

As Old as Time



It came into the world with the introduction of sin, and it wasn't long before it had claimed its first innocent victim. Conflict forever marred the face of history when Cain killed his brother Abel. Think of all the children and grandchildren of that good and righteous man who never existed because of Cain's jealous rage.

Conflict. War and strife. From the beginning, these things have cost humanity incalculable sorrow and suffering. Today, for all the progress and development of humanity, we have not unmired ourselves from that basic struggle of our race.

Which was the bloodiest century of human history? The twentieth; yes, that century we just completed a few years ago. And the world of the twenty-first appears fraught with violence in many ways. Conflict on a global scale may only be awaiting a triggering event.

What else is as old as time? God's plan of redemption for the world. In this season of springtime, flowers are breaking out, and the green earth is ready for cultivation and productivity once again. From the dust and ashes of past troubles, peace breaks forth and new life emerges.

Jesus came to end conflict and bring righteousness. His message is good news for the poor, imprisoned, blind, and oppressed. Today is the day of liberation and new life for all who are chained by sin!

—Mike Fisher, Manager of Operations



Reader Feedback

I just wanted to take a moment to thank you for these pamphlets! I absolutely love them. I just got baptized here at the jail. I'm taking in all of Jesus I can! I can't wait to learn more about my Savior. Thanks again for doing this for us incarcerated folks.

—Emily Stevenson
Bedford County Correctional Facility, Bedford, PA

Thank you for the Bible study. It means so much to me. I'm not sure how you got my information, but I am so happy. I just want to grow my relationship with my Lord. Thank you for your time..

Your brother in Christ Jesus,
—Walter LaBier
California Substance Abuse Treatment Facility and State Prison, Corcoran, CA

Distributor Feedback

(People who distribute in prisons)

The inmates look forward to reading your booklets. I personally enjoy the poetry from the inmates. Thank you for this tool to encourage others.

—Chaplain Brenda Callahan
Monroe County Detention Center, Key West, FL

Financial Update

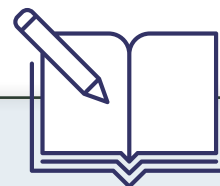
The cost of producing the next issue of the magazine is projected to be \$35,000, including editing, design, printing, and shipping costs. Due to the kindness of our donors, it is fully funded. Our current funds on hand are around \$170,000.

Publishing Update

Loaves & Fishes Issue 58 shipped on schedule in early March. Issue 59 will be graphic design soon, and is scheduled to ship in early June. The topic is human sexuality, and like other aspects of God's beautiful creation, it has been devastated by sin. We look forward to showing our readers how physical intimacy can still be the blessing that God designed it to be.

In the past year, our circulation has ranged between 61,000-64,000. We are grateful to all those who receive and distribute Loaves & Fishes. Additionally, we are grateful for the opportunity to distribute the magazine digitally via PandoApp, available on many prison tablets. In our first year, we have had close to 50,000 opens with the two most recent issues being featured at any given time.

We have decided to increase our investment on PandoApp, beginning with expanding to the four most recent issues, and over time increasing to hosting our entire library of back issues on the app at an eventual monthly cost of \$1,000. If your institution at some point discontinues acceptance of paper materials, this may be an option for inmates, depending on the tablet platform used in your facility.



Funding for Issue #59

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