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## FOUNDATION

### First Person Accounts.... God at Work



Mary Webster

#### Something Better

One evening Mary was sitting in the dining car of a train. It was late and she could not find a place to sit in the coach, so she went to the dining car. She sat down next to a man who offered her a cigarette.

She said, "No thank you, I don't need it." Again, he offered her a drink and again she said, "No thank you, I don't need it." He responded, "What do you mean, you don't need it?" "Well," she said, "I don't need it, I have something better."

He asked her, "Where have you been?" She responded, "Chicago." "What were you doing there?" "Speaking." "On what?" "On Religion." And with that he and his seatmates covered their glasses with their newspapers. She said, "You need not do that. It (alcohol) has nothing to do with what I am talking about."

"All right" they said, "go ahead and talk to us about what you have." And she began to talk, and the whole

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#### Getting Real

This newsletter contains highlights of some testimonies from persons who have experienced life transformation as a result of reading some of the writings of E. Stanley Jones. God continues to use Jones' faithful devotion to make God's presence known.



Anne Mathews-Younes,  
Editor, President, E.  
Stanley Jones Foundation

The E. Stanley Jones Foundation is dedicated to bold and fruitful evangelism, which shares the life-changing message of Jesus Christ to persons of all ages, backgrounds, life situations and locations. Our evangelism efforts are in keeping with the spiritual legacy of E. Stanley Jones, the late evangelist, missionary and Jesus follower. Jones' singular affirmation, "Jesus is Lord," was earnestly communicated through his preaching, teaching, writings and the Christian Ashram movement, and resulted in transformational experiences to follow Jesus among hundreds of thousands of persons around the world. Partner with us.

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dining car gathered around her, including the waiter, and no one ordered a drink. One man said to her, "Where did you get this?" She replied, "At the foot of the cross." "How did you get to the foot of the cross?" the man asked. "At the end of my rope," replied Mary. For two and one half hours, the whole dining car listened to this young woman describe the "how" of Christianity.

HOW? That is what people really want to know. How? They are more or less convinced that it (Christianity) is true, but how do you get it?

Mary Webster knew how to answer the "how" question. Jones met Mary Webster in the 1950s and found her to be a profound example of how an ordinary life transformed and redeemed could become a force for sharing the love of Jesus Christ to all she encountered.

Mary felt that she was not the source of things but only the channel and that God spoke to her directly. And He does! She says: "A watch doesn't create time -it simply registers it. A violin doesn't create music -it simply registers the music in the violinist. So we don't create -we transmit." She is the clearest channel of transmission I've ever seen. (Growing Spiritually, ESJ)

## A Rich Discovery

"Having been an avid reader for over 40 years of such saints as Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Thomas a' Kempis, Oswald Chambers and others. It was not until 2012 that I "discovered" E Stanley Jones. His spiritually practical insights have encouraged me toward a more intimate and powerfully personal partnership with our God and my fellow man.

I'm thankful to have been led to his teachings and exhort any/everyone to read, absorb, and prayerfully commit to what he shares, while pursuing a loving relationship with our heavenly father."

*Will D.*

## Press on Without Fear

"I have just put down Jones' "The Word Became Flesh." This book, with other revelation, has introduced a new awakening into my experience, I am beyond thrilled. I am no longer satisfied to accept the Word made word, and I am pursuing the Word made Flesh every day. Dr. Jones' book makes it possible for me to sit under his teachings today.

I served as a Bible study leader this year and it has been a long time since I enjoyed anything so richly, I am hearing from the Savior anew and afresh. He is so good. I moved out of teaching this year into full time pastoral ministry in my community. The darkness is like nothing I've ever seen-people need God. Here in the middle of some of worst social dissolution I have ever seen, I feel the love of Jesus! And, He has sent a team of young people into the struggle, so I am there as a father to cheer them on. I am blessed and privileged.

When I asked Jesus what I should say to you, Anne, I was impressed to tell you that I am just one of many being changed by the work of the E. Stanley Jones Foundation in reprinting these treasures. Press on without fear so others can see the one true God."

*Stephen F.*

"It is unnatural for a Christian to not have an appetite for the impossible." *ESJ*

"Jesus is Lord and if we have any doubt we can simply recall the resurrection on the third day. Put out the candles, the sun is up—Jesus is alive now, and Jesus is Lord!"

*ESJ*

"I'm trying to "favorite" tweets that I think are worth noting/remembering. You can read through those here:" [https://twitter.com/E\\_StanleyJones/favorites](https://twitter.com/E_StanleyJones/favorites)

*Micah S.*

## Timeless Truths

"I found an old copy of Abundant Living at my Indiana United Methodist Church last year. So, for the year 2014, we have read it together in our devotion time.

We CHERISH this book!! It was amazing that time after time the things Jones was writing about on any given day reflected the SAME THINGS that we were reading in another (contemporary) devotional. Over Christmas, our daughter-in-law saw Abundant Living, and after she read a short portion of it, she declared, "I love this!!" Of course we don't want to give up our copy. So we started searching today & discovered the E. Stanley Jones Foundation. We look forward to reading more of Jones' book soon."

*Marilyne & Ron C.*

## Recent Books Republished

Today, a new generation is discovering Jones' compelling Christ-centered teachings. E. Stanley Jones is remembered by many as the tipping point for their conversion experience.

## Dr. Jones' simple message,

- Jesus is Lord of all of life. This is the transformational meaning people are searching for today.
- Jesus is Lord of our past, present and future.
- Jesus can give us power to face everything life has to offer—good, bad and indifferent.
- We were created for a mission.

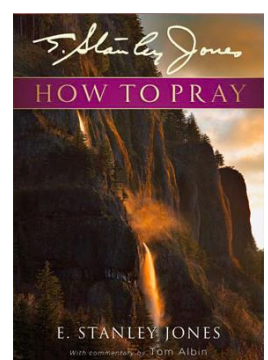
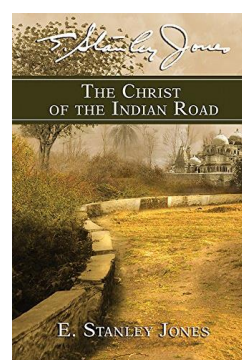
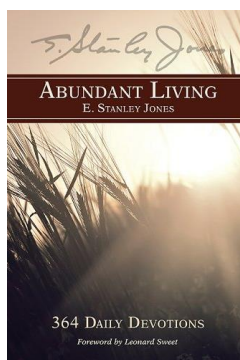
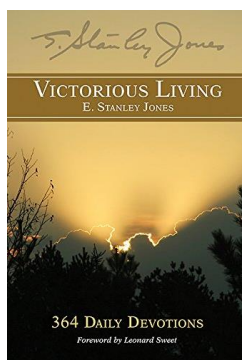
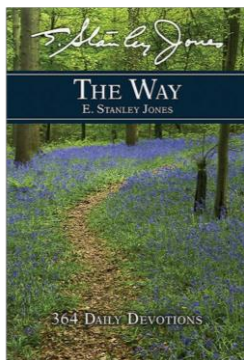
"Brother Stanley was ahead of his time in expressing many, if not most, of the insights modern spiritual leaders are talking about."

Book Club Member, Montgomery, Alabama

"Thank You. It is an honor to be able to share his work. It is a blessing to receive the gifts of his teachings. It is my hope that people will come to a complete understanding of the love of God towards us all. My own life has been catapulted into a new dimension by the work, and the Great Commission is forever ringing in my ear."

Anonymous

"You can't really see Christ until you surrender to Him. Those who start afar off, surveying Him, never really see His face, so bend the knee. Be conquered by Him. Surrender yourself." *ESJ*



## Hear the Spirit of God

"Brother Stanley managed to get out of the left side of his brain and access the side of the brain that enabled him to hear the Spirit of God in a way that gave him access to a global awareness that few (if any) knew anything about. He was utterly dependent upon the Holy Spirit. Let's face it, how many renaissance men do you know that were utterly dependent upon the Spirit of God?"

*Bob T.*

## Hope

"You gave us hope and conviction when you emphasized the basic of spiritual faith of Stanley Jones "Surrender to Jesus" Glory of God to the movement of your country and the world! Jesus is Lord." (1 Corinthians 12:3)

Chairman, Japan Christian Ashram

*Yoshinari Y.*

## This is It!

E. Stanley Jones' book on Mahatma Gandhi in the Martin Luther King Library contains a handwritten note by King that reads, "This is it! This is the way to achieve freedom for the Negro in America."

## A Timely Word

"Dr. Em Baxter gave me a copy of "The Unshakeable Kingdom and the Unchanging Person" about fifteen years ago. I just read the book and was moved beyond words. Next to the Bible it is by far the most powerful and important book I've ever read. I believe it was written for this hour; especially for the younger generation emerging on the scene in a world that is, for the most part, bankrupt and running out of options!"

*Jerry K.*

## Strength for Today

"I cannot begin to tell you how much your Grandfathers book is impacting my life and the lives of my 16 year old granddaughters. I had a very difficult experience last evening and thought how neat it would have been to talk with a man with his down to earth faith and wisdom. I put into practice some of the principles I'm learning from the book and drew upon my Heavenly Fathers strength to get through the night. May Our Lord be glorified!"

*Sandi B.*

## Unexpected Result

"It was almost by chance that Jones became a writer. It was suggested in 1925 that he incorporate into a book the addresses that he had been

delivering all across India and America the previous year.

These talks were based on his missionary work among the intellectuals of India. The unexpected result, a month later, was *The Christ of the Indian Road*, an immediate best seller. Indeed all of his writings

have been proclamation." (Mathews, Selections from E. Stanley Jones, 16)



## Passion for People

"Thank you so much for keeping the message of this dear brother in Christ and Father in missions alive. He is one of my greatest heroes. E. Stanley Jones' values, his love for God, and his passion for people of every kind has earmarked my life in full time ministry for the past 35 years--31 of them in overseas missions to those who as of yet do not fully understand how very much Jesus loves them. God is our only Way Home."

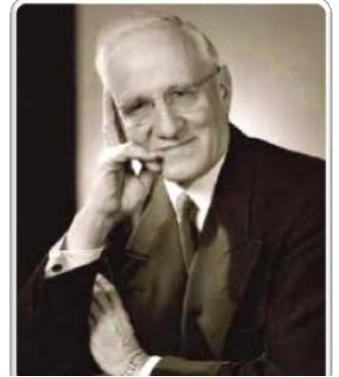
*Deborah E.*



## Jones' Transformation

Jones describes his experience of complete transformation. He had left the mission field to recuperate for a year in the United States as his health had "broken." Upon his return to India, he had to go to the mountains to again, try to restore his health. He tells this story

"Back from furlough of a year, the first thing I had to think about was my own health. I came down from the mountains and had to go back again. When I came down the second time, I knew the game was up—I would have to leave the mission field and my work and try to regain my shattered health. In that dark hour I was in the Central Methodist Church in Lucknow. I was at the back of the church kneeling in prayer, not for myself but for others, when God said to me: "Are you yourself ready for the work to which I have called you?" My reply: "No, Lord, I'm done for. I've reached the end of my resources and I can't go on." God responded, "If you'll turn that problem over to me and not worry about it, I'll take care of it." My eager reply: "Lord, I close the bargain right here."



I arose from my knees knowing I was a well man. As I walked home, my feet scarcely touched the earth, I was possessed with life and health and peace. I was flooded with a sense of energy, of peace, of power, of adequacy. And, I knew that is was no wave of passing emotion that would recede and leave me with nothing but my own resources. Rather, I was in possession of the Holy Spirit and the Spirit of Trust who should abide forever.

Without that total rescuing from weakness to strength, from confusion to certainty, from inner conflict to unity, from myself to his Self, I doubt whether I would have had the nerve to undertake this work to which I had been called. It was too demanding, too baffling, and too overwhelmingly difficult to match it with bare human resources.

But now I saw my resources. As I look back, I now see that it was good that I should start with so little, for I could take so much. From nothing I was led into His everything.



"Draw me closer to You and not my own critical opinions. Divorce me from my entanglement with my own views. Liberate me from dependence upon my own inclinations and preferences. Turn my heart to Jesus and through Him, to others."

*Tom S.*

In response to Brother Stanley's affirmation about the measure of criticism

"Yourself on your own hands is a problem and a pain.  
Yourself in the hands of God is a possibility and a power." *ESJ*

## I Invite You to Partner with Us

Dear Friends:

This has been an historic year! We are witnessing God moving among us, connecting people, prayers and resources to accomplish Kingdom work through the E. Stanley Jones Foundation. We feel a sense of urgency about the sacred trust God has given us to be faithful in our mission. No doubt we all agree that never before have we been more aware of a time our families, our community and our world need the hope, peace and transformation that comes from faith in God. We have a sense of awesome reverence as we anticipate how God will continue to use efforts of the E. Stanley Jones Foundation next year.



### AS WE MOVE INTO NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2015, HERE IS WHAT I AM INVITING YOU TO PRAY ABOUT AND CONSIDER.

- Please pray God will give us wisdom, and show us how to be most effective in our efforts of bold and fruitful evangelism, which shares the life-changing message of Jesus Christ to persons of all ages, backgrounds, life situations and locations, in the tradition of E. Stanley Jones.
- Ask God to open doors and opportunities for us to walk through so we can be responsive in service to God and others.
- In prayer and thanksgiving, join me and my family, in making a special gift this month, to help assure all the work the E. Stanley Jones Foundation has planned this year is completed. Your special gift will be a bold expression of your generosity and gratitude to God.

"I find myself praying for you with a glad heart. I am so pleased that you have continued on in this with us, believing and proclaiming God's Message, from the day you heard it right up to the present. There has never been the slightest doubt in my mind that the God who started this great work in you would keep at it and bring it to a flourishing finish on the very day Christ Jesus appears."  
Philippians 1:5-6 The Message (MSG)

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS, PRAYERS, AND GENEROSITY.** I believe God expects you and me to do what we can, with what we have. None of us can do everything, but most of the time, we can do something. Every day matters as we ask the Lord for the opportunity to reach one more person. No act of generosity or kindness goes unnoticed by our heavenly Father, the giver of true life. God will use your gift in unimaginable ways. If you cannot partner with us now, please remember our efforts in your prayers. Thank you so very much.

**MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY BEYOND WHAT YOU IMAGINE,**

*Anne*

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2. Mail your gift to E. Stanley Jones Foundation, **10804 Fox Hunt Lane, Potomac, Maryland 20854.**

If you have been thinking about giving an appreciated asset such as stock, property, royalties, etc., BEFORE year end, and would like to talk with someone about advantageous ways to accomplish this, please call me at **240.328.5115** or email me at **anne@estanleyjonesfoundation.com**.

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A handwritten signature of E. Stanley Jones in black ink.

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