



THE COOKS' CORNER

REACHING THE MARKETPLACE IN NEW YORK CITY

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Dear Friends, our treasured partners in the gospel,

I wonder if you can sit back and imagine...it's a fall day in New York, you walk along in Central Park, the leaves are swirling around you, you stop at the pond and consider going out on a canoe. Wait a minute, you live here, you have other things to do today....

Now you are hopping on the subway to head downtown and meet up with a media writer whose heart beats for God. **What if he could use his experience to encourage others to leverage their gifts to glorify God?** Clay and I have been connecting with people in the city, believers and nonbelievers, and some are coming alongside us so that **one day in every building, one every floor in every company there will be a spiritual leader sharing Christ and equipping others.**

At our next event, on November 17th and 18th, GOD @ WORK, we have a former Banking VP, an executive life coach, a top lawyer, and an award winning producer/writer who will share their strength and hope with the professionals that attend the event. **Our desire is that each person leaves the conference knowing that:**

1. Christ is the center of life and from Him flows everything they need,
2. Likeminded community exists and they can connect with others to be strengthened to love and serve those around them at work,
3. How to take concrete next steps to grow.

Please continue to pray with us that God would work at GOD @ WORK!

On a personal note, Clay and I went to a Sonship conference in October (Thanks to Lyn's mom for coming up to care for Hope and Emma). It was encouraging and convicting. One quote we love is, **"Cheer up, you are worse than you ever imagined. Cheer up, God loves you more than you can know."** We saw our sin in 3D and were warned to address lifestyle choices (work load) and idols (reputation & control).

Now the rubber meets the road. We need to change. And only God can change us. So we are praying earnestly that God would like a warrior come and rescue our hearts to believe Him. **"The Lord your God is with you, He is mighty to save."** **Zephaniah 3:17.** As God changes us we can offer hope and our own daily experience of the gospel to the millions (and each individual) around us who also need Jesus.

Happy Thanksgiving! May you know contentment in the gifts God gives you.

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Prayers & Praises

- GOD @ WORK event Nov 17-18—see prayer requests in the body of the letter
- God to renew both of us in our love for Him and our worth resting solely in Christ, not our own efforts
- More volunteer leaders and staff to join our team reaching professionals in New York City

AND A HUGE THANK YOU TO YOU! We are so very grateful for the ways you believe in us, pray for us, and give sacrificially. You have made a monumental impact in our lives and you are changing many in New York and by the power of God through New Yorkers you will impact our culture and the world. Just imagine it and let it fuel your prayers!

FINALLY OUR FULL PRAISE TO GOD! He has redeemed us and sustains us daily. We cannot praise Him enough for being our Father and Savior and King.