The Zoo was a Fun Place

Then, a place where children & families came to laugh & play, to watch & feed the monkeys, elephants, giraffes, etc. But the cages of these friendly animals were empty now. All but the most ferocious meat-eaters had been killed or gotten rid of by the World Government forces that had taken over this country. The once brightly-coloured walls & signs were now faded, cracked & peeling. The flower beds that used to be so pretty & neatly trimmed were now either dried up & dead or overgrown with weeds. Everything was so dark & dismal, it was hard to believe that this was even the same place!

The Lions & Tigers were no longer kept in the large open area that they once lived in.

The new regime found that the hot sunlight tended to make them slow & lazy, thus some prisoners who were thrown to them were not devoured right away. So a large underground den had been dug out for them, like a huge cave or dungeon. Its mouth or entrance was like a storm cellar door that led down a very narrow stairway to the stone floor of the cavern, where the dozen hungry lions waited for their next meal!

The lions’ roars grew louder & louder as Maria & the band of soldiers neared the den. In fact, they were so loud, Maria could feel the pathway vibrating under her feet!

"Ah, there’s the entrance to the den!", one of the officials from the military complex said as they approached a gigantic round slab of stone that was laid over the top of the lions’ underground lair.

Since the men had handcuffed her when they pulled her out of the studio room back at the military complex, Maria had been looking for a way to escape from the Beast’s forces, trusting the Lord that He would deliver her out of their hands as He’d promised. But now, as she & her captors neared the lions’ den, no way of escape was in sight!

"It sure seems like a waste to feed such a pretty girl like this to the lions!", one of the soldiers said to his companions.

"You know, I was just thinking the same thing!", another one added.

"Yeah, why should the lions get to enjoy her before we do!", several of them piped up. "What do you say, Commander, how about if we have a little fun with her first?"

"Men," the commander answered, "we were given strict orders directly from our great leader himself to feed this trouble-maker to the lions!"

"Yes, we know that, sir.", the men replied. "But we were just thinking how nice it would be if we could devour her a little ourselves, before the lions do! After all, we’re the only ones here in this part of the Zoo right now, no one else will ever know a thing about it!—Besides, Commander, it’s
been weeks since most of us have taken leave & been able to spend some time with a woman!"

AS THE COMMANDER THOUGHT about it, he looked at Marie, whose thin rain-soaked toga clung to her young body. "Hmmm, well men, I think maybe you've come up with a good idea!—Come on, grab those empty gunny sacks over there, put them on top of this big round stone & lay her out with one of you holding each of her legs & one of you holding her arms & line up & we'll take turns!—And I'll be first!"

DEAR MARIE, who had overheard all of this, suddenly spoke up: "Wait a minute, fellows!"

"YOU JUST SHUT UP & KEEP QUIET!", the commander barked back at her! "You don't have any say in this!—If anything, you should be glad that we're not throwing you straight to your death with the lions!—Of course, maybe a nice 'religious' girl like you would prefer death by the lions to what we're about to do to you!"

"NO, NO, YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!", she insisted: "What I wanted to say was, you don't need to hold my legs & my arms! Here, she said, as she lovingly smiled & held out her handcuffed wrists, "remove these cuffs & I'll show you that I'm happy to make love with you, freely & willingly!"

THESE UNEXPECTED WORDS SO STUNNED THE SOLDIERS, they were speechless! The commander looked at her in disbelief & asked, "Wha, wha, what did you just say?"

"I SAID, IT'S NOT NECESSARY THAT YOU HOLD ME & TRY TO FORCE me to make love to you! I would like to make love with you!"

"I CAN SEE THAT YOU'RE ALL LONELY & IN NEED OF LOVE!—And this is what my entire life is all about: Love!—For the God that I worship & serve, the one true God Who made you & me, He is Love! In fact, He loves each one of you so much that He sent His Own Son, Jesus Christ, into this world to live a life of love, to show us what God Himself is like, & to finally die for our sins, so that we could be forgiven & saved & know His Love forever!"

"ENOUGH OF THIS RELIGIOUS NONSENSE!" the cold-hearted commander shouted! "Grab her by her legs & arms & lay her out like I said!"

MARIE AGAIN TRIED TO EXPLAIN TO THEM, "I mean just what I said!—You don't need to hold me down!—My God is Love & I would like to show you His Love! He is the One Who created sex & your need for it! His Holy Book, the Bible, even says that He made me, a woman, for you!"

THE STUNNED SOLDIERS DIDN'T QUITE KNOW WHAT TO THINK ABOUT WHAT MARIE WAS TELLING THEM!—It was too shocking for most of them to believe! So they obeyed their orders & laid her out on the big slab of stone, firmly holding onto her to prevent her from resisting or struggling.
others, not only showed each of them as much love as she could through such loving and ardent sex, but also told each of them something personal about how much God loved them & how Jesus could help & save them!

"SOME OF THE MEN SLOWED DOWN, AS IF THEY WERE TRYING TO STAY WITH HER FOR AS LONG AS THEY POSSIBLY COULD, DESPITE THE JEERS & CALLS FROM THE OTHERS WHO WERE STILL WAITING FOR THEIR TURN! BUT ONE OF THE MEN WHOSE NAME WAS FANG WAS EVEN COLDER & MORE UNFEELING THAN THE COMMANDER! HE SEEMED ABSOLUTELY DEMON-POSSESSED & WAS ROUGH & ALMOST VIOLENT WITH POOR MARIE, ORDERING HER TO "SHUT UP!" AS SOON AS SHE MENTIONED THE LORD!

BUT MOST OF THEM WERE AMAZED!"

ED, ACTUALLY Aственные BY THE LOVE THAT SHE SO FREELY GAVE THEM!—SO MUCH SO, THAT WHEN THEY'D FINISHED, IT WAS TIME TO FEED HER TO THE LIONS, AN ARGUMENT BROKE OUT:

"SHE WAS FANTASTIC!—WHY NOT KEEP HER IN ONE OF THE EMPTY CAGES FOR OUR OWN USE!", ONE SAID.

"AH, YOU'RE JUST LETTING ALL THAT RUBBISH SHE SAID ABOUT LOVE GO TO YOUR HEAD!", FANG SNAPPED BACK. "WE HAVE ORDERS FROM OUR GREAT LEADER HIMSELF, DON'T WE, COMMANDER?—TO EVEN CONSIDER DOING ANYTHING ELSE WOULD BE TREASON, FOR WHICH THE PUNISHMENT IS DEATH!"

"HE'S RIGHT, MEN!", THE BRUTISH COMMANDER REPLIED. "WE CAN'T LET HER PRETTY LOOKS & SOFT WORDS BEECH US INTO
to the Lions!"

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