there at the moment, mostly between the ages of 2 and 5. It absolutely breaks your heart as you sit there and play with and talk with the children. They are so incredibly happy, so contented knowing that they are loved and that they are safe. That is all they need to know. It amazes me to think that these little ones have gone through such heartache and such pain, and yet are still able to smile. They are still able to open their hearts and invite someone else in. How many times do we shut out the world and people just because we have been hurt once? How many times do we refuse to talk to another person or treat them rudely or with unkindness just because they have hurt our ego? These children, even though they have been hurt, seem to know no other way but to love everyone with all the love they can give.



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The area of ministry in the church where I had the most involvement was with the youth. It is also where the most memories and the most fun (and sometimes the most frustration) came. I helped in so many different areas from planning the entire Mystery Mania event (a game of human 'Clue') to assisting in planning the Youth Lock-In and getting the needed materials for youth events on Friday nights to simply hanging out with the teens and building relationships with them. One of my favorite memories of this entire trip was one night we had a bunch of the girls over to spend the night. Then next morning, we woke them up super early, we all got into a few cars and went down to the beach to watch the sunrise. It was absolutely spectacular to sit on a beach overlooking the Indian Ocean and watch a new day dawn. The best part about it was the conversations and the time that I got to spend with the girls. I wish that I could tell you what these girls have come to mean in my life. I could sit here and tell you all the logistical things that I did, how the planning and preparation for the different events took so much time and the joy and (dare I say?) relief when an event came off the way that it was



planned with no Liz,

#### Michelle, Rebecca, Michelle, Chelsea, Jacky

major catastrophes, but that would not be a true representation of the ministry. The ministry is the people, not the events. You can plan events until you are blue in the face, but if the people do not come and learn and grow from the events, what is the point? If you take people out of ministry, you have no ministry. As I look back, I see the times that I spent at McDonalds or watching a movie at someone's house or going out to eat or watching the sunrise as some of the best times of building relationships that I could ever imagine. *That* is where the real ministry takes place. *That* is where the friendships are built. I have been so blessed this summer with absolutely incredible friendships. I know that I will never forget them and, as some of them, to them, to them, the provide the provide the provide the to them.

just as they have been an encouragement to me.

As I look back over these past few months, I can see countless lessons that God has taught me, is teaching me, and has only begun to teach me. There is one lesson, though, that stands above the rest – the lesson of control. "The Unknown" used to scare me like nothing else could. I



like to know what is going on, when things are going to happen, what is next on the schedule – Liz and Jacky especially in my own life. Matthew West's song "Out of My Hands" has been a real challenge to me throughout this summer and in being a challenge has turned into my prayer. The line "There's too many things that I don't understand, so it's into Your will, Lord, and out of my hands" has become the cry of my heart. I do not understand everything that there is to know. I do not know where I will be or what I will be doing at this time next year or five year or ten years from now. But I know the One who does know. I trust in His unfailing strength. I trust Him because He is the only One worthy of my trust. He is the only One who has never and will never let me down. Standing here, staring into the future to be greeted by a huge question mark is not the place that I would have chosen if I was given the choice. But I know that I am not standing alone. My Savior, my God, my Rock, my Friend is right beside me. And to be perfectly honest with you, I am glad that I am not in control of my life. First of all, it relieves me of a great deal of pressure, but more importantly, it allows me to be where God wants me to be. You see, if I was in control of my life, I never would have gone to Durban, South Africa this summer. I never would have met these people who have impacted and changed my life in ways that they may never know. I cannot imagine my life without having been in Africa and I thank God that He is the One who put me there.

In giving up control, in releasing everything, your plans, your future, your question marks to God, only one thing remains to be done. Get into God. Get to know Him, grow in Him, grow to love Him more every day, and love Him with everything that you have – your entire life. I think that the song at the beginning of this letter says it all:

I'm getting into You because You got to me in a way words can't describe I'm getting into You because I've got to be, You're essential to survive I'm going to love You with my life

Thank you so much for you support and your partnership in this ministry. I know that without you, this trip would not have been possible. So thank you, from the bottom of my heart.

In Christ's amazing love, Elizabeth Tucker ElizabethGal220@yahoo.com

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name, that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; and that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the fullness of God.

Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3.20-21

### **I'VE LEARNED**

I've learned that I like my teacher because she cries when we sing Silent Night. Age 6

I've learned that you can't hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk. Age 7

I've learned that when I wave to people in the country, they stop what they are doing and wave back. Age 9

I've learned that just when I get my room the way I like it, Mom makes me clean it up. Age 13

I've learned that if you want to cheer yourself up, you should try cheering someone else up. Age 14

I've learned that although it's hard to admit it, I'm secretly glad my parents are strict with me. Age 15

I've learned that silent company is often more healing than words of advice. Age 24

I've learned that brushing my child's hair is one of life's great pleasures. Age 26

I've learned that wherever I go, the worlds worst drivers have followed me there. Age 29

I've learned...that if someone says something unkind about me, I must live so that no one will believe it. Age 39

I've learned that there are people who love you dearly but just don't know how to show it. Age 41

I've learned that you can make someone's day by simply sending a little card. Age 44

I've learned that the greater a person's sense of guilt, the greater his need to cast blame on others. Age 46

I've learned that children and grandparents are natural allies. Age 47 I've learned that singing "Amazing Grace" can lift my spirits for hours. Age 49

I've learned that motel mattresses are better on the side away from the phone. Age 50

I've learned that you can tell a lot about a man by the way he handles these three things: a rainy day, lost luggage, and tangled Christmas tree lights. Age 52

I've learned that keeping a vegetable garden is worth a medicine cabinet full of pills. Age 52

I've learned that regardless of your relationship with your parents, you miss them terribly after they die. Age 53

I've learned that making a living is not the same thing as making a life. Age 58

I've learned that if you want to do something positive for your children, try to improve your marriage. Age 61

I've learned that life sometimes gives you a second chance. Age 62 I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catchers mitt

on both hands. You need to be able to throw something back. Age 64 I've learned that if you pursue happiness, it will elude you. But if you focus on your family, the needs of others, your work, meeting new

people, and doing the very best you can, happiness will find you. Age65 I've learned that whenever I decide something with kindness, I

usually make the right decision. Age 66 I've learned that everyone can use a prayer. I've learned that it pays

to believe in miracles. And to tell the truth, I've seen several. Age 73 I've learned that even when I have pains, I don't have to be one.

Age 82 I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love that human touch-holding hands, a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back. Age 85

I've learned that I still have a lot to learn. Age 92

Subj:Little JohnnyDate:11/15/99 5:02:35 PM Eastern Standard TimeFrom:Shirley

Johnny was at his first day of school. The teacher advised the class to start the day with the pledge of allegiance, and instructed them to put their right hands over their hearts and repeat after him. He looked around the room as he started the recitation, "I pledge allegiance to the flag..." When his eyes fell on Johnny, he noticed Johnny's hand over the right cheek of his buttocks. "Johnny, I will not continue 'til you put your hand over your heart."

Johnny replied, "It is over my heart."

After several attempts to get Johnny to put his hand over his heart, the teacher asked, "Why do you think that is your heart?"

"Because every time my Grandma comes to visit, she picks me up, pats me here, and says, 'Bless your little heart,' and my Grandma wouldn't lie."

I was thinking of the lyrics to "More Than You'll Ever Know" by Watermark: ... you've been more than a friend to me. You fight off my enemies. You have spoken the truth over my life. And you'll never know what it means to me, just to know you've been on your knees for me. Oh, you have blessed my life. More than you'll ever know. More than you'll ever know. --- You had faith when I had none - You prayed God would bring me a brand new song

Whatever...know that you are loved and prayed over. Is there someone that you need to pray over? Let them know you prayed for them.

# You are only what you are when no one is looking.

The integrity of the upright shall guide them. Proverbs 11:3

### Learn to say "No." It will be of more use to you than to be able to read Latin or solve a quadratic equation.

I don't know the secret to success, but the key to failure is to try to please everyone.

Am I now trying to win the approval of men, or of God? Galatians 1:10

Kites rise highest against the wind, not with it.

# Christian Music on the radio +

**Adventures in Odyssey** are great stories from Focus on the Family. One of the places you can find the program is on a network that has all those "old hymns and preachers," BBN. You can find the times of programs on their Program Listing and find a station near you on their Station List at <u>www.bbnradio.org</u>. Adventures in Odyssey is on at 7:30p M-F, Sat 10a & 5p. **Ravi Zacharias/Let My People Think** is an exciting, intellectually challenging speaker who speaks on many college campuses. His program is on the BBN network Mon-Sat @ 6:30p & Sun @ 8:30a & 5p. BBN stations: Palaigh 92 5. Greens

@ 6:30p & Sun @ 8:30a & 5p - BBN stations: Raleigh 92.5, Greensboro 95.5, Charlotte 93.9, Statesville 91.7, Fredricksburg VA 97.7. – go to 'View Program List' then on the left is 'Station List' then pick your state.

**Garbage in – garbage out.** Are you putting Good stuff, good music, etc., in your head or "garbage"? Listen to good Christian music on the radio. Do you have a decent collection of Christian music CDs? Christian music comes *in ALL styles of music, from* "old hymns" to "heavy metal rock."

**Find Christian radio on the web** – many stations stream on the web. Try these sites: www.klove.com; www.wbfj.org or search for "Christian radio" in your search engine. Both of these are streaming CCM 24-7. www.klove.com will give you their 75 stations broadcasting around the country listed there. WBFJ has several transmitters around the Piedmont NC area

American Family Radio! Over 200 stations in 34 states! Go to www.afr.net and click on Station Listings, then select your state. Click on AFR Audio for live streaming audio.

The Good-News-Network (www.gnnradio.org and www.gnn.org and www.good-news-network.com) has mostly speakers, but that includes the Odyssey stories and Focus On The Family. Check out listings. 18 radio stations in AL, GA, SC, and NC.

Find LOTS and LOTS, thousands even, of Christian Radio stations listed by state at www.ChristianRadio.com

Most of the things worth doing in the world had been declared impossible before they were done. But with God all things are possible.

Matthew 19:26

Obstacles are those frightening things you see when you take your eyes off the goal.

So Peter walked on the water toward Jesus. But when he looked around at the high waves, he was terrified and began to sink. Matthew 14: 29,30

Book title:

If you want to walk on water, you have to get out of the boat.

#### Share with someone

Giving a friend a copy of this letter and asking them if they would like to get it too, is an easy way of witnessing and starting a conversation about God.

If you'd like to be on our mail/prayer list, and have the Crimson & White Connection mailed free each month, fill this out and mail it to: 4401 Wild Oak Lane, Greensboro, NC 27406-8306 *** or email to Rdymmel@AOL.com *** Under 18 requires a parental approval SIGNATURE please. No thank you, remove my name Please send ONE SAMPLE ISSUE to evaluate To subscribe, check 'Yes' below and fill in completely. Yes, Please include me (signature)
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### Becoming a Christian: A-B-C

**A** – **Admit** that you're a sinner. You just can't meet God's standard. The Bible says, "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23 (also see 1 John 1:8).

 $\mathbf{B}$  – **Believe** that Jesus was the Son of God and died in your place, took the punishment for you. The Bible says, "For God so loved the world (that includes you) that he gave His only begotten son (that's Jesus) that whosoever (that's you again) believes in Him should not perish (that's saved from eternal death, Hell) but have eternal life (given eternal life with God, that's "salvation" or to "be saved")." John 3:16

C – Confess your sin to God. – The Bible says, "If we confess (own up to) our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleans us..." 1John 1:9.

Want Jesus in your life? Pray this prayer: "Lord Jesus, I confess to You my sin and need to be saved. I turn away from my old sin and place my trust and faith in You as the only way to be saved." Now contact your pastor, or contact us at 1-336-674-7564, or call 1-888-NEED-HIM, and say, "I just asked Jesus to be my Lord." **Crimson & White Connection U.S.Postage** Dr. Rich Dymmel, Editor ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED 4401 Wild Oak Lane Greensboro, NC 27406-8306 PLEASE, if the student has gone off to campus, would you put a 37c Someone PRAYED for YOU and mentioned YOUR NAME before God's throne as this was prepared for mailing. God bless and watch over you today. stamp on this, change the address, and mail it to them? If they have a NEW campus address, would you send that to me? Aug 18, 2004 Fear - Report from Africa - Ways to share your faith on campus - Find Christian radio streaming on the web and much more

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# It's better to be alone than in bad company.

Bad company corrupts good character. 1Corinthians 15:33

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." 2 Timothy 1:7