

Brethren,

Ryan asked that this email be forwarded to y'all:

O may the Lord have mercy upon Jason Bellard for the glory of His name! Amen.

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From: Ryan Ringnald <ryan.w.ringnald@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Mar 14, 2015 at 5:17 PM

Subject: Dear brother and friend, please read my heartfelt plea, and please do not be offended but receive it as it was sent, in true love.

To: bellardjason@firestonelc.com

O Jason, dear brother, this is Ryan Ringnald. I am one of the pastors of the the Church of Wells. My friend, I love you in the bowels of our Lord Jesus Christ, and my soul has often been drawn out in earnest charity and concern for you, as I have listened to your God-anointed songs from the past. Truly, your brethren in Wells, myself included, who have been gathered from all over this nation, to learn to fear God, keep His commandments and follow God's example of Christianity as it is in the New Testament of the Bible, earnestly long for fellowship with you, brother. Indeed I have great love in my heart for you, though I have never met you, for I consider you a brother, who has fallen snare to sin and the Devil. O that you might wake up and get back up, friend! O that God might restore unto you the joy of your salvation (see Psalm 51, and follow King David's lead), which you have severely fallen from, before you go hence and be no more! I do not have much to say in this message, but I do have something important to write to you in light of your recent behavior, when Mark and William visited you, having been – I am convinced – sent by God (see Lk. 10:16, Mtt. 25:31-46) . Could you please spare a moment to hear me?

Jason, shame on you, sir, friend and brother in the Lord! How dare you treat the meek and loving servants of Jesus Christ like that, friend! These men went out of their way and came to you in the Spirit of God, with kindness, meekness and reason-ability, yet you refused to speak to them or to show them the least kindness, courtesy or even common civility, choosing rather to persecute them! Not only harshly rejecting a proper conversation with them, but moreover calling the police on them, who were more reasonable than you apparently, in this dark hour of your soul!? What else can be said to you, in the love of the truth, but shame on you, dear brother. I hear that things are not well with your wife, could this not be the immediate judgment of God for your backsliding against Him? I think so.

Truly, Jason, in the Spirit of God I am utterly astounded, ashamed, and grieved at how you have apostatized and backslidden from the faith that you once had, as is expressed in your edifying music from the past. I will forbear to share all the lyrics that do attest to the truth of what I say. Brother, when are you going to repent and return to God, and not reject His servants, when under God He sends them to you by the leadership of the Holy Ghost, Who is God? When are you going to repent and return to the God that you once knew, with utter intensity, fear, sobriety and holy passion, that perhaps He might requite you good and mend things with your soul and your wife? Do you think you have long in a fragile body of flesh and moreover in a nation like ours, with darkness spreading like a flood, in and out of the professing Churches? I think not. The Lord will shut the door one day, and it will be too late. Hell is hot on your heels friend, turn to Jesus Christ and live!

I am in Wells and would love to talk to you, when you are ready to get serious with the Lord Jesus Christ, Whom you have defrauded of His own property, which is you, by selling yourself for your detestable sin! Surely, as much as your brethren in Wells desire fellowship with you (I can't speak for others that I don't know), I am assured that the God Who made you and redeemed you from the pit of destruction and despair desires it more... though at this time you have built again the things which you destroyed, making yourself a transgressor, and undermining your own salvation and soul, putting yourself on the broad road to hell again (see Gal. 2:18). Have some humility and receive this faithful wound from a friend, dear sir, as Peter did, that it might be well with you and your soul might live!

Whoever has told you or intimated to you that sin is not serious, is a fool, speaking for the Devil, who is a fool ("Fools make a mock at sin...")! Whoever told you or in any way dissuaded you from the righteous course you were apparently on in the past, when once you sang songs to the glory of God, reproving sin thereby, and were obviously a more broken yet upright man, is also a hypocritical fool! May the Lord rebuke such folly. It doesn't matter much to me who they are or were - how popular, rhetorical, educated, sharp in the flesh, et cetera. Shame on their devilish counsel and shame on you for heeding it in the slightest. May God have mercy and bring you back to standing for the truth, my brother! "Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other" (Psalm 85:10). "By mercy and truth iniquity is purged, and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil" (Proverbs 16:6).

To a Lukewarm Church, in a Lukewarm Church Age, God says:

"As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent." (Revelation 3:19)

Your servant, friend, and brother, who hates sin because God so hated sin that He wouldn't dare forgive any of it without crucifying His only begotten Son, and our beloved Lord Jesus Christ for it. O that you might walk consistently in light of the cross, and flee from your rebellion against Him, not putting the Son of God to an open shame despite the blood of the covenant wherewith you were sanctified (see Hebrews 6 and 10)! Obey the Holy Ghost, dear friend! I would help you, if you would be helped. If you decide to harden yourself, you have been warned:

"Happy is the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief." (Proverbs 28:14)

"A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident." (Proverbs 14:16)

"Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction: but he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured." (Proverbs 13:18)

To God be the glory, and may He have mercy,
Ryan Ringnald.

P.S. Here is a Facebook Post I just wrote commending a godly musician, that has not forsaken the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, or sold out His King for a usurper, the Devil! May His faithfulness to the living Lord Jesus Christ Who alone is worthy be a prick to you, my fallen and hardened friend, that you might with vengeance repent of burying your talent, despising your own soul, and shaming my Lord the worthy King Jesus Christ!

"Hallelujah, hallelujah for the blood of Jesus Christ, Who is the sinner's substitute and the chosen One of God!

Friends, for the last 9 years my single-most-earnest-longing desire and expectation, no matter the cost, has been to hear the living and reigning Lord, Creator, Sustainer, and God of all men and things – the Lord Jesus Christ – one day say unto me, "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord" (Matthew 25:21). Thus, when I heard the following song from a beloved saint, Dan Pursley, my heart resonated with his and I was filled with gratitude, thanksgiving, charity, passion, earnest expectation, and glory! Hallelujah to the Lamb!

Brother Dan Pursley is a talented musician by anyone's standard, but he is different than almost all others, in that he is a wayfaring man and a cross-bearing Christian, who sings in the power of the Spirit of God - without which element all music of any caliber and in any form is unacceptable and grievous before the God that made music. Indeed, brother Dan is no mere hypocritical-entertainer or hireling that sings about the cross before men, while he in reality and practicality despises and denies it before God, but he is a man who has made himself poor that he might be rich in God, through Jesus Christ His King. He has taken the low seat and refused to use his God-given talent for the money, or the exaltation of his own ministry and name. No, this brother sings for the edification, exhortation, and comfort of the saints of God and for the glory of the worthy name of Jesus Christ! Thank you Lord Jesus, and may the God that giveth gifts unto men be praised!

I encourage all of you to listen to this anointed song at the link below. As you do, please praise the Lord Jesus Christ, if you know Him in truth, Who is altogether lovely and the chiefest of ten thousands, Who is worthy of all honour, glory, laud, and praise both now and forevermore! O that the Lamb of God and the Lion of the tribe of Judah, Who alone is King of Kings and Lord of Lords, might be ever exalted world without end, Amen."

Well Done: by Dan Pursley

<http://www.thechurchofwells.com/files/theme/Well%20Done.mp3>