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My Child...

You may not know me, but I know everything about you. Psalm 139:1 I know when you sit down and when you rise up. Psalm 139:2 I am familiar with all your ways. Psalm 139:3 Even the very hairs on your head are numbered. Matthew 10:29-31 For you were made in my image. Genesis 1:27 In me you live and move and have your being. Acts 17:28 For you are my offspring. Acts 17:28 I knew you even before you were conceived. Jeremiah 1:4-5 I chose you when I planned creation. Ephesians 1:11-12 You were not a mistake, for all your days are written in my book. Psalm 139:15-16 I determined the exact time of your birth and where you would live. Acts 17:26 You are fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14 I knit you together in your mother's womb. Psalm 139:13 And brought you forth on the day you were born. Psalm 71:6 I have been misrepresented by those who don't know me. John 8:41-44 I am not distant and angry but am the complete expression of love. 1 John 4:16 And it is my desire to lavish my love on you. 1 John 3:1 Simply because you are my child and I am your Father. 1 John 3:1 I offer you more than your earthly father ever could. Matthew 7:11 For I am the perfect Father. Matthew 5:48 Every good gift that you receive comes from my hand. James 1:17 For I am your provider and I meet all your needs. Matthew 6:31-33 My plan for your future has always been filled with hope. Jeremiah 29:11 Because I love you with an everlasting love. Jeremiah 31:3 My thoughts toward you are countless as the sand on the seashore. Psalms 139:17-18 And I rejoice over you with singing. Zephaniah 3:17 I will never stop doing good to you. Jeremiah 32:40 For you are my treasured possession. Exodus 19:5 I desire to establish you with all my heart and all my soul. Jeremiah 32:41 And I want to show you great and marvelous things. Jeremiah 33:3 If you seek me with all your heart, you will find me. Deuteronomy 4:29 Delight in me and I will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4 For it is I who gave you those desires. Philippians 2:13 I am able to do more for you than you could possibly imagine. Ephesians 3:20 For I am your greatest encourager. 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 I am also the Father who comforts you in all your troubles. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 When you are brokenhearted, I am close to you. Psalm 34:18 As a shepherd carries a lamb, I have carried you close to my heart. Isaiah 40:11 One day I will wipe away every tear from your eyes. Revelation 21:3-4 And I'll take away all the pain you have suffered on this earth. Revelation 21:3-4 I am your Father, and I love you even as I love my son, Jesus. John 17:23 For in Jesus, my love for you is revealed. John 17:26 He is the exact representation of my being. Hebrews 1:3 He came to demonstrate that I am for you, not against you. Romans 8:31 And to tell you that I am not counting your sins. 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 Jesus died so that you and I could be reconciled. 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 His death was the ultimate expression of my love for you. 1 John 4:10 I gave up everything I loved that I might gain your love. Romans 8:31-32 If you receive the gift of my son, Jesus, you receive me. 1 John 2:23 And nothing will ever separate you from my love again. Romans 8:38-39 Come home and I'll throw the biggest party heaven has ever seen. Luke 15:7 I have always been Father and will always be Father. Ephesians 3:14-15 My question is...will you be my child? John 1:12-13 I am waiting for you. Luke 15:11-32 Love,

Your Dad- Almighty God



Barry Adams combined carefully chosen verses to write a heart-warming "letter" from God the Father to the reader.





My name is **Mike Shepherd**, I am 60 years old from St. Louis, MO. In grade school I absolutely knew what I wanted to do with my life and that was to play soccer. I loved it and was good at it. When I got into high school, I got hurt playing football and my soccer dream was gone. This threw me for a loop, and I had trouble dealing with it emotionally. I was resentful toward the other players, not a member of the party crowd, shy with the girls and I felt like I did not fit in anywhere. I later met a girl at my high school job, and this really lifted me up. She was beautiful and came from a humble family disposition. It was at this time that I also discovered what alcohol could do for me. It provided relief from my natural anxieties and social inadequacies. I drank to get drunk from the very beginning and this is how I drank from then on. I married that girl, started a family and was on my way with a successful career and family life. But alcohol became the most important thing to me,

my idol. I eventually surrendered everything I had to king alcohol. I lived rightly at times and wrongly at times for the next 20 years. After exhausting every way I could think of to fix my situation I finally gave my life to the Lord. I found a church, got baptized, studied the Word of God, and got active with my church family. After a while I thought I could still drink a little for relief and stay in a right relationship with God. This is not true and a lie from the enemy. Looking back, I was like the thorns in the parable of the sower. This is the one who heard the Word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the Word and it proves unfruitful. I had a few things that I still wanted to hold on to. Then my pastor referred me to the Freedom House. I left the world for an extended length of time (8-10 months) with the hope of getting right with the Lord. I experienced conviction and healing through the praise and worship services. A burden had to be taken away from me. I learned to praise the Lord in all circumstances and use praise and worship as a means of fighting my personal battles. 2 Chronicles states that Jehoshaphat appointed those who were to sing to the Lord and praise Him as they went before the army, and when they began to sing and praise the Lord set an ambush against the enemy of Judah and they were routed. Lastly, Matthew 7:1 says, "Judge not that you ne not judged." The Holy Spirit has shown me that I can be judgmental and critical of others at times and this is not pretty, through His Word, the Lord shows me what He required and desires according to His will not mine. I am grateful for this. I have been freed up some and would like for the Holy Spirit to keep cleaning me up. The Lord has given me a measure of peace and I hope to actually bear some good fruit now.

JUNE NEEDS

Shaving Cream, Body Wash, Razors, Q-Tips, HP 63 Ink, Large and Small Envelopes, White Out

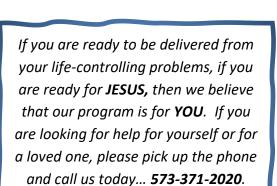
Dish Soap, Laundry Detergent,
5w #30 Motor Oil, Dex-Cool Antifreeze, Wheelbarrow,
Wheelbarrow Tires, Fertilizer, Potting Soil,
Yard Sale Tables

SET OF TIRES – 225/60R17

Lunch Meats, Shortening, Tea, Foil Wrap, Plastic Wrap, Butter, Chips, Working Blenders, Coffee Maker

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We will be happy to help or direct you to one of our other
20 Mission Teen centers.



Our van that we use to pick up donations has taken it's last run. We used this van faithfully to pick up food and yard sale items needed to support this ministry. We are really needing a replacement. It needs to be reliable and able to haul large loads. If you can meet this need, please call Gary at 573-717-6988. Thanks!!!!





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