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Skin in the Game

Some have indicated that when Warren Buffett was a young man he coined the phrase of 'skin in the game' referring to insiders using their own money to buy stock in the company they were running. While we do not know if Warren Buffett considered God in this formula and thinking in that time and place, we can thank God for being the author and creator of such an idea long before Warren picked up on this concept. Let us share our thoughts with you here. Please read on ~

We all understand that God who is omnipotent, omniscient and omnipresent could choose to work alone in His mission to draw people to Him. Yet he elected, at great cost to Himself, to move through His son and now through a body of people like all of us, to invite us to make His mission our own. We saw this repeatedly in Jesus' encounters with ordinary men and women in the bible. Yet as we may feel far less prepared for kingdom work and God adventures, God has chosen not to do alone what He can do with and through us. Gratefully even when we are unwilling to accept or simply may be unaware of our personal investment potential, (often risky) God equips us as we step out in faith to accomplish His work.

One very memorable event in the bible reminds us of this idea. Recalling the widow's mite giving, so small and yet so vital and important. She was so blessed by her effort wasn't she? Personally, we are humbled by her example. Could that be us in our daily walk with Him? Here God has offered us the grace that is free. He is the BIG partner in this game. We are just the little players and yet as the 'Church' we are mighty; all working together hand in hand.

He loves us so much that He pulls out all stops for

us to come running to Him. He sent his only son as his verification of the physical evidence for the least of us to realize how very important we are to Him. We have to believe that Jesus is our only hope. As light revealed an empty tomb on that Resurrection Sunday, the empty tomb is the witness of our salvation. (John 12:44-46). Just as God brought the Jews out of slavery with the Passover, God brought us out of the slavery of sin with the death and resurrection of His Son.

As we move around and share God's ministry amongst churches and groups, we sense that Christians are longing for more in their lives, a sense that they're more present to Jesus and to their own story in the every day. Too often, though, we are afraid to risk so the very fuel that souls need to stay alive are being choked off. If we look to the way Jesus related to people we can see that with every person he ever met He asked them to put their 'skin in the game' ~ to invest all of themselves. Only then did those people find the life they always longed for.

Think of Peter of the bible, who had a unique personality and is thought of by many as the one who continually 'put his foot in his mouth.' Strong and boastful, Peter was used to directing his own life. Maybe a self-made sort of man. He ran through the school of hard knocks. He ran his own show. Yet one day this very man gave his life for Jesus and became a pillar in the early church. What a role model he set for the rest of us today and now.

Please join us as partners in thanking God for the sacrifice of His Son by following Christ's last command on earth.

“Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.” —Matthew 10:39

The Coffee Challenge



We challenge you ! We all know that famous coffee place with the green logo with more strategic locations than one could imagine. It's the same place that serves anyone who cares to indulge

in its good drinks and pastries the infamous \$5 venti cup. We've heard comments time and time again about that cost for such a drink and yet business continues for them day after day. We've been there too and enjoyed the atmosphere and the beverages. Hey, it helped some of our kids get thru college and pay their bills.

Here's the challenge ~ We would love to see more of you joining our partnership team and invest in God's ministry in Cambodia in the form of the \$5 a month club (or more if you'd like) to help us in country to continue to work with the local church to share 'the story' of God's love with people who need to be rescued from the grips of the lost in this fallen world.

Gratefully partners who joined us early on have continued to add to the pot on a monthly basis forming for us seed money for our major expenses. Thank you so very much. A big hug to each of you here as you sacrificially do this.

Now is the time for the 'rest of us' to prayerfully put some 'skin in the game' along with all of those wonderful prayers and the encouragement to give us the daily coverage we need to stay on the ground. Our target departure is only a short six months away so now is a critical time for us to gather in our network of partners.

Please prayerfully consider joining up with that 'green and white' cup with us. It's only \$5 a month and that 'mite' will be a huge difference when we all partner together.

Thank you so very much. The people and churches of the local community of Cambodia heartily thank you as well.

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~On the Homefront~

Back in Cambodia, God's ministry continues to be blessed. The latest this month is that the director and board are meeting to discuss and to sketch out a list of projects for the future and for our return (and short term teams).

Knee Thoughts



Prayer for more partners to meet our daily needs in country while we are there.

Safe Easter travels for those on holiday visiting family and friends, wherever that is.

Praise for the continued growth of the church in Cambodia as they march forward to share the gospel message in the rural villages.

Praise with a sacrificial heart of our partners, here and in Asia, for Cambodia.

Pray for more churches to broaden their missional platforms ~ and include this platform as 'the end of the earth part thereof.'

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