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"Help for the desperate, those willing to seek Jesus Christ for the answers in their lives"

"Here's the one thing I crave from God, the one thing I seek above all else: I want the privilege of living with him every moment in his house, finding the sweet loveliness of his face, filled with awe, delighting in his glory and grace. I want to live my life so close to him that he takes pleasure in my every prayer." Psalms 27:4 -The Passion Translation

God is our shelter. No matter what is going on in the world or in our lives, we are safe and secure when we dwell in Him. When we seek His face above all else, we will be in a position to hear His voice as He speaks to our hearts. As you seek Him and hear His prompts you will understand His guidance. If you are about to make any decisions, big or small, you should always seek God first. If you are losing your peace about a situation, that is a strong indicator that you may be about to make the wrong decision. Beware of false peace that does not come from God. It comes from the evil one in disguise. This can only be discerned if you are seeking His face and His will. I see so many people leave the program before they are finished and they always say the same thing..." I have a peace about this." True peace comes from being in the will of God. He didn't make everything easy for David and He won't make everything easy for us but he will give us peace that He is with us. Seek Him and His will above all else.



If you are ready to be delivered from your life-controlling problems, if you are ready for JESUS, then we believe that our program is for YOU. If you are looking for help for yourself or for a loved one, please pick up the phone and call us today... 573-371-2020. We will be happy to help or direct you to one of our other 20 Mission Teen centers.



My name is **Jerrod Hollis**. I'm 37 years old from Jonesboro, Arkansas. I grew up with a fear of failure. I always felt the need to be "perfect" and have carried that my whole life. I thank God that now I understand that we all fall short, and Jesus loves us anyway. When I was 14 years old, I started using pain pills to help these feelings of failing. The pills made me not feel any emotion and I just became numb to the whole world. They helped me not feel or care about anything. By the time I was 19 years old, I was completely addicted and on a very bad path. My grandmother, who I had lived with for a few years, died unexpectedly and I was finally able to feel something. My feeling was anger. I was very angry at God for taking her from me. 4 months later I sold some pills to my best friend that killed him. This sent me in a real downward spiral. I went back to the family farm and worked. I worked all the time. Working helped me isolate myself from everyone and everything. If I was working, I didn't have to face the guilt and shame I carried with me. The farm became my god. By the time I was 24, I was able to farm on my own. In March of 2009 I completely stopped using illegal drugs and was overtook by a new addiction to alcohol and Suboxone. It finally got bad enough that I knew I needed help. I came to Freedom House and left before I was supposed to. My second son was being born and I went to be a dad, but I knew deep down inside I wasn't ready and there were still things I needed healing from. Leaving was a mistake and I knew it. A year and a half later I found myself wanting to die. I was in the woods with the barrel of a gun to my mouth and my family showed up. They were there just in time. By God's grace, I agreed to go back to Freedom House and finish what I should have before. This time I am getting real with Jesus. I am learning how to feel again and love myself and others. I need to understand love to be a good father. God is changing me and renewing me by His Spirit. Ecclesiastes 1:9 ***"That which has been what will be, that which is done is what will be done, and there is nothing new under the sun."*** My past is my past and I cannot change it. No looking back. Jesus has forgiven me and released me from my guilt and shame, resentment and unforgiveness. He is renewing me and bringing me back to who He made me to be. A 23-year addiction has been broken in the name of Jesus. I thank God that it's all Him and not me.

God Bless All the Mothers!

"Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates."

Proverbs 31:31



MAY NEEDS

Produce, Bread, Boston Butts, Hot Dogs, Hot Dog Buns, BBQ Sauce

Copy Paper, HP 962 Ink

Tires - Contact Brad for sizes

Dirt for Garden, Motor Oil, Gas Weed eaters, Garden Tiller, Lawn Mowers

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MEMORIAL WEEKEND FUNDRAISER!

If you live in the South East Missouri area, you are probably aware that every year, Highway 25 (the hwy in front of the Freedom House) is host to a 100 mile yard sale! This will be taking place May 23 – 28. We know that this is a great opportunity for Freedom House to minister GOD'S LOVE and raise money for His ministry.

We are currently collecting items for the yard sale. If you have items to donate, please drop them off or give us a call and we will arrange for a pick up. Please contact Brad @ 573-888-7545

What may be "junk" to you, may just be the "treasure" someone else is looking for.



Stop by and see if you can find a treasure! Or enjoy a delicious fresh fruit slushie or nachos