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"You-niversal" Truth? Can We Each Make Up Our Own?

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James is only 15 years old, but this enthusiastic Christian teen has already immersed himself in ministry. "Lots of my friends aren't Christians," he lamented in one of our conversations. "More and more claim to be atheists." This evangelistic teen noted an obstacle to the Gospel that is unique to our 21st-century world: "Lots of my friends dismiss Christianity by saying, 'Jesus might be true for you, but not for me. I have my own truth.' How do you get around that?"

Rejection of truth has become pandemic in America and the West: The assumed fact is that we may each craft our own facts, and reality is such that we can each create our own reality. Millions today live as if they each make their own personal truths, going through life blissfully unscathed by facts that run counter to blind biases. I've witnessed examples of this every time I have shared Christ on more than 200 American university campuses – and Christian schools are not exempt.

The question, is really this: "Are there any universal truths, applicable to all people?" And the answer is, "of course." For example, all humans must have oxygen, water, and food in order to survive. Deprivation of these things long enough will result in death. No exceptions. So, clearly, there are some truths (i.e., unavoidable realities) applicable to all people.

It's like noting that the earth's axis rests at a 23degree tilt, North America is in the Western Hemisphere, and Ronald Reagan was president in 1984. These are not matters of opinion or preference, they are examples of truth.

When we believers are sharing the content Christ's Good News (the "Gospel"), we are stating objective truths. Christ's resurrection is not "my truth" (though I definitely believe it), it is simply "truth." The Gospel's veracity and relevancy is in no way tied to the fact that Christians accepted it. Christ's death for the world is true... because it happened.

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Election Day is November 5th, Register to Vote Now!

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You are eligible to vote in Colorado elections if

you:

- Will be 18 years of age or older at the time of the election;
- Are a United States Citizen:
- Have resided in Colorado for at least 22 days prior to the election.
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Every vote counts! Will you accept the challenge and help register 2 people before October 28?

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I often ask people a series of questions, like, "Could we agree that the existence of some objective truths is at least possible? And could one of those truths be that Jesus Christ is the Son of God? And Who proved Himself by rising from the dead?" When engaged in patient, respectful conversation, most people will agree that it is logically possible that some universally-applicable truths exist.

Diffusing this common assumption ("the truth is there is no truth") does much to clear the way for a person to seriously think about forgiveness in Christ. Ever-logical Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274) noted that if anything is true, then truth exists. Eureka! There is truth! God wants all nations to know that Jesus is Lord and salvation is possible; More than ever, James' generation and our culture overall must hear this truth for themselves.

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Freedom Church

BY KYLE GONZALEZ

Upcoming Events

Kingdom Chronicle Editor-in-Chief

♦ 10/19/2024: Richard Harris is coming to Freedom Church for our Saturday Night Service from the front-lines of what God is doing in the political realm.



Behind the Scenes -Ari's Zigzag Journey

BY JOY OTI

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Like a baby abiding safely in its mother's womb, Ari was now at home in His presence. The love he felt in the presence of the Everlasting One convinced him he was not in the court of justice but in a court of love. Even though he still couldn't open his eyes, he basked in the warmth of the Everlasting One. "Ari," the Everlasting One called, "in a moment, I'm taking you behind the scene of the activities that connected you to the relationship, which in your own words, were the defining factor in your success." And like a dream Ari found himself sitting in a theater, the curtains opened, and a familiar scene unfolded.

It was Sunday afternoon, the 18th of July, the church service had come to a close. Ari was walking to his car when he heard Joshua call out to him. Joshua was his Outreach leader.

"Hi Josh, what's up?" Ari asked, offering a handshake.

"I'm in a fix, bro. We have an outreach in Puerto Rico in four days, and two members of my team have had to drop out for some cogent reasons. I was wondering if you could fill in. I know the time is short, but, like, I am desperate for help. You have the experience for this kind of outreach, and I... please just help me." Joshua pleaded.

"Oh Josh, I don't know what to say. You know I have sent in many applications for my residency and nothing has worked out yet. In four days, I have an interview with an institution. The timing is bad. I don't want to miss this opportunity."

Though Joshua was disappointed at Ari's answer, he understood Ari's excuse and wished him well. When Ari got into his car, he was pensive for a moment. He loved missions, but he also needed to get into residency. 'How do I know that this interview won't fall through like the other six interviews?' he asked himself. Then he considered that God may have called him to be a missionary and not a doctor.

He quickly got out of his car and ran after Joshua. When he caught up with him, he said to him, "I'll go."

Pleasantly surprised, Joshua asked him, "Are you sure? What about the interview?"

With a smirk Ari responded, "I don't know for sure that I'll get in. Circle General was my first choice,

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and after I got rejected by them, I really don't care anymore. I'm not sure this interview won't go the way of Circle. But I know for sure that someone will be saved on this trip. So, I choose to go."

Relieved and happy, Joshua thanked Ari and blessed him for taking such a tough decision.

It's the morning of the 21st of July and Professor Karhian Duke was at the airport. He was scheduled to speak at a conference at the Dominican Republic. Unfortunately, he missed his flight. "You need to help me get on another flight," Professor Karhian pleaded with the ticketing manager.

"Sir, I am so sorry we have no other flight for the Dominican Republic today. The next flight is tomorrow and you'll arrive by 3 p.m."

Frustrated, he pleaded again, "I am scheduled to speak at a conference by 2 p.m. I can't arrive at 3 p.m."

A lady standing by overheard their conversation and tapped Professor Karhian on the shoulder, calling his attention. "I don't mean to interrupt," she said, "but you might want to try flying to Puerto Rico, and then connect to the Dominican. It's less than two hours."

Professor Karhian's eyes lit with hope, and he asked the ticketing manager if she could make it happen.

"Give me a moment sir," she responded. Two minutes later, she looked up with a smile and said, "You are on a flight to Puerto Rico in one hour. Your next flight to the Dominican is in two hours. Your mileage instead of money will cover the cost of flight to the Dominican, if you want."

Excited, he told her to use his miles and expressed his gratitude to the lady who gave him the suggestion that saved his trip.

Professor Kharian arrived Puerto Rico as scheduled and waited at a café for his next flight to the Dominican. During boarding time, he reached into his bag to get his passport but it was not there. Suddenly, he remembered that while he was trying to put his bag in the overhead cabin, he had put his passport in the seat pocket and didn't take it back out.

"Oh God!" he cried out, getting everyone's attention. He rushed to the front desk and told them his predicament. One of the airline staff told him to calm down and promised to help find his passport.

Desperate, Professor Kharian prayed to God to

intervene quickly so he could join the flight. Ten minutes later, the airline staff walked up to him and told him his passport had been found and was in the custody of a flight attendant. "But, unfortunately, the discovery was made when the flight was already enroute to Mexico. Your passport will return with the plane from Mexico tomorrow morning at 9a.m. There's a flight to the Dominican at 10am. We can put you on it at no cost to you, but you'll have to stay at a hotel today at your own cost."

Professor Kharian felt depleted of energy. He dragged his bag with him, and headed out of the airport to go to a hotel. As he waited for a taxi, disappointment and sad, he looked up and prayed, "You could have reminded me about my passport and saved me from this trouble. How is that too much to do?"

That evening at the hotel, he went to a restaurant for dinner. He met some young people sitting at a table and asked if he could sit with them. They agreed and he joined them. They introduced themselves, and then he started telling them stories of his youthful days. Suddenly one of the young men choked on his food. He fell to the ground and started gasping for breath. His friends were afraid and began to shout for help. Professor Kharian quickly swung into action and started performing the first aid method for choking.

Within three minutes, the man was stable and breathing normally. He and his friends thanked Professor Kharian for saving his life.

"We didn't know you were a doctor," one of them said to him.

"Well, now you know. But don't fall sick, though." They all laughed.

As professor Kharian got up to leave, the man he saved got a call from his mother. "Please wait Prof, my mother is on the phone. I'd like her to say 'thank you' for saving my life." He told his mother what happened and gave the phone to Professor Kharian.

"Thank you for saving my son's life." His mother said to him.

"It's always an honor to save a life."

"What's your name? I'd want to always remember it." She asked him.

"Professor Kharian, ma'am."

"Professor Kharian? Wow! That name rings a bell, Continued on Page 4...

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but on a bad note. When my son was a toddler, he almost choked to death due to his doctor's negligence. I called him the doctor of death. To see another person with the same name save him from choking is an erasure of bad history. Life is full of surprises! Thank you again."

"Thank you too." Professor Kharian responded.

Professor Kharian handed the phone back to the man and waited for him to finish speaking with his mother, and then he called him aside. "What did you say your name is?" He asked.

"Ari," the man replied.

Professor Kharian nodded his head and asked again, "how old are you and where did you live as a toddler?"

Puzzled, Ari answered, "I'm 22 and have lived in Boston all my life. What's this about, Prof.?"

Sober, Professor Kharian bowed his head low for a moment. Then he looked up to Ari and said, "twenty-one years ago, I gave a wrong medicine to a one-year-old toddler. By the time I returned from getting coffee, I was told he almost choked to death. I tried to right my wrong, but the mother of that child wouldn't let me come near her child. I have prayed all my life for a chance to make it right. And today, I got my answer. You are that child Ari. I know, because that mother called me a doctor of death. And your mother repeated the same thing as she told me the story. May I hug you?"

Without hesitation, Ari hugged him. "I need to tell my mother."

"No! Not now. I'd rather you take me to her."

"Okay, Prof."

"So, you're a missionary?" he asked Ari.

"Yes! But I am planning on being a doctor. Unfortunately, it's been hard getting into residency."

"Well, maybe I can help. I'm the Head of Residency at Circle General Hospital, and I'll be glad to get you in."

Hearing that, Ari exclaimed and jumped for joy. "No way! That has always been the hospital of my choice. But I was rejected."

"Well, you've met the man who'll ensure you get in, by hook or crook."

The curtain closed, and slowly Ari got back to consciousness. He was awed and couldn't speak. "I took you behind the scenes to see what I allowed Professor

Kharian to go through just because you made me your priority. I will take you on one more journey. And hopefully, you'll learn to trust me no matter what happens to you," said The Everlasting One. In the last part of this story, Ari will see how perception changes an entire narrative and influences our heart's decisions.

CALL TO ACTION

Ari and Professor Kharian are two individuals that believed life wasn't fair to them. Ari took the high road to say yes to God, instead of taking the road that could have led him to his dream career, and God rewarded him. Professor Kharian was frustrated by the misfortunes on his trip that he thought God wasn't doing a good job taking care of him. Meanwhile, God was bringing it all together in his favor. There is so much going on in our lives that ticks us, but we have no clue what God is doing behind the scenes to bring us to an expected end. Let's choose to trust Him and choose Him over everything else. For He is a rewarder of them who diligently seek Him, and causes all things to work together for our good.

Calling All Intercessors: Join Us For Strategic Prayer BY AMANDA LOCKMAN Kingdom Chronicle Staff

Are you passionate about standing in the gap through prayer? We invite you to join us for Governmental Intercession, where we pray and intercede for everything from our local city council and school board to the nation of Israel.

When: Sunday afternoons from 3:00-4:00 PM

Where: Java Haus Conference Room

Additionally, we are gathering for intercession focused specifically on our public library and community. Your prayers are vital in these challenging times!

When: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every

month from 6:15-6:45 PM

Where: Downstairs of the library, first room on your left as you enter from the lower level

Please note, we start and end on time as there are events scheduled after each prayer meeting. Don't be late —every minute of prayer counts! Come, let's unite in prayer and make a difference.

Eyes On Jesus

BY CHRISTY ENG

Kingdom Chronicle Staff

I won't be sharing a very long advice piece here today, but I hope it's a timely word.

I have three different friends all struggling with different issues right now: one is suffering the grief of a break up, one is suffering unrequited love, and one just lost a high school friend to sickness and is dealing with the grief of that. Yet, somehow, the thing that most comforted me in my times of heartbreak and grief applied to all of them and that's what I want to give to you today.

When I was at these crossroads of grief in my life and had to wait for the train to pass to move again, it occurred to me that everything in the people that I've loved and lost all came from Jesus. And the reason I loved those things in them was because it was a reflection of Him. Now here's the kicker! I had ALL of Jesus. I had ALL of those things in Jesus. HE was and is, and always will be, the lover of my soul.

The more I meditated on those specific qualities in Jesus, it was like the gloom lifted off of my soul like a fog on a sunny day. He is my everything, and brings my soul to a place of perfect peace and contentment. I often invite Him into my world and thank Him for being so good in so many ways. Like being so good as to give me a beautiful quilt blanket and thinking to make plants that grow cotton and wool so it could be my very blanket one day. Another being how awesome the sunrise was on the mountains this morning, making everything look like it could sing as they gleamed in hues of hazy purple and pink and bright gleaming orange rock faces.

Everything I could ever need or dream came from His heart to me and He wants to reach out to you right through the screen where you are and wrap you in His comforting love. Although this world isn't kind, He is. And He only gives good and perfect gifts. In fact every good and perfect gift is from Him.

So look up and look out today. There is a good Comforter God who is called the Holy Spirit, and I can say I know He loves to bless our socks off. Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full into His wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace.

God bless each of you, sisters and brothers, and may you see Jesus today. If anyone should need a word of encouragement or advice you can send an email for me to answer at: kingdomchronicle375@gmail.com I'm praying for you dear readers. Peace be with you.

A Million Women on the BY AMANDA LOCKMAN Mall in Washington, D.C. Kingdom Chronicle Staff

Attending the One Million Women Rally in Washington, D.C., on the National Mall, was a profound and life-changing experience. Held on the Day of Atonement, it was a day filled with worship, repentance, and a call to reclaim the spiritual landscape of our nation. From the moment the event opened, the focus was clear: to turn our eyes and hearts toward King Jesus and intercede for the healing of our land.

The rally began with a time of worship, setting the atmosphere for the powerful encounters to follow. Voices lifted in unity, creating a space where the presence of God was tangible. The lineup of speakers was equally stirring. Leaders such as Rabbi Jonathan Cahn, Lance Wallnau, Bill Johnson, Robert Henderson, Rabbi Jason Sobel, Lou Engle, Pastor Che Ahn, and Jenny Donnelly poured out messages of repentance, authority, and hope. Each speaker emphasized the importance of acknowledging our collective sin and asking God for forgiveness – not just for personal failings but for the sins committed by our nation.

Throughout the day, we cried out for the future of our children, breaking spiritual chains and calling down the idols that have been raised over the land. It was powerful to stand as one body, stepping into our "king-priest" anointing – boldly declaring the end of false altars and dedicating ourselves afresh to God's purposes. The weight of the moment felt deeply personal, yet we were reminded that we were engaging in something much larger than ourselves. This was a prophetic act on behalf of the nation, aligning our hearts with heaven to usher in the movement of God that is on the horizon.

The climax of the rally came when Rabbi Jonathan Cahn led us in communion, using the same Hebrew words that Jesus spoke. There was something sacred and timeless about that moment – a profound connection between past and present, reminding us of the unchanging covenant we have with our Savior. Then, in a striking prophetic act, Rabbi Cahn took up a sledgehammer and shattered an altar to Ishtar. One by one, spiritual leaders came forward, each taking their turn to break the pieces further until it was reduced to rubble. As the altar crumbled, the crowd erupted in cheers and praise. It was a powerful declaration that false gods and idols no longer have dominion or place in our land.

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Raise Your Voice!

BY NICOLE BRAUCHLI

Kingdom Chronicle Staff

Upcoming Community Dates:

- ♦ 10/18/2024, 7 p.m.: Charlie Kirk at Charis Bible College.
- ◆ 10/20/2024, 3-4 p.m.: Governmental Prayer at Java Haus.
- ◆ 10/21/2024: First day county drop boxes are open.
- ◆ 10/23/2024, 6 p.m.: Woodland Park Schools Community Coalition Forum on Ballot Initiative 2A at the Ute Pass Cultural Center.
- ◆ 10/24/2024, 5-7 p.m.: Chambers Fall Business Expo and Market at the Ute Pass Cultural Center.
- ◆ 10/27/2024, 3-4 p.m.: Governmental Prayer at Java Haus.
- ♦ 10/28/2024: Last day to register to vote to receive mail-in ballot. Anyone registering after this date has to vote in person.
- ◆ 10/31/2024, 9:15 a.m.: County Commissioners' Meeting in Cripple Creek
- ◆ 11/05/2024: **ELECTION DAY!** Polls close at 7 p.m.!

Coming Up @ Your City Council Meeting:

BY NICOLE BRAUCHLI Kingdom Chronicle Staff

Please find the current agenda and supporting documents on the city's website:

https://woodlandparkco.portal.civicclerk.com/

We encourage you to attend these public meetings and voice your opinion during public comment. Also, please email your council-members to make sure your voice is heard. Even a few emails have a tremendous impact on the council-member preparing for these meetings.





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This prophetic act was not just symbolic; it carried a sense of finality and anticipation. I left the rally believing that what happened there marked the beginning of something unprecedented. We are on the verge of a move of God that will sweep not only across the United States but over the nations. As believers, we are called to prepare our hearts and look upward, knowing that signs of His return are growing ever clearer.

Luke 21:25-28 (NKJV) resonated deeply in my heart:

"And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near."

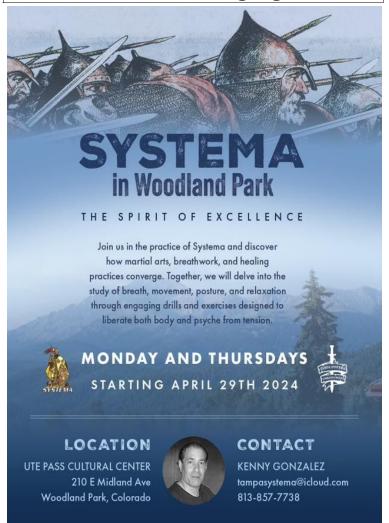
This rally was more than an event—it was a wakeup call for believers to step into the authority Christ has given us and prepare for His return. I left Washington, D.C., with renewed faith and hope, knowing that God is on the move. Look up, Church – our redemption draws near!

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Systema is not an external system of moves and cool tricks. It is a journey into the interplay between your conscious and unconscious mind and the awareness and opportunities therein. The key principle of the Systema is non-destruction.

Surrendered

BY GABRIELLA BUCCI

Kingdom Chronicle Staff

There are seasons for everything. God has things for you, blessings for you, opportunities for you in this season. There will come a point where we reap all that we've been sowing for and praying for. While it's exciting to think of the day when we reap the healing, the job opportunity, the finances or reach a goal we set for ourselves, what are you doing about it today?

Ever since I moved to Colorado, I have been learning and growing and anytime I uncover an area that needs help, I do my best to give it to God. Over this time I've learned if I don't surrender that area to the Lord, He can't grow me or bless it. Surrender is so important when it comes to reaping your harvest, or, honestly, your walk with God in general. Let me remind you of Galatians 6:9, And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

When we are not fully surrendered, it's because pride has crept in. We want to steer our own life. Even if you have the right intention for something, you'll struggle to achieve it or do it. This is why this verse convicted me so much, because I realized I had fallen into the trap this verse is warning about. It would not say "let us not" if this issue wasn't a possible outcome or possible to overcome.

"Weary" in Galatians 6:9 translates to "exhausted" or "Utterly Spiritless". So, yes, we can become exhausted from striving for that goal or standing in faith for healing. Even good things that look Godly can suck your energy out and leave you exhausted for the things God actually called you to do. When I read this, the Holy Spirit showed me that I was at a point of burnout because I cluttered my time with 'good things' that weren't actually Him.

This led me to realize that due season won't come if I'm burned out. This is why we need longevity. Those who are 'getting by' won't see their harvest. It is the one who is diligent in seeking the Lord that sees their harvest (2 john 1:8, Jeremiah 29:13, Luke 12:31). To have longevity, you and I need to be constantly growing closer and closer with the Lord. We need to be so aware of Him, His voice, His presence and His direction that what isn't of God becomes obvious. The closer we become with the Father, the more sharpened we become in the ministry calling on our lives. I encourage you to get closer to Him. He is the one that can help you remove the unnecessary things in your life so that you can rest with Him and see your due season.

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