THE PERSONAL TESTIMONY *of* *Timmy MacKenzie*



MY STORY BEGINS in Summerside, PEI, Canada, where I was born on April 10, 1990. I was raised well by Christian parents in Milo, PEI, along with two brothers and one sister. My parents were a dedicated part of the assembly of Christians that met regularly in the Springfield Gospel Hall. As children, we memorized many Bible verses (which are still with us), such as -

ROMANS 5:6

For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

ROMANS 3:23

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

Teenage years were filled with many changes in my beliefs and in my actions. I met a few friends and started going around with them, and becoming like them. I decided that maybe there was no God, so there's no need to worry about the Bible. I got into watching a lot of movies, staying up late at night to pursue that kind of entertainment. After I got my first car, I sped all over West Prince for three weeks until my driving habits caught up to

me and I crashed into a power pole. God miraculously preserved me and I walked away from the crash with only a sore thumb.

Since I still lived at home, I respectfully went to the meetings with my family. I don't ever remember pushing back against it. After I graduated from high school, I started working in construction. There was one experience I will never forget, a morning in the late fall of 2009, when we were on our way to work in Victoria West. There was a voice that spoke in my head, saying, *"Timmy, you are a sinner and you deserve to be in Hell."*

Needless to say, that turned my little world upside down, and from that point on I knew I needed salvation more than anything else. In the following year, I faithfully attended three series of special gospel meetings in Rosebank, Freetown, and Springfield.

In November of 2010, I spent many evenings asking God to show me how to be saved. I was starting to lose hope, until one night, 8:30 pm on November 28 to be exact, as the believers sang a hymn, they came to the words, ***"Trust Him with all thine heart,"*** and I did just that, and immediately had peace in my soul.

Out of Christ, without a Saviour,
Trust Him with all thine heart,
Ere the door of mercy closes,
And you hear His word, "Depart."

- "OUT OF CHRIST" Verse 5 -
Frank M. Davis & R.F. Beveridge

At first, I wasn't sure if it was real, but I had a new joy in my heart that was unlike anything I had ever experienced. Over the next couple of days, I was assured by God's Word that it was really what I had been longing for all along.

ROMANS 10:9 NASB
That if you confess
with your mouth Jesus as Lord,
and believe in your heart
that God raised Him from the dead,
you will be saved.

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