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“And we bring you good tidings of the promise made unto the fathers...” (Acts 13:32)

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God Cares

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When nothing seems to be going your way, and no one seems to be sympathetic to your plight, you may be tempted to say, “No one cares”. This is not true, for there is probably someone that truly cares for what happens to you. Your circumstance may be so dark that you cannot see those who care. But if you are correct, and no one around you is concerned with what is happening to you, you need to look up and take notice. God cares!

He has shown you that He cares by giving His Son to die for your sins, so you can live. Remember what John 3:16 actually says? “*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have eternal life.*” His love was manifested when you were living a life that showed you really did not care for God. “*But God commendeth His own love toward us in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us*” (Romans 5:8). And, if God spared not own His Son, “*how shall He not also with Him freely give us all things*” (Romans 8:32)? God’s care has

come in the form of sacrificial love for you.

God cares because He has provided the saving Gospel. It is the expression of His “*grace*” and “*power*” (Titus 2:11-12, Romans 1:16-17). One may care, but have not the power to be effectually helpful. Another may have the power to help us, and withhold the effectual means because he or she does not care. God’s saving message says He has the power to deliver! God’s grace filled Gospel says He cares!

God cares because He “wills” that you be saved. God “*would have all men be saved, and come to the knowledge of the truth*” (1 Timothy 2:4). He does not want any to be lost. The Lord is “*not wishing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance*” (2 Peter 3:9). The moment you think no one is on your side, or in your corner, think again. God is right there “willing” your eternal success!

God asks for your “cares” in life. In your self-pity you may be too proud to let Him bear them for you. So he says, “*Humble*

yourself therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time; casting all your anxiety upon Him, because He careth for you” (1 Peter 5:6-7). Yes, the mighty God who rules the world cares for you. He does not say you are to cast your anxiety upon Him because He is strong enough to handle anything. Neither are you to cast just some of your anxiety upon Him. You are to cast “all” your anxiety upon Him because he “cares” for you!

God cares enough to not only provide the water of life, but invites all to come to partake. “*And the Spirit and bride say, Come. And he that heareth, let him say Come. And he that is athirst, let him come: he that will, let him come and take the water of life freely*” (Revelation 22:17). Jesus invites all troubled souls saying, “*Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest*” (Matthew 11:28).

So the next time you think no one cares, think again. God does! Do you care enough for Him to obey Him?