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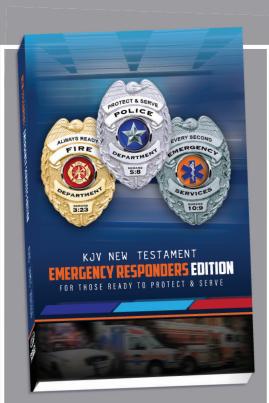
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PRISON, a Vast Mission Field

As we near the end of the third quarter in 2020, Covid-19 continues to have a dramatic impact on our prison systems across America and around the globe. According to a report from the Business Insider, Covid-19 is having a devastating effect, ravaging jails and prisons throughout the United States. Between March and September, the virus has taken the lives of more than have been executed in America during the last 20 years. At the state level there have been more than 114,000 confirmed Covid-19 cases among prisoners and over 1,000 confirmed deaths, and more than 25,000 officers tested positive resulting in 72 deaths among officers and prison staff. The Federal Bureau of Prisons reported another 12,975 federal prisoners have tested positive for the virus and over 100 deaths.

he United States prison system is a vast mission field with a total population larger than many nations. There are 2.3 million people confined nationwide. This equates to 1,290,000 confined in state prison facilities, 631,000 in local jails, 226,000 in federal prison facilities including federal prisoners held in jails, 44,000 in youth facilities, 42,000 in immigration detention facilities, and the remaining 67,000 are in territorial, Indian, and military prisons.

While our jails average 631,000 locked up on any given day, there are 10.6 million people that cycle through the US jails each year. Drug offense charges make up 1/5 of all incarcerated. Over 113 million Americans have a family member that has served time in jail or prison, over 77 million Americans have a criminal record, and over 19 million have been convicted of a felony.

There are another 3.6 million people on probation in America and 840,000 on parole, bringing the total number of people in the United States under the auspices of corrections to 7 million. America has 1/5 of the world's total prison population. America's current prison population is so large that if we reached one soul with the Gospel every 5 minutes, it would take 66 years to reach everyone associated with corrections within our country's borders. In biblical context, all mission fields outside of Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria are to be considered foreign fields or extensions of New Testament missions which began in the church at Jerusalem. Therefore, in biblical context, America would be considered a foreign field, yet to those of us who live in America, it is considered home missions. We need not neglect America and the vast mission field in the prisons that God has placed before us. Prisoners come from all walks of life and represent a wide cross-section of America's population. Prisoners come from the rich and poor, from the educated and uneducated, from the churched and unchurched, from border to border and coast to coast.

America is the world's third most populated mission field and is fast becoming a nation in desperate need of the Gospel.

Let us pray therefore that the Lord of the harvest raises up laborers to work in the fields that are white unto harvest within our nation's borders as well as the nations of the world.

Isaiah 42:22

But this is a people robbed and spoiled; they are all of them snared in holes, and they are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey, and none delivereth; for a spoil, and none saith, Restore.



Dr. Terry Ellis Executive Editor & President

We have been limited in the prisons to a great degree because of the Corona Virus. But God is still God and is able to work behind the scenes to minister to a lost and dying world. Amen!

NORTH AMERICA REPORT

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is

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Here are a few reports that will encourage your heart.

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Psalm 46:1

our refuge. Selah.

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Ministering to the Officers in South Carolina. Our church at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Greenville SC pastored by Joel Logan, was able to minister to officers in 5 different institutions in the month of June. The Lord laid on the heart of Pastor Joel Logan to have the congregation at Tabernacle to make cakes, pies, and cookies and write thank you cards for the officers in the jails. We were able to give those items to the jails and received a very warm welcome and appreciation from the institutions. We were able to put Gospel tracts from the church, also Gospel material from the Rock of Ages, a book on Wisdom and Bible Promise books. They were accepted very well, reaching hundreds of officers.

While I was there with our pastor and two other preachers at the greenville city and county jails giving those items out, the officers thanked us over and over and they were very receptive.

We are planning on following up with the Rock of Ages Officer NT Bibles and minister to the officers in the jails. We plan to have a short devotion, personal witness, and prayer time with them.

You can reach Officers in your community as well. Pray about reaching the institutions in your area from your home church. This would be a great opportunity for your church to evangelize the jails and prisons and reach your Jerusalem with the Gospel. I know of many pastors and preachers doing chaplaincy type work in their local jails. The time is ripe to minister to the Officers! They need us. Amen!



SOUTHEAST REPORT

Missionary Chuck Cummings has been having a service at the fence each week on Tuesday at a prison in Childersburg, Alabama. He had an average of 26 to attend and so far, two saved. Missionary Richard Peacock has parked his van outside the guard line and used a PA system to preach to the inmates. He said the sheriff said he could not give him permission nor could he STOP him. Missionary Glenn Ketchum has been going to a local jail and the officers are asking inmates if they wanted to talk with him. Praise the Lord, some have responded. Almost every missionary has been able to take gospel materials and Bibles to their prisons for distribution to the inmates.

Chaplains have called us requesting materials and Bibles be sent to their facilities. Missionaries Ron McKinney, Eric Peters, and myself have delivered materials from the Rock of Ages main office for distribution in the prisons of North and South Carolina. Some missionaries are sending DVDs and CDs of preaching along with printed sermon outlines; all of which have proven to be highly effective.

The Prisoners Bible Institute (PBI) is one area of ministry every missionary has been heavily promoting in the prisons. Dr. Robert Keeton our Educational Director has sent 1,000 lessons to us that we are planning to distribute to the inmates and get them signed up for the PBI. We will give them 2 weeks to complete the lesson and we will collect it and give them the next lesson and two weeks to complete it. This project will target the following facilities, Evans, Palmer, Kershaw, Goodman and Allendale. Missionary Ron McKinney is contacting the North Carolina prisons to see if we can expand this project to their state. Because of Covid19 many of our missionary chaplains have had limited access to their facilities but, they are still going in and are able to minister in their institutions.

North American Field Representative

Dr. David Roth

Missionary David Harrelson Southeast Director

NORTHEAST REPORT

The month of May began with a trip to Pennsylvania for coordinator training. This training will help in planning and coordinating with the chaplains to begin revival meetings and teaching in the women's prisons. Our weekly meetings at River City Corrections Center are still on hold, but the good news is that they are attempting to start zoom meetings and we will be able to continue with virtual Bible studies as soon as it is up and running.

Missionary Sarah Barnett

We have been working on new lessons for the new school year. Currently we have around 10 new lessons in various stages. Brother Jeff Bellamy and I have been working through them and are about to start on the power point lessons soon. Some of them are from parts of sermons I have preached in the past in prisons.

I put together about 20 devotions for our school Bible club and worked with a church to get them all printed off and put into packets and mailed to the students. Some of the students have showed up at that church for church services.

Missionary Ira Holland

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NORTHEAST REPORT CONTINUED ...

We have had the opportunity to send 11 DVD's to some of our prisons in PA. Our discipleship continues to grow and we have about 40-50 lessons per week coming in. We also sent out a new Spanish outline for our Spanish men in our discipleship program. I have been in a few churches, but they are having restrictions on services once again.

This excerpt is from an email I received from Kathy Doran, which is now over several prisons in New York. She sent me an email and this is part of it. We may have some good openings in NY once this virus is past. I have replied to Kathy and told her we would be interested in helping in any of the 20 prisons she feels is needed.

Excerpt-After serving as the Volunteer Supervisor for the Oneida Hub for two years I was promoted to the position of Regional Coordinator Volunteer Services serving 20 facilities in five Hubs. At this time the Supervisor positions for the four facilities of the Oneida Hub and six facilities of the Clinton Hub remain unfilled. I will be covering for critical needs for those facilities.

Missionary Roger Napper Northeast Director

MID-WEST & WESTERN STATES

Most of these western states prisons have been hit hard with the Coronavirus and are shut down.

Missionaries are sending videos, preaching services by zoom on the computer in juvenile institutions. They have been working PBI correspondence with some of the inmates in their institution that they work.

In Seward Alaska our Missionary Steven Taylor is working full time ministering in his facility conducting services and visitation using social distancing.

Continue to pray for all our missionaries spiritually, physically, mentally and financially. Thank you for laboring with us in reaching souls for Christ.

(1 Corinthians 3:9) "For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building."

SOMEONE IS EVALUATION



INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS UPDATE:

Act 16:6 -7 Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, **and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost** to preach the word in Asia, After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not.

In Acts 13 we read,

As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. Act 13:2. It is clear that the mission the Apostle Paul was sent on was not his work but that of the Holy Ghost. The scripture says the Holy Ghost said "separate me". It would be His work and Paul and Barnabas would be the vessels He would use to accomplish the task. It has been my privilege to serve with the missionaries of the Rock of Ages for 33 years and to serve them as a ministry staff member for 29 of those years. I have yet to see a missionary candidate come to the Rock of Ages that was not a soul winner with a tremendous zeal to win sinners to Christ. With the schools, prisons and churches limiting access and the national decree to social distance or just stay home there is an obvious frustration and anxiousness to get back to where we were. The word "forbidden" means to be hindered or prohibited. The Apostle Paul had a great desire to preach the gospel in Asia. It may be that a man like Paul who was totally surrendered to the work of the Lord was puzzled as to why he was being hindered from preaching in Asia. I feel although a man of zeal and desire to preach in Asia he was still sensitive that the work was not his, he was just a vessel used of the Holy Ghost. What appeared to be a prohibition or hinderance to reach Asia was only a detour. The Holy Spirit had someone who was waiting. The Macedonian believers were waiting for some help. Lydia, then a damsel possessed with the spirit of divination, and a jailer, were waiting for someone to declare the glorious message of the gospel.

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The apostle Paul was not forbidden to reach souls he was just redirected, because Someone was Waiting!

Rock of Ages Missionaries, Staff Workers, Volunteers and Partners worldwide, though hindered from their daily activities, have been able to reach prison staff, public school officials, and hundreds through online programs. We all look forward to the day we can get back on an airplane, hold prison revivals, and teach students in school again. Until then, let us be sensitive to the leadership of the Holy Ghost because SOMEONE IS WAITING.



SOMEONE IS WAITING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Of the 10 African countries we are working in, most are locked down. Thank the Lord, our partners are preaching in prisons and jails in Kenya, Liberia and Zambia. In Ghana and Sierra Leone we are able to take some material to the prisons to be distributed by prison staff. The most recent container sent has French Bibles at the border of Guinea and Ivory Coast waiting to be distributed in Liberia when the borders open again. Be in prayer the borders open, SOMEONE IS WAITING for a Bible.

Please be in prayer for a 40ft container going to Nigeria. It will be filled with Prison Prevention Material for the public schools, Bibles, tracts and prison material. It is our desire to ship the first of December to arrive in Nigeria before February.

Rock of Ages Missionary Dr. John Shelley Ukraine has been on a total shutdown, and although things are reopening here and there, it looks like prisons are going to be the last area to open. We are in permanent contact with the authorities; they postponed the open date three times so far. To make sure it doesn't get any worse, they now want to wait until the second wave is over to reopen to outsiders. Ukrainian prisons are not in good shape as they are, and a pandemic outburst is the last thing they want. Meanwhile, we are in correspondence with inmates that miss our services enough to write us.

While we patiently wait for life and ministry to return to normal pace, the Lord has given us some new ways to reach lost souls. Kiev has over 3 million people and a dense public transportation net which was shut down almost completely because of Covid. As jobs and places began to reopen, people started moving, but many buses, trams, and trolley-routes haven't fully opened. With the social distance requirements there are long lines and crowds waiting around bus and tram stops. So far, we've given out several thousand gospel tracts and John & Romans; so often, it stirs up questions and discussions and grows into street preaching. We are glad that if the Word of God doesn't find these people sitting in church pews it finds them standing on bus stops. We give God all the glory for every careful ear and prepared heart.

Rock of Ages Missionary Alex Fishchenko

ZAMBIA UPDATE

In the month of May, jail and prison ministry opportunities had not begun to open up yet from the coronavirus lockdown. Thankfully, church service restrictions were lifted, and the Zambian team, under the leadership of Zambian ROA missionary Caphias Mulaisho, began to concentrate efforts on building up the church since the lockdown. Increased visitation and men's training classes helped to get the people back to being faithful. Church attendance

MISSIONS UPDATE

and offerings increased, and the people are excited about serving the Lord! Prison and jail ministry began to open up in June with chaplains calling and asking us to come back and preach. The men in prison really missed the preaching! Our discipleship class has not been able to begin due to the virus. Also, our school ministry has not begun yet with all the schools closed. Praise the Lord for 275 saved in the jails, prisons and schools in the month of June.

Rock of Ages Missionaries in Zambia Jim & Connie Jeremias



SOMEONE IS WAITING FOR A HELPING HAND

The start 2020 has been fruitful for the Prison Ministry since we have been able to continue our Memorandum of Agreement with 13 jails. The Rock of Ages Prisoner's Bible Institute Program we started last year is appreciated by most of the PDLs (persons deprived of liberty) especially in the Correctional Institute for Women. We were able to start a Covid health education program in Manila City Jail female section and received invitation from other jails to conduct similar seminars. This gave us opportunity to have evangelistic Bible Studies before beginning the seminars.

However, with the coming of the COVID 19 pandemic, the government declared Enhanced Community Quarantine March 15, 2020, the Bureau of Correction and BJMP also closed the jails from all activities including religious service provider visits. Please continue to pray for our brethren behind bars especially for their health since many have tested positive for COVID 19. Since visitors are not allowed inside the jails at this time, most of the prisoners have no personal hygienic supplies. Thanks to the help of our supporters we continue to help them with soap and other toiletries during this quarantine.

Rock of Ages Missionaries to the Philippines Jun and Tess Monderin

Guatemala - Through this time of pandemic, there have been 8 humanitarian workers saved and 7 saved through the food distribution outreach, through the efforts of ROA missionaries Josh and Melissa Hill.

Rock of Ages Missionary Mike Adams

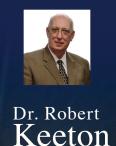


SOMEONE IS WAITING FOR PRAYER

The schools, churches and government facilities may not be open to our missionaries but spreading the gospel, lending a helping hand, and taking the time to pray for someone is surely not closed. Our missionary families and partners worldwide mask up daily and head out to the bank, the school house, the prison and any place people are and simply ask, "Before you start your day can we pray for you?" This has opened the door to share the gospel. Many of the facilities have asked if we had a Bible or material to help their staff. Pray for \$12,000 needed to ship a container to Nigeria by the end of the year. Pray for the need of Bibles for prison officers across America.

Somewhere, someone is waiting!!

GOD HAS A PLAN



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION UPDATE

Ephesians 3:20 "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,"

ooking back over the year 2020, there seems to be so much turmoil on every hand. Many have questioned what is going on, as if to say where is God. However, it should not shake us, (Followers of Christ) from what we know, and we know that God is able.

As we read God's Word, it is very evident that God has a plan that will be accomplished: for His creation, His children, His disciples, His teachers, His preachers, and yes, even His enemies. Therefore, we believe that God's plan is certainly the plan that we need to adhere to. His plan is greater than all others and really very simple, just follow His instructions.

Isaiah 55:8-11 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the



eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

God tells us very plainly how to accomplish or know His plan:

2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

His plan for His Creation:

Romans 1:20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

1 Corinthians 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

His plan for His Children:

Galatians 5:16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

His plan for His Disciples:

Ephesians 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Matthew 16:24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

His plan for His Teachers:

2 Timothy 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

His plan for His Preachers:

Romans 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

His plan for His Enemies:

Psalms 110:1 The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

1 Corinthians 15:26 The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

His plan is coming together!



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MINISTRY UPDATE

s the pandemic quickly, not only affected Americans but all people around the world, each of our lives were changed in a moment's notice. This is a reminder of how quickly, in the moment of a twinkling of an eye, our Lord will return to this earth for His people. The lyrics to the song, Midnight Cry helps explain. "I see prophecies fulfilling and signs of the times they're appearing everywhere I can almost hear the Father as He says, 'Son, go get your children.' At the midnight cry, we'll be going home." I believe we are closer now, than we have ever been before to Christ's soon return. I Corinthians 15:52 "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed." One may be ready to meet Christ having accepted Him into their life as their Saviour, however, in these last days there should be a great concern to ensure all of those around us know Christ as their Saviour too. Knowing 100%, heaven is our eternal destiny gives us great peace in our heart, a peace that the world needs. **We are truly living in an exciting time to reap the harvest**.

When I was a young girl, my dad pastored our newly established church. Not having the resources for Sunday School Teachers or a church pianist, I filled both of these positions at the age of 12. We sang the same song every service until I learned to play my second song and those two were sung until I learned three, you get the picture. At the age of thirteen my dad was preaching one of his hour and a half messages and I realized I had never asked Christ into my heart. The conviction was so real during a service on March 27, 1974, I felt Gabriel would sound the trumpet and I would spend an eternity in hell before the altar call was given. My pastor/dad thought I was coming forward to play the piano for the invitation when I stopped and bowed my head at an old fashion altar. I have never gotten over that prayer of Salvation! Now my desire and burden is to make sure my family, friends and loved ones are saved as well.

After a Rock of Ages revival service at one of our prison services, I had a youth pastor's wife ask me a question, that took me by surprise. After 34 years of missionary service and being in church for 54 years, questions and statements usually don't surprise me. But this one question certainly did, she asked, "Mrs. Peggy, how does one really know heaven can be their home." I remember the story of my mom being saved as a pastor's wife, so this should not have blown me away, however, I admit her question brought back vivid memories of my past. I quickly took my Bible and gave her scriptures explaining God's plan for salvation. And right in that prison, the youth pastor's wife was born again. What a great privilege to lead her to the Lord.

You can know for certain whether or not you are saved. Here are some Bible verses and quotes I use to teach others how to get to heaven.

1. Realize you are a Sinner

Romans 3:10 - "None Righteous" Not one person on earth does right all the time.

Romans 3:23 – "All" means everyone including, even vou and me.

Romans 5:12 - "Death" because of sin we are all condemned to die. There have been many religious leaders who taught they would never die, but they did and they are in the grave now. However, when Jesus died, He rose again and His tomb is empty.

2. Realize Your Payment for Your Sin

Romans 6:23 – "<u>Wage</u>s" Wage or a salary is a payment for work that you did. "Wages of sin" You will have to pay for the sin that you have done.

3. Realize Christ Died for your Sin

Romans 6:23 - "The gift of God" - Gift - When we give someone a gift, do they have to work for it? No, When we give someone a gift do we ask for it back? This is not ethical. I usually illustrate this with my Bible. I tell them I bought this Bible, I worked for it, I paid for it, and in order for you to have it, what will you need to do? As I extend my Bible towards them and say, "You just need to reach out and take it."

Romans 6:23 - "gift... is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." I tell them the story of Jesus shedding His blood on the cross of Calvary, and that He wants you to accept His payment for your sin debt. Jesus Christ came to earth to die on the cross in your place. He shed His blood for you and for me. He died so that you (and I) would not have to die and pay for our own sins, you need to accept Jesus Christ into your heart and ask Him to be your Saviour.

John 3:16 – "He gave" – Christ gave...the greatest gift ever given.

"Whosoever" - "Whosoever" - Means anyone, you can put your name right there in place of whosoever.

"Not Perish" – You don't have to go to Hell.

"Everlasting life - You can go to Heaven and live Forever!

4. Confess Your Sins

Romans 10:9 - There are two things in this verse one must do to be SAVED. First, "Confess with thy mouth" - My dad was my pastor, he wanted me to be saved, he prayed for me to be saved. But I had to realize I was a sinner, on my way to a devil's hell and confess my own sins. Secondly, "Believe in thine heart" ~ Believe that Christ paid for your sins when He died for you on the cross and that He rose again.

Romans 10:13 - Romans 10:13 - "Shall Be Saved" -The Bible doesn't say if you go to church every Sunday, read your Bible every day, or quit cursing you can be saved. The Bible says if you "Call" upon the name of the Lord you, "Shall be Saved." The Bible does not even say that the Lord will think about saving you. He will save you!

5. Assurance Verse

Rev. 3:20 - "Door & knock" - Was Jesus knocking on your heart's door?

Rev. 3:20 – "I will" – Did you open your heart and ask Him to come in? Then Jesus said, "I will come in!" If I were to move into your house today, you would see me there, you would hear me and you would know I lived there. When Jesus comes into your heart you will know He moved in! There is a change! There is something different! This is the best decision you can ever make in life.

I have used these scriptures on numerous occasions to lead many to Christ and help others get the assurance of their salvation.



DR. PEGGY ELLIS Director of Lovely Ladies Ministry

RECIPE

ALMOND JOY SCONES

Makes 16 scones or 32 mini

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 1/2 cups of all-purpose flour
- 2/3 cup almond meal
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup unsweetened flaked coconut
- 2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup cold butter (1 1/2 sticks), cut into small pieces
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon coconut extract
- Raw turbinado sugar for sprinkling
- 3 ounces of chocolate, melted
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INSTRUCTIONS:

Preheat oven to 425.

In large bowl combine flour, almond meal, sugar, coconut, baking soda, powder, and salt.. Cut in butter until it forms coarse crumbs with the flour mixture – I actually use my hands to combine and mash the butter in. Stir in buttermilk, coconut extract and vanilla extract. Turn onto a lightly floured surface and knead gently. Divide dough in half and pat into 7-inch round circles.. Cut into 6 or 8 wedges, or use a round biscuit cutter. Brush with melted butter and sprinkle with coarse sugar

Bake at 425 for 12-14 minutes. Remove from oven and let cool, then drizzle with melted chocolate





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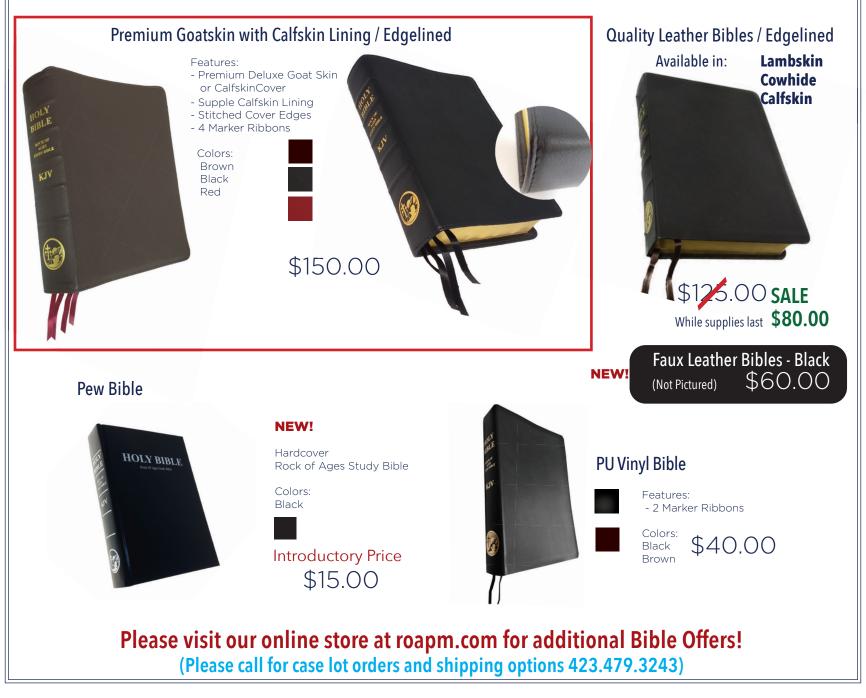
The Rock Of Ages Study Bible

The Edition Rock of Ages Study Bible (printed only as the King James Bible) offers an unparalleled selection of helps that are designed to encourage the study of God's Word. Rock of Ages Ministries has used quality materials and workmanship to ensure that your copy of God's Word will withstand years of faithful use.

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It has always been the goal of Rock of Ages Ministries to provide materials that will be a blessing and offer assistance to local churches, schools, colleges, and individual Christians. We have developed this New Testament with soulwinning and discipleship in mind and, to our knowledge, it is the only one of its kind. The Soul Winner's Discipleship New Testament is filled with wonderful resources that every soulwinner will truly appreciate.

The Soul Winner's Discipleship New Testament features:

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This page, in the front of the Bible, is presented to the individual that was saved. It records their name and the name of the one that led them to Christ, the name and address of the church or ministry represented, and the date, time, and location where the individual trusted Christ as their Saviour.

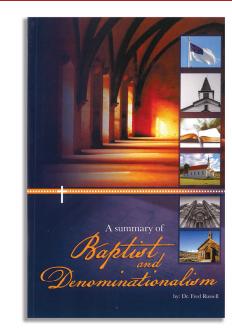
- A Soulwinner's marked edition A Summary of all major doctrines of the Bible A "How to study the Bible" section A "How We Got Our English Bible" section A section dedicated to soulwinners past, present, and future The Plan of salvation on the outside back cover
- An Introduction to the New Testament The Romans Road in the opening pages An "About The Bible And Its Author" section A "Where to find help in the Bible" section The "You Must Be Born Again" section with detailed information on how a sinner can be saved

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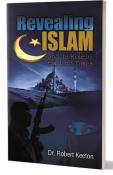
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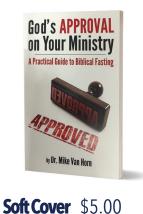
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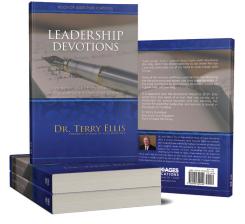


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