



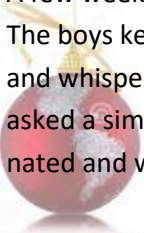
Merry Christmas

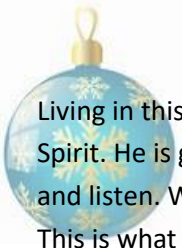
The Holy Spirit is a gift from God. In John 16 Jesus tells us that it is better for Him to go to the Father so that He can send the Comforter. If you have accepted the love of God and received Jesus as Lord, you have the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is a gift, we cannot “earn” Him, we can’t buy “Him”. He is a person of the God head, He is not an “it”. What He is, is a Friend, a Helper, a Teacher, He is Wisdom and so much more.

God in His infinite wisdom gave us a piece of Himself so that we have no lack.

Wisdom. In Proverbs wisdom is called “the principle thing.” We need it, me and my family need wisdom more than ever before. In our house we are approaching “teenage” years and it seems as though Valerie and I are bombarded every day with difficult situations, yet, God has given us Wisdom to make correct decisions.

A few weeks ago, we had a problem with two of our boys, Valerie and I could not make any sense of what was going on. The boys kept telling their version of the incident and we couldn’t figure what was happening. I leaned back in my chair and whispered “Father, we need Your wisdom.” Before I could get the whole word “wisdom” out of my mouth, Valerie asked a simple question of the boys and BAM. We had our answer. In just a quick second the whole situation was illuminated and we were able to decide what to do, correct behavior, and love our children.





Living in this world, let alone a third world country, is quite difficult. I can't imagine trying to live it without the Holy Spirit. He is genius and He is living on the inside of us yet we do most of the talking. At some point we have to be quiet and listen. We have to practice hearing His voice. I tell my children, "listen with your inner ear" and they say "how?" This is what I tell them: go to your bedroom where it's quiet and ask God if He loves you. Wait and listen. God is so faithful and He is love. I believe it is His desire that we would know his voice and know that He loves us. When we ask "do you love me?" He will respond and when He does, pay attention to that voice. That is the same voice you need to hear when you need wisdom. Latch on to that voice, get familiar with that voice and when you need it (and you need it every day), He will give you the direction you need.

We win.



Since our last letter we have grown by two. In October Kimberly (10 months) was welcomed to House of Destiny, and a couple of weeks ago Daniel (6 weeks) arrived as well. Both of these awesome children were severely malnourished and without much hope. You're probably asking yourself...how do we know they don't have



much hope? This is a clear indicator with Kimberly. Kimberly didn't cry. We're sure she cried at one point, but she didn't cry for several weeks. When babies cry and someone checks on them, the crying is the learned behavior that someone will come and make things better. When babies cry and no one ever comes to comfort, to change a diaper, to feed them—the learned behavior is that that no one is coming. They lose hope. In the short time they have been with us they are growing in weight and stature (and Kimberly is making more noises too—because we (the children as well) are constantly loving both of



Dilan, Monica and Daniel

them). I am always amazed what love does in our children. God is so good.

You are a vital part of House of Destiny and we pray for you and are grateful for you.

We hope that you have a very merry Christmas and that the wisdom of God flows out of you like never before.

Love Jay, Valerie, Kendrik, Dilan, Monica, Antonio, Darlin, Eswin, Estiven, Iris, Kimberly and Daniel



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