The Wall Project The World Says Ignore The Man in Distress If He was More Like Us He Would Not Be in The Condition He is In.



Never believe that a few caring people can't change the world. For, indeed that's all who ever have."

Margaret Mead

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prisoner. You will be the better for it. Do not let your anger or distain toward offenders prevent you from helping. "We are tasked by God to provide the word to other men because for without a teacher how are they to learn or believe Roman 10:14-15

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Discussing reading is not easy because feelings get hurt. People are embarrassed because they cannot read. Reading is defined as the accumulation of knowledge. Reading is one of the processes by which human beings gather information for conducting their lives which includes working, and recreating. When this process is inhibited for whatever reason the person cannot conduct his or her life successfully. The person meets with bad results. When a person cannot read or does not read well he or she will live the life of a beggar, a cheat, a liar, or will end up in prison or the grave. They will never receive what God had in store for them. Reading is the most important human activity any man can participate in. When you ignore reading you will have essentially cut yourself off from other people around you.

Our prisons are filled with people who do not know how to read. Our grave yards are filled with people who did not know how to read. You are not successful today because you cannot read or refuse to read. You continue to think you can conduct your life on the information you learned in high school. Your life is in ruin because you cannot read or do not read. Many of your children are in prison today because you did not read to them or teach them the importance of reading. Many of your children are dead because you did not read to them or teach them the importance of reading.

Reading teaches you discipline. Reading will tell you about another man's courage. Reading will tell you how to correct some of the mistakes in your life. Reading will help you solve life's problems. Reading will teach you how to find a job. Reading can help you learn a new profession or trade. Reading will help you improve your health. When you do not read

you depend on hitting the number to get you ahead of the game. When <u>you do not read</u> you go to the casino and wager your life's savings trying to win big at the casino. When <u>you do not read</u> you depend on prostituting yourself to get money. You try to attract men to your breast or bottom trying to get money to live. When <u>you do not read</u> you go around the community looking for free food, free clothes, anything free that will help you. When <u>you do not read</u> you bring men into your home that do not belong there telling your children to call them daddy.

When you <u>do not read</u> or <u>cannot read</u> you are walking around with no understanding of life. Let me say this again. When <u>you do not read</u> or you <u>cannot read you</u> are walking around without an understanding of life and you will meet with poor results.

You will not pay your bill correctly; you will not buy the right car. You will not know how to purchase a home. You will not know how to complete your income tax. You will waste your money in bars. You will purchase cheap items to booster your self-esteem. You will live in a poor neighborhood. You will not have a savings account. You will pay more money for goods and services. You will be at the mercy of your fellow man. Your children may or may not go to college. Many of your girls will become pregnant and never graduate from school. You will suffer with many illness brought on because of poor diet and poor eating habits and tradition. You will become more and more adamant and shun change all because you do not have the knowledge you need from reading.

Hear me well you are failing in life because you cannot read or you refuse to read or you refuse to learn to read competently. When you shun knowledge you remain in darkness. You will never reach the light and you may never see God. Your salvation depends on your knowledge and ability to read.

A person goes to a textbook to learn how to build a house, how repair a car, or how learn how to purchase a computer or buy tires. If the person cannot read or cannot read competently he or she cannot successfully reach their goal. They will not learn how to purchase a computer or purchase the correct tires. They can ask other people how to do these things but they are at the mercy of their friends to tell them the truth. We read the Bible to find out what God has to say and to learn how we are supposed to conduct our lives. If we cannot read or if we cannot read competently we cannot get the information we need from the Bible to manage our lives properly.

A textbook or Bible will not do you any good if you cannot read or if you cannot read competently. If you cannot read or you cannot read competently the Bible is of no value to you. Listening is not enough. Going to Bible study and going to church on Sunday listening to a sermon is not enough for you to get the type of information you need to accomplish the task of learning what God wants you to do. If you take notes during Bible study and you take notes during the Sunday sermon you will be further ahead but you are still dependent on the person who is interpreting the Bible for you. You are dependent on the integrity of the pastor to give you the right information. To solve this problem so that you will not be misled you must learn to read and you must learn to read competently. Relying upon someone else to

give you the correct information to conduct your life is extremely dangerous you will meet with disastrous results if you continue to do this.

For Example: You rely upon your girlfriend for information. She suggests you to go the bar to meet a man. Later you learn you have HIV/AIDS. All because you let your girlfriend tells you how to solve one of life's problems. **Loneliness!** This is why you must pray and ask the Lord's guidance when you select a friend. You want to surround yourself with right minded people. You should also pray when you select a church leader. If you cannot read or you cannot read well you are placing your life in the hands of the person that is guiding your church. Your eternal salvation depends on the honesty of your pastor.

Another example: The word with the most drama in the Bible is the word sin. Sin is what the church is all about. Sin is what man is not supposed to do. Well the problem with this word is it is not clearly defined in our minds. Sin to us is murder, adultery and fornication. Sin also has a different definition. Sin is any behavior that blocks the blessings of God. This is the most important definition of sin. It is any behavior that blocks the blessings of God. Why, because we all want to be blessed by God. We all want God to like us. We want God to be satisfied with our performance on earth. We want God's blessings so we can live a healthy wealthy and prosperous life on earth. No one wants to be poor sick and unhappy while living on earth. As Christians we know our circumstances can change if we receive the blessing of God therefore we strive to get God to like us. If you do not realize after reading your Bible that there are specific sins that block the blessing of God, you have not read your Bible competently. Now if you accept the doctrine of Jesus Christ and the edicts of God then we know our lives can be filled with blessings.

How many of you have read the Bible through at least once. How much of it did you remember? You recalled most of what you read if you took notes and only if you reviewed this notes regularly. When you read the Bible did you make any associations of what was said in the Bible to the way you are conducting your life. God said for you to teach your children of Him. Did you do this? Or is your son in prison because you were too busy working overtime to pay proper attention to what he was doing with his free time. How much overtime did you work to purchase your motor cycle or to pay for your girlfriend's new car working against the security of your children? How often did you stick your son in front of the television instead of giving him a book to read? How many times did you use the television as your babysitter so you could get your groove on? How often did you read to your son? How many books have your son see you read? How many books are in your home? Did you repeatedly tell your son through example and through words that learning to read was his way out of poverty that using a gun was not his way out of poverty. Purchase a set of books for a prisoner. The books offer alternative solutions for managing many of the life difficulties that prevent men from fulfilling their full potential. The men in prison are the fathers, sons, and brothers needed in our homes. We hope to restore men, restore families, and heal the wounds caused by violence. Please make money orders/checks payable to "The Women and Children Restoration Ministries P.O. Box 7267, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107. © email us for more information yithril11@netzero.net - www.touchedbythelight.us Your mind must be in the habit of taking in information. Your mind must be flexible. You must be in the habit of taking in information, processing and evaluating this information.