

There are 2 ways in life! There the way of God, and there is the way of anti god!

The only way to navigate the obstacle of the god of this world is to let God of all light your path.

Psa 119:105 Your word *is* a lamp to my feet And a light to my path.

We are all going to have trials in this life!

Ecc 9:11I returned and saw under the sun that—The race *is* not to the swift, Nor the battle to the strong, Nor bread to the wise, Nor riches to men of understanding, Nor favor to men of skill; *But time and chance happen to them all.*

One of us can drive out of this gate and have an accident, or the person that lives in the house down the street can pull out and have the same type of accident.

BUT, the difference is what are you going to learn from that accident, God wants you to develop character. Life is not easy.

Matt 7:13 Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and rddifficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.

Again with Gods Help and lighting your path you can navigate this world.

I have 2 stories one God center, and one anti god centered

Tell story of April death

“My life was a series of ups and downs. My earliest memories are over shadowed by the terrible memory of when I was molested by someone that I trusted! I never really recovered. I grew up very pour. There was food but not much of at it times. That was followed in my Jr.High school years when I was teased and treated horrible because of the size of my breast. Boys thought it was ok to talk to me anyway they wanted because of the way I looked. This seem to never stop, I even had to quit job a once because a man made disgusting remarks to me and the boss thought it was funny.

There was no reason to stay home when high school was over, Mom and Dad could hardly take care of them selves much less me and my brothers. So the day after I graduated I moved to city and it only got worst from there. It seemed like my past followed me everywhere I went I could never shake the feeling of the abuse. I would go to one party after another, drugs and alcohol to point that I became homeless for a time. Mom and Dad were religious and they would tell me that God could help but I just could never see it the way they said it was.

I met a guy that was funny, and seemed to care for me and I quickly got pregnant, and married him, we had 2 children but he abused me and even shot at me once with a gun. He eventually left me with no money and a young child to raise, and the only happiness seen to come from alcohol or pills.

My life seems hopeless and I live life that way, I thought that's what every one thought of me so why not live up to it.

I guess it finally caught up with me the day I was detained. I knew that this was it, but they let me go and I had no clue as to why until I walk out of the facility I could not believe my eyes! I was overwhelmed when my brother standing there. I just knew that no one would have cared enough for me to come and get me out of this mess that I was in. I started not to go to him at all because surly he was so mad at me that he will not even let me explain why I was in there. Surely he will say this is the last time he will help me! He has told me that he would never let me down, but now that he knows who I really am he will for sure be done with me! I just cannot be the person he thinks I can be. He keeps telling me that I have great potential but I just cannot see my self that way. I feel defeated! I am defeated!

Here I go, he's going to be so upset with me. To my surprise he said nothing just grabbed me and hugged me and cried with me. But he does not know the real me. When he finds out all the things I did over the years, all the drugs, all the alcohol that I drink he will know what a terrible person I am! He said nothing to me all the way home, he stopped and got me something to eat and listen to everything I said, I don't know why I told him all these things I've been keeping this in for so long. I can see he is crying but don't know if he is mad or up set. We got home and he just asked if i need anything, he has said nothing about what I have told him. He finally told me that God will help if I ask. He stayed with me until I went to sleep and then he was gone.

I tried for a short time to stop drinking and doing the drugs, but the past just kept coming back and it was more than I can bear. Know one can help me.

Dear Brother,

I'm so thankful you are my brother, You helped me so much and in so many ways. You always said everything was going to work out, but I don't see it. I let the bad things in my life suck the life out of me. I did stop drinking, but the drugs I just could not. I don't see me like you see me in the future. I'm very scared right now as I write this and I know I'm going back and forth. I just cannot cope with life. I feel hopeless I know THE DRUGS ARE TALKING, but I cannot handle it. I hate these drugs! I'm very Ashamed. I'm sorry. I know you asked me if I was thinking about doing this but I lied, I'm sorry. I love you, and I'm sorry I can't be better for you, mom, my daughters and my friends. You just saw in me what I couldn't"

She took her own life on 7-20-07

Lets take a look at another story with a Godly center mind set.

Tell some of the story of about Joseph

Gen 37:2-5.

He was a dreamer

Gen 37:5-8 They hated him for that! Have you felt like this?

His brothers are working in the fields and his Father sent him to check on them.

Gen 37:17-25, 27-28

The brother went home and told their Father that he was killed by an animal.

But notice something very Important. He was made chief over Potiphar house.

Gen 39:1-2, 4 God is always with you. HE WILL LIGHT THE PATH FOR YOU. Even if all seems lost.

Again he suffers another set back.

Gen 39:7-9

Gen 39:12-14

He is put in prison for something he did not do.

Gen 39:20

But again we see that God is with Joseph through it all.

Gen 39:21-23

He interprets a dream for 2 men put in prison which got him introduced to Pharaohs 2 years later, he then interprets a dream for Pharaoh.

The dream reveals that there is going to be 7yrs of plenty, and 7yrs of famine coming.

Gen 41:38-41

This all took 13 years, plus 7 years of plenty, and 2 years of famine.

Notice who he runs into

Gen 42:6 Remember when Joseph had his dream when his brothers stocks of grain bowed to his stocks?

Notice how he handles that happened to him, and how he treats his brothers

Gen 45:4-8

You see the difference between the 2 stories. One is Anti God, and one is the way of God relying on Him to direct their path

April was my sister, She took her own life on 7-29-2007 and buried her next to my Grandmother and my Great Grandma. **She had no hope!!!**

But Joseph did!!!

One let the god of this world and their circumstances define who they were, the other let God the Ever Living One define who they were.

We can not let our circumstance define who we are!!!

You are here because Joseph obeyed God. This nation is here because he obeyed God

How about you?? Can you let God light your path? **I think you can!!** All of us are here for you, we are helping God by revealing the light of God in us so that you can see the path clearer.

DON'T LET ANYONE TELL YOU SOMETHING DIFFERENT

God has plans for you, just like he did with Joseph. He has plans for April as well but at a later date.

Joshua 1:9 "Have not I commanded you? Be strong, vigorous, and very courageous. Be not afraid, neither be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Take him up on that!!

Look at the picture. I want you look at what's behind him. There is nothing behind him anymore that matters only that you move forward and don't let the past get in the way, if you are truly trying **the path will be come clearer!** We are the church of the forgiven and the church of forgivers.

Deuteronomy 31:6, 8: V6 "Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord Your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you." V8 "And the Lord, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave your nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed."

Have a whole boy's dorm try to stop a small person from getting through them crowding around them.

Have a large person stand in for GOD, have him push through the boy's and tell them to sit down

This is a demonstration of God and what He can do for you.

HE WALKS BEFORE YOU.

Your Father has very big plans for you and he will light the path for you! Will you let Him?