

Inspired Songs For The South!

RESTAURANT SINGING RESULTS IN SUPPORT & NEW FRIENDS WON!

From Zichri, Hepsi & Luz; VSs in Chile:
PG! WELL, OUR BEGINNINGS WERE HARDLY GLORIOUS, OR EVEN PROMISING, but just to show that God can use the weak, foolish things, He has even used us to reach & influence many in our restaurant singing ministry!

IT ALL STARTED ABOUT 2 YEARS AGO, just after Luz had dropped out & we were preparing to go on the road for a summer faith trip of camping & witnessing! We sat down together in the bedroom of our apartment with a tape recorder to try to learn some songs for our trip South! Boy, the Devil tried to discourage us & make us quit before we even got started!

BUT AS WE KEPT "PICK & SHOVELING" WE STARTED TO EVEN LIKE WHAT WE HEARD ON THE TAPE WE WERE MAKING! Imagine that! So, with our 3 songs & guitar-in-hand, we took off by faith to the South to do our best for Jesus!

WE WERE AMAZED TO SEE HOW SWEET & RECEPTIVE THE PEOPLE WERE, especially to the music, in spite of our many imperfections! Of course, our first tries were in informal witnessing situations where the people were more captivated by the Spirit & the personal attention we showed, not by our technical imperfection! TO!

SOON WE GOT THE FAITH TO ATTACK ON RADIO, which also went surprisingly well! We were happily surprised! Each time, before we sang, we'd quote something from "Sack it to Me" or "Inspired Songs" to get up the Spirit & courage to do it, & the Lord never failed! We reached thousands & made friends with many radio people who, DV, will be our faithful helpers in getting MCV on



Hepsi, Luz & Zichri singing in a seaside restaurant.

the air throughout the South!--We sang on nearly every station we went to, a total of about 15!

HOWEVER, WE STILL HADN'T PLAYED FOR A CLUB OR LARGE RESTAURANT-TYPE CROWD. We were pretty nervous about that, as the people are generally more demanding concerning professionalism, & if there is one thing we aren't, it's professionals! Ha! Later we found out that the turned-on happy spirit of our "music with meaning" turned them on a lot more than mere professionalism! When we would "sock it to them" they loved it, mistakes & all. In our first club, the owner noticed we were inexperienced & a little nervous, so he promptly offered us a "pisco sour" (a local alcoholic drink) which we readily accepted, & the show began! It went great; in fact the audience response was terrific; it gave us the faith to go forward with singing as a ministry! TYU!

WELL, THAT WAS 2 YEARS AGO, and in the last 2 years of singing the Lord has done so many miracles in providing funds, friends & fish! We live in a seaside resort where we consistently meet important people & get a good chance to minister

to them. So many of these people tell us to keep on singing. They say that we sing wonderfully & that the message in our songs is so different from commercial songs & so necessary for all to hear! We always tell them thank you, that we just want to make other people happy & spread a little love around!

THRU OUR RESTAURANT SINGING WE MET MARIA ANGELICA, a precious woman who received the Lord & the Holy Spirit & is now a faithful witness. She gave her brother-in-law (who is a doctor) a Bible for his birthday, which caused no small stir in her family! The doctor's 10-year-old son had a severe case of asthma, but after reading "Streams That Never Run Dry", Maria Angelica immediately went to their house, witnessed to her nephew, read him parts of "Streams", & then the boy got so excited that he said he had the faith to get healed! So they prayed & he was immediately delivered from his life-long asthma affliction! Hal! Imagine the reaction of his father, a doctor! Although he's a pretty hard nut to crack, he couldn't deny the facts, & he took his son off the drugs he had been taking for years! Now he is a good friend of the Family, gladly attending to the girls' deliveries (2 so far) & any other medical problems for free!

ANOTHER PRECIOUS GIRL WE MET IS ALICIA. She's a pharmacist & about 26 years old. She saw us singing once & never forgot us! She said that she felt something very special while watching us sing that she'd never felt before. She was too shy to make contact with us, but a few months later we met her miraculously at a party at the home of our T.V. catacomber! In fact, she'd already been saved & reading the "Daily Might" before we personally met her! She'd known one of the catacombers

from before & had recently gotten in touch with her again. After going to one of our catacombers' parties & hearing the songs they sang, she immediately related them to us! Now she's so happy in her new life of knowing Jesus & has been a real blessing & good friend.



Alicia, first met thru restaurant singing & now a close friend of the Family.

WE'VE ALSO MINISTERED TO AN ENTIRE RESTAURANT STAFF, having all 20 of them over to our Home for a party & songs. We've found it pays to cultivate the whole restaurant staff, from the owner to the dishwasher. Love never fails! We always get a warm welcome from the staff, & they encourage us to go in & "sock it to them".

AND ALL THIS THANKS TO DAD & THE LORD FOR ENCOURAGING US TO FORGET OUR PRIDE & SHYNESS, & SING! And thanks to His Holy Spirit which is what moves them & turns them on! PG! As Dad says, "The Jesus Revolution was waged & souls won with our music...Music is our message! Music is our ministry! It'll live in their hearts forever--by His Spirit." (DM May 19th) (AMEN! PR: GAY! Sack it to Me! WLY! Take Spirit in the Spirit of the Lord & sing all day long!)

Gospel In The Stars!

Edited by Samuel Pioneer from a class by Barry Settofield (a church man & astronomer)

(PTL) Interesting, if true--& quite possible. "God works in a mysterious way!"--D.: The question marks are mine--hal!

God has created the stars and heavens and ordered all things well - Ps 19:1,2. Since Adam, the future has been known via the stars. God has revealed His plans through both the Bible and before that in the twelve signs of the Zodiac and their associated thirty-six decans (constellations). We see in Ps. 19 vs 1-6 speak of the stars and vs 7-14 speak of the Word or Law of the Lord. In Genesis 2:19,20, we see Adam gave names to all animals, but by contrast we see God named the stars. Ps. 147:4, Is. 40:26. In the latter verse it states that God named them at Creation and these names have been preserved in spite of being translated into many languages. For example, the constellation of Virgo is called Bethullah in Hebrew. Pathanos in Greek and Kanos in ancient Indian, all meaning Virgin. From the Creation through the Flood to the Tower of Babel, these star names were passed from Adam through the patriarchs to be dispersed into many languages at the Tower of Babel. In Genesis 1:14, the scripture says the sun, moon and stars were to be for "signs" which these stars and constellation are, in so much they reveal the story of Christ. In Hebrew the word "signs" here implies "message bearer". In Job 9:8,9 we see God made the constellations referred to and that their names haven't changed over 4,000 years. Also their shapes haven't changed either. We see in Job 26:13 the crooked (or "fleeing" - Hebrew) serpent described, still unchanged today (the constellation of Hydra). In Amos 5:8 it states that the Lord made the constellations.

Returning to Ps. 19 we read in verse 4 that the Lord has set a "tabernacle" for the sun, which is the twelve constellations of the Zodiac which the sun passed through in its circuit. Verse 6 says "his going forth is from the end of heaven and his circuits unto the ends of it". The word Zodiac means "way" or "circuits", from old words zoad and zodiacus. God Himself brings forth these signs of the Zodiac season by season. In Job. 38:31,32, it says God brings forth "Mazaroeth" which means the twelve signs of the Zodiac. To each of these twelve signs are given three associated constellations called decans totalling 48 signs which are to tell the story. The word decan means "part" or "to explain".

Now looking at Romans 10 we see in verse 18 Paul is talking about those that preach the Gospel and quoting Ps. 19 saying all have heard the Word because the stars taught the Gospel before even Moses. Romans 10:15 also could refer to the stars which are definitely beautiful and preach the Gospel. Also the sun preaches to us by day. Ps. 19:5 refers to the "sun" as the bridegroom who is Christ (John 3:28), and in Malachi 4:2 refers to the "sun of righteousness" being again, Christ. So Ps. 19:5,6 tell us the message of Christ coming out of His chamber (heaven) coming to Earth then returned again to heaven (the end of His circuit).

In Genesis 15:5 God said to Abraham to "tell" and "number" the stars. The words "tell" and "number" mean to mark, list in sequence or tell the story. So God asked Abraham to tell the story in the stars and then God adds "so shall thy seed be". And it says Abraham believed the Lord and He counted it to him for righteousness. This verse has been misinterpreted to mean the same as in the verse Gen. 22:17, but in Gen. 15:5 the word "seed" is singular. We see in Gal. 3:16 Paul says "He saith not, and to seeds, as of many; but as of one, and to thy seed, which is Christ". Also Gal. 3:6 is the same as Gen. 15:5, so we know Paul is referring to Gen. 15 and not Gen 22; so the message is clear - God had Abraham read of the star names and then God adds "so shall thy seed, Christ, be". So Abraham had the Gospel preached to him.

"And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all

nations be blessed" (Gal. 3:8) - through the stars. "So then they which be of faith (i.e. saved) are blessed with faithful Abraham (Gal. 3:9). And Rom. 10:15-18 tells us that all men have had the Gospel preached unto them, via the stars."

Where to begin to read the Zodiac? Astrologers usually begin with Aries. God said He named and numbered them (Gen. 15:5), so there is a definite order. The Sphinx (eg. seen at Esna, Egypt) reveals where to break the circuit of the Zodiac. It has the head of a woman with the body and tail of a lion, and Egyptian Zodiacs always place the Sphinx between Virgo and Leo. Thus the sun, which represents the "sun of righteousness", the "heavenly bridegroom", Christ the Messiah (Mal. 4:2, Ps. 19:5, Jn 3:29) as it moves through the twelve signs with their associated strong-man figures (Ps 19:5), traces out the message that begins with Virgo, and ends with Leo. Twelve signs or houses (constellations) of the Zodiac in correct sequence are thus Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricorn, Aquarius, Pisces, Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo. They elaborate God's revelation to man in three groups of four signs each, covering Christ's work in the past, present and near future.

The Signs of the Past

The first four signs speak of Messiah and His works. His identity is revealed in Virgo the Virgin. The brightest star there is, Spica (Latin), or Zerah (Hebrew) which means "seed". Other bright stars are Tsemeh "Branch" (Jer. 33:15, Zech. 3:8, 6:12), Zaviaveh "glorious", Al Mureddin "who has dominion", Vindematrix "coming soon". These names divorced from pagan idolatry and mythology amplify the prophecy of the glorious son of God, the Branch of the Lord (Is. 4:2, 11:1) who came as the seed of the virgin (Gen. 3:15, Is. 7:14, Matt. 1:23) and yet is destined to have dominion over all nations (Ps. 72:8). Any doubt as to His identity is settled by the decan of Coma, which was originally Comah (Hebrew) "longed for" or "desired" (Ps. 63:1, Hagga 2:7). In Egyptian it was Shes Nu, "desired son". The old Persian name, according to the Arabian astronomer Albumazer, was "Ihesu which in Greek is Christos" - Jesus the Christ. The sign of Libra, the Scales or Balance, speaks of Christ's initial work by 3 bright stars; Zuben al Genubi "the price which is deficient" (Is. 40:12, Ps. 49:7, Ps. 62:9). Zuben al Chemali (or Kaphar), "the price which covers" (or "atonement") and Zuben Akrahi, "the price of the conflict". Respectively, they point out that man has "been weighed in the balance and found wanting" or is deficient (sinful) before God (Rom. 3:10, 23). However, the shedding of the blood of Christ was the atonement, the covering price for our sins (Rev. 5:9) and was obtained by the price of conflict for His life fought out on the cross of which the decan of the Southern Cross (or Crux) speaks. Now Centaur (Decan of Crux), (or Bezeh) means "despised one" (Is. 53:3). The Southern Cross was visible on the horizon at the time of Christ's crucifixion. It's Old Hebrew name was "tau" meaning "limit" or "finish". Jesus' last cry was "It is finished". The five main stars are representative of the wounds in His hands, feet, head and side. The two other signs, Scorpio and Sagittarius will be considered with Leo.

The Signs of the Present

This second group of signs begins with Capricorn the Goat, which was a sacrificial beast, but the star name Deneb al Gedi means "the Judge Who is the Sacrifice". Christ alone the coming Judge, was Himself the sacrifice for our sin and shedding forth His Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 5:7, 15:3-6, Acts. 1:4-11). The Zodiac strong-man Aquarius pours out his water in a life giving stream upon Pisces the Fish. This is Christ's promise, to those who repent and trust in His blood sacrifice for sins, that He would pour forth His Holy Spirit as rivers of living water to personally indwell in every believer and eternal life. (Jn. 7:37-39, 4:14, 14:15-21). The symbol of the Fish has been used to identify Christians from the earliest days. The sign of Aries,