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What a fantastic piece of equipment. The Psalmist once wrote, 'I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made' (Psalm 139:14). Mankind, although he has tried many times, with all his modern technology cannot replicate the human heart, and make it function like that which was created in him at the beginning. The heart is the most powerful muscle in the body. It is twice as strong as an athletes leg muscles or the arms of a weightlifter. But if we asked the legs or the arms to work constantly like the heart, we would be exhausted in a few minutes. The heart is affected by stress, fatty foods and lack of exercise. But these are all things we can do something about.

The Word of God also tells us of things we can do to help our heart, lead a stress-free life and nourish it correctly. 'Fret not thyself because of evil doers, neither be thou envious against workers of iniquity . . . Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass' (Psalm 37:1-7, Ezekiel 18:31-32, Ezekiel 36:26-27, Proverbs 23:7).

Our heart needs to be in line with the Lord. It needs to be fed good, lean food like the Word of God, wherein is no excess. We do of course need the Holy Spirit that we might fully understand the Word of God. 'But as it is written, eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him' (1 Cor 2:9-14). He has given us the Holy Spirit to teach His Gospel. 'And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us . . . But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us' (Romans 5:5). If a natural heart can do all these incredible things, the things which a well exercised spiritual heart can achieve must be boundless.

**Pastor Ray Welch, Exeter RF, UK.**

# He gave his only begotten son

**The following story was found and submitted by email from Andrea Gent, North London RE, UK.**

One day you're listening to the radio and you hear about a small village in India where some villagers have died suddenly, of a flu that has never been seen before. Three or four people are dead, and they're sending some doctors over to investigate it. You don't think much about it, but a few days later, you hear another radio spot about this mysterious flu. Only now its not three villagers who are dead, but 30,000 and that people are fleeing from this disease. By Monday morning, it's the lead story. And it's not just India, it's Pakistan, Afghanistan, and they say this 'mystery flu' is spreading even further.

The President of the USA says that he and everyone are praying and hoping that things will improve. But everyone's wondering how they're going to contain it. That's when the President of France makes an announcement that shocks Europe. He is closing their borders. No flights from India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, nor anywhere! Those affected by this disease will not be allowed into the country.

That night you are watching the CNN news before going to bed. Your jaw hits your chest when you hear that a man is lying in a Paris hospital dying of the mystery flu. It has come

to Europe. Panic strikes. So far, no-one has survived this disease. Britain closes its borders, but it's too late. The disease has hit Southampton and it's spreading. On Tuesday morning the President of the USA makes the announcement that all flights from Europe and Asia have been cancelled. No-one from the affected countries can enter the USA until they've found a cure.

Instantly, the nation is plunged into an unbelievable fear. People are dreading it hitting the USA. It's Wednesday night when the announcement is made. Two women in Long Island are now dying from the mystery flu. Within days it sweeps across the country. People are working around the clock trying to find an antidote. Nothing is working. And then all of a sudden the news comes out! The code has been broken. A cure has been found and a vaccine can be made. All they need is some blood from somebody who hasn't been infected, and so everyone is asked to do one simple thing – go to your hospital and have your blood type taken. It's late that night when you and your family arrive at the hospital, and there's already a line of people stretching far down the street. Nurses and doctors are pricking fingers and taking blood and putting labels on it.

Eventually they take you, your wife and kid's blood type and ask you to wait there until they call your name, then you can go home. So you sit down and wait. Suddenly a man

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'... that He by the grace of God should taste death for every man' – Hebrews 2:9



# that none should perish

comes running out of the hospital screaming. He's yelling a name and waving a clipboard. And your son tugs on your jacket and says, 'Daddy, that's me.' Before you know it, they've grabbed your boy. They think his blood is the right type. Five tense minutes later, an old doctor walks up to you and says, 'Your son's blood type is perfect. It's clean, it is pure, and we can make the vaccine.' As the word begins to spread down the line, people are screaming, laughing and crying. The doctor pulls you and your wife aside and says, 'we didn't realise that the donor would be a minor and we need you to sign a consent form.' You begin to sign and then you see that the number of pints of blood to be taken is empty. 'H-h-h-ow many pints?' you ask. And that is when the old doctor's smile fades. 'We had no idea it would be a little child. We weren't prepared. We need it all!' 'But, but, you don't understand. He's my only son!' 'We are talking about the world here. Please sign.' 'But can't you give him a transfusion?' 'If we had clean blood we would. Please, will you please sign?' In numb silence, you sign. He asks if you'd like a moment with him. Could you walk back to that room where he's saying, 'Daddy? Mummy? What's going on?' Could you take his hands and say, 'Son, your Mummy and I love you and we would never let anything happen to you that didn't just have to be.'

And when that doctor comes back in and says, 'I'm sorry, we've got to get started,

people all over the world are dying', could you leave? Could you walk out while he is saying, 'Dad? Mum? Don't leave me please'.

And next week, when they have the ceremony to honour your son, and some people sleep through it, and some people don't even bother to come because they have better things to do, and some people come with a pretentious smile and just pretend to care. Would you want to jump up and say, 'Excuse me, my son died for you! Don't you even care? Does it mean nothing to you?'

*Thankfully, to us Christ's ultimate sacrifice has, and still does, mean a great deal to each and every one of us. Seeing it from the Lord's eyes should really make us appreciate our salvation. Let us never forget that Christ did die for us and remember that 'He is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance' (2 Peter 3:9). We are charged 'that ye receive not the grace of God in vain and that now is the day of salvation' (2 Corinthians 6:1,2). Remember 'He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God' (John 3:18) and charge everyone you meet with 'Save yourselves from this untoward generation' (Acts 2:38-40).*

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'And this is the promise that He hath promised us, even eternal life' – 1 John 2:25



# If we live in the Spirit, let us also

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## **WE ARE filled with the Spirit of God**

Study John 14:15-20, Acts 2:38

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## **WE ARE children of God**

Study Romans 8:16

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## **WE ARE a new creation**

Study 2 Corinthians 5:17

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## **WE ARE heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ**

Study Romans 8:17

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## **WE ARE partakers of His divine nature**

Study 2 Peter 1:4

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## **WE ARE led by His Spirit**

Study Romans 8:14

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## **WE ARE justified**

*(Just as if I'd never sinned)*

Study Romans 5:1

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## **WE ARE heirs to the blessing of Abraham**

Study Galatians 3:13-14

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## **WE ARE healed by His stripes**

Study 1 Peter 2:24

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## **WE ARE more than conquerors**

Study Romans 8:37

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## **WE ARE sanctified**

*(Set apart)*

Study 1 Corinthians 6:11

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## **WE ARE inheritors of eternal life**

Study 1 John 5:11-12

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## **WE ARE forgiven**

Study Colossians 1:13-14

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## **WE ARE the righteousness of God in Christ**

Study 2 Corinthians 5:21

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## **WE ARE imitators of Jesus**

Study Ephesians 5:1

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## **WE ARE the light of the world**

Study Matthew 5:14

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## **WE ARE mighty in prayer**

Study James 5:16

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## **WE ARE saved by grace through faith**

Study Ephesians 2:8-9

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## **WE ARE redeemed from the curse of the law**

Study Galatians 3:13

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## **WE ARE strong in the Lord and the power of His might**

Study Ephesians 6:10

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‘But the day of the Lord will come ... Seeing then that all these things shall



# walk in the Spirit – Galatians 5:25

**WE ARE blessed with all spiritual blessing**

Study Ephesians 1:3

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**WE ARE the temple of the Holy Spirit**

Study 1 Corinthians 6:19,20

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**WE ARE being transformed by the renewing of our minds**

Study Romans 12:1-2

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**WE ARE walking by faith and not by sight**

Study 2 Corinthians 5:7

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**WE ARE labourers together with God**

Study 1 Corinthians 3:9

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**WE ARE prosperous**

Study Joshua 1:8, Psalm 1:1-3

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**WE ARE joyful and peaceful**

Study Galatians 5:22

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**WE ARE vessels of honour**

Study 2 Timothy 2:21

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**WE ARE the head and not the tail**

Study Deuteronomy 28:13

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**WE ARE safe in God's ways**

Study Psalm 91

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**WE ARE bringing every thought into captivity to Christ**

Study 2 Corinthians 10:5

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**WE ARE a chosen people who have obtained mercy**

Study 1 Peter 2:9,10

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**WE ARE establishing God's word on earth**

Study Mark 16:20, Acts 1:8

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**WE ARE exercising our authority over the enemy**

Study 1 John 4:4, 5:4-5

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**WE ARE loving the Lord and keeping His commandments**

Study John 14:15

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**WE ARE casting all our cares on Jesus**

Study 1 Peter 5:7

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**WE ARE overcoming all things**

Study Revelation 3:5

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**WE ARE getting all our needs met**

Study Philippians 4:19

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**WE ARE doing all things through Christ who strengthens us**

Study Philippians 4:13

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be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be' – 2 Peter 3:10,11

# Delight in the law of the Lord

## Just a thought . . .

It is better to have enjoyed a short life, rather than to have endured a long one.

If we shall be given a quarter of a century, let us fill it with 25 years, and every one of those years with 365 days, each day with 24 hours. And if just one or two of those hours, of all this time, are spent captivated by the magnificent beauty of this created Earth, the sun on your back, unhurried and unafraid being in the company of those dear to God, then you shall indeed have held life's jewel in the palm of your hand, and know that not only have you lived, but truly known what it is to live.

'Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. For ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that' (James 4:14-15).

How can we wisely use the day that others will spend growing older? Time is bound to march upon the unwatchful. Ever posed to conquer the unready. Therefore, let us all be 'Redeeming the time, because the days are evil' (Ephesians 5:16).

**Marc Waldron, Exeter RE, UK.**

## Beside the still waters

A farmer in Australia, who owned a farm the size of Wales, was visited by an English tourist. The tourist had a tour of the farm and was very surprised to see that there were no fences on the farm. When asked how does he know where his sheep are if he has no fences, he replied 'You don't need fences when you have wells'.

In the Lord, we are His sheep and belong to His sheepfold and just as the farmer needed no fences to keep the sheep in his farm, neither does the Lord need fences to keep us in His fold. Instead, He gives us true freedom and liberty and provides the wells of water for our refreshment and it is to those only that we are drawn.

'But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life' (Jesus speaking in John 4:14).

**A conversation heard recently on BBC Radio 2. Submitted by Yarni Finney, Exeter RE, UK.**



# An amazing testimony from Holland

**The following testimony was in an email message submitted by Harry and Pamela Van Gelderen, Holland RE.**

Last Saturday night a new sister had an amazing healing. Her name is Fenna. She's been sick since she was 3. She had this virus in her body – this happened in the second world war, so she did not even go to school – she would always be sick. She could not control her limbs, nor her tongue and it had effect on her brain as well. It's a sort of epileptic fit but she knows what's happening and does not make the strange noises and so on. So this went on the rest of her life. She would have medicine for when a fit came and it would help a bit, but not take it all away.

She came to the Lord about 3 weeks ago. Her son has been in the Lord for exactly one year when she allowed him to pray with her for the Holy Spirit. When he (Ben) came to the Lord she was without hope. She had been a really strict Dutch reformed all of her life. She could not believe that Ben was doing the right thing. But a week before she received the Holy Spirit she was really praying to the Lord. She said she really wanted to do what was right. She read the Bible and could see she was not baptised in the proper way. Ben went to visit her and talked to her again, she started crying and he said OK that's it, we are going to pray for the Holy Spirit. They prayed and she received.

The next day he went to visit her again and they talked a bit more about the basic things. He asked if she wanted to get baptised and she said yes. Wednesday she got baptised and since then she started to feel better.

Last Saturday she had a fit again and she had no more pills – it was just after the meeting finished. Ben told her, Mum we really have to pray 'cause God is the only one who can help you!' So Pastor Pieter and Netty prayed as well and she was better straight away. She said 'in all those years that I've been sick (61 years in total) it has never disappeared like this before!' She was so happy! She now has more trust in the Lord and of course she is looking forward to be healed of all the things she has – because this sickness had produced lots of side effects like heart trouble, bad memory, bad speech and so on.

I talked to her yesterday and she is rejoicing, she said 'I'm so happy I finally have the truth. Before, I could not believe I would ever have done this, but now I can not imagine any other life.'

Isn't it great how God can change people through the Holy Spirit and that people can be really happy. It's so uplifting. He surpasses our wildest imaginations! We have a miracle working God.

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'The cure of a part should not be attempted without the treatment of the whole' – Plato



# Forsake not the Fellowship

## MAY

**Wed 02 – HUNGARY CAMP**  
Fri 04 – Prayer Eve  
**Sat 05 – OUTREACH (P)**  
Fri 11 – Prayer Eve  
**Sat 12 – PRAYER & FAST**  
**Sat 19 – WOODLANDS**  
Sun 20 – BASICS : Communion  
Fri 25 – Prayer Eve  
**Sat 26 – OUTREACH/DINNER EVE**  
Sun 27 – SLIDES : Daniel's Vision

## JUNE

Fri 01 – Prayer Eve  
**Sat 02 – OUTREACH (E)**  
**Sat 09 – FREE**  
**Sat 16 – TRAGO MILLS**  
Sun 17 – SLIDES : Aswan High Dam  
**Sat 23 – FREE**  
Sun 24 – BASICS : Spiritual Gifts  
**Sat 30 – OUTREACH/SLIDE EVE**  
Sun 01 – 'Ask the Pastor' Evening

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