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Establishing People in God's Word
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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!

Dear Beloved,

For me, the end of the year is always a reflective time. A time to sit and look back at all the events that marked the year. Some events are joyous, filled with fond memories. Others painful, with memories I would rather not recall.

As I look back at how the Lord moved and worked through Precept, I am blown away. I look at how many books were translated, printed and provided especially to many who were unable to purchase them, and I am filled with gratitude. I look at the number of pastors and individuals who were trained and I am humbled and grateful. It is truly only God! We give Him alone all the glory for each life that was transformed and impacted! Praise God!

Sadly, a painful event was the passing of my 86 year old father just a few days ago. Although it was a very painful experience, it was also a joyous one. Joyous because I know without any doubt, he is absent from the body and present with his Lord and Savior whom he loved so much. My father was a man of the Word and studied the Bible inductively everyday of his life. He didn't just know about God, he knew God personally and intimately.

Growing in his knowledge and understanding of God was a passion of the Apostle Paul. Phil.3.10 "That I may know Him..." The same passion is what drove my father. I wonder if this is the same passion that drives us? Do we prioritize getting to personally know Him in our lives, on a daily basis?

I trust that as a Bible study student or leader you are not just studying the Word to gain information about God. I pray you are studying the Word out of a deep and abiding yearning to know Him more. Oh that we would truly know Him and not just about Him!

We thank God for each of you that has partnered with us through prayer and financial support during the year. Only in eternity will the impact and fruit of your prayers and faithful financial support be revealed. Your faithfulness in partnering with us and God's enabling has seen many lives impacted and changed forever!

On behalf of myself, Teresa my wife and the rest of the Precept Team, we wish you and your loved ones a wonderful, restful and peaceful festive season. May it be a time of renewed wonder and awe as we all reflect on the greatest event ever, the birth of our Lord and Saviour!

Many blessings
Stuart



Merry Christmas from all of us at Precept!



STUART KEMSLEY
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THE VISION OF PRECEPT MINISTRIES

To establish people in God's Word to live as exemplary followers of Jesus Christ, studying the Bible inductively, viewing the world biblically, making disciples intentionally, and serving the Church faithfully in the power of the Holy Spirit.

ABOUT PLUMBLINE

The plumbline is pictured in Scripture as the standard of Truth.

"Behold I am about to put a plumb line in the midst of My people..."
(Amos 7:8)

May this PLUMBLINE bless you!

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