

Love Thy Neighbor in Service

A GREAT FAITH



His name was Claude Hale, and he was a diminutive man. I first saw him sitting behind his car on the side of the I-285 west ramp to I-75 north.

Traffic was moving slowly so I was able to easily pull over. I asked him if everything was alright and he said, "No." He needed money for medicine for his wife and for food. I noticed a Bible right on the dash in the front of his car. I asked him about it, and he said he lived his life with a strong belief in Jesus.

Oddly, I could tell right then that the Lord had sent me. (Yes, it seems incredibly weird but it is true.) I told him the Lord had sent me and to get in. He got right in and off we went. I was listening to the Bible on tape. It was right at the part where Jesus says, "I tell you the truth, whatever

you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, (provide food, clothing, shelter, visit in prison, help the sick) you did for me." (Matthew 25:40 NIV) and then, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me." (Matthew 25:45 NIV).

It is incredible how life will sometimes unfold. Of course provision was made for the man. I was on my way to get the muffler fixed on the truck, and the repair shop was only open during the week. I had taken the day off because Katherine (my wife) was being investigated for cancer on

her kidney that morning in a CAT scan. The results were negative. So it had already been a great day before I encountered Claude. The extra time in the day allowed me to get the truck fixed as the repair had needed to occur for over a month.

Timing is Everything

I told Claude of the limited time I had, and he said it was no problem to go to the muffler shop and then back to his car. He told me his desperate situation had occurred as a result of three heart attacks making him unable to work. We arrived at the repair shop, and the truck was put on the rack.

After looking at the truck the owner indicated the cost of the repair, and that they were too busy to make the repair that day. Now I was in a bind because I would have to take more time off to bring the truck back during the week.

Love Thy Neighbor

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Christian Counseling

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Transportation

Food

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Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. Matthew 22:39

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If you have a desire to really come to know the Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit in a true way, there are a few simple steps to take. Email me for this life changing information.

What can you do?

We need your prayers! It is the most important thing you can do for the ministry.

*"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective."
(James 5:16 NIV)*

LTN is committed to spreading the Gospel by Christ's example to "love thy neighbor as thyself." Matthew 22:39. To this end, LTN has designed programs with the purpose of helping clients build a relationship of faith in God, regain their dignity and eventually, regain their self-sufficiency. Contact us to learn more about the services and programs.

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Claude said, "His car was not out of gas and if I would take him back to his car he would follow me back to the shop and then take me back to my house." I quickly agreed, but wondered what in the world was he doing on the highway in a very dangerous location sitting behind his car when it had gas.

On the way back to get his car off the highway I asked him what he had

been doing sitting behind his car. His answer blew me away. Claude said, "He had been sitting there for two hours praying to the Lord to bring someone who would help him."

I have prayed for 30 minutes once in my life. I did it at the specific request of a prison ministry. It seemed like a very long time to be praying, and my mind wandered all over the place. Clearly, my prayer life has many miles to grow. The thought that a man would sit down behind his car to pray on the I-285 west ramp to I-75 north was simply incredible.

He also said, "If I had not come by he would still be there praying." I

can think of a million ways to try and get enough money to meet some specific need I had. However, to sit on the side of the road and simply pray expecting the words in the bible, **"If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer."** to be real and true is amazing. **(Matthew 21:22 NIV)** Even more it actually happened. HIS WORDS ARE TRUE!

May God bless you!

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