



# The Weekly Jog

Volume 2, Issue 29 Jog: to nudge, to give a reminder, *jog* the memory

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“The New Plymouth Church Family Experiencing and Sharing the Transforming Power of Jesus.”

## God wants all saved, do we too?

The Bible teaches that God “desires all men to be saved” (1 Tim. 2:4). A diligent reader will learn that not only does God want the reader to be saved, but God wants the reader to want others to be saved also. Salvation is the message of the Bible and we are the messengers who have been sent.

**We have been sent to save the lost.** Millions of accountable people are living who have *never obeyed the gospel*. In God’s eyes, they are lost (cf. 2 Thess. 1:8-9). They are dying in their sins. Our responsibility, as Christians, is to do all we can to take the saving message of the gospel “to every creature” (Mark 16:15).

**We have been sent to save the wayward.** There are many folks who once were saved but have fallen away and allowed themselves to become entangled again in the affairs of this world. In God’s eyes, they are lost (cf. 2 Pet. 2:20-22). They, too, are dying in their sins. Our responsibility, as faithful Christians, is to do all we can to turn back anyone who “wanders from the truth... [to] save a soul from death...” (James 5:19-20).

**We have been sent to save our neighbors.** The example of the early church was a church that went to “every house” (Acts 5:42), going “house to house” (Acts 20:20), teaching Jesus as the Christ. Our responsibility, as Christians, is to love our neighbor, seeking their greatest need—i.e., their salvation.

**We have been sent to save our children.** Our children are not toys to play with; they are “a heritage from the Lord” (Psa. 127:3). The responsibility of parents is to aim these little “arrows” (127:4) back to the Lord by teaching them the Word and the way of God (Deut. 11:19) and setting a godly example before them that they may “glorify your Father in heaven” and be saved (Matt. 5:16).

**We have been sent to save the unbelieving spouse.** When the New Testament speaks of the one who is married to an unbeliever, it emphasizes the possibility of the unbelieving spouse being “sanctified” or “saved” by the Christian spouse (1 Cor. 7:14, 16), even if by the Christian’s conduct “without a word” being spoken (1 Pet. 3:1). Salvation is always to be our emphasis.

Add our family members, friends, government leaders, co-workers, enemies, etc., etc. God wants all of them to be saved. Do our actions show that we do, too?

## ADULT MID WINTER FORMAL DINNER

DATE: SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> July.  
6: 30P.M.

See Jessie for further info.

### Important matters:

**Special Collection: Last Sunday of the Month 27<sup>th</sup> July.**

**For James Cammock:** This is a contribution to help Brother James as he prepares to attend the ‘Southwest School of Biblical Studies,’ for two years from August 2008. This is a great work for our involvement and support. We need these young men to train for service for the Lord.

### Allan’s Psalm Journal.

Psalms.19.

- 1- The wonder and glory of the creation of God and the power of the word of God. Two key verses are, verse 1 and verse 7

Psalms.20.

- 1- David, in this Psalm says that He does not trust in the battle implements etc, but in God. His trust, verse 7, is not in the horses and chariots but the Lord.

Psalms.21.

- 1- Thanks for winning the battle and getting victory. Thanks goes not to self but to the Lord. We must rejoice in our salvation and in the mercy and grace of God.

Allan



## Lamb of God

By Teresa Hampton

There's a song that keeps running through my mind. Each time I sing it, either in my head or in worship with others, it warms my soul. The song, written by Twyla Paris, goes like this...

Your only Son no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your side  
To walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God.

Lambs have a gentle, yielding nature, even in frightening situations. A sheep does not protest when about to be sheared. So, God used the image of a lamb to give a prophetic picture of things to come. Consider this:

Abraham was commanded to offer Isaac, but God stayed his hand. A male sheep, caught in a thicket, took Isaac's place as Abraham's offering to God (Genesis 22:1-13). Abraham's willingness to offer his "only son" was a prophetic picture.

Isaiah prophesied about Jesus saying, "*He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before his shearers is silent, so He opened not his mouth*" (53:7). Nearly seven hundred years later, John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "*Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!*" (John 1:29).

Jesus was innocent, "*as a lamb without blemish and without spot*" (1Pet. 1:19). He did not protest. He was yielding. He became the sacrificial Lamb of God for you and me, so we could then become His little lambs.

Now you know why it warms my soul to sing the song "Lamb of God. I was so lost I should have died, but You have brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and rod, and to become a lamb of God."

**Today's Verse:** *Isaac said, "...where is the lamb for a burnt offering? And Abraham said, 'My Son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering'*" (Genesis 22:7-8).

