

# **NURSING WITH A DIFFERENCE**

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"Let Each Day Be Your Masterpiece" Galatians 6:9

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## **Nugget of Gold**

*Live Life Today  
Tomorrow May Never Come  
and  
The Past has Already Gone*

Nurses families helping Nurses to build a healthy Nation is an exciting reality as more and more ideas come in a wide variety of ways, from husbands and wives, daughters and sons, nephews and nieces, grandparents and so on.

This nugget which arrived by email from a Nurse's teenage daughter has a powerful message for every Nurse.

While this young lady, Priya, did not state where she found this gem or what prompted her to send it to Nursing With A Difference, let us hope that, on completing her basic education, she will choose Nursing as her career.

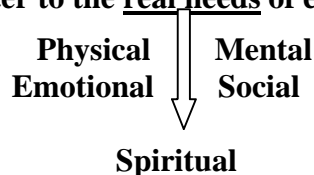
Why? The Surgeon, understandably, came and went, but the Nurses were caring for the wee boy every minute of each 24 hours he was in hospital and again when re admitted prior to his death..

As you read, think and ponder on the truth contained in this nugget it would be helpful if you would send in your response so that Priya may also be encouraged.

The wisdom of the parents of the wee boy in this nugget, was lived out in the practical reality of his life. The reality of life and death that brought quietness, peace and confidence in a frightening situation.

*Live Life Today, for Tomorrow may never Come and the Past is already Gone*

This Nugget does not minimize the importance of professional skill, be it Surgical or Nursing, rather it brings into perspective the importance of the team's understanding and appropriation of the five integral aspects of life necessary to be well equipped to minister to the real needs of every patient, young or old.



**"And a little child shall lead them." (Isaiah 11:6)**

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The Past Is Already Gone**

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*Blessings to you!*

**"The Heart please"**

"Tomorrow morning," *the Surgeon began,*  
"I'll open up your heart..."

"You'll find Jesus there," the boy interrupted.

*The Surgeon looked up, annoyed*

"I'll cut your heart open," he continued, to see how much damage has been done."

"But when you open up my heart, you'll find Jesus in there," said the boy.

The surgeon looked to the parents, who sat quietly.

"When I see how much damage has been done, I'll sew your heart and chest back up, and I'll plan what to do next."

"But you'll find Jesus in my heart.  
The Bible says He lives there.  
The hymns all say He lives there.  
**You'll find Him in my heart."**

*The Surgeon had had enough*

"I'll tell you what I'll find in your heart. I'll find damaged muscle, low blood supply, and weakened vessels. And I'll find out if I can make you well."

"You'll find Jesus there too. He lives there."

The Surgeon left.

**The Surgeon sat in his office, recording his notes from the surgery,**

"...damaged aorta, damaged pulmonary vein, widespread muscle degeneration.  
No hope for transplant, no hope for cure.

Therapy: painkillers and bed rest.

Prognosis: here he paused, "death within one year".

He stopped the recorder, but there was more to be said.

"*Why?*" he asked aloud.

"*Why*" did You do this? You've put him here; You've put him in this pain;  
and You've cursed him to an early death.

"*Why?*"

**The Lord answered and said,**

"The boy, My lamb, was not meant for your flock for long, for he is a part of My flock, and will forever be.

Here, in My flock, he will feel no pain, and will be comforted as you cannot imagine.

His parents will one day join him here, and they will know peace, and My flock will continue to grow".

***The Surgeon's tears were hot, but his anger was hotter.***

"You created that boy, and You created that heart. He'll be dead in months.

Why?"

**The Lord answered,**

"The boy, My lamb, shall return to My flock, for He has **Done** his duty:

I did not put My lamb with your flock to lose him, but to retrieve another lost lamb."

***The Surgeon wept.***

The Surgeon sat beside the boy's bed; the boy's parents sat across from him.

The boy awoke and whispered, "*Did you cut open my heart?*"

"Yes," said the Surgeon.

"What did you find?" asked the boy.

***"I found Jesus there," said the Surgeon.***

## **Celebrate Jesus**

If you aren't ashamed to do this, please follow the directions listed below:

*Jesus said, "If you are ashamed of me,  
I will be ashamed of you before my Father.."  
I Am Not Ashamed.*

Pass this on only if you mean it

*"Yes, I do Love God. He is my source of existence and Saviour.  
He keeps me functioning each and everyday.  
Without Him, I will be nothing.  
Without him, I am nothing,  
But with Him I can do all things through Christ that strengthens me."  
(Phiippians 4:13)*