

Bubble gum for Breakfast



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Why Tell the Story?

- The power of establishing a “narrative”
- Overcoming (Revelations 12:11)
- Giving glory prevents backsliding/relapse



Why tell the Story?

John 8:33

- ³¹ Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, “If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed.
³² And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”
- ³³ They answered Him, “We are Abraham’s descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can You say, ‘You will be made free’?”



Why tell the Story? Numbers 11:4-6

- ⁴ Now the mixed multitude who were among them yielded to intense craving; so the children of Israel also wept again and said: “Who will give us meat to eat? ⁵ We remember the fish which we ate freely in Egypt, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶ but now our whole being is dried up; there is nothing at all except this manna before our eyes!”



The Story...



#1

You cannot earn your
salvation.



#1

Matthew 19:16

¹⁶ Now behold, one came and said to Him, “Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?”

¹⁷ So He said to him, “Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God.



#1

Philippians 3:9

⁹ and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, The righteousness which is from God by faith;



#2

The consequence of sin
does not produce
repentance.



#2

Romans 2:4

⁴ Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?



#3

You were never meant to negotiate life's challenges alone.



#3

James 5:16

¹⁶ Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.



#4

The Word of God is your
Sword (weapon).



#4

Ephesians 6:14-17

¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.



#5

Restoration in Christ is
Supernatural.



#5

Joel 2:25

²⁵ “I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten—the great locust and the young locust, the other locusts and the locust swarm.



See also John 4:38

#6

You are not defined by your past. And your sin does not make you who you are!



#6

2 Corinthians 5: 17

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.



#6

Jeremiah 29:11

¹¹ For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.



Favourite Scripture!

John 8:36

³⁶ Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.

