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The Open Heart of A Child

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After prayerful consideration, my husband decided to leave his successful sixteen-year career as a designer to enter the ministry full-time. As you can imagine, many friends and family were concerned that we were moving 800 miles away to attend a preaching school in Tennessee, far away from the familiar faces and surroundings of our native Oklahoma.

Soon after we broke the news to my husband's family, we overheard our son (6 years old) consoling his grandfather over the telephone. He was assuring his Grandpa that we would keep in touch through writing letters, email and frequent telephone calls while we were away. "Besides," we heard him say, "If we don't do what God wants us to, he might send a big fish to swallow us like He did to Noah!"

Granted, he chose the wrong Bible character's name, but the sentiment is on the right track. How many of us know what God expects of us but we either choose not to do it or procrastinate until we feel 'comfortable' with the situation?

What a blessing it is to see things through the eyes of child! The answer is simple: God wants us to go out and teach the Gospel . . . so that's what we will do. As children of God, I pray that we have a similar attitude when it comes to doing God's will.

Today's Verse: *"Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.'" Matthew 18:2-4*

Today's Laugh: Brittany (age 4) had an earache and wanted a pain killer. She tried in vain to take the lid off the bottle. Seeing her frustration, her Mom explained it was a child-proof cap and she'd have to open it for her. Eyes wide with wonder, the little girl asked, "How does it know it's me?"

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