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Am I Peter?

As we have just celebrated the Easter season, you probably heard many times how Peter denied knowing, or to put it harshly disowned, Jesus three times. You can find the accounts in Matthew 26:69-75, Mark 14:66-72, Luke 22:54-62 and John 18:15-26. It is easy for each of us to find fault with Peter and say we would never deny or disown Jesus. But in reality, I believe we all have done such.

In my own life, I am vocal about being a Christ Follower if someone asks. I will also tell people about Jesus if they ask. What I am very hesitant about doing, is starting the conversation. I believe this is because I do not feel adequate to discuss Jesus with others. Even more so if I believe the person will ask questions that I cannot answer. Because I am hesitant to start the conversation, am I denying Christ?

How do you handle such situations? Will you tell people that you are a Christ Follower if they ask? Are you willing to walk up to someone and tell them about Jesus? Are you denying Christ if you answer "no" to the last two questions?

I believe we all have denied Jesus many more times than Peter but, to paraphrase Paul Harvey, and now the rest of the story. Remember how many times Peter denied Jesus? If you read John 21:15-17, you will notice that Jesus asks Peter three times, "Do you love me?" This is significant as it appears to delete each of Peter's denials. After each time Jesus asks the question, Peter answers "yes". Jesus then directs Peter to "feed his lambs / sheep" and "to take care of his sheep". This also shows Jesus trusts Peter.

Based on the above, we have Hope. Even if we deny Jesus, he will forgive us and trust us to bring others to him. He will also give us the words to say to others if we just trust him. We serve a mighty and loving God.

It's All About Jesus

Bill Smith
Chapter President

Patience

Don't you just love this time of year? The flowers are in bloom and your patience has finally paid off to see if that plant would finally grow this year or not. Patience. That word makes me think of things I've said recently. Some people have commented on the length of my hair lately, to which I've replied that I've been "testing my patience." Of course, there's the old saying of "God, please grant me patience and give it to me NOW!"

Patience has been around since before Paul's day. While serving time in a cell, Paul learned patience and resourcefulness, which carried God's message through the bars of his prison and out into the world. While he was a captive, he captivated those who held him prisoner with stories of Jesus' love and faithfulness. His mission was to tell others about Jesus. It didn't matter who those "others" were; they needed to know about Jesus!

Paul didn't focus on the small picture. He focused on the eternal picture. Jesus. What a glorious name! He focused on Jesus. He wanted to tell all of those 'others' about his Wonderful Messiah. The King of Kings! Yes, he was in a cell and probably had only bread and water to nourish himself. He took the opportunity to nourish everyone he came in contact with the stories of Jesus' miracles. I'm sure he told everyone he encountered about the Living Water and the Bread of Life that Jesus is.

Somedays, it may feel like we're stuck in a prison of some sort. Whether that 'prison' be an office job or chauffeuring a car full of kids or being stuck inside a home. It's easy to feel incarcerated! But in the midst of "captivity", God can use us to captivate others.

When we go out to bike nights at Cycle Gear and Taco Cabana, let's not miss an opportunity to be a Paul. Let's keep our eyes on the eternal picture, like he did. Let's not miss an opportunity to meet people, join them in conversations, or in the bike games, or to ask if they need prayer, and to tell people about Jesus.

As Francis of Assisi is credited with saying, "Preach the gospel at all times. And if necessary, use words."

Yvonne Smith
Highway Disciples
Chapter Vice-President

Is He safe?

Is Jesus safe? Oh no, but He is eternally good!

In the fabric of our human nature lies a deep-rooted yearning for safety and security. We build walls around ourselves, seeking refuge from the uncertainties and dangers of the world. Yet, in the midst of this quest for safety, we encounter Jesus—a figure who defies our conventional understanding of security. He beckons us to follow Him, promising not safety in the sense of insulation from harm, but a journey of profound significance and eternal goodness.

Jesus embodies a paradoxical nature. He is the Lion of Judah, fierce and unyielding, yet also the Lamb of God, gentle and sacrificial. His teachings challenge societal norms and personal comforts, calling us to take up our cross and follow Him. It's a call to adventure, one that demands courage and resilience. But in embracing this adventure, we find that while the path may be fraught with challenges, it is also illuminated by the light of His presence.

Following Jesus is not a passive endeavor; it's an active participation in the unfolding of God's divine plan. It's stepping out of the boat like Peter, onto the stormy seas, trusting in the One who calms the waves. It's leaving behind the safety of the familiar shores and venturing into the unknown territories of faith. Boats are safe in the harbor, but that is not what they were created for. It's risky, exhilarating, and at times, downright terrifying. But in the midst of the chaos, there is a profound sense of peace—the peace that surpasses all understanding.

The journey of discipleship is marked by both highs and lows, moments of triumph and moments of despair. But through it all, Jesus remains constant. He is the North Star guiding our path, the anchor securing our souls. His goodness transcends the temporal and the fleeting, offering us a glimpse of the eternal.

In following Jesus, we discover that true safety is not found in the absence of danger, but in the presence of the One who conquered death itself. It's in Him that we find refuge, strength, and ultimate security. So let us embrace the adventure of following Jesus, knowing that while it may not always be safe, it's always infinitely good.

When we encounter the Risen Christ, we are changed. We no longer hold on to what we think of as safe and security. We are freed up to be really alive in Christ! I am in He and He is in me as He is in the Father and the Father is in He! Our transformation compels us to go out and tell the world what we have encountered! We can't keep it in. As Gary always said, "We Get to!" Therefore, leave here today and sing a beautiful song that Jesus has put in your heart, this is a great secret that we could and should share to everyone we meet!

Blessings,

Jack (JT) Clark

Chaplin, Highway Disciples

A Sacrifice That Costs Nothing Is Worth Nothing

A Devotion by William Graham

Read 2 Samuel 24:18-25.

In the preceding verses, David had sinned against God by performing a census of the people. In the end, 70,000 people died because of David's error. Afterwards, God directed David to go to the threshing floor of Araunah (called Ornan, a variation of the same name, in 1 Chronicles) and offer a sacrifice unto the Lord. When Araunah saw David coming, he fell before him and offered to give King David everything needed for the sacrifice: the land, the animals, and even his oxen's wooden yoke for the fire. But David refused and said, "No, but I will surely buy it from you for a price; nor will I offer burnt offerings to the Lord my God with that which costs me nothing" (v. 24).

We can learn several lessons concerning sacrifice from this passage.

First, obedience is the foundation for sacrificing. Obedience is what God desires the most from us. David's sin, on the other hand, brought God's judgment. Do not be fooled into thinking that giving will erase rebellion. Amos 5:22 clearly states that God will not accept sacrifice if is not done in obedience.

Second, when we sacrifice, we need to fix our eyes on God, our reason for giving. David's problems started when he took his eyes off the Lord and looked to himself. This pride led him to count the people (i.e. his strength). Araunah, however, is an example of humility. He saw David, recognized him, and bowed in submission, offering a gift of great worth. When we sacrifice, we need to focus on Jesus, never on ourselves.

Third, sacrifice is for everyone. Araunah, the humble farmer, was willing to give everything to David: the land, the oxen, and the wood from his hand-carved yokes. On the other end of the spectrum, King David purchased the threshing floor—and later on, the whole mountaintop—as a place to sacrifice unto the Lord. From the king to the farmer, both were willing to sacrifice.

Finally, true sacrifice will cost you something. Araunah's sacrificial offer was no small gift. It would have been very costly to him, but he offered it freely to the king. And David realized that if it did not cost him something, it would not be worship. That is why he refused the gift and paid Araunah instead.

A sacrifice that costs nothing is worth nothing.

It's interesting to note that this land would later become the site of Solomon's Temple (2 Chronicles 3:1). Though David did not build nor see the Temple, he acquired the land on which the next generation would build. This is an important truth for us to remember. When we sacrifice for the Kingdom of God, we are laying a foundation for the next generation to continue to worship and grow in the faith, while also imparting to them the importance of the principle of sacrifice.

In Christ,

Dirk "Rocketman" Smith



CMA PATCH

Triangle Shape Father, Son & Holy Spirit

Praying Hands The way God would have CMA grow

Cross The message and statement of faith (1 Corinthians 2:2)

Bible God's direction for CMA

Blue Color The way of the cross leads home (to heaven)

Yellow Color The crowns and rewards that will be
for the faithful Christians

Red Color The blood that makes everything
It encloses effective

The basic purpose of a CMA Chapter is to support the National CMA effort of sharing and showing the love of Jesus Christ to motorcyclists, and supporting the overall ministry of CMA.

In this, there is a three-fold purpose:

- ▶ *Provide and encourage members to be active in testimony and Christian witnessing to all motorcyclists.*
- ▶ *Provide a Christian fellowship ridegroup.*

Ministry of CMA

Vision: *Changing the world, one heart at a time.*

We will accomplish our vision through:

- Evangelistic outreach primarily, but not exclusively, to the Motorcycling community.
- Run for the Son, where we will partner with ministries with world Reaching potential.
- Equipping our members in ministry training that aligns itself with Biblical truths.
- A servant's attitude to the world and to our members (i.e. Here if you need us).
- Quality products that aid in evangelistic outreach.
- An effective Work Center support team.

CMA Ministry Partners:

CMA partners with three other ministries to spread the Gospel throughout the world.

Jesus Film
Missionary Ventures
Open Doors

Mission:

To inspire our leaders and members to be the most organized, advanced, equipped, financially stable organization, full of integrity in the motorcycling industry and the Kingdom of God.

Doctrinal Statement:

The Christian Motorcyclists Association is interdenominational and evangelistic in nature. We believe in:

- The Bible as the inspired and infallible Word of God.
- One God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- The virgin birth and deity of Christ, His explicit atoning death, Bodily resurrection and ascension.
- Salvation through the blood of Jesus Christ.
- The sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit who enables a believer to Live holy.
- The second coming of Jesus Christ.

Katy CMA – Highway Disciples – Chapter March 2024 Meeting notes

Date: 3-2-24, time: 9:00 to 10:35 AM CT

- I. Welcome – Bill Smith
- II. Chaplain's opening prayer – conducted.
- III. Pledges to American and Christian flag – conducted.
- IV. Visitors - none present.
- V. Presentation to Tom, Treasurer Emeritus of an engraved clock and card for his 10 years of service as Treasurer to the Highway Disciple chapter.
- VI. Chaplain – JT Clark
 - a. Discussed his pastor's sermon of conflict and chaos in world and how Christ is in the Believer's life and choose Him.
 - b. Prayer for offering – conducted.
- VII. Secretary – Alvin
 - a. Took meeting notes.
 - b. Reminded people to sign in.
- VIII. Road Captain – Dirk Smith
 - a. Mileage winner – Chris Nightingale – 1510 miles; 2nd place is John with 1212 miles.
 - b. Fellowship ride today is to Juanita's restaurant in Washington, TX approximately 8 persons participated.
 - c. Day of Prayer ride – discussed the particulars of ride for those interested.
- IX. RFS -- David
 - a. Reviewed the RFS pack and handing them out.
 - b. Highway Discipline received *Certificate of Recognition* for raising > \$6,000 for RFS.
 - c. Willie's Spirit event was on 29 Feb -- awaiting status of funds raised.
 - d. Still have not received reissued check for the Spirit Night amount at Orleans activity in late 2023.
 - e. Reviewed some metrics on the global effort that RFS has accomplished.
 - f. David and JT Clark - asked if any can suggest a restaurant will be interested in doing Spirit Night participation – let them know.
 - g. Reviewed the Southeast contribution goal is \$250,000 for year 2024.
 - h. Bill Smith – mentioned still needing a volunteer for RFS coordinator.

X. President Report

- a. TBMR – posted and discussed with group that State Rep “Ralph” and Area rep were involved now and that several items were not in compliance w/CMA policy – was not approved prior by Area or State Rep, other issues identified as to use/employment of CMA logos, donations issues, and some others needed more working to resolve. More planning to do this this event – posted TBD – possible in March 2025.
- b. Bill reviewed the CMA logo and its meanings.

Simple guidelines for CMA logo usage:

- Chapters may use the CMA logo within the chapter on ministry related items and the chapter newsletter.
- Do not place any CMA logos on clothing or items to be worn by animals.
- Do not place the CMA logo on personal or chapter checks.
- Do not use words like reverend, pastor, denomination, church affiliation, etc. on any items containing the CMA logo (i.e. rockers, nametags, business cards, etc.).

Definition of CMA Logo:

Triangle Shape	=	Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
Praying Hands	=	The way God would have CMA grow
Cross	=	The message and statement of faith (I Corinthians 2:2)
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- c. Bill discussed the Activity App / “widget” for use in reporting-status of meeting people encounters about CMA. More to follow on this later once Bill determines the status of App and what to use – do.
- d. Bill announced will transition back to sign-in attendance paper.

XI. Chaplin – JT Clark

- a. Several persons asked for specific prayers.
- b. Some praise reports were shared.
- c. Closing Prayer.

XII. Meeting ended.

CMA Highway Disciples Chapter Officers



Bill Smith
President



Yvonne Smith
Vice President



Dirk Smith
Road Captain



Jack Clark
Chaplain



Alvin Keen
Secretary



Jeremiah Mutzbauer
Treasurer

CMA NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER



**CMA Highway Disciples
Participated in the CMA National Day
of Prayer March 3, 2024**

**We prayed for Katy hospitals, schools,
first responders, and City Hall.**



CMA Highway Disciples prayed for Katy Police officers and the municipal court system

Bike Blessings,
Fellowship and
riding with
friends!



Calendar of Events

April 6	Chapter Meeting @ Rudy's BBQ, Katy, Texas 8:30am breakfast / 9:00am meeting Fellowship Ride	Bill Dirk
April 10 - 14	1901 Rally Texas Hill Country. 2124 Sidney Baker Street, TX 78028. 1901 Rally Texas Hill Country Tickets, Wed, Apr 10, 2024 at 4:00 PM Eventbrite	
April 12-14	MotoGP at Circuit of the America's, Austin, TX – CMA is working the gear tents. RFS Donations benefit the chapters that work the gear tents. Online volunteer sign-up at CMASETX.COM. Click on Volunteer / Registration.	Bill
April 19-21	36th Annual Run for Wheels – Lake Somerville Marina and Campground, Lake Somerville, TX Family Friendly Rally. CMA Jericho Riders lead chapter.	
April 20	Highway Disciples Garage Sale at Cinco Ranch High School, Set-up 6:30-7:30am, take-down 11:00am. <i>Ask your neighbors and friends if they have anything to donate.</i>	ALL
April 20	Highway Disciples Bike Night at Taco Cabana (24611 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77494) 7 pm	ALL
May 4	Chapter Meeting @ Rudy's BBQ, Katy, Texas 8:30am breakfast / 9:00am meeting Turn in RFS Donations at the Chapter Meeting. Run For The Son Fellowship Ride	Bill Dirk
May 16-18	CMA SE Texas State Rally in Kerrville, TX - online pre-registration at CMASETX.COM. Click on Volunteer / Registration.	Bill
May 18	Highway Disciples Bike Night at Taco Cabana (24611 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77494) 7 pm	ALL
May 25	Texas Full Moon Ride – meet at First National Bank parking Lot, Alvin, TX 77511 at 6pm KSU 6:30pm (see description and future dates below).	
June 1	Chapter Meeting @ Rudy's BBQ, Katy, Texas 8:30am breakfast / 9:00am meeting Fellowship Ride	Bill Dirk
June 15	Highway Disciples Bike Night at Taco Cabana (24611 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77494) 7 pm	ALL
Jun19-23	CMA National Rally, Iron Mountain, Hatfield, AR	TBD
Jun 29	5th Saturday Church Ride – Church TBD	TBD

Events in “BOLD” are chapter focused events w/officer or member contact to the side

**Be sure to check your e-mail on a regular basis for new events
that may not appear on the calendar and for any changes to the events listed.**

Please go here to sign-up/register for CMA SE Texas events <https://www.cmasetx.com/>

**Officers' Meetings –3rd Monday of Every Month
Any member can attend.
Please contact an officer if there is something you want added to the agenda.**

Other Ministry Opportunities:

Montrose Street Reach
1110 Lovett Blvd., Houston, TX 77006
<http://www.montrosestreetreach.org/> – Every Wednesday @ 6:30pm
contact: Joe Williams, Martin & Kim Dale
281.682.4379
713.252.1744

Texas Full Moon Ride – meet for a leisurely ride down the backroads of Brazoria County. Usually ends up on Blue Water Highway and if the timing is right, you can watch the full (or nearly full) moon rise over the gulf. A restaurant is normally found along the way.

Jan-27, Feb-2024, Mar-23, Apr-20, May-25, Jun-22, Jul-20, Aug-17, Sep-14, Oct-19, Nov-16, Dec-14

Please let us know if you have a ministry event or opportunity that needs to be added

For more events that you may be interested in attending you can go to:

https://www.cyclefish.com/motorcycle_events/TEXAS

CMA Guardian Riders
Meets at Rudy's BBQ in Richmond -- Third Saturday Monthly / 8:30am
Rudy's is located at
20500 Southwest Fwy.
Richmond, TX 77469

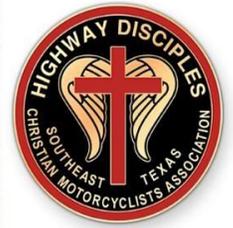
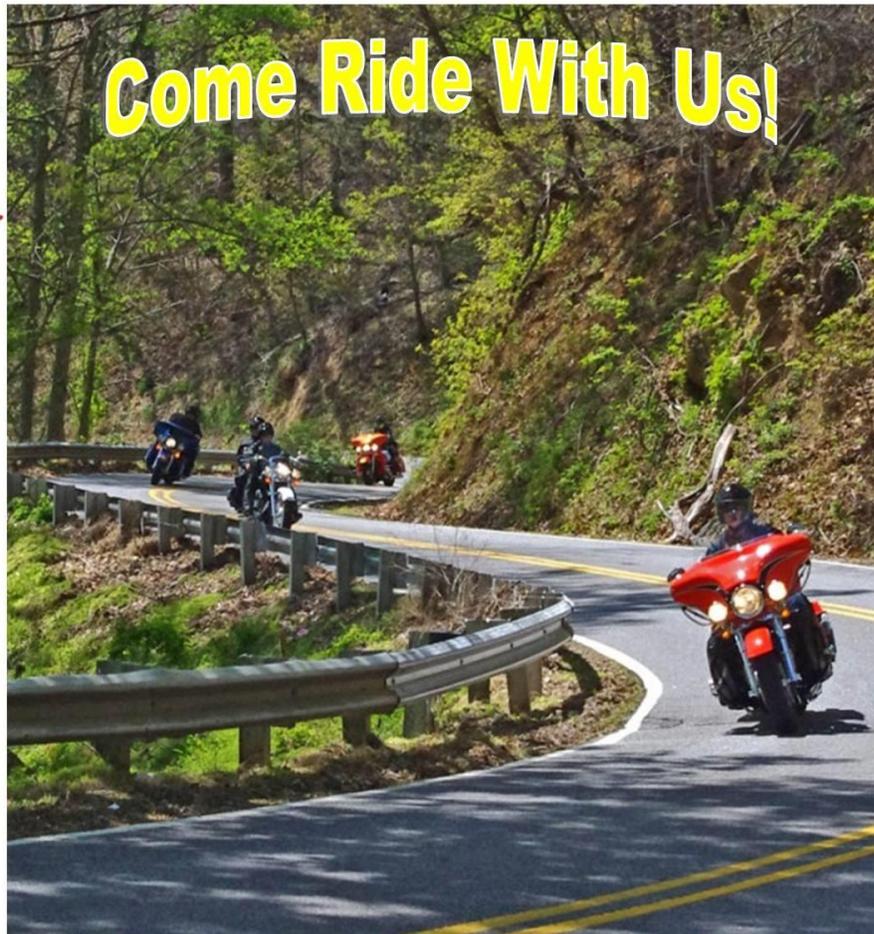
CMA Highway Servants
Meets at Schobels Restaurant in Columbus--Third Saturday Monthly / 8:30am
Schobels is located at
2020 Milam St.
Columbus, TX 78934



The CMA
Highway Disciples
meets at
Rudy's BBQ
in Katy, TX
21799 Katy Freeway
Katy, TX 77450

We meet on the first
Saturday monthly

Breakfast 8:30am
Meeting starts
@ 9:00am



For more info about
our chapter go to:
<http://cmascr4.org/>
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“For the [remarkable, undeserved] grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to reject ungodliness and worldly (immoral) desires, and to live sensible, upright, and godly lives [lives with a purpose that reflect spiritual maturity] in this present age,” -Titus 2:11-12