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But Jesus ...

As I was on a journey through Hebrews, I came to chapter 7. It deals with Melchizedek, priest of the Most High God, the Levitical Priesthood, and Jesus, 'who remains forever a priest, He holds His priesthood permanently' (7:24 HCSB). The writer states:

"But because He remains forever, He holds His priesthood permanently. Therefore, He is **always able** to save those who come to God through Him, since **He always lives to intercede for them.**" Hebrews 7:24-25 HCSB

And then you see a statement in the next chapter that *leaps from the page*:

"But Jesus has now obtained a superior ministry, and to that degree **He is the mediator of a better covenant** which has been legally enacted on **better promises.**"
Hebrews 8:6 HCSB

But Jesus ... I immediately proceeded to discover how many '***But Jesus***' expressions were found in the New Testament. The expression or meaningful similar statement was found 144 times. It occurs in teachings to man, the trials of man, thoughts revealed within man, and challenges for man. So Simple ... so Clear ... so Concise!

Jesus will never disappoint, never be late, never register as unavailable, or never be unconcerned about what you are thinking, feeling, or doing. *Jesus will always tell you the truth.* There will be 'private agendas, smoke screens, or ulterior motives in, from, and around man,' but He will be true! Where could we find such a person?

He is God in the flesh. He is the manifestation of the God head in bodily form. When you see Jesus, you see God. He said to Philip, "... The one who has seen Me has seen the Father..." (John 14:9 HCSB). When you 'see Jesus' in the Gospels, you see God ... the God Man! The Father lives in Jesus. And God the Holy Spirit makes all this real ... the mystery of the Triune God!

But Jesus ... He is our Shepherd, our Redeemer, our Liberator, and our Coming King! As the verses above point out, *He is always able and He always lives to intercede for us with a superior ministry.*

Preach and study all the '***But Jesus***' expressions in the New Testament! This will lift your spirit, control your thinking, and pace your labor. For starters, there are 19 in Matthew. Take copious notes and write your book on what you discover! I am ready to hand it out!!

When Jesus is consulted FIRST in prayer, your life will change. You will think better, look better, and feel better. And you will work better. We must be 'looking to Jesus first.' The warning is given:

"No creature is hidden from Him, but all things are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must give an account." Hebrews 4:13

He is looking and He will be asking: *Did you do your best for Me?* There is no wiggle room. The accounting will occur! ***But Jesus*** ...

Jesus is our HOPE!

The Latest Happenings ...

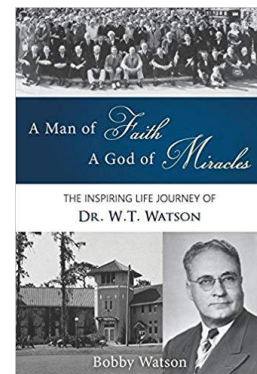
- All buildings on campus have been painted to match L. L. Speer Hall.



- The Trinity group of 35 led by Dr. Eric Bargerhuff and the students from the Honors program has returned from tours in Israel and Egypt.



- Ninety-four students meet every Tuesday on campus for Leadership training provided by *the Chapel*.
- A women's soccer camp led by our own Coach George Arroyo was held last month, utilizing the L. L. Speer Hall.
- ***A Man of Faith, A God of Miracles***, written by Bobby Watson, is available for purchase on Amazon. It captures the beginning of Trinity College of Florida from a family perspective. It is an excellent read!
- The President and his wife attended The Christian and Missionary Alliance Council in Orlando last month.
- The 2019 Annual Banquet generated more than \$64,000 in sponsorships, scholarships and pledges.
- A new phone system has been installed at the College.
- *Salt and Light Awards* are being presented to alumni in their home churches.



Dates Ahead:

- Wednesday, August 7 ... **2019 Faculty/Staff Retreat**
- Friday-Monday, August 16-19 ... **Student Orientation**
- Monday, August 19 ... **Classes Begin**
- Wednesday, August 21 ... **Convocation**

- ✦ In a survey, 80% of American students said that a friendly atmosphere was the most important factor when choosing which university or college to attend.
- ✦ Our Vice President for Business and Finance, Greg Mitchell and our Vice President for Enrollment, Anthony Abell, have been laboring to provide accurate understanding of cash flow issues, retention, and student enrollment. They provide a 'fresh look' through corporate and Christian education eyes.

Please Pray for ...

- ✦ Air Conditioning Repair: Pray for the need of a 10-ton air conditioner for the offices on the 2nd floor of the W. T. Watson Administration Building.
- ✦ Admissions Efforts: Our three recruiters have been working diligently and progress is being made for the Fall. The goal is 100 new students for the traditional and *Quest* programs.
- ✦ Outside Groups: Pray for the groups utilizing our facilities: the Trinity West Homeowners Association and Restoration Church. The Genesis School will be renting some of the facilities for their high school students.
- ✦ Road Renaming: Pray for the efforts of Dr. Charlie Martin, Vice President for Advancement, as he works on completing the requirements for name change of the road in the front of the College to the Billy Graham Parkway
- ✦ Neighboring Construction: Pray for the new construction around the College and its benefit for the student body, such as jobs and easy access for those who do not have a car. Pray for the College's impact upon the new assisted living facility being constructed nearby.
- ✦ Biggest Surprise: A university student asked Billy Graham what had been the biggest surprise in life. He immediately replied: *The brevity of life*. James 4:14 states:

"What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes."

Something to think about this summer ...

Very grateful for your partnerships of prayer and support,

