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“Cast all your cares upon Him; for He cares for you.” (1 Peter 5:7)

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***“Her children rise up and call her blessed;
Her husband also, and he praises her”***

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David's Desk



The Atheistic Fool

It's said, "An atheist can't find God for the same reason a thief can't find a policeman." Sometimes I've noticed that pride is at the core of atheism

Without a God, you become your own God, which means there's no higher power than yourself! But, the God of the Bible proves His existence in three ways: **Creation**. Many people are in prison today who weren't caught at the scene of the crime, and no one actually witnessed the crime. What proved they did it? Fingerprints. DNA. Creation carries God's fingerprints and DNA. "Look up into the heavens. Who created all the stars? He brings them out like an army, one after another, calling each by its name" (Isa 40:26 NLT). **Calvary**. In creation, you see God's power, at the cross you see His love for you. In creation you see His hand, at the cross you see His heart. **Conscience**. "Gentiles...even without having heard it...demonstrate that God's law is written in their hearts, for their own conscience and thoughts either accuse them or tell them they are doing right" (Rom 2:14-15 NLT). Conscience is like having a Bible in your soul; no one was born without one. Voltaire, the French atheist, said, "It took twelve fishermen to build Christianity. I will show the world how one Frenchman can destroy it." After Voltaire died, the home in which he had lived became Europe's most famous Bible distribution center. Bottom line: Voltaire is dead; our God lives. Atheism is the greatest gamble of all. After all, what if there is a God and you stand before Him one day?

Pastor David Chestnutt - ODM Executive Director

Testimony



Greetings fellow believers. My name is Rés (Reese) and my testimony is a true message of redemption.

I have been a slave to addiction since I was 13 years old. I grew up in church, yet I rebelled against it. I always had a void in my heart that I tried my very best to fill with whatever I could. I would smoke, drink, and by the age of 20, injecting drugs into my body. I used people like I used drugs, as well, by taking and taking until they were useless to me and throw them away.

In my mid 20's I became involved with a gang while I was in prison. I was still a daily heroin user and found myself in both a violent and vicious cycle. After about five years, I had just accepted that I would either die from an overdose or from some form of violence like I inflicted on others.

I've been in several "rehab's" but was never committed to them. As a great friend once said to me, "I hadn't endured enough suffering." It's easy to go back to that same lifestyle, but it's so painful to live it everyday. The amount of pain and suffering I was willing to self-inflict is astonishing, just to keep getting high.

I once overdosed to the extreme that the EMT's quit performing CPR and administering Narcan because that had given the medical limit with no response. As they were preparing to inform my brother-in-law that I had died and working out my time of death, I took a breath and rose up straight as a board. It scared them half to death, by the way. Afterwards, I refused medical treatment, drove home, and used again.

I had been in so many vile and horrific places and so many "should have died" experiences, I just became numb to it. The people who loved me just hurt everyday. My dad used to always tell me, "Son, the only reason fools like us live is 'cause every single night there is a Godly woman on her knees crying and praying for us. Otherwise, we would have been in the ground." That woman was his mother, my grandmother. She also said one day my father's prodigal son would come home to be redeemed. She isn't alive to see her prophesy fulfilled, but nevertheless, I am redeemed.

Without God, Open Door Ministries, and the little old ladies who loved me when I was so unlovable to pray for my soul; I couldn't write this testimony to say thank you for giving my father back his son and son back to his father. Mainly, The Father God has a "new creation" in his child.

John 15:13; "There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends."



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