

## JOIN THE FIGHT

"My biggest fear, even now, is that I will hear Jesus' words and walk away, content to settle for less than radical obedience to Him." David Platt, Radical

I had a feeling at the time of my salvation that I was different. I felt that God had given me a different view of the world. I thought "no way not me" but as usual He was right. I see the world differently. I see people differently. I recently heard an ad on a Christian radio station. It was for a homeless shelter that is doing great work in my part of the country. But it used a saying: "We serve the least, the lost, and the last". I heard this and thought, "What would I feel like if I was in that shelter and heard that?"

This is a small example of how I see the world. I have stood in slums from Africa to Haiti. I have met 14 year old boys in rags that speak 2 or 3 languages and I wonder who is the smarter one here, me or them? I was naive enough to believe once I told other like minded Christians about what Haiti is really like they would be in line wanting to help. That hasn't happened.

God has already called us all to his work but so few have answered this call. I have had discussions with others Christians and we read Matthew 26:11, "Jesus says the poor you will always have with you." Some see this as - there will always be poor people, less smart and less motivated, that will always be with us. But I see it as Jesus telling us the poor will always be with us because you, those who call yourselves followers of Christ, will never do the job that is before them. This is a glimpse into my view of the world. It goes so much deeper and I too often ignore His calling in my life.

Let's all try very hard to do it better in the years to come. I would like you to consider something. Think of your non Christian friends, when do they refer to God or look for his comfort? Is it when someone dies? Or when really hard times come? That is when most turn or return to Christ. Now imagine what God might allow into your life to get you closer to Him if you would just listen? Scary! Right?

So how do we look at our spending? We look at it like Genesis 4:3 "Able brought his fat portions from his first fruits." He gave to God first! In Matthew 19:16 a rich man comes to Jesus and ask what he must do to enter the kingdom of heaven. I believe this lesson is one of the few talking to the western world in particular. Jesus tells him (the rich) to sell everything and follow Him. The rich man goes away sad. He loves his things more than Jesus, and think about it - Jesus was standing right in front of him! The rich man looked in His eyes, and turned and walked away. How much harder is it for us to give to the kingdom of God?

Recently we helped to save Linda, a 12 year old girl in Carrefour Haiti. The relationship with Linda started some time ago and once I committed to the fight I was in it for better or worse. I am often told by fellow Christians that once they get to, name any situation you like, they will help then. Let me tell you that the fight is now! You have today! You might not have tomorrow. So if you don't see the next sunrise what will you

tell our Savior? Only if I had one more year, I would have joined the fight, only if I would have had these bills paid off, I would have joined the fight, only if I had the house paid off, I would have joined the fight. But He will say, "I put you there in that time and place to join the fight. You chose not to."

Today, tomorrow, and the next day more that 22,000 of His children will die. He will greet them in heaven and we will miss out on what they were put here on this earth to do. All of these children will die of easily preventable disease. This figure used to be 30,000. We are making progress but we need people to JOIN THE FIGHT!

How do we get started?

Pray, Pray, and Pray for us. Pray for God's will to be done and for us to resist the temptations of Satan. Pray for strength and guidance.

Tell a friend about Servants Gift! Like us on Facebook. Sign up for the Newsblasts at [servantsgift.com](http://servantsgift.com)

Tell your church family about Servants Gift and see if we can get an invite to speak to a committee or the entire congregation.

Share our newsletters with your friends.

Host a house party. I will be glad to come and share with you and your friends.

Be bold in your Faith. Step out. Don't just volunteer for a mission trip. Pray that while on that trip, you will hear God and listen to what He wants you to do.

Pledge \$10, \$20, \$30 a month.

Sponsor a child in Haiti with Servants Gift. \$40 a month, \$10 a week, \$480 a year.

I can show you how to feed a child in Haiti one meal a day for 10 dollars a month in our feeding program in Madam Bouge.

You can sponsor a teacher in a village like Madam Bouge and not only give her a job, but you can also help to teach children how to move out of poverty. In Madam Bouge the Pastor will give all the children free school in the village if we will sponsor the teachers. In this structured environment we can provide treatment for the children and provide a meal in a controlled environment.

In the near future I would like to start a **mobile feeding program** for street kids in Port Au Prince. This would start out with establishing a place to cook the food, people to cook the food, and then transporting the food out to the kids. This will take a capital money lay out. Then we would get a large motor home type vehicle and retrofit it to do the job of handing out food, keeping it hot, and cleaning dishes in the field along with a hand washing station. Likely doing all this in the states and then shipping it to Haiti. There are around 300,000 street kids in PAP alone. This program would give out a meal

a day. It would be mobile so as to provide the ability to move and hit several locations per day. It would also allow for a platform to provide medical treatments, and other services.

Can you feel your heart being stirred to get involved? Don't wait for your "if only's" to be complete, act now and please Join the Fight alongside me.

Larry