

Follow the Yield Sign!

Many highway intersections begin with a "Yield" Sign. Every decision in life is like approaching such an intersection, a place where we must surrender and merge our life into the greater will of God. Ephesians 2:13 proclaims,

"...In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ."

Something supernatural occurs when you yield to the Word of God and acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus Christ over your life. More than just believing, this verse tells us we change locations in life not by what we have done, but by what was done in Christ Jesus! Now we have been **brought**. The Greek root for brought is GINOMAI which literally means "to make out of nothing!" Remember when you were far off? What happened to you, deep inside your heart when you believed? You were **brought**! Your life was made alive! Something that had never existed before was placed on the inside of you. Not only were you brought ... but you were brought **near**! You were found! You were ushered close, to the very door of God's heart! How was this possible? What caused such an impossible thing to become a reality in your life? When Jesus cried out from the cross, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do," His blood was poured out upon the earth. This blood was poured out for you! And this verse tells us we were brought near ... in the blood of Christ.

It is not your good behavior that brings you close; it is not your belief system that ushers you to the door. What brings you close to God is the blood of Christ! And His blood is still speaking today. Dare to believe this. Whether you are having a good day or a bad day, our circumstances and our behavior cannot change this reality. It is the blood of Christ which creates new life within us. And by simple yielding, it is the same blood which ushers us to the very door of God's presence!

This special Thanksgiving Day at Gateway is the perfect place for many to be brought near. A place of birthing something new, something that has never existed before. Are you ready? There's something that the Holy Spirit has prepared just for you this day, and He will bring you into the very purpose and plan for your life as you continually follow the 'yield' sign! Yield to the Word of God and merge into the will of God for your life! This blood still flows from Calvary and will bring you near!

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