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The Vision of Gang!

My vision for the G.A.N.G. Nation Ministry is to bring as many lost souls to Christ as we possibly can, by sharing our testimonies and telling of how God has delivered us. One of my goals is to establish a branch of the organization in each state. GOD'S ANOINTED NEW GENERATION wants to offer an outlet to those people who feel as if they live in this world by themselves, or if no one understands them, by not being judgmental, because we were all lost at one time, and there is not one man that walks this earth today that's perfect, no not one. God doesn't make mistakes. And he stands by all his promises {he promises to never leave nor forsake us}. What sets Gang apart from other ministries, is that we want people to feel a sense of security by being fed spiritually, as well as mentally, and emotionally. Gangs' main focus is to defeat the enemy by any means necessary. The most effective way is by pulling lost and confused souls out of the hand of the enemy, because he doesn't want us to have what God has promised us. As long as we're doing his deeds he's happy and laughing at our every foolish act. I've learned from past experiences that everyone doesn't have your best interest at heart. Sometimes we confide in friends and when we confide in them, we see them for who they really are {the enemy in the flesh} but with the Gang Nation we try the spirit by the spirit to see if its of God because their is a king in us. We see the God in you. Majority of our leaders can relate to others because we all have experienced some of life's most challenging obstacles and can share our story with you to show that it was only the love of God that destroyed yokes and broke strongholds and now we're set free. So what I'm saying my brothers and sisters in Christ, if God did it for us surely he will do it for you. Just trust in him and keep his commandments. I promise there is no one like him.

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From the Pastors Heart

"Restore to me again the joy of your salvation, and make me willing to obey you". Psalm 51:12

It's not unusual for persons in their early twenties to run away from their early teaching in the church. The reasons are many. Perhaps their experience to unbelief resonated more than their exposure to belief. This is often the case, for the Bible says "the heart of man is deceitful above all things." The human heart is prepared by sin to accept unbelief as faith. They may have regarded someone very highly and that regard has undoubtedly influenced their thinking and for the time being they look on their early training as "junk". As someone has said, "a little learning may take a man away from God, but full understanding will bring him "back". Some of the staunchest Christians I know are people who had periods in their lives when they questioned the Bible, Christ and God. But as they continued to examine the matter, they learned, that only the fool hath said in his heart, there is no God. I pray for all when unbelief reigns in there lives.

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Church Etiquette



In times past when we thought of going to church, everyone was preparing their "Sunday Best". Negroes in the south called them <u>Sunday-go-to-meeting-clothes.</u>

We're to respect and glorify God at all times, but especially in His house. Leviticus 19:30 reads, "Ye shall keep my Sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the Lord". Here the Bible direct to "reverence" God's sanctuary, we are guest in the House of God where reverence and respect should be the standard of good behavior instead of merely optional.

Psalm 29:2 exhorts us to "Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name" and to "worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness". When people are walking in and out of a sanctuary when it's time to worship God in song, prayer, teaching and preaching is that giving the Lord the glory due Him? When people choose to wear exercise clothes and such to church rather than their "Sunday Best" is the Lord given the glory due Him? (Romans 12:1,2; I Cor. 6:15-18)

AS IT REFERS TO CLOTHING:

Pull up those britches, cover up the underwear, lower the dress hems, put on a shirt, no hats (men), sunglasses, and tee shirts that may be offensive or distracting. Consider the way you dress relates to respect or disrespect for God.

THE FOLLING OTHER RULES ARE LISTED BUT ARE NOT TO BE CONSIDERED ALL INCLUSIVE:

1. No walking or talking during worship

- In order to avoid walking into service late, leave home earlier
- Go to the bathroom before sitting down in the pew, if you must go again, duck out when everyone is standing up and singing.
- The sanctuary is not the place to catch up on friendly gossip and race tips, telling jokes or hauling out family photographs.
- Write notes to yourself so that you can tell all of the enlightening things you have to say after church services rather than during them.

2. No gum chewing or candy crunching

If you have the need for a mint or cough drop, unwrap as many as needed beforehand

- 3. **Bow your head during prayer** (this eliminates distractions)
- 4. Turn off your cell phones and watch alarms
- 5. Refrain from kicking the pews in front of you
- 6. Say prayers in unison
- 7. Don't litter
- 8. No grooming such as hair and nails
- 9. Stay until the doxology
- 10. Don't walk out of service during the invitation
- 11. Wait until services are dismissed before zipping up your Bible cover
- 12. If children are disruptive during service and no other adult is seated with them quietly attempt to settle them with as little noise as possible. (Jesus said let the little children come unto me and forbid them not)

Above all else remember this:

The scriptures say do unto others as you would have them do unto you!



Why should we praise the Lord?



First of all, we praise him because we are commanded in his word to do so. "Praise ye the Lord" (Psalm 150:1, KJV). Have you noticed that God has not asked us to praise him? That is because kings do not ask – they command! "Why does God demand our praise?" you may ask. "Is he some sort of egomaniac who feeds off our adulation?" No, it is not that God needs our praises, but he knows that we need to praise him! Ultimately, praise does not benefit God (he is God, whether we choose to praise him or not) – God has commanded praise for our own good. Not until we praise him are we able to come into proper relationship with him. Without a thankful and praising heart, we will never grow in the grace of Christ Jesus.

A second reason for praising is because God is enthroned in our praise (Psalm 22:3). He loves our praise! He is so pleased with our praise that he literally surrounds himself with and bathes in our praise. We praise him because he loves it!

Third, there is power in praise. When we stop trying to fight our battles and simply begin to praise the God who has said he will fight for us, God is free to release his power and provision on our behalf. Praise brings victory, power, deliverance and blessings.

We also praise God because it is a good thing to praise the Lord (Psalm 92:1). It is a pleasant thing for the upright to praise him (Psalm 135:3). It is fitting for his holy ones to bless him.

A fifth reason for praising God is simple because he is worthy of our praise. "Great is the Lord, and most worthy of praise" (Psalm 48:1). "Thou art worthy, O Lord to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created" (Rev. 4:11). Consider these beautiful words of Martin Luther: "A person cannot praise God only, unless he understands that there is nothing in himself worthy of praise, but that all that is worthy of praise is of God and he is the infinite God and can never be exhausted, therefore they will praise him for ever and ever."

Sixth, we were created to praise him. Jeremiah 13:11 shows us that God called the house of Israel unto himself specifically for his praise, renown and honor. This is echoed in 1 Peter2:9, which tells us, "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

Many people in the world today are longing for fulfillment and are searching desperately for it in all the wrong places. They will never find complete fulfillment in their innermost beings until they come into proper relationship with God through praise. A.W. Tozer has so aptly said, "the purpose of God in sending his Son to die and live and be at the right hand of God the Father was that he might restore to us the missing jewel, the jewel of worship; that we might come back and learn to do again that which we were created to do in the first place – worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." Praise should not be a difficult and strenuous task to master, but it should flow from our lives in a most natural way, for it is in fact a normal tendency inherent within our very fiber, placed there purposely by our Creator/Father. Praise is one of the most natural things we can do!



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Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy.

Proverbs 31:8-9

Scripture for the Quarter

God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

John 4:24 (KJV)

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Upcoming Events

G.A.N.G Kingdom Fellowship Conference ~ October 29, 2011 ~ Morning Star Baptist Church, Lowndesboro, Alabama~ Please check our website for more information!

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