

What Kind of **Treasures** Can You **Sacrifice** for?

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What Can you Sacrifice for?

TEXT

The *kingdom of heaven* is like a *treasure, hidden in a field*, that a person found and hid. Then *because of joy* he went and *sold all* that he had and bought that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he found a *pearl of great value*, he went out and *sold everything* he had and bought it. (Matthew 13:44-46 NET)

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Treasures can be **GOOD** or **BAD** !!



*The **good person** out of the **good treasury** of his heart produces good, and the **evil person** out of his **evil treasury** produces evil, for his mouth speaks from what fills his heart. (Luke 6:45 NET)*

Some Properties Of The Kingdom Of Heaven

- ◆ It's given to the poor in spirit.
(Matthew 5:3 and 19:21- 22)
- ◆ The Kingdom Of God grows and provides comfort (Matthew 13:31-33)
- ◆ The Kingdom Of God is meant to affect the environment where it is located. (Mt.28:18-19)

3 key xteristics of genuine citizens of God's kingdom

- They treasure god 1st above all
- They treasure what god has done for them in christ
- They see themselves as god sees them
- Treasure themselves - spirit, mind/soul, body

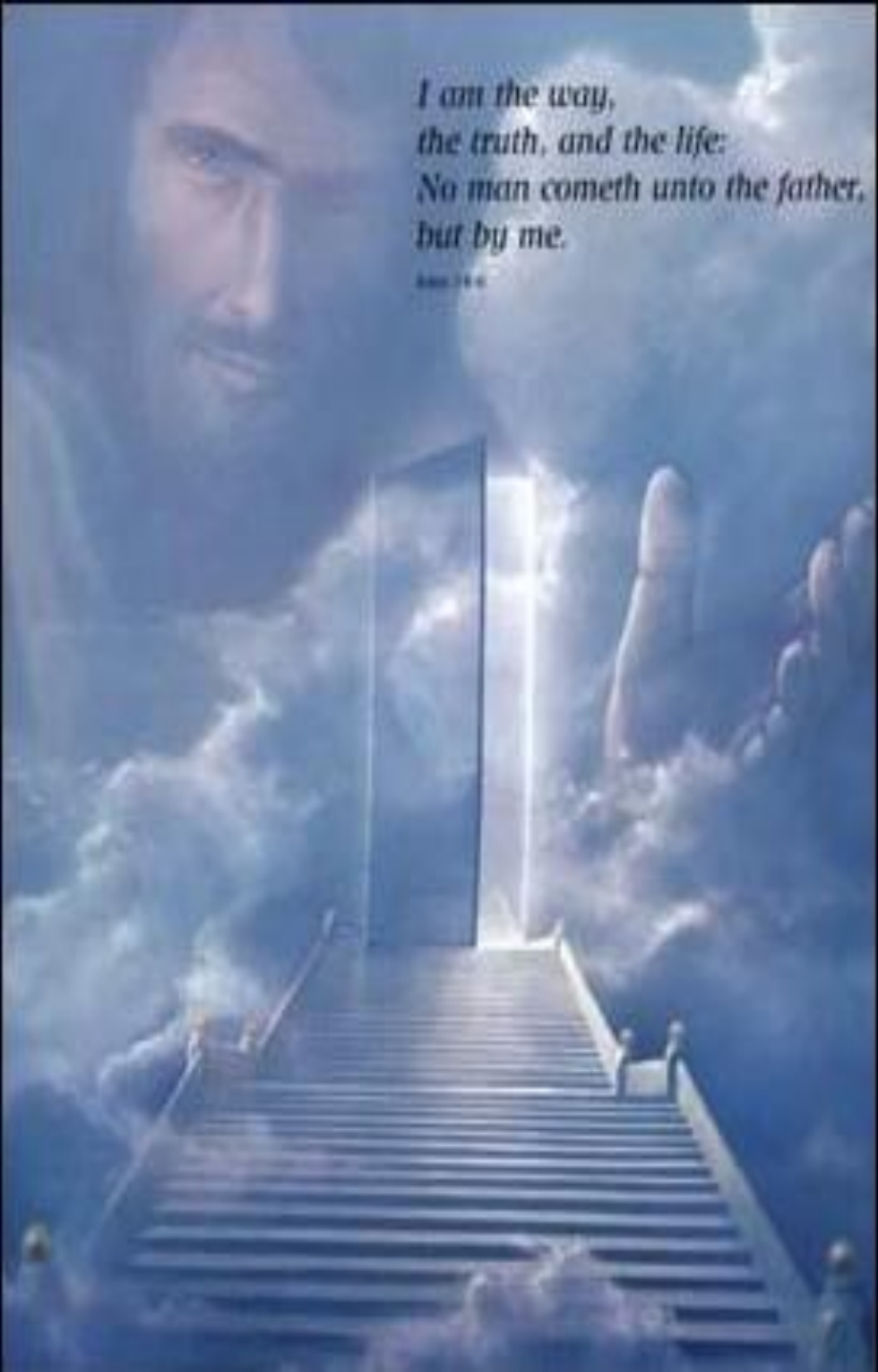
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Who will Go & Bring Them In ??

Therefore **go** and **make disciples** of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and the
Son and the Holy Spirit, **teaching them to obey**
everything I have commanded you. And remember,
I am with you always, to the end of the age."
(Matthew 28:19, 20 NET)


God's Call to us all ! – what role will u play

- prayer team for evangelism.
- outreach by each activity group - what role will u play?
- develop a discipleship and follow-up program. Help needed - sun sch team, v-squad, everyone visiting.
- **1-for-2**: each church member to target **2 friends or neighbours** to be won for Christ and helped **to stand in 2013**. Who would these be that you love that much?? . What to do with the names -
 - ◆ pray each one often, esp daily;
 - ◆ seek opportunities to help them - physically, academically, spiritually or in advise;
 - ◆ share the gospel with love;
 - ◆ invite to church, and
 - ◆ appreciate every positive response.
- Call for one representative from each ministry group to form the evangelism mgt committee - Help with promoting evangelism, esp. discipleship.

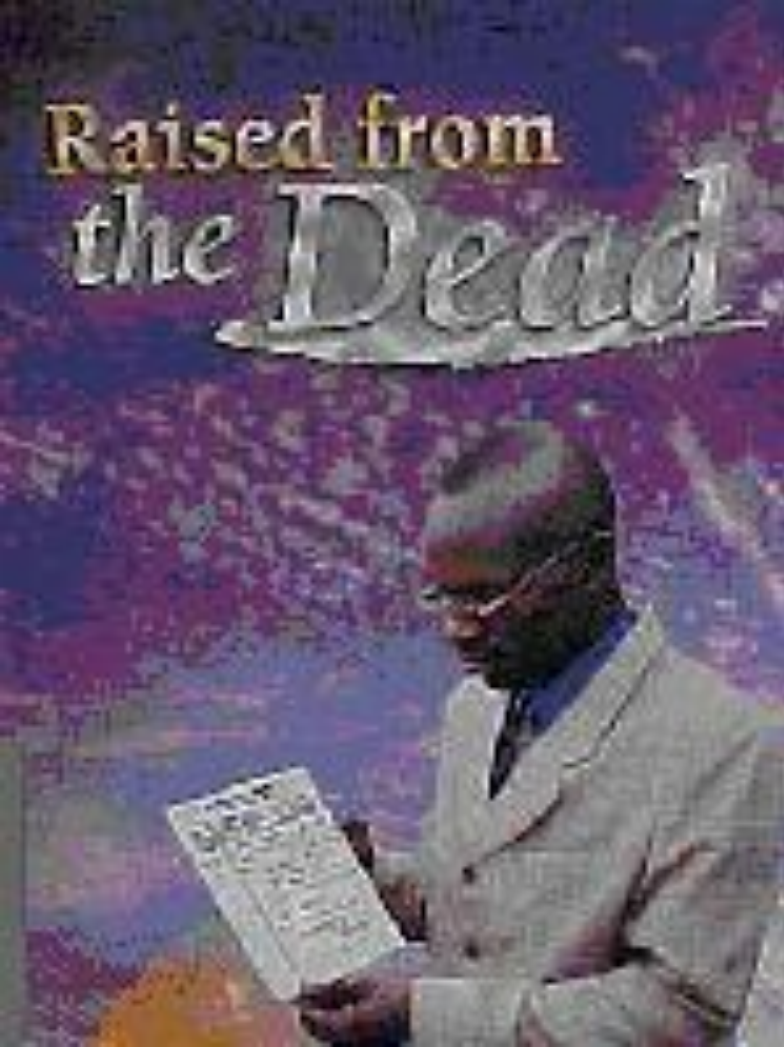


*I am the way,
the truth, and the life:
No man cometh unto the father,
but by me.*

John 14:6



**Jesus Keeps
Calling,
Are you
Responding?**



Teens' Church,
4sq, Yaba.

Nigerian pastor Daniel Ekechukwu physically died in the late evening of Friday, November 30th, 2001, was dead for at least 42 hours, visited heaven and hell during the time of his physical death, and

Daniel Ekechukwu

WITNESS 3

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Raised from the Dead



Daniel Ekechukwu

was raised from the dead between 3:50 P.M. and 5:15 P.M. on Sunday, December 2nd, 2001 in the basement of the Grace of God Mission, located in Onitsha, Nigeria.

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This testimony is important because it highlights the importance of forgiveness. Had God not given him mercy, Daniel would have had to stay in hell because he did not forgive his wife prior to death.