

IF I HAD NEVER CHOSEN, WHERE WOULD I BE NOW?

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If I had never made the right choice my time at Kingman State Prison would have been a complete disaster. I would have most likely gotten involved with gambling and drugs, not so much in doing them but selling them and running some sort of game. I would have moved up the ladder to be sure because I have the skills to do so and I would have most likely been beaten to a pulp or at some point quite possibly even killed. I would not have had the hedge of protection that God had placed around me while serving my time at Kingman.

If I had not made the right choice hundreds of inmates at Kingman would not have received the Spiritual seeds of faith, hope and love that were planted in their hearts by Christ Yeshua our Lord through me for the glory of God. The fact is God used me in a verity of ways in reaching out and sharing the love and the compassion and the kindness of Christ Yeshua with the inmates, everything from offering prayer, a listening ear, and a helping hand with a compassionate heart.

Together the Lord and I over saw the building of Prayer Boxes for every pod in the prison which at the time was over 50 prayer boxes. The Prayer Boxes were handmade with beautiful artwork, they were built by Brother Gabriel who became a Pod Pastor and who facilitated the Spanish Bible Study.

The Lord placed it on my heart to start a medicine chest so that when an inmate on the South Yard got sick they could come to my space and receive cold medicine and prayer.

The Lord and I helped write letters for inmates so they could receive a Bible while serving their time at Kingman. The Lord and I conducted Bible studies with the inmates, the Lord and I did many great things together in helping to bring the Light of Christ to that prison. Then the Lord placed in on my heart to do a Christmas play at the prison so together we wrote the script and I was chosen to direct the play for the glory of God. 500 inmates come out to see Scrooge a Christmas Carol no other event in the history of that prison brought out so many inmates for the glory of God then that little play over 1000 inmates were touched by the love of Christ that Christmas.

There were many other things the Lord and I did together that never would have happened if I had not made the right choice for the glory of God.

When I came home the Lord and I jumped right into nursing home ministry, hundreds of patients were comforted and uplifted and encouraged through the love and the compassion and the kindness of Christ over the last 12 years. Their experience while suffering dearly in these healthcare facilities before they went home would have been far worse and for most their final days would have been 1000 times worse without Pastor Ken and I their being by their side to help them along the way,

You see one life touches many, so many that we cannot even imagine. O and then the Lord placed it on my heart to write books and stories about our adventures, there is no telling how many people have been touched by them over the years for the glory of God and I give all the glory to God for His blessings and Love.

Some would say my faith in Christ is foolishness and a waste of time, my answer to that is, just ask any of the people who Christ touched through me over the years for the glory of God if it was foolishness and a waste of time for them?

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen.

The right choice can be found through John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life...

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you, not as the world gives do I give to you, let not your heart be troubled neither let it be afraid...

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your path...Amen