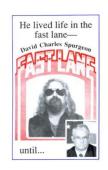


Remember Calvary! Evangelist Dave Spurgeon



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Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings in the name of our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. With the recent events coming out of Washington D.C. on our minds, I am sure glad that I am saved. When I came out of the U.S. Army Paratroopers in 1974, I looked around and this world didn't make any sense to me: Watergate, Nixon resigning, speed limits cut radically, while gas prices rose every bit as radically. Shortly thereafter Jimmy Carter was elected president and I thought to myself, "You have got to be kidding." My response to it all was to spend my days in a little Harley shop in Napoleon, Ohio and my nights in the local bars scattered over the countryside. I immersed myself in the motorcycle culture to such a degree that the events of this world mattered very little to me for the next fifteen years.

Then I got saved. I came out of the drug, alcohol, and sin induced fog. I started going to church to learn more about the Man whom the Bible said loved me enough to willingly surrender His life to pay for my redemption. Along with my spiritual awakening, I also began to observe society through the eyes of a Christian. This world didn't make any more sense to me than then it did before, and it has only gotten worse since. However, Jesus Christ does make sense. What the Bible says about what's going on in this world is the only logical explanation. The god of the world has effectively blinded the minds of them which believe not. He had me blinded for a long time, that's for sure. I am glad to be saved.

I am also glad the Lord allows me to make a feeble attempt at showing Him my gratitude for His sacrifice by letting me serve Him as an evangelist of His glorious Gospel. I also thank the Lord for giving me a wife who is every bit as willing to be where He wants her to be as I am. I truly believe Susan and I get to rub shoulders with the "cream of the crop." By that I mean God lets us be around humble folks week after week that just want to try counter the influences of this world with Bible preaching, teaching, and the fellowship of God's people. Makes sense to me.

I have preached meetings in Louisiana, Texas, Arizona, California, Nevada, Oklahoma, Missouri, Arkansas, Ohio, Tennessee, Kentucky, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, and Colorado so far this year. Seven adults made professions of faith that looked pretty real to me. Time will tell. Susan is doing more and more ladies meetings. I guess we just stay too busy to get hung up on what's going on in Washington.

I thank the Lord for those who pray for us. We have had some vehicle problems in the course of this year's travels, and some of you have sacrificed financially to help us out. Thank you for that. We are willing to go where the Lord wants us to go, but we could not without the kindness and generosity of His people. I guess He has got it set up that way so that only He gets the glory, and we all get in on the blessing! What a deal.

Have I mentioned I am glad to be saved?

Brother Dave 2 Corinthians 5:17

Looking for that Blessed Hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ.....