

GOD TAKES CARE

In 1929, his business was highly unstable. He began to worry and had sleepless nights. He would not close his store if anyone were walking the street. He worried so much that he was admitted to the hospital where he was given medicine to tranquilize him, but it was no help. He still worried about his business.

One night he felt that he would die before morning, and he started writing farewells to his wife, son, and friends. The next morning, lying on his bed, he heard singing from the hospital chapel next door: "No matter what may be the test, God will take care of you.."

Suddenly he sat up, thinking: "It is real! God loves and cares for me." He entered the chapel. There salvation took place in his soul. He felt as if he were a little bird suddenly freed to fly out of the dungeon into the sunlight, from hell to paradise. His name.. J.C. Penney.

Throughout history salvation has brought peace to all that call on the name of the Lord. How precious are the words of Romans 10:9-13:

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. 11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. 12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek; for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. 13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

It is a wonderful thing to be in the present tense and able to look at these verses in the past tense. Just like my former employer, James Cash Penney we made the decision to accept Christ as I Savior and to follow Him and serve him the rest of our lives. It is most wonderful to know that these verses remain in the present tense and the future tense for anyone who wishes to fly from their dungeon to freedom and liberty in Christ.

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