

Faith Scenarios

It's Now or Never

Jamie wanted to attend the week-long Believer's Convention in Anaheim. However, since she was financially challenged, she thought that she had better get the Lord's direction on it before she made up her mind. So she prayed, asking for His will in this situation. After a while, she believed that God had told her that He wanted her to attend, so she made up her mind to go. She prayed asking God to provide all her needs for the convention including transportation, registration fees, lodging and meals. Every day, she would thank God in the Name of Jesus that He had met all her needs for the convention. However, by the day before the convention, no money had come in. As she was pondering on this in her heart, a close friend, Paula, dropped by to visit. As Paula started to leave, she said to Jamie: "Bye. I guess that I will see you tomorrow at the convention." Choose Jamie's best answer from the list below:

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| a) I hope so, but God still has not yet brought in the money. | d) Pray with me that God will bring in the money today. |
| b) I must have missed God because I don't have any money for the expenses. | e) I believe that God wants me to go. Will you lend me the money? |
| c) Yes. I will see you tomorrow. | f) Yes. I believe that God will bring the money by tomorrow morning. |

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The Pen (Word) Is Mightier than the Sword (Scalpel)

After a recent annual checkup, Peter's doctor is worried about cancer and schedules him for a follow-up with an oncologist. However, Peter knows 1 Peter 2:24 and is not worried. A few weeks later, after meeting with Peter, the oncologist gravely declares that his doctor was right and that "Peter has cancer in an advanced stage." The oncologist indicated that he had sent a biopsy out for testing but was convinced that the results would confirm his findings. Peter is a man of faith and is still not worried. However, later that week, at his church he asks for a prayer of agreement that the results of the biopsy will confirm that he does not have cancer. Nevertheless, a few days later, when he gets the results of the biopsy, the doctor declares solemnly: "The biopsy has confirmed that you have cancer." Later that evening at church, a longtime close friend collars him and urgently demands: "Is it true what I have heard, that you have cancer?" Choose from below what you think is the best answer for Peter:

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| a) I can't tell a lie. I do have cancer. | d) No. I do not have cancer. |
| b) Yes. The doctor says I have cancer. | e) I have been healed by the stripes of Jesus. |
| c) Yes. The biopsy confirms that I have cancer. | f) Yes. But I believe I have been healed by the stripes of Jesus. |

Faith Scenarios Hollywood or Bus

Jane and Patty called for reservations on the special bus tour to the Hollywood Bowl. It would be a great morning for the Easter Sunrise service with picnicking and a show afterwards. Disappointing news! They were told that the bus was sold out and they agreed to be placed on the waiting list. Jane said brightly to the clerk “No problem. God will make a way for us.” The clerk politely smiled. Every few days Jane would call, but the reply was always the same: “You are still on the waiting list.” The final call was early on the day before the planned trip. The clerk’s response was still the same disappointing “Sorry. You are still on the waiting list.” However, this time she added: “If there is any change, I will call you immediately.” The bus was scheduled to leave next morning at 6:30 am. After Jane hung up the phone, she and Patty conferred as to what they should now do. Choose the best answer from below.

- a) Give up and make other plans.
- b) Pray again, asking that the clerk will call before the office closes at 5pm today.
- c) Pack their bags and prepare to be at the bus meeting location at 6:15 am.
- d) Call several strong Christian friends to agree in prayer.
- e) Ask the Holy Spirit to pray thru them in tongues for available seats.
- f) Drive immediately to the booking office, praying for favor as they go.