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His Nail Pierced Hands

During the second visitation of the Lord on May 10th 2004, I did not see His face as I did the first time. Instead, He showed me His hands. The print of the nails was in His palms and there was light coming out from where the print of the nails was. After the visitation I looked up the Bible in John 20:24-19. I realized that many modern scholars assert that the nails have to go through His wrist as it was the only point to carry the weight of His body. However, it is possible that the hands were tied to a rope which carried most of the weight of the body and that the nails were pierced through the palm of His hands.

As in many things historical, I can't prove or disprove people's theories and assertions, I can only speak of what I saw in my vision. As long as it does not contradict the written Word of God, I am willing to accept the truth of what I saw in a vision. There were several thoughts that went through my mind after the vision, especially on the reasons why He showed me His nail pierced hands. Although I have always accepted what the Bible said about His nail pierced hands, I did not give much thought, prayer or research into this. With many tears, prayers and study, the following are some of the things the Holy Spirit has helped me to understand on His nail pierced hands.

1. Jesus retained the nail pierced hands to let us know that all things in this life and in the next life are made available to us only through His redemption of the cross. God

2. Jesus retained the nail pierced hands to have reminder for the rest of eternity of how much He loved us. From earth's point of view, we think we understand how much He loved us. It is only in the light of eternity when we constantly see the reminders of the cross that we will have a greater understanding of how much and how greatly He has loved us. Paul declares that neither death nor life, neither angels nor principalities, nor powers nor things created nor height nor depth, nor any created thing shall be able to separate us from the love of God (Rom 8:38, 39). He prays that the Ephesian church would be able to comprehend what is the width and length, and depth and height, to know the love of Christ which passes all knowledge (Eph. 3:18). In this life, we barely understand how much God really loves us. It will take all of eternity to even begin to comprehend the greatness of the love of God for each of us.

3. Jesus retained the nail pierced hands to let us know that He is as much a part of the redeemed human race as He is a part of the Triune Godhead. In eternity, when we have left our finite mind and physical imperfections of the earth behind, we will then begin to see more of the greatness and the power of our Lord Jesus Christ. He is truly God in all His glory, might and power – creator of the universe and the beginning and the end. It would be so easy in eternity to be reminded of His Godhead. But in His great display of love for the human race, He has chosen to be one of us. He is as much a Son of man as He is Almighty God. Should we ever be held in wonder and gasp at the greatness of His Godhead and power in eternity, we have only to look at His nail pierced hands and know that He has also chosen to be representative of us, the human race – made a little lower than the angels but exalted by His grace and redemption to the highest positions in

is able to heal all the physical wounds and loss of physical body parts in the resurrection. Thus when one is physically maimed in this life, in the resurrection (and in the spirit body) one is perfect with all spiritual body perfect lacking no limbs or eyes or ears. Ravages of sicknesses in the physical body or which end in death would all be removed. Accidents or cuts or destruction of the physical body would all be removed in the resurrected body. Why then did Jesus retain the nailed pierced hands? Surely, God is able to restore all the physical body of Jesus in His resurrection and removed every wound and scar. Then I realized that Jesus intentionally retained the print of the nails on His hands in His resurrected body for all eternity. It is a symbol and reminder of all that He has done for us on the cross throughout eternity. Even after spending hundreds of thousands of years in eternity (in earthly measures of time), the print of the nails on His hands will still be as fresh as the day of His resurrection on our behalf. Each time we looked at Him in eternity, we will be reminded perpetually that everything we have is through His atonement on the cross. I wept and cried when I realized that He has chosen not to have the wounds on His hands removed in His resurrected body but to retain it for us to understand the great price He paid for our salvation. O that we would understand that the rest of our existence in eternity is only made possible by the suffering He bore for us on the cross of Calvary! Everything that we have in this life - for our spirit, soul and body - and in the next life in eternity is made possible only through the cross that Jesus took for us.

heaven (Heb. 2:6-8). O the greatness of His love for puny humanity that He should so identify with us. A thousand million songs and praises in eternity would not express His love in exalting the fallen race of Adam to be seated with Him in the heavenly places. Now and through eternity, He is not ashamed to call us His brethren (Heb. 2:11).

In the light of what the Lord spoke to me about the anointing for the business world, the power of the anointing would be dependent on the above three factors:

- His provision is through His atonement and not just through what we sow (but rather what Jesus sowed for us) (2 Cor 8:9).
- His blessings will not be because we are strong, mighty or talented but rather because of His love for us (Deut. 4:37, 38).
- His dominion through us in the power of wealth will be through us reigning with Him (Rom. 5:17).

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SPECIAL ONE YEAR BIBLE TRAINING

The one-year training Bible school has been deferred. We have had a lot of enquiries but most of them have asked for sponsorship, as they are not able to pay for their own tuition fee and accommodations. We will commence it when the Lord provides sufficient funds to sponsor the students. Cost of sponsoring each student is A\$21,000 inclusive of food and accommodation. We need a minimum of 30 students to launch the school. All those who have applied, please note that your particulars have been recorded and you will be contacted when we are ready to commence. Please let us know your updated contacts if they have changed in the meantime.

SINGAPORE MEETINGS

Contacts are being made for the organisation of a three day End Time seminar in Singapore and also for a three year Monday night meetings (as was done in the decade of the nineties). If you would like to be part of the team in helping in any way, please email us at elshaddai1@bigpond.com.

REVIVAL Conventions

This year Ps Peter has begun travelling to conduct Revival Conventions. Please write to us if you want to hold a revival convention in your church or city.

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News on church work in Canberra

Canberra (which means meeting place in Aboriginal) is the capital of Australia and has a population of about 300,000 people. The largest churches which are about 15 years to 20 years or more have

congregations of about 300 to 500 people. There are no mega churches in Canberra yet.

Realizing that it is important to affect the capital of Australia spiritual for an impact on the whole of Australia, a church, Cathedral of Grace was started about 4 years ago with about 10 people. Today it has about 70 regularly attending the services. As of 26th September 2004, Cathedral of Grace has moved into a new premise that has the seating capacity to accommodate 200 people.

The facilities will be used for the Bible School which will be launched when we have reached the enrolment of about 30 fulltime students (paid and sponsored).

We firmly believe that when something is of God that God will provide for all needs without having to launch any appeal or fund raising. We believe that God is able to speak to those whom He chose to be a part of the vision. He is Jehovah Jireh and El Shaddai. Amen.