

Awakening Week Quiet Time Wednesday, April 12, 2017

“Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Hebrews 10:19-22

We work hard to open the door of opportunities: High School students spend hours each day doing homework to open the door to a good college; College student go without sleep to open the door to a good job. Once we get a job in a company, we strive and perform to open the door to higher positions and pay.

The Scripture reminds us that the door of heaven is already opened for us through Christ: *“we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus”*(v.19).

The citizens of heaven (now as well as in the future) have a new life; all our past sins are completely forgiven, and we are washed clean from guilt, shame, accusations, and condemnations.

The radical love of God is poured down upon us. And it is the power of God that transforms us and gives us the power to disciple nations. Here is the good news: We don't have to work to get into the Kingdom of God. Our faith in Christ makes us heirs of the Kingdom of God.

So then, let's take a little breather today and remember what we have in Christ. Let's confidently walk through the door that has already been opened for us!



Wednesday Intercession

Jesus said *“again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.”*

There is power when the church comes together in agreement. Let's agree in prayer today for these things:

- ❖ God will raise up men and women who will love the Lord and put Him as a priority
- ❖ Unity and deep love among the members of Catalyst
- ❖ Catalyst to make a great impact in Bergen County
- ❖ Salvation of souls
- ❖ Great revival that will continue from here to the ends of the earth.
- ❖ God to prepare the people of Catalyst to be His instruments in this great revival

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So, brothers and sisters, we are completely free to enter the Most Holy Place without fear because of the blood of Jesus' death. Hebrews 10:19

We live in America and we are American citizens. But wouldn't it be so much better to be citizens of heaven? And even better than citizens, be princes and princesses of heaven? And that is who you are, even if you are not in heaven yet.

That is why the Bible says you are free to come into the "Most Holy Place," which is where God is. Jesus did all the hard work of getting the door open to the Most Holy Place by dying on the cross. All you need do is follow Jesus.

There is no need to wonder if the doors to God's place will ever close against you, because what Jesus did on the cross for you to is forever.

And because of what Jesus did on the cross for you, God's amazing love pours down all over you. God's love changes you to be more like Jesus. God's love gives you the power to bring people to Jesus so that they can become princes and princesses of heaven, too.



Wednesday Activity and Prayer

- ❖ Imagine God is sitting on a throne in heaven, and you are sitting right in front of him with a crown on your head as the prince or princess of heaven.

And as prince or princess of heaven who speaks directly to God, let's pray together that

- ❖ The people of Catalyst will love each other deeply
- ❖ The people of Catalyst will make this area of New Jersey into a wonderful place
- ❖ God will use us to make earth be more like heaven.