

Anatomy Of A Set-Up

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- 1 Peter 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, **seeking whom he may devour:**
- Luke 10:3 Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as **lambs among wolves.**





THE ANATOMY OF A SET UP



Set-up's

Mom and Pop



SCAM

Prisoner's con gets him Chinese takeout, phone

Norfolk, VA.--- A prison inmate who claimed he was about to inherit \$1 million conned an assistant warden and other prison employees into smuggling him liquor, Chinese takeout food and even a cellular phone. The inmate,**promised the employees** at the maximum-security Correctional Center **that he would reward them out of the bogus inheritance.**

.....The Virginian-Pilot News paper reported



SCAM (Cont)

Inmate runs mail scam from jail

Tampa-Scam letters reporting to be from a disgruntled restaurant customer or a down-on-his churchgoer were actually written by a clever inmate at a maximum-security Federal Prison.....**He boasted that these letters made him \$6,000 last year.....Cleaning bill.....Church donation.....friend, apparently unwittingly, forwarded them for inmate.....unknown how many letters he sent.**

Associated Press



I Keep Running Into Opposition!

- Obstacles to the advancement of the work of God **will appear**; **but fear not.**
- To the omnipotence of the King of Kings, our covenant-keeping God unites the gentleness and care of a tender shepherd. **Nothing can stand in His way.**



I Keep Running Into Opposition! (Cont)

- His power is absolute, and it is the pledge of the sure fulfillment of His promises to His people.



I Keep Running Into Opposition! (Cont)

He can remove all obstructions to the advancement of His work.

He has means for the removal of every difficulty, that those who serve Him and respect the means He employs may be delivered.

His goodness and love are infinite, and His covenant is unalterable.

Testimonies vol 8, p 10



Song books



God Provides the Weapons

"We are laborers together with God." He provides us with all the facilities, all the spiritual weapons necessary for the pulling down of Satan's strongholds.



God Provides the Weapons (Cont)

- **Present the truth as it is in Jesus.**
- Let the tones of your voice express the love of God.
- Lead, but never drive.
- Approach the most obstinate in a spirit of kindness and affection.
- **Dip your words into the oil of grace, and let them flow forth from your lips in love (Letter 105, 1893). (6BC 1086.6)**



Divine Culture Will Be Given

- It is Satan who makes it necessary for us to strive.
- Those who will keep the eye fixed upon the life of the Lord Jesus will gain an abundant entrance into His spiritual temple (Letter 5, 1900.) (6 BC 1086.7)



You Must Know the Will of God First

Therefore do not be unwise, **but understand what the will of Lord is.** (NKJ Eph 5:17)

Mark 16:15

And He said unto them, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."



The Desire of Ages, p 363, In all who are under the training of God is to be revealed a life that is not in harmony with the world, its customs, or its practices;

and everyone needs to have a personal experience in obtaining a knowledge of the will of God.



We must individually hear Him speaking to the heart.

When every other voice is hushed, and in quietness we wait before Him, the silence of the soul makes more distinct the voice of God. He bids us, "Be still**, and know that I am God." Ps 46:10.**



How Does This Happen?

Every obstacle to the redemption of God's people is to be removed by the opening of His Word and the presentation of a plain "thus said the Lord." Testimonies vol 8, p 10



But Nothing Happens!

- The plans of the enemy of His work may seem to be firm and well established, but He can overthrow the strongest of these plans, and in His own time and way
- He will do this, when He sees that our faith has been sufficiently tested



But Nothing Happens! (Cont)

- and that we are drawing near to Him
- and making Him our counselor.
Testimonies vol 8, p 10



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Unspeakable Glory

All that has perplexed us in the providences of God will in the world to come be made plain.

The things hard to be understood will then find explanation. The mysteries of grace will unfold before us.

Where our finite minds discovered only confusion and broken promises,

we shall see the most perfect and beautiful harmony.



Unspeakable Glory (Cont)

- **We shall know that infinite love ordered the experiences that seemed most trying.**
- **As we realize the tender care of Him who makes all things work together for our good,**
- **we shall rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory. {9 Testimonies, p 286.2}**

Priest



What Else Hinders Our Success?

I asked the angel why there was no more faith and power in Israel. He said, "(Ye) let go of the arm of the Lord too soon."

Press your petitions to the throne and hold on by strong faith.



What Else Hinders Our Success? (Cont)

The promises are sure. Believe ye receive the things ye ask for, and ye shall have them."



What Else Hinders Our Success? (Cont)

I was then pointed to Elijah. He was subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly. His faith endured the trial.

Seven times he prayed before the Lord, and at last the cloud was seen.



What Else Hinders Our Success? (Cont)

I saw that we had doubted the sure **promises**, and wounded the Saviour by our lack of faith. *Early Writings, p 73*



What Else Hinders Our Success? (Cont)

“It is the absence of the Spirit that makes the gospel ministry so powerless. **Learning, talent, eloquence**, every natural or acquired endowment, may be possessed; **but** without the presence of the Spirit of God, **no heart will be touched, no sinner be won to Christ.**



What Else Hinders Our Success? (Cont)

- On the other hand, if they are connected with Christ, if the gifts of the Spirit are theirs,
- the poorest and most ignorant of His disciples will have a power that will tell upon hearts.



What Else Hinders Our Success? (Cont)

- God makes them the channel for the outworking of the highest influence in the universe.

"Christ's Object Lessons", p 328



Never Argue With Satan

- Jesus says, "Him that cometh to Me, I will in no wise cast out" [John 6:37]. Then, my sister, dismiss the enemy. Tell him that you will not dishonor God by doubting His mercy, His goodness, His love.
- **Never argue with Satan**, for he has wonderful powers of deception.
- **If, when he went to Adam and Eve, they had kept repeating the words of God, saying** "He hath said, and I believe His word, I will not distrust Him," they would not have been overcome. **{TSB 50.2}**



Bible open



Prayer Answered Delayed

“I saw that if we do not feel immediate answers to our prayers, **we should hold fast our faith,** **not allowing distrust** to come in, for that **will separate** us from God.



Prayer Answered Delayed (Cont)

If our faith wavers, we shall receive nothing from Him.

Our confidence in God should be strong; and **when we need it most,** the blessing will fall upon us like a shower of rain." *Testimonies, vol*

1, p 121



Answer to Prayer

Let your heart break for the longing it has for God, **for the living God.** The life of Christ has shown what humanity can do by **being partaker of the divine nature.**



Answer to Prayer (Cont)

- ✓ **All that Christ received from God we too may have.**
- ✓ Then ask and receive.
- ✓ **With the persevering faith of Jacob, with the unyielding persistence of Elijah, claim for yourself all that God has promised.**



Answer to Prayer (Cont)

Let the glorious conceptions of God possess your mind.

Let your life be knit by hidden links to the life of Jesus.

He who commanded the light to shine out of darkness **is willing to shine in your heart**, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.



Answer to Prayer (Cont)

- The Holy Spirit will take the things of God and **show them unto (you)**, conveying them as a living power into the obedient heart.
- **Christ will lead (you) to the threshold of the Infinite.**



Answer to Prayer (Cont)

- (You) may behold the glory beyond the veil, and reveal to men the sufficiency of Him who ever liveth to make intercession for us.
Christ's Object Lessons, p 149



Prayer Delayed

- To the sincere suppliant God will send an answer to every petition uttered in humility and faith.
- He may say "Yes," He may say "No," or He may say simply "Wait."
- Sometimes answer to prayer may be delayed because a change must come about in (our own) hearts before God can answer it (see The Desire of Ages, p 200).



Prayer Delayed (Cont)

- **There are** definite conditions to answered prayer, and if there seems to be delay, **we should inquire whether the difficulty may be with (us).**
- **It is an insult to God to be impatient with Him when (we) have not complied with the conditions under which it is possible for Him to answer prayer. (Bible Commentary on Luke 11:9)**



Obstacles to Prayer

The central lesson of the parable is, of course, **steadfastness in prayer**. The parable also defines the kind of requests for which our Lord counsels steadfastness—



Obstacles to Prayer (Cont)

--prayers whose object is the blessing of our fellow men and the extension of His kingdom.

“All that Christ received from God (we) too may have” (Christ’s Object Lessons, p 149).

Bible Commentary on Luke 11:9



Obstacles to Prayer (Cont)

- ✓ **Fickleness** in **prayer** is not pleasing to **God**, "with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning" (James 1:17).
- ✓ (He) who is **fickle** in prayer **is not really expecting anything of God**.
- ✓ "(He) that wavereth" need not "think that he shall receive anything of the Lord" (James 1:6, 7). Bible Commentary on Luke 11:9



Why Do We Need Spiritual Help?

2 Cor 10:3 NIV “for though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does.

v. 4 The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world.

On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.



Why Do We Need Spiritual Help?

v. 5 We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ."



Why Do We Need Spiritual Help?

2 Cor 2:14 Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the Saviour of His knowledge by us in every place.



Why Do We Need Spiritual Help? (Cont)

2 Tim 3:16 **All** scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:



Carrying in and out of prison



Why Do We Have These Problems?

NKJ James 1:2. " My brethren count it all joy when you fall into various trials, v. 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. v. 4 but let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing."



I Can't Wait to Get Started!

When we follow the humble Bible way, we shall have the movings of the Spirit of God.

All will be in sweet harmony if we follow the humble channel of truth, depending wholly upon God,

and there will be no danger of being affected by the evil angels.

It is when souls get above the Spirit of God, moving in their own strength,

that the Angels cease watching over them, and they are left to the buffeting of Satan.

Early Writings, p 116



Do I Need to Teach Doctrine?

- Christ is to be their text.
- They need not dwell upon doctrinal subjects;
- let them speak of the work and sacrifice of Christ.
- Let them hold up His righteousness, in their lives revealing His purity.
- The true missionary must be armed with the mind of Christ.
- His heart must be filled with Christlike love and he must be true and steadfast to principle. Testimonies vol. 7, p 228

I Don't See Any Results for My Labor!

- The good seed may for a time lie unnoticed in a cold, selfish, worldly heart, giving no evidence that it has taken root;



I Don't See Any Results for My Labor! (Cont)

- but afterward, as the Spirit of God breathes on the soul, the hidden seed springs up, and at last bears fruit to the glory of God.
- In our lifework we know not which shall prosper, this or that. This is not a question for us to settle.



I Don't See Any Results for My Labor! (Cont)

- **'We are to do our work, and leave the results with God.** “In the morning sow thy seed, and in evening withhold not thine hand.” Eccl 11:6

Christ's Object Lessons, p 65



An Ever Present Help

The Lord is good, a strong hold in
the day of trouble; and he
knoweth them that trust in him.

Nahum 1:7



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

We have rich promises in the Word of God, if we only believe and trust in Him.



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

We are in danger of **trusting to our own poor human efforts**, and **not putting our trust** in God.

Everyone who has any part to act in this great preparation of the work of God **for these last days** **should come close** to God.



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

When God sends out His workers to do a special errand for Him, He has pledged Himself to be one with them, if they will be one with God.



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

But if they draw apart from God, and try to do this work in their own strength, they will find difficulties and discouragements at every step.

Here we have the promise that in working for the Lord He is by our right hand to help us and work with us. **(This Day with God, p. 209.1)**



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

It would be the greatest folly in the world for any **of us to take any of the credit to ourselves** for any success we may have.



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

The more humbly we walk with God, the more will He manifest Himself to us to help us.



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

The Lord never designed to send out His servants to do a work for Him **with all the opposition of Satan** and evil angels against them unless He gives them divine help.



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

The reason that we do not have greater success in the work is **because** we depend on our own efforts rather than upon the help God will give us.



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

It is our privilege to feel our **weakness**, our **unworthiness**, and then claim the help that God has provided for us.



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

We can take the Word in our distress, and while we feel the burden of souls upon us, **and say, "Here, Lord, Thou hast promised, and I believe Thy word."** (This Day with God, p. 209.2)



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

We must learn to go to our heavenly Father **just as a child goes to its earthly parents.**



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

He says, "Or what man is there of you, **whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?**

Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?

If ye then, being evil, **know how to give good gifts unto your children,**



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?"

(Matt. 7:9-11).... **(This Day with God, p. 209.3)**



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

While every one of God's workmen should cultivate his powers to the best of his ability, yet he should not trust in these powers....



An Ever Present Help (Cont)

Make of yourselves everything that it is possible for you to make and then trust the rest to God. -
Manuscript 8, July 19, 1886,
“Overcoming Self.” **(This Day with God, p.209.4)**



Unknown Package



The Lord's Work

- Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts

KJV Zech 4:6



Chosen By God

- Isaiah 43:10
- Ye (**YOU**) [are] my witnesses, saith the LORD,
- and my servant whom I have chosen:
- that ye (**YOU**) may know and believe me,
- and understand that I [am] he:
- before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.



The Hook



Spiritual

Discernment?



Spiritual Discernment

- Not all, however, would be ensnared by the enemy's devices. As the end of all things earthly should approach, there would be faithful ones able to discern the signs of the times.
..... {AA 535.2}



Spiritual Discernment (Cont)

- The heavenly angels are . . . at work **to take hold of reasoning minds**, and their power is mightier than the hosts of darkness.
- There are minds dealing with sacred things **who are not in close connection** with God and who **do not discern the Spirit of God.**



Spiritual Discernment (Cont)

- Unless His grace transforms them into the image of Christ's likeness,
- **His Spirit will leave them as water leaves a leaky vessel.**
- **Their only hope is to seek God with all their mind, heart, and soul.**



Spiritual Discernment (Cont)

- Then they will lawfully strive for the mastery.
- Satan will steal the imagination and affections **if you give him a chance.**--
MS 11, 1893. {1 MCP 102.1}



Spiritual Discernment (Cont)

- 1 Corinthians 2:14
 - But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know [them], because they are **spiritually discerned**.



Spiritual Discernment (Cont)

God's people must take warning and discern the signs of the times.

The signs of Christ's coming are too plain to be doubted; and in view of these things every one who professes the truth should be a living preacher.

God calls upon all, both preachers and people, to awake. All heaven is astir.



Spiritual Discernment (Cont)

The scenes of earth's history are fast closing.

We are amid the perils of the last days.

Greater perils are before us, and yet we are not awake.

This lack of activity and earnestness in the cause of God is dreadful.

This death stupor is from Satan.--

Testimonies, vol 1, pp 260, 261 {ChS 37.1}



Clearer Discernment

- As the will of man co-operates with the will of God, it becomes omnipotent.
- Whatever is to be done at His command may be accomplished in His strength.
- All His biddings are enablings.

{Christ's Object Lessons, p 333.1}



Clearer Discernment (Cont)

-He designs that His servants shall possess more intelligence and clearer discernment than the worldling,
- and He is displeased with those who are too careless or too indolent to become efficient, well-informed workers.



Clearer Discernment (Cont)

- The Lord bids us **love Him with all the heart, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and with all the mind.**
- This lays upon us the obligation of **developing the intellect to its fullest capacity,**
- **that with all the mind we may know and love our Creator.** {COL 333.2}



Keener Discernment

-The Christian **should possess more intelligence and keener discernment than the worldling.**
- The study of God's word is continually **expanding the mind and strengthening the intellect.**
- {4T 545.3}



Spiritual Discernment Dimmed

- A spirit of **criticism** and **bitterness** has come into the church, and the **spiritual discernment of many has been dimmed.**
- Because of this the **cause of Christ has suffered great loss.**--

Testimonies, vol. 6, p 297 {ChS

38.3}



Flesh Diet Hindrance

- There are those who **ought to be awake to the danger of meat eating, who are still eating the flesh of animals**, thus endangering the physical, mental, and spiritual health.
- Many who are now only half converted on the question of meat eating will go from God's people to walk no more with them.

{CD 382.1}



Flesh Diet Hindrance (Cont)

- A **diet of flesh meat** tends to develop animalism.
- A development of animalism lessens spirituality, rendering the mind incapable of understanding truth.
{CD 382.3}



Flesh Diet Hindrance (Cont)

- The word of God plainly warns us that unless we abstain from fleshly lusts, the physical nature will be brought into conflict with the spiritual nature.
- Lustful eating wars against health and peace.
- Thus a warfare is instituted between the higher and the lower attributes of the man.



Flesh Diet Hindrance (Cont)

- The lower propensities, strong and active, **oppress the soul.**
- The highest interests of the being are **imperiled by the indulgence of appetites unsanctioned by Heaven.**
{CD 382.4}



Presumptuous Sins

- I am filled with sadness when I think of our condition as a people. **The Lord has not closed heaven to us, but our own course of continual backsliding has separated us from God.**
- **Pride, covetousness, and love of the world** have lived in the heart without fear of banishment or condemnation.



Presumptuous Sins (Cont)

- Grievous and presumptuous sins have dwelt among us.
- And yet the general opinion is that the church is flourishing, and that peace and spiritual prosperity are in all her borders.
- The church has turned back from following Christ her leader, and is steadily retreating toward Egypt.



Presumptuous Sins (Cont)

- Yet few are alarmed or astonished at their want of spiritual power.
- Doubt and even disbelief of the testimonies of the Spirit of God is leavening our churches everywhere.
- Satan would have it thus.--
Testimonies, vol. 5, p 217 {ChS
38.4}



**Flesh Diet,
Criticism,
and
Bitterness
a
Hindrance
to
Spiritual Discernment**



Presumptuous Sins (Cont)

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- **Because of this the cause of Christ has suffered great loss.--**

Testimonies, vol 6, p 297 {ChS
38.3} [C.T.B.H. 10] (1890) C.H.

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Firm Stand Against Meat Eating

- Letter 48, 1902
- We are to give careful attention to our diet.
- It has been clearly presented to me that God's people are to take a firm stand against meat eating.



Firm Stand Against Meat Eating (Cont)

- Would God for thirty years give His people the message that if they desire to have pure blood and clear minds, they must give up the use of flesh meat,
- if He did not want them to heed this message?



Firm Stand Against Meat Eating (Cont)

- By the use of flesh meats the animal nature is strengthened and the **spiritual nature weakened.** {CD 383.1}



Firm Stand Against Meat Eating (Cont)

- Letter 48, 1902
- Those who **claim to believe the truth** are to **guard carefully** the **powers of body and mind**, so that God and His cause will not be in any way dishonored by their words or actions.



Greater Reforms

- The habits and practices are to be brought into subjection to the will of God.
- Greater reforms should be seen among the people **who claim to be looking for the soon appearing of Christ.**
- Health reform is to do among our people a work which it has not yet done.



Wake Up

- We think to SMALL
- We act to SMALL
- We plan to SMALL
- This is the time to WAKE UP.
- Ask for the Spiritual Discernment.
- Plan that you will be the instrument in God's plan for His work.



A Call for

- A great work is to be accomplished; broader plans must be laid;
.....Testimonies, vol. 5, p. 187
- A Call for Larger Plans.--We are altogether too narrow in our plans. We need to be broader minded. God wants us to carry out in our work for Him the principles of truth and righteousness. His work is to go forward in cities and towns and villages. . . . {Ev 46.1



Broader Plans

While there are broader plans and fields constantly opening for the laborers,

our ideas and views must broaden
in regard to the workers who are to labor in new fields in the Lord's vineyard to bring souls into the truth.--**Letter 14, 1886. {Ev 80.1}**



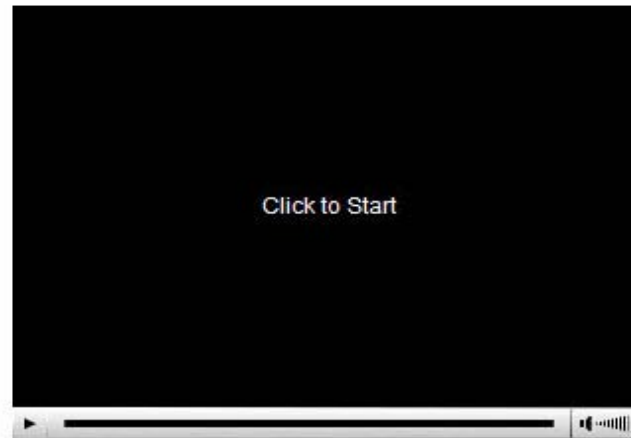
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Start Date yyyy/mm/dd	End Date yyyy/mm/dd	Event Title	Event Details
2006-01-28	2006-01-28	FPM Training Certificate Presentation	Brother Ferguson will be doing the 11:00am Worship service at Pen-Mar Church and then we will have a FPM Training Certificate presentation at 4:00pm at the Lauderhill Church.
2006-02-04	2006-02-04	Ft. Myers FPM Training	Training Session 1 to be held at the Ft. Myers Church located at 3451 Ortiz Avenue. Training will be around 1:30 or 2:00pm.
2006-02-11	2006-02-11	Ft. Myers FPM Training	Training Session 2 to be held at the Ft. Myers Church located at 3451 Ortiz Avenue. Session will be around 1:30 or 2:00pm.
2006-02-18	2006-02-18	Miami Temple	Working out details.
2006-03-17	2006-03-19	North Florida Campmeeting	Will have our booth set up. Please come by and chat with us and see what is going on in the Florida Prison Ministries.
2006-03-26	2006-04-01	South Bay C.I. Revival	Will be holding a revival in the prison at South Bay, FL. Pray for us and our group as we go in to witness to these inmates that the Lord will use us to touch many lives.
2006-04-06	2006-04-08	Adventist Layman's-Services (ASI) Cohutta Springs, GA	Will be holding the Southern Union convention for ASI at Cohutta Springs, GA. If interested in details please contact F. Barton at 352-728-1229.
			We will be having training sessions this





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Leader's Report

Leader's Name

Ministry Name

Conference

Phone Number

E-Mail Address

Date Task Completed (mm/dd/yy)

Number of inmates visited

Number of Baptisms performed

Number of Bibles distributed

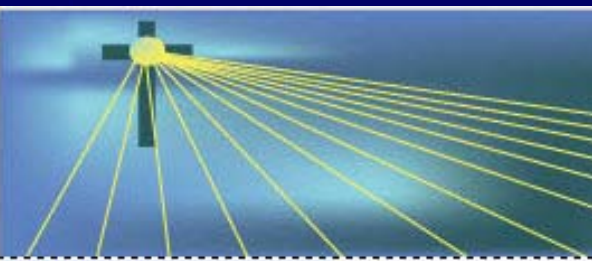
Number of miles traveled

Miscellaneous volunteer hours

Pieces of literature distributed

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The Director of Florida Prison Ministries is Frank _____.



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Recommended Links

Prison Ministry-related Links

- [Florida Department of Corrections](#)
- [Florida Department of Corrections - Regional Business Offices](#)
- [Florida Department of Juvenile Justice Detention Contacts](#)
- [Introduction to Information on Florida Correctional Facilities](#)
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- [Florida Department of Corrections Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Federal Bureau of Prisons BOP/NIC Directory](#)
- [Search the Writings of Ellen G. White](#)

Other Links

- [RevivalSermons.org](#) - Richard O'Ffill's web site
- [LifeTalk Radio Network](#) - Connecting you to Christ. Free Bible guides and live Christian radio with free login. Free live broadband audio. Interact with us online during our live talk shows.
- [Shelter from the Storm](#) - Shelter from the Storm, Inc. is a not-for-profit, faith-based



Summary

God is anxious for us to do prison ministries (Mat 25:36....."I was in prison and you came to me.").....Our people are sensitive to this ministry as is evidenced by the **increasing participation** - both in **volunteers** and **financial support**. We thank God for His blessing on this outreach and pray for wisdom and understanding. **The purpose of this good work is so that those who are giving the care and those who are receiving it may glorify our Father which is in heaven.**



Reward for Service

To every worker for God this thought should be a stimulus and an encouragement.

In this life our work for God often seems to be almost fruitless. Our efforts to do good may be earnest and persevering, yet we may not be permitted to witness their results.

To us the effort may seem to be lost.

But the Saviour assures us that our work is noted in heaven, and that the recompense cannot fail. Testimonies Vol. 6, p. 305



Assurance of Success

- NIV Prov. 16:3 "Commit to the Lord whatever (you) do, and (your) plans will succeed.'
- When God opens the way for the accomplishment of a certain work, and gives assurance of success, the chosen instrumentality must do all in his power to bring about the promised result.
- In proportion to the enthusiasm and perseverance which the work is carried forward, will be the results given. Prophets and Kings, p. 263.



Assurance of Success

Remember that the Lord Jesus is the Master Worker. He waters the seed sown. He puts into your minds words that will reach hearts. Testimonies, Vol. 9, p. 41



Assurance of Success

“When we give ourselves wholly to God, and in our work follow His directions, He makes Himself responsible for its accomplishment. He would not have us conjecture as to the success of our honest endeavors. Not once should we even think of failure. We are to cooperate with One who knows no failure.”
(Christ’s Object Lessons, p. 363)

