

# The King's Fishers Ministries

"serving the homeless a RAY OF HOPE"

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Greetings to you all.

It has been difficult to write this month's newsletter because we wanted to make sure it was written with a pure heart and not led by our own emotions. We owe it to every supporter to be *real* in regards to the happenings that go on within the ministry. April was a very difficult month to endure.

When Richard had returned from Indio on the final weekend, we were both full of despair. We were confused, hurt and very discouraged. Maybe you have been there before. We had offered everything we possibly could have but yet it seemed like it was still not enough. We opened our home which included feeding and allowing our friends from the park to sleep over, we sacrificed our own time away from our



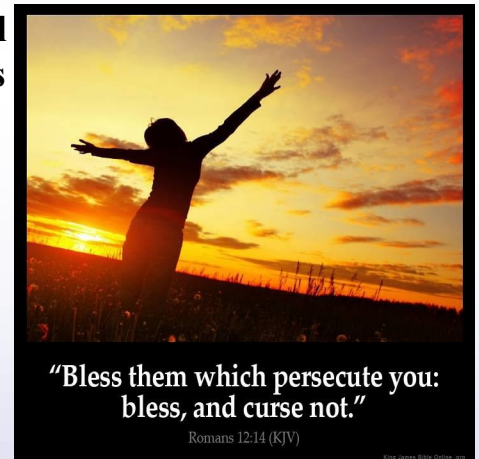
family and our personal vehicle, we paid for all expenses accrued throughout the weekends

the team worked and yet we were still

ridiculed and unappreciated by *some* of those we intended to help. This caused us to question our ministry in which God has called us which included moments of temptation to give up the vision God had previously given us.

Thankfully, God is not silent in these times of despair but He gently sends the Comforter and reminds us of His Word.

"And you will be hated by all for My name's sake. But he who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in this city, flee to



another. For assuredly, I say to you, you will not have gone through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man comes. "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master" (Mat. 10:22-24). Jesus (our Master) endured much more hardships for the sake of our sin. He had every right to give up what He was called to do on earth but He kept on course to save all humans.

God reminded me of a scene from *The Cross and the Switchblade* where David Wilkerson went to Nicky Cruz's home to tell him about Jesus and Nicky threatened to kill him. Wilkerson's response is what convicted me of the condition of my heart. He told Nicky, "Yeah, you could do that. You could cut me up into a thousand pieces and lay them in the street, and every piece will still love you." Wilkerson was willing to put his life on the line to see the hardened heart of gang leader, Nicky Cruz, softened and surrendered to Jesus.

Another reminder the Holy Spirit spoke to me was a story I had heard of the missionaries who sold themselves into slavery in order for them to win the souls



of the slaves to Jesus. They were said to have said these words as the ship left its port, "May the Lamb that was slain receive the reward of His suffering". Jesus

paid it all for the reward of all mankind so that they could be redeemed back to the Father and come dwell with Him for all of eternity.

Was it worth it to leave the family and miss our oldest son's birthday? Was it worth it to interrupt our personal lives for a month to provide work for our friends from the park? Was it worth it for our car to break down and still for it not to be in working order? Was it worth it to inconvenience

our privacy and convert our living room into sleeping quarters for our friends from the park? Was it worth it to offer our own food as we housed some of these friends for days in between the work schedule? Was it worth it to be called a hater after you opened your home and sacrificed so much for them? Was it worth it to be ridiculed for your actions when they were performed with the purest of heart? Was it worth it to be accused of things you did not do? The answer to each of the questions is...YES!



Yes, it was worth it if it was in obedience to God's calling. Yes, it was worth it if it will bring the hurting to the loving and comforting arms of Jesus. *May the Lamb who was slain receive His reward for His suffering* through The King's Fishers Ministries.

Thanks so much to all who have prayed and given us support. We continue to feed our friends on a weekly basis so if any of you feel led to give, you can conveniently donate on PayPal or send a donation via USPS.

Thank you and may God bless you.

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