

## **Hello - Again we meet on the Cutting Edge of Life.**

We all live alone. We all have felt pain and told no one about it. There are people all around us but only one person lives in our body. God chose to make us this way so He could develop His children as individuals. Jesus came to show us how to think and live alone in our body. He said: Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Also, my peace I give unto you.

The key to this type of living is to accept it and be aware that God is always there looking in on you. God will never leave you nor forsake you. God is there in your darkest hour.

There are some things we do not call - well done - that God gives high rewards for. He rewards us for staying and fighting the battle only to lose it. God rewards us for faith, not for the ground we conquer. His - well done - is not for the spoil we bring to heaven but for our spirit we keep clean by His blood. God is rewarded when He sees a child He died for stand for the right. This child will praise Him throughout Eternity. His - well done - is also for the battles we lost fighting evil. Many men die on the battlefield before the war is won.

It is wonderful to have a wife. My wife of 54 years, as of June, 26, 2007, is precious to me. But all my big decisions for God I have had to make alone. As you get old and can work less, life becomes more of a decision making process. The saying is true: Old men for counsel, young men for war. It fits the battlefield. Old men do with wisdom the things their muscles can no longer do. The Word becomes precious to them. It is their strength.

The faith of a person is in endurance. Waiting on God is a powerful mind set. I have done it many times. God has a waiting room and the Bible is on the table in this room. I have sat there many times, reading the Bible, as I waited on God. 1 Thessalonians 1:3 speaks of: #1 - the work of faith, #2 - the labor of love and #3 - the patience of hope.

Knowing without faith it is impossible to please God, I start with #1 - the work of faith. **Do I believe God?** I have trained myself. When I ask myself this question, which I do often for my own benefit, I have the right type of a -yes- ready to respond. Everything in me says yes.

The next is # 2 - the labor in love? Do I love what I am doing? Despite all the hardship my answer is yes. When you love what you are doing it is not work.

Then #3 - the patience of hope? Can I be patient while I hope in God? Again my answer is yes. This is what endurance is all about. They that wait on the Lord will renew their strength. The inspiration of God renews the muscles. Excitement cures fatigue. Love is a power generator. You become full of power when you are full of love for someone. Ask a married man who crawled out of bed to provide for his wife and children. Also, there are men who gave their life in battle to save a buddy. Greater love hath no man than this.