



# NightLight

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"take heed....as to a light that shines in a dark place." II Peter 1:19

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## Dear Friends,



Everything is becoming what it really is. The good is getting better while the evil is getting more verbose. It is now time to clearly embrace the Word of God and be prepared to give an answer to those who question what we believe and why. Fear of such demand on us is overcome by love. Perfect love casts out all fear. If we truly love people, if we allow our hearts to be moved by the terrible effects of sin's grip on lives, we will find we have a voice we may have not known we had. Boldness to speak the truth in love doesn't come from taking a motivational personality improvement course. It comes from loving the world and hating evil.

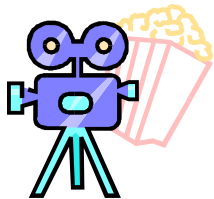
As our ability to live loved increases, so then does our love for others increase. May each one of us grow ever more true and pure, as we abide in Father God's love for us. Standing true and bold against evil must **always** be motivated by love; love from God **and** love for people. Otherwise the results are fruitless at best, or worse, become as evil as the evil we stand against. Only love wins. If in doubt, look at the Cross. Let us celebrate His glorious Resurrection!

*Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again! Alleluia!*

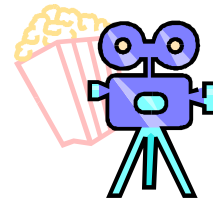


## Minnesota Ministry

I had the honor of spending three days teaching at the University of Minnesota campus. Students were not only from all over Minnesota, but from all over the world. Minnesota has a very successful international student program that brings young men and women from China, Malaysia, and Japan, as well as many African countries. The Christian outreach to these students not only brings them the gospel, but disciples them to then bring the gospel back to their home countries. The story of the beginning and ongoing work of this campus ministry is a testimony of the power and faithfulness of God. Pastor Bruce stood alone against huge obstacles to simply obey God. He plowed through every roadblock because he had a vision from God which he would not give up. Maybe one day this godly man will write this story. Many discouraged leaders would be inspired and helped by his testimony. This ongoing campus disciplining force has reached thousands of students and established dozens of thriving churches overseas through the effective ministry of well-trained followers of Jesus returning home as evangelists. It was a great privilege to have a small part in training a new generation of kingdom warriors.



### Movie News



NOAH



When a movie preview has to tell its audience that it is close to the biblical story and its principles, we can bet it isn't. Noah is aided in building the ark by 'rock people' (angels punished by God by being encased in lava....yeah.) Noah goes mad and tries to kill his own family. The message among others is that the animals are more valuable than people so God is pro-animal rights. Its just not worth writing about and certainly not worth your time or money.



GOD'S NOT DEAD

Well written and acted, this is the story of a university freshman student who must single-handedly defend the truth of the Scriptures against a fervent atheistic professor who has intimidated his entire class into silence. The research and story was provided by Dr. Rice Brooks whom I knew and worked with many years ago at Mississippi State. I highly recommend this film. See it with your teenagers and their non-Christian classmates. We need to support efforts like this one.

# Trials and Temptations

God is not the author of temptation. Yet He uses the events of life to develop our best in the face of the worst. Temptation tries us in our weak places, yet that very trial can become the process which awakens our best responses, resulting in the triumph of the spirit over the flesh. This cycle is repeated in our lives from glory to glory. This six hour study was originally taught in a Texas class room 25 years ago, but is as fresh and meaningful today as when it was first recorded on cassette. It is now available for the first time on cd and mp3. An added bonus is the great Texas accent!



## Triumph Over Temptation

*6 Hour Set: cd's \$35, mp3 \$23*

1. Living in a Fallen World
2. Changing Temptations
3. The Fear of the Lord vs. Pride
4. Long Run Vision
5. Tried by Fire
6. His Beloved Overcomers

# Closing Thoughts...



*The head that once was crowned with thorns  
Is crowned with glory now;  
A royal diadem adorns  
The mighty Victor's brow.*

*The joy of all who dwell above,  
The joy of all below,  
To whom He manifests His love,  
And grants His name to know.*

*To them the Cross, with all its shame,  
With all its grace, is given;  
Their name an everlasting name,  
Their joy the joy of heaven.*

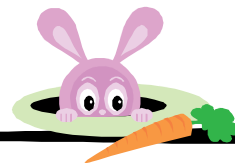
*The Cross He bore is life and health,  
Though shame and death to Him,  
His people's hope, His people's wealth,  
Their everlasting theme.*



*With love & joy,*



*Clay & Mary*



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