



Finer Than a Frog's Hair

By Larry Harper

We all need to remember to trust God more than we trust or distrust each other. The intent of the heart is the big difference in many things that are separated by finer lines than a frog's hair split four ways.

WE ALL need to be very careful with our tongues. Our tongues can condemn ourselves to death. It can do the same to others. It is ALL too easy to be venting, or having open discussion of legitimate concerns, and suddenly find ourselves up

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Please join us in welcoming our newest arrivals:

- Jerry Zackery Sep 20, 2017
- Bryon Hughes Oct 6, 2017
- Douglas Pettit Oct 7 2017
- Joseph Smith Oct 10, 2017
- Todd Sharp Oct 12, 2017
- Christopher Miranda Oct 31, 2017

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

- Todd Matthews Sep 22, 2017
- Shawn Holbrook Oct 16, 2017



Coronation of Covenant

As men come through New Name Ministries Program they are invited into covenant after successfully engaging in their first 90 days. Those in covenant present first followed by those entering in.

- Proverbs 27:17 As Iron sharpens Iron, one man sharpens another
- Philippians 2:1-16 Imitating Christ's humility and doing everything without grumbling
- Proverbs 17:17 Friends at all times and brothers for adversity
- 2 Corinthians 4:1,2 Glorifying God before man by His grace and mercy
- Matthew 18: 15-17 God's instructions on holding others and ourselves accountable

I welcome you to my home and ministry, now your ministry and home, too. God brought me to this ministry to be renewed, restored, and regenerated by His grace working through others. I ask that you honor me by holding me accountable to the biblical principles upheld here at New Name. This is God's ministry, our opportunity to bring the Kingdom of Heaven to earth for all to see. Today I covenant myself to your success and will seek to honor and care enough about you to honorably hold you accountable as directed in Matthew 18: 15-17. I covenant to abstain from secretiveness, deviancy, backbiting, gossip and other ungodly behaviors in speech and deed and to uphold a culture of honor in all ways for the good of all and God's glory. God's process for me to deal with my cares is to **CAST** them upon Him.

Communication

Accountability

Submission

Trust

Thank you for welcoming me to your home, now our home, your ministry, now our ministry. God also brought me to this ministry to be renewed, restored, and regenerated by His grace working through others. I ask that you honor me by holding me accountable to the biblical principles upheld here at New Name. I accept that this is God's ministry and my opportunity to bring the Kingdom of Heaven to earth for all to see. Today I covenant myself to your success and will seek to honor and care for each of you by lovingly holding you accountable as directed in Matthew 18: 15-17. I covenant to abstain from secretiveness, deviancy, backbiting, gossip and other ungodly behaviors in speech and deed and to uphold a culture of honor in all ways for the good of all and God's glory. God's process for me to deal with my cares is to **CAST** them upon Him.

From the Father's Heart

By Pastor Jon Cordeiro

My Three Sons – More Than a Piece of Paper

I have the pleasure of being a proud Papa to a bunch of amazing men. It's one of the perks of being part of New Name Ministries Senior Leadership. Each year the trend setting Tarrant County Parole Divisions' Community Partnership Counsel organizes the Success Celebration. Former inmates currently under supervision are earnestly acknowledged for their successful reintegration back into the community. Men and women on parole get an opportunity to receive heartwarming applause, a certificate of excellence,

handshakes (sometimes even a hug) and encouragement to stay the course.



In this picture are three men that have come through New Name and shown

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to our necks in gossiping about others to their detriment all the while we, in our frustrated anger, lie to ourselves that we are just venting and discussing. Scripture calls us all to be GOOD LISTENERS not good talkers



or "venters". It states "BE SLOW to SPEAK and QUICK to LISTEN:' ... (James 1:19) It states "Confess your faults one to another." (James 5:16) That is YOUR faults not others' faults. Our job is to own our own faults and let others own theirs. We are not to murmur and complain about our fellow leadership that God has put into position over us.

Check out how that worked out for Moses and the children of Israel in the desert AFTER they had been recently set free from their 400 years bondage. Instead of being focused on the short comings of an individual, let us turn our focus onto the issue and the best solution for that issue with all its ugly manifested parts. Let us keep our own selfish agendas and preferences out of the picture. Let us see others' needs above our own needs or desires.



There were even some of those children of Israel that desired to return to bondage because they lied to themselves that they had it better there than they now did in the desert. (Numbers 11:5) Anybody think they had it better in prison than they have **Continued on next column**

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themselves and others that they are now living more like the men Christ died for. I'm so thankful that I had some small part in their journey with Jesus for the time they were participating in the program. I typically lead the ministry's Coronation of Covenant events as men are invited to step into a royal relationship perspective of being their



brother's keeper. More than a piece of paper, these covenants are signed by the members of their ministry community and leadership. After the coronation ceremony their covenants are publicly displayed in their homes, in part out of pride and even more so as a reminder for themselves and others of their pledge to one another before God and man.

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it at New Name Ministries? Conversely, does anyone think they had it better in whatever situation they had that allowed them to commit the atrocious offense that sent them to prison or got them put on probation?



Let us all remember, it is God's agenda we are to be about. Our heart's intent should ALWAYS be "What about God?" and "What about Grace?" Before we go on a venting tangent we should ask ourselves those two questions. If we do that, I say with a high level of confidence, our venting will transform into problem solving instead of gossiping. God says do not worry about what you are to say beforehand. I will give you the words to say when you get there. (Matthew 10:19) In order for us to receive the Word of God, when we get there, we must leave our agenda behind and close our mouths ("SLOW to SPEAK") and open our ears to His Word

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The Success Celebration certificate is also more than a piece of paper. It's a vote of confidence that recipients have turned a corner in their walk of life. Some apparently hadn't walked far enough down their new road of life. There were a few funny stories relayed about skewed perspectives. Some candidates thought that their nomination to the celebration was a set up for a sting to do a round up on old warrants.



Can you say cynical? Wow, don't you think they could do that at the parole office or just come by the house? Anyhow... I am proud of all the New Name Ministries men that have been celebrated, and grateful they didn't have any old warrants.

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("QUICK to HEAR"). Once we do that we are already a big step



away from gossiping. You see, the key issue here is not whether we are inside or outside of code (the law). The issue is: what is the most viable Kingdom solution to an ugly problem that a fallen world has manifested for us to deal with in our kingdom culture?

As always...

We appreciate your continued prayers and financial encouragement for this ministry. We are currently searching for property (Psalm 40 Ranch) to relocate our transformational program as well as to build a training center for Christian counseling and spiritual healing. Our other current needs include financial support for administrative staff, gainful employment for our men, and more bed space & staff for expansion. Please join us in declaring supernatural debt cancellation and for a mighty move of the Spirit's freeing work in the lives of His precious ones.