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THE GIFT OF By Dr. Henry A. Harbuck / PCAI President and

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February is the month we celebrate Valentine's Day...expressing the gift of love to all. However, no other person has ever loved or touched the world in quite the way Jesus did. The Gift of all gifts, Jesus is truly the gift sent by God the Father. He came as a babe in a manger and will return as King of kings and Lord of lords. What do you do with a gift? You must first receive it. Then, in order to receive the benefit of the His love, it must be used according to its purpose. Why did God give the Gift? How was it given? And what was the purpose?

No other book of the New Testament gives us these answers and records Jesus' birth and teaching in quite the way Matthew does. Built around five major addresses that Jesus gave His followers, Matthew records the essence of Christ's message, the core commands that He not only wanted His people to live by, but spread to "all the nations...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you" (Matt. 28:19-20). Thus, Matthew contains marching orders for all of Christ's followers — including those of us who call Him Lord in this day. He sends us into the world to influence lives, reflect His ways, His love, and His values.

How appropriate, then, that Matthew is the first Gospel of the New Testament. All of the books that follow are God's Word, but Matthew sets the pace. It highlights "The Gift of Love" and gives us the agenda of our Lord: "Do all things I have commanded."

So this month, express your love for one another and show the Gift of love Who is Jesus, to all. ♥♥♥



Matthew 28:19-20 (TPT)

"Now wherever you go, make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. And teach them to faithfully follow all that I have commanded you. And never forget that I am with you every day, even to the completion of this age."

Each Day is a Piece of your Future



By Rev. Lynn Burling

On July 4th, 1776, the Continental Congress signed an article called the Declaration of Independence....While on the other side of the Atlantic, in the chambers of King George, history tells us he made an entry into his journal which

said, "Nothing of importance happened on this day." He wrote it because he wasn't in the room when they signed on the dotted line...Because in that room – EVERYTHING CHANGED.

Have you ever tried to share an encounter with someone who "WAS NOT THERE"? You try your best to explain it, but we finally say, "I guess you had to have been there." Why? Because some things can ONLY BE FELT AND NOT TELT!

As I write this, I say that there will be for those who are hearing and can internalize this, that you will be more involved and have parts in more "personal historic" first-time achievements in kingdom issues of major importance in '22.

How would you have felt as one of the 120 in the Upper Room and someone asked you to describe it? The one thing you would know that prophecy was fulfilled, and that you were part of historical kingdom business first hand...And it continued to flow from there to this present day.

Philippians 1:6 (TPT) "I pray with great faith for you, because I'm fully convinced that the One who began this gracious work in you will faithfully continue the process of maturing you until the unveiling of our Lord Jesus Christ!"

A common denominator on that day was they individually positioned themselves by obeying the words...."Go and tarry, until you be endued from on high." They experienced and were introduced to **"The New".** When they moved into "the dimension of the Spirit", that was an important event of significance. The great thing is they were part of an experience of **"NEW"** that has touched billions today.

After that experience, if any of them were to write in their journals, "Nothing of importance happened today.", that would not be God's fault. Many of us might have felt like penning those words multiple times in our ploddings.

I believe we can look forward to 2022 with an anticipation of not only a good outcome, but new results. It is inherent in us to hope

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Dr. Elizabeth Foy / PCAI Executive Director

Stand in Faith...

Yes the above is the title of a Danny Gokey song but the song is not the take away from this letter.

I have been reviewing many scriptures recently in preparation for some conferences and I ran across an old friend of mine. I met him fully in 2 Samuel 23. The chapter is a listing of David's Mighty Men and their accomplishments and Shammah is one of those men. Certainly everything each of these men did was amazing but he really ministers to my heart. All of us at one time or another has felt like we were alone in standing for truth or in defense of the Gospel (though I am inclined to agree with a minister who said you don't have to defend the Gospel, you just need to preach it and let it loose.)

When speaking with people I find we all fight similar battles. So many are weary and at times all they can see is the Philistines around them (the enemy). Shammah always encourages me when I remember his life. Israel was surrounded by the enemy. The enemy had come time and time again and ravaged the land. They didn't leave as much as a leaf for Israel to gather. Israel was so afraid of the forces against them they had begun to seek caves and mountain



ridges to hide in hoping if they just kept quiet and didn't fight back the enemy would soon leave. Of course we all know how that goes...you give the enemy one inch and he will back you all the way back to your



beginning. The enemy never takes just what he came for; he looks around to see what is available for the taking.

Precious Shammah evidently had had enough. The Philistines had pushed and pushed and taken everything they could get their hands on and Shammah was through with it. While all of Israel fled, Shammah stationed himself in the middle of a patch of beans. When the text says lentils, I think of a southern phrase that says something is not worth a hill of beans. On that day Shammah looked around and it was only a field of beans but the truth rose in him that God had given them that patch of beans and the enemy was not going to take it. In our human thinking we could tell him to just look around and see the enemy had taken everything around that patch. But Shammah saw something different. In this warrior heart, there was the truth that while

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and believe for a future that God has prepared. I'm not talking about streets of gold, I'm referring to the privilege of working in His Kingdom with incredible fruitfulness.

No Ruts, no Rote and no Routines for 2022. This is a year of "New". The harshness of the last two years will be erased, as we move with assurance that "He who has begun a good work in you, will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." Phil 1:6. The Lord has deftly aligned us for our assignments. All that has been is an accumulation of what is next. May this serve to pique your expectation.

Don't be surprised when God drops a giant in your lap (like David). It served him well, for his future. You see, when David killed the only man he had slain in his life, the prophetic minstrels were singing, "David has slain his tens of thousands." His giant was a prelude (an action or event serving as an introduction to something more important.) WOW!

What was Moses doing the day before the burning bush? Ruts, Rote and Routine...Until the New was presented. It was always God's plan for him... He just had to "get there" at the perfect time. I believe the Spirit has planted seeds of expectation that will spring forth when time and faithfulness cross paths.

Intently look for five News for '22:

- 1. *New Insights:* Coming into a knowledge of something in a deeper level (a definitive advantage when revealed). An application of <u>previous information newly embraced</u> when with a sense of FIRST-TIME knowledge set on fire of the Holy Ghost.
- 2. *New Way:* Can mean a new organizing to meet unmet previous goals. Encompasses a willingness to bend, change to pivot and trust. What worked yesterday has been upgraded to you even for a new you.
- 3. *New Wisdom:* The accumulation of years now released through your faculties of speech and creativity. The old will appear fresh with the import of future ministry opportunities and achievements.

His Sprit is speaking to you!

- 4. *New Relationship(s):* For some, it will mean "venues" to minister (in places thought impossible). To others, it's God's assigned people to come alongside you even friends who will propel and assist you to achieve your destiny and just be a friend with a mutual respect.
- 5. *New Power:* To empower others. You can't find what you're not looking for! I wrote in one of my messages some time ago, "I don't want to climb another ladder of success....I want to help others climb their ladders."

This calls for a **New Perspective** of our perceived purposes. It's really not about us, it's about us finally understanding Love...I will respond to our Lord hitting our "refresh button" for '22. You and I will write in our journals this coming year, not as King George did, but "something supernatural" happened on each day of 2022. \checkmark

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it was only a patch of beans, it was his patch of beans given to him by God and he would fight to the death to keep what God had given him. Scripture says he stood alone in that field swinging his sword for as long as he could see a Philistine to kill. Though he was only one man, when the enemy saw his determination to use what skills God had given and was not concerned with death only the defense of what God had given him, they ran from him.

We also have a sword to swing. It is called the Word of God. Too often we look at the enemy around us but never take the sword from its sheath. Right there with us is the power to defeat any and every enemy. Too long we have lived with our own "Philistines" telling us our sword is useless. Too often we have believed it. I can give you an example; the Word tells us "fear not" but when you look in the eyes of people or hear their words, it is proof they do not believe those holy inspired words. The "Philistines" tell us we are going to be destitute and lacking in every necessity of life. The Word tells us our God will supply all our needs through HIS riches in Christ Jesus. But instead of standing in the middle of our patch of beans and wielding that sword of truth, we agree with the news that we are a doomed people. God has cut a covenant with us and HE will not let us be overcome by our enemies. Our part is to believe that covenant and to search out its promises and conditions and then give assent to it with our lives.

I love how at the end of the battle when the enemy was defeated, all Israel returned to the region. Shammah was a greater person than I because he did not drive them away saying where were you when I needed you; why didn't you come to help? No he learned the lesson David taught them at the battle of Ziglak where those who fought and those who watched the goods shared alike. Shammah was the type of man to consider his victory their victory. In his heart it was not his battle but Israel's battle. You and I are being called to be current Shammahs. Many around us do not know how to fight. It is times like these that you begin to understand why God allowed you to go through certain things. Because of those times there are things you know that can not only defend your bean patch but can help others learn how to hold that sword and not back down. Will we carry some wounds? Likely. I imagine Shammah needed a little Neosporin and aspirin when he was through, but he ended that day knowing he had pushed the enemy back and he was in full possession of his bean patch.

I am required to have blood work often as a condition of being a breast cancer survivor (I choose to say Thriver) and there is a sign next to the lab that says "You are stronger than you think". Loved ones, each of us are

stronger than we think. Pick up that sword and do damage to the kingdom of darkness.♥♥♥



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION: 501 (c)(3) Chartered Ministries under PCAI Group Exemption

CHARTER RENEWAL DEADLINE MARCH 28TH

Charters under the PCAI Group 501(c)(3) Group Exemption should have received their Charter Renewal Yearly Report Packet in January. Forms are also available in our website:

ww.paragonchristianalliance.org under "Resources" tab in a PDF file.

It is important that your report be received in our office no later than March 28th.

These renewals are <u>necessary</u> to <u>remain in compliance</u> with the IRS code and maintain your charter's taxexempt status under the PCAI Group Exemption.

PLEASE REVIEW: This is a good time to review your monthly giving obligation to ensure you are up-to-date on your ministerial and charter giving. These must be current in order for your 501(c)(3) to be renewed in 2022.



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