



AN AMAZING MOMENT IN TIME!

Some years ago, a young student asked his pastor to describe eternity... not to define eternity but to describe it.

This is how his pastor responded (paraphrase)

"Eternity is like having a sparrow to pick up one grain of sand at a time from every beach on the planet earth. Take each grain of sand to the furthest galaxy in the observable universe. Return to the beaches and repeat the process until every grain of sand has been removed. That, my son, will be your first day in eternity!"

What a fantastic moment!

What do I find interesting in that

story? It is that God The Uncaused Cause chose a moment in time to think of us, make plans for us, create a time and place for us in this manifestation we call eternity.

At this moment, I am working on a presentation on the Gospels that describes an amazing moment during the Ministry of the Man Christ Jesus.

An exciting time in His Life because He has within days left the Wilderness of Temptation after 40 days of fasting. Those trying days were the building blocks for His next 3 ½ years of life under public scrutiny.

Jesus begins His ministry by proclaiming the Kingdom of God and then teaching the practical application of its principles. He lays out why and how to prioritize by saying, "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven" and "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God."

It has been said that some folk are so heavenly minded that they become no earthly good. Well, if we are indeed "heavenly minded" we will be of earthly good. Why? Because it is elevating the mundane to the mindset of the miraculous, or as my friend would say, "make earth heaven's dwelling place".

When we apply the principles taught in Matthew chapters 5 – 8, we create amazing moments in time, as we see in the interaction between Christ and the Roman centurion. Please



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understand, dear reader, that Jesus is teaching principles of relationship that result in fellowship.

Let's look at a few.

When we "seek ye first the Kingdom of God," it frees you and me from anxiety(s) as we learn "casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you!" I Peter 5:7

I find the story of the Roman centurion so fascinating. You see, here was an "oppressor" who found favor among the "oppressed" to the point that the elders of the Jews came to Jesus on behalf of the centurion to "come and heal" the centurion's servant. To the point that the Gospel of Luke wrote, "they earnestly pleaded with Jesus, this man deserves to have YOU do this, because HE loves OUR nation and has built our synagogue!"

Jesus responds and performs that miracle because the centurion had positioned himself for an amazing moment.

Guess what, my friend?

YOU are positioned right now for YOUR AMAZING MOMENT!

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