

A Flight To A New Life!

AFTER COMPLETING UNIVERSITY, MUSICIAN FLEES HER HOME & COUNTRY IN SEARCH OF TRUTH!
From Sarah Violin; At MMW:

THE DAY I WAS TO WALK DOWN THE AISLE TO TAKE MY COLLEGE DIPLOMA, I was on an airplane from America to Italy, with the feeling that I was destined to meet something there--I felt that I had to leave America, a dying nation.

MY ASPIRATIONS AS A TEEN-AGER of changing the injustices of society thru the youth revolution of the 60s were totally disillusioned by the growing indifference of my generation--slipping back into the very injustices that only a few years earlier we had claimed to be changing.

I FELT ALSO THAT I HAD TO BREAK AWAY FROM THE ACADEMIC LIFE that had virtually been my god since birth. Raised in a "university family" with both my mother & father being math professors, it had been ingrained in me that everything in life must have a rational explanation, although every fiber of my real being knew that something greater than the mere mind of man governed this universe!

UP TO THE MOMENT THAT I STEPPED ON THE PLANE, I had been studying music & composition, but I wanted to live & speak with music--the language of this generation--not just study it. But one essential ingredient was missing: I didn't know what I wanted to say, what I wanted to live for--so why was I playing music?

WHEN I LOOKED BACK IN HISTORY, what many musicians expressed was their love for God, but it seemed that the God of modern society had become man & his accomplishments & music was no longer an expression of faith.

IN THAT LAST YEAR OF COLLEGE, my life seemed to fall



Beautiful Sarah with her three children.

up with a strange series of events & my existence became daily a more desperate search for some reason for living. That year I fell in love & began to face not only the joy of love, but a myriad of fears that this society teaches us must accompany such a powerful emotion.

CHILDREN--WHAT IF I GET PREGNANT? What could I give to a child in a world that seemed hell-bent for its own destruction. Love--How desperately my heart yearned for true love, but when I began to try to love someone so deeply, I began to see how utterly inadequate my own love was. I felt such a desire to love & be loved & to have children, but felt completely incapable.

ANYWAY raging in my mind, I decided to read the Bible, at first out of curiosity. I thought it was like any book, so I started at the beginning--little did I know that this was to become the most beautiful love affair of my life. It got to be the first thing I ran to every morning & the book I was constantly desiring to read as I sat in all my classes.

I GUESSED SOME PEOPLE MUST HAVE THOUGHT IT STRANGE--reading the Bible as I sat in the "hallowed halls" of the "institution of higher learning", but in the midst of all the mental confusion raging within me, I found a wonderful source of comfort & inspiration--the history of the world's men of faith praying & seeking answers

to the questions of their lives. How I longed to live a life of faith, but how impossible it seemed in this modern world.

SO, WHEN I STEPPED ON THAT AIRPLANE I DESPERATELY HOPED TO FIND A NEW WORLD on the other side of the ocean. Leaving behind the normal scheduled activity of my university life left me even more face to face with that aching void in the depth of my heart. I seemed to be wandering aimlessly inside my heart, & now even in my travels.

FINALLY, ONE NIGHT THINGS BECAME UNBEARABLE. & I went out for a walk in the night & finally must have sat down & cried out in my heart, "God please show me what to do. I want to live for something, to do something good with my life, & all this just seems useless." Thank the Lord, there is a God & he does hear & answer every prayer of faith!

THAT VERY DAY I MET SOMEONE WHO TOLD ME THAT ONLY JESUS COULD FILL THAT ACHING VOID IN MY HEART & bridge the gap that I felt between my more human heart & the infinite power & love of God.

In my heart I immediately felt that this was the answer to my search, but my academic mind leaped to its own defense with a million excuses, & there seemed to be a raging battle between my heart's desire & my doubting mind.

AND THEN, AS THIS KIND MAN RESPONDED TO ALL MY QUESTIONS WITH VERSES from the Bible, a little child walked into the room & threw me a kiss. I felt as if I had seen an angel--such simplicity. The very thing my heart longed for. Just then this man had been telling me that all I had to do was just pray like a little child to my heavenly Father & ask Jesus to come into my heart, to forgive all my sins & give me a new life. I thought, that if even this little child can be so simple & happy, what a fool I am not to try this prayer! Thank the Lord I did!

IT WAS LIKE FALLING LOVE, only better. I wanted to know, "Who is this Jesus?" So this time I started in the middle of the book, at the Gospel of John, & began to fill my heart & mind with His loving words.

THEN SOMEONE READ A PARABLE CALLED "DIAMONDS ON DUST" to me, my first reading of the letters of Father David. My first reaction was, "Of course this is true!" I was so surprised. I guess in all my studies I had never read anything written simply, because it's the truth! Then, day by day, reading these wonderful love letters of Father David & the story of the new lover of my soul, Jesus, I began to clear away the rubble of my mind, & each day became a step into a new world of freedom of love & happiness.

NOW THE LORD HAS GIVEN ME A WONDERFUL LIFE playing "Music with Meaning" together with thousands of brothers & sisters in Jesus around the world, & a wonderful husband & 3 beautiful children. Now I can truly say that I've "tried & proven" that promise in the Bible that says that if you delight yourself in the Lord He will give you the desires of your heart. Our God is a happy God & wants us to be happy & make others happy! Please try it too!

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