

From Chris' Heart

The other day I went to the Edmond Post Office to check our mail, and to my surprise I found a chunky Ariel envelope from our grandson who lives in Winfield, Kansas. Beau is nine, however, today, the day I am writing this, is his birthday. Wow, ten years old! , Anyway, as I opened the envelope I noticed there was some loose change and three one dollar bills loosely folded or rolled up inside. The note was written on white typing paper very neatly folded at both ends and read, "I am tything \$3.30 of my

money toward Ariel ministrees. Love, Beau Harris". Well, I do have to say I was touched beyond words.

Nick and I drove to Winfield that next Saturday for one of Beau's football games and how fun that was. We told Beau how much Ariel Ministries appreciated his gift and how very proud of him we were. He shared with us that they had had a garage sale and his Mom had let his sister and he sell some of their old toys. Beau had made \$33.00. Before we left him that Saturday, I asked him if it was ok to share with you his

precious actions. He agreed!

Many things in life bring us happiness, but the things that bring special joy is when you see your children and grandchildren living a life or learning a principle that the Lord promises will bring true success and joy.



"Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord."
Psalm 127:3



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World War III- When, Where, Why?

By Nick Harris

Do you find yourself wondering where the world is going--what the future holds? Well, the Bible provides the answers.

Several future events are coming that will change this world as we know it. The most important of these events is the rapture of the church, the calling away of the body of Christ. But I believe that before the rapture occurs, two great wars will be fought.

One of those wars will be a fourth Arab/Israeli War between Israel and three Arab nations, Syria, Egypt, and Jordan. This war could erupt at any moment. That war will be followed by what can only be described as World War III.

This coming world war is described in all of its horrible details in Ezekiel 38-39. The prophet tells us who the combatants will be. A revived nation of Russia, called Magog will attack the state of Israel backed by a Muslim alliance led by the nation of Iran (Persia).

You can read this entire study at our web site, www.arielministries.org, or order the CD package on the website for \$15. One excerpt from this study reads as follows:

"The reappearance of the nation of Israel immediately drew a vicious response from Satan. The birth of this new nation inflamed him. He was fully aware that the existence of the nation of Israel on the world scene was the first link in a chain of events that would eventually lead to his being bound and cast into hell for a thousand years. Satan knew that he had to act quickly to eliminate this threat, so when the nation of Israel was only a few hours old, Satan sent five heavily armed Muslim nations to do his bidding.

Within 24 hours, the armies of these nations had attacked the one-day old state, and the attack was vicious. Only the intervention of Almighty God saved this fledgling state from annihilation in that fateful summer of 1948. Even though the struggle was brutal, in the end, the Arab alliance was crashed and Israel survived."

Do not miss this study.

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Revival In Morrison, Oklahoma

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Our mission statement:

"Transforming lives through the good news of relational grace."

Abram Gets a New Name

By Nick Harris

In Genesis 17:3b, the text declares, "... and God talked with him (Abram ben Terah) saying..." This verse proves that God and Abram talked together. God and Abram were friends and talking together is something good friends often do.

Notice, the text also declares, "...And God talked *with* him," not *to* him. Talking with someone is a dialogue--communication occurs. Talking to someone is a monologue---communication does not occur.

God and Abram were friends; they communicated. That communication was not blocked by any human pride or self-sufficiency on the part of Abram. It had all been removed, so God and Abram entered into real communication.

The fact that no pride and self-sufficiency was left in Abram is related to the fact that Abram was now 99 years of age. At this point, the most important thing in Abram's life was the appearance of the son God had promised to him. At one time Abram had tried to help God with this promise, but the patriarch now realized that he was no longer in the place where he could help God.

Abram recognized that if God's promise to give him a son was ever to be fulfilled, it would have to be entirely God's doing, for he could no longer contribute anything but an impotent body to the effort.

God has always been able to work with that attitude. Abram was now humbled and that humility now brought him to the place where God could do a divine work in him.

So, as they talked, God said to his friend:

"As for me, behold my covenant is with thee, and

thou shalt be the father of many nations. Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee." (Genesis 17:4-5).

Some of the great spiritual truths of the Bible have emerged from this one fantastic conversation. In the midst of this dialogue with Abram, God suddenly changed Abram's name. God informed his friend that he would no longer be called, Abram, "exalted father," he would now be called Abraham, "the father of many nations."

The bestowal of a new name constituted an essential ingredient in the great covenant God had made with his friend in Genesis 15. In addition, it would teach generations yet to come a fundamental element in the exercise of powerful, mountain-moving faith. It revealed for all eternity the absolute necessity of oral communication in the developing of this mountain-moving faith.

Mighty deeds only occur when one discovers the place of oral communication in divine activity. Jesus Christ taught His disciples that the mountains of life can only be moved by speaking to them. Jesus also taught His disciples that the person who has faith in God will speak aloud to the obstacles of life.

Jesus made it clear that once a promise of God has been found covering a particular situation, and once the resolution is spoken aloud, and once all doubt is put away, then the mountain will be removed. As Jesus says, "*He shall have whatsoever he saith.*"

Look at Abraham. Once God gave the patriarch his new name, Abraham, or "the father of many nations," the circumstances of his life began to radically change. Every time Abraham spoke his own name, he was expressing his faith in God's promise.

Of course, looking at his situation in the natural, Abraham could not see "many nations" springing from his loins, but every time he spoke his name, he was expressing his faith in the reliability of God's promise, and by so doing, he was calling that promise into existence.

When the apostle Paul described Abraham to the Romans, he spoke of the patriarch as one who, "...called those things which are not as though they were." This means that every time Abraham spoke his name, he spoke of something which had not yet appeared in the natural as though it were already present--that something was his promised fatherhood.

Every time he introduced himself, he called into existence, the promise of God by the words from his mouth.

When Paul described the faith of Abraham in Romans 4:1-25, he clarified many questions concerning the patriarch. For one thing, the apostle states:

"He (Abraham) staggered, not at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strong in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully persuaded that what He had promised, He was able to perform." (Romans 4:20-21.).

At one level, this verse is very difficult to understand. Again and again, Genesis shows Abraham stumbling over the promises of God, as he wavered around in doubt. As a rabbi of the first order, the Apostle Paul had obviously read the Genesis account thoroughly, so how could he possibly have made such a statement?

The answer to this question can only be found in the changing of the patriarch's name. Once Abram had become Abraham, the Genesis text offers no indication that Abraham's faith ever vacillated again. The man

Abram had groped about at times in doubt and unbelief, but the man Abraham did not. The more Abraham spoke his name, the more established, he became in his faith. He became "fully persuaded."

So what God would say in Genesis 17:7-8 would now be fully believable to Abraham. God declared:

"I will establish my covenant between me and thee, and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, and I will give unto thee and thy seed after thee the land wherein thou art a sojourner, all the land of Canaan for an everlasting possession, and I will be their God."

This is the third repetition of the promise that the land of Canaan would belong to Abraham's seed forever, and this would be the last confirmation. Never forget that the land that was once known as Canaan now belongs to the children of Abraham, for ever. It is a covenant promise from the mouth of God, and God keeps His promises.

Ariel Chapel Grows and Prospers

By Nick Harris

Ariel Chapel, meeting at the Robinson Crossing Theatre, is doing wonderfully well. God is blessing our worship experiences and has placed a fresh anointing on our pastor.

Pastor is completing his series of sermons on the exodus of Israel from Egypt and the way in which God used Moses to liberate His people. The experiences of Moses teach profound lessons in the area of leadership. It is amazing that God could use a man with as many flaws as Moses displayed.

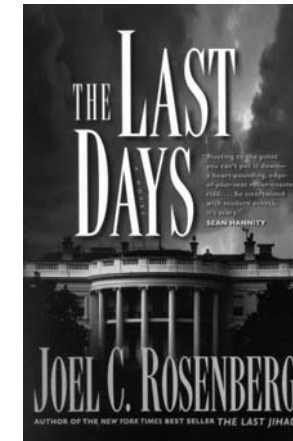
The fact is, God does not need perfect

people. He needs willing people, and Moses eventually proved to be willing.

Pastor has not yet announced his next series of sermons, but one thing is certain: his sermons will challenge us.

Book Review The Last Days

By Joel C. Rosenberg



In the last edition of the Roar, I reviewed Joel C. Rosenberg's novel, The Last Jihad. This book was a first in a series of four books, each of which is mesmerizing.

The second book in the series is entitled, The Last Days, and like The Last Jihad, it also made the New York Times best-seller list. Sean Hannity has written, "This is a heart-pounding, edge of your seat, roller coaster ride, so intertwined with modern events that it's scary." And Sean is right.

In this book, the eyes of the world turn once again to the Middle East. The special envoy of the President of the United States, and the Secretary of State travel to Gaza city to conclude a peace treaty between the Palestinians and the Israelis, but a suicide bomber interrupts everything.

In the end, the Secretary of State is dead, Yasser Arafat is dead, and the Middle East peace is dead, killed by

this suicide bomber. War looms on the horizon.

Behind the bombers stands a group of men filled with hatred, and full of evil. Peace with Israel goes against everything these men have fought to achieve, and they will do anything they can do to provoke a war with Israel.

Lurking behind the scenes and pulling the terrorist strings are two sinister characters. One is a Russian billionaire, and the other is a wealthy Iranian power broker with dreams of world domination.

This book can be ordered at Amazonbooks.com.

Morrison Revival

By Nick Harris

On September 17-20, the Ariel Chapel praise team and I participated in revival services in Morrison, Oklahoma. It was an "old-fashioned" outdoor meeting, in the parking lot of the church.

The music team, led by Jason Moore was terrific, and they blessed the people immensely. The most difficult thing of all was the set up and break down of the sound system each night of the revival. Thank God for Curtis Foote who went with us to every service.

I preached a series of sermons entitled, "The Last Will and Testament of Jesus." The people seemed to respond joyously to this series of messages, and I certainly enjoyed preaching to these devoted, excited Christian believers.