



Operating In Trust Mode

The Welder

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"As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend."
- Proverbs 27:17

The day was March 27, 2016. As I was doing my daily devotions, I ran across the verse quoted above and realized something about it that I had missed in my hundreds of previous encounters with it. The Hebrew verb for "sharpening" is *yached*.

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Please join us in welcoming our newest arrivals:

- Jerry Dorman Jul 1, 2016
- Randy Eyre Jul 5, 2016
- Ronnie Fowler Jul 23, 2016
- Shawn Holbrook Aug 12, 2016
- Jacob Skidmore Aug 16, 2016
- Paul Shaheen Sep 1, 2016
- Anthony Yrigoyen Sep 16, 2016
- Todd Matthews Sep 22, 2016

Pray that our recent graduates will walk in their God-given talents for His glory:

- Larry Harper Jul 14, 2016
- Ray Ortiz Aug 3, 2016
- Chris Green Aug 16, 2016
- Brent Harden Sep 2, 2016
- John Underwood Sep 2, 2016



"We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed." – 2 Corinthians 4:7-8

These are challenging times here at New Name Ministries. Some of these challenges are internal in their source such as our never ending desire to improve our transformational process. Of course, we believe this is motivated by the love our Father has placed in our hearts for His people.

Other challenges we currently face are external such as a focused attack from one or more persons within the parole system, those who have a degree of authority over us.

Human instinct would tell us to fight back or work harder or to flee or give up. However, Scripture teaches us to rest, be at peace, submit, and honor. Shouldn't it be human instinct that tells us to do what is best for us? Or is it our Father in Heaven who tells us what is best for us? And if we are to believe that our Father has our best interest at heart, then who is the voice behind human instinct?

1 John 4:16 says, "And so we know and rely on the love God has for us." Relying on the love God has for us requires us to trust in His goodness. If we do not believe He is good, then why listen to His counsel? That's why during troubling and challenging times, it is so important to remember the good plans He has for us so we can then operate in trust mode.

From the Father's Heart

By Pastor Jon Cordeiro

The "P" Word

"Remember what I told you: 'A servant is not greater than his master. If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also.'" - John 15:20

Okay, nobody wants to talk about the "P" word: persecution. It's a word that conjures up gory scenes from movies that I wish I had never seen. Yet, it was persecution that unified the body of believers and exponentially increased the Kingdom of Heaven coming to earth.



From what I read and hear, today is no different. There are many nations and cultures outside of America that are under severe persecution that is continuing this anomaly of Kingdom growth rather than recession.

People everywhere are looking for something worth dying for in hopes of having something worth living for. Longing for significance and hungering for peace in a world full of false hope and passing fancies they reach for anything that will empower them to feel secure. They hunger for Truth about life and themselves. They all long for the love, power and a sound mind that only comes through being intimately connected to the King of Heaven and Earth. His peace (not the peace of this world) prevails through an intimate relationship with God as our Father; God as His Son and God as His Holy Spirit. Take a minute to focus on each of those relationships in your life and know that there is more. Ask for more. This world is clearly not our eternal home. We are referred to as foreigners and strangers in a land not our own; though, we are called to take dominion over God's creation. Not as the world would take dominion, but as His Holy Spirit would lead us. We are, after all, created in God's

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The spelling is the same as the Hebrew word for “unity” and “oneness.” I made a mental note of the wordplay, reflecting on the possible applications and implications that could be drawn from it use in this passage of Scripture, and moved on to the Psalms portion of my ready for the day, 131 – 135. As I began reading Psalm 133, which happens to be one of my first favorites, I did a double-take. There it was again, *yachad*, this time translated “unity.”

I sat down in a corner of my mind, floored by the revelation the Holy Spirit was giving me in the Word of God: It is through the grinding friction of confrontation, as illustrated in Proverbs 27:17, that the oneness and unity of Psalm 133 is achieved. The



ramifications of this blew through my spirit like a whirlwind as I considered my own aversion to accountability and confrontation, and their function as pillars in the framework of the structure of New Name Ministries. I thought about the irony of the oxymoronic word picture drawn by this wordplay: Anointed unity through grinding friction. Then I thought about somebody. A grinder. Someone in this ministry who had spent his first few months of freedom sharpening iron with iron. I

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image; a loving, wise, patient, and pure spiritual being. We are victoriously redeemed through the blood of Christ, re-created by the same spirit that raised Christ Jesus from the dead and renewed spiritually in physical bodies for God’s glory. That’s a heck of a resume and we’re still in On-The-Job Training!

The Lord clearly told us that in the end days there will be many signs and wonders, in and on the earth and in the skies. He also told us that love would wax cold and people would become lovers of self (selfish – self-centered and arrogant). He promised we’d have trials and tribulations and even queried as to whether He would find faith on the Earth upon His return (Luke 18:8).

No one knows the time or the day but Jesus did say that we would know the season. I share all this to encourage the elect to remain strong. Keep your focus on things above. Romans 12:12 (twelve is the number of His government) tells us to “Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

Friends, America represents 6% of the world’s population with over 25% of all those incarcerated on the planet. As they say, “Here’s your sign!” As a nation

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reflected on how this job of his was actually an appropriate metaphor for some of his early encounters in relationships with brothers here at New Name, and my own similar experiences, since he and I share some similar characteristic traits. I thought about the



analogy provided by *yachad* in these two verses, of how this grinding becomes welding, which joins brothers together in the unity of the Spirit. I thought about this brother, the grinder who had recently become a welder.

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established for freedom from tyranny and religious persecution we find ourselves facing goliath opposition from within (self-destruction) and without (judgment – not justice). Yet the Word of God tells us that those who are free in Christ are free indeed. I pray that you walk in His peace, free of fear, with hope for the future that leads others to the Truth.

“Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.” - James 1:12

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I realized I was reading prophecy. A personal prophetic revelation, written thousands of years ago by David in Jerusalem, Israel; about the work God would do in the lives of men in Fort Worth, Texas in 2016.

I was reading about a welder.

As always...
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